

HOMELESSNESS IN YOUR AREA / 2023

Homelessness in Footscray

There are **694 people** without a home in Footscray on any given night.

Homelessness affects **96 people per 10,000** compared to the state average of 42 per 10,000 – ranking Footscray **6th out of 88** Victorian electorates.

Demographics

	Number of people	Proportion of total
By sex		
Male	458	66%
Female	236	34%
By age		
0–11	71	10%
12–18	37	5%
19–24	103	15%
25–34	212	31%
35–44	112	16%
45–54	80	12%
55–64	59	9%
65–74	16	2%
75+	4	1%

Where people stay

	Number of people	Proportion of total
Rough sleeping	0	0%
Supported accommodation	209	30%
Couchsurfing	24	3%
Boarding/rooming houses	278	40%
Other temporary lodgings	34	5%
Severely overcrowded dwellings	147	21%

Tracking progress

In March 2023, the ABS released its Estimating Homelessness report from the 2021 Census, allowing us to compare how homelessness has changed since 2016.

Since the last Census, homelessness has increased by 13.2% in Footscray.

In 2016, there were 613 people without a home, ranking Footscray 7th out of 88 Victorian electorates.