

HOMELESSNESS IN YOUR AREA / 2023

Homelessness in Geelong

There are 325 people without a home in Geelong on any given night.

Homelessness affects 46 people per 10,000 compared to the state average of 42 per 10,000 – ranking Geelong 38th out of 88 Victorian electorates.

Demographics

	Number of people	Proportion of total
By sex		
Male	188	58%
Female	139	43%
By age		
0–11	47	14%
12–18	34	10%
19–24	65	20%
25-34	77	24%
35–44	41	13%
45–54	35	11%
55–64	22	7%
65–74	8	2%
75+	0	0%

Where people stay

	Number of people	Proportion of total
Rough sleeping	25	8%
Supported accommodation	97	30%
Couchsurfing	35	11%
Boarding/rooming houses	61	19%
Other temporary lodgings	42	13%
Severely overcrowded dwellings	71	22%

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 11.2% in Geelong.

In 2016, there were 292 people without a home, ranking Geelong 29th out of 88 Victorian electorates.