

HOMELESSNESS IN YOUR AREA / 2023

Homelessness in Lara

There are 340 people without a home in Lara on any given night.

Homelessness affects 48 people per 10,000 compared to the state average of 42 per 10,000 – ranking Lara 34th out of 88 Victorian electorates.

Demographics

	Number of people	Proportion of total
By sex		
Male	175	51%
Female	165	49%
By age		
0–11	79	23%
12–18	51	15%
19–24	60	18%
25–34	56	16%
35–44	34	10%
45–54	40	12%
55–64	18	5%
65–74	3	1%
75+	3	1%

Where people stay

	Number of people	Proportion of total
Rough sleeping	3	1%
Supported accommodation	118	35%
Couchsurfing	52	15%
Boarding/rooming houses	0	0%
Other temporary lodgings	23	7%
Severely overcrowded dwellings	137	40%

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 38.2% in Lara.

In 2016, there were 246 people without a home, ranking Lara 37th out of 88 Victorian electorates.