

HOMELESSNESS IN YOUR AREA / 2023

Homelessness in South-West Coast

There are 311 people without a home in South-West Coast on any given night.

Homelessness affects 45 people per 10,000 compared to the state average of 42 per 10,000 – ranking South-West Coast 41st out of 88 Victorian electorates.

Demographics

	Number of people	Proportion of total		
By sex				
Male	176	57%		
Female	135	43%		
By age				
0–11	62	20%		
12-18	45	14%		
19–24	43	14%		
25-34	46	15%		
35-44	37	12%		
45-54	31	10%		
55-64	27	9%		
65–74	9	3%		
75+	9	3%		

Where people stay

	Number of people	Proportion of total
Rough sleeping	10	3%
Supported accommodation	159	51%
Couchsurfing	40	13%
Boarding/rooming houses	0	0%
Other temporary lodgings	27	9%
Severely overcrowded dwellings	74	24%

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 44.9% in South-West Coast.

In 2016, there were 215 people without a home, ranking South-West Coast 41st out of 88 Victorian electorates.