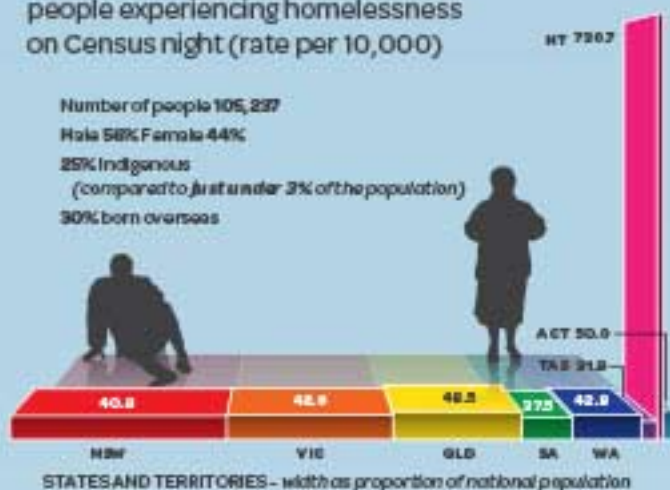




On any given night in Australia **1 in 200** people are homeless

Where are they?

State and Territory distribution of people experiencing homelessness on Census night (rate per 10,000)



Number of people 105,237

Male 58% Female 44%

25% Indigenous (compared to just under 3% of the population)

30% born overseas

How old are they?



75+	2% (2,028)
65-74	4% (4,174)
55-64	8% (8,649)
45-54	12% (12,507)
35-44	14% (14,494)
25-34	18% (19,312)
19-24	15% (15,325)
12-18	10% (10,913)
Under 12	17% (17,845)

Where do they stay?

Improvised dwellings, tents or sleeping out	6%
Supported accommodation for the homeless	20%
Staying temporarily with other households	17%
Boarding houses	17%
Other temporary lodging	1%
"Severely" overcrowded dwellings	39%

Who are they?

Of people who stay in boarding houses: 74.8% male, 25.2% female



Of people who sleep rough: 67.6% male, 32.4% female



Of people staying in supported accommodation for the homeless: 49% male, 51% female



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Why are they homeless?

From polling of people seeking support from specialist homeless services:



25%	Domestic and family violence
15%	Financial difficulties
13%	Housing crisis
10%	Inadequate or inappropriate dwellings
- 6%	Relationship or family breakdown
- 5%	Housing affordability stress
26%	Other reasons



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