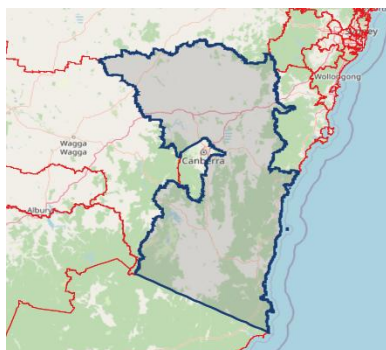
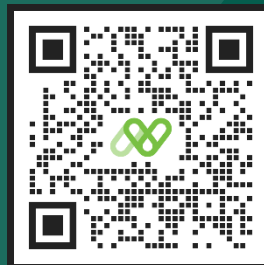


Capital Region

Yorta Yorta, Taungurung, Yuin and Ngarigo Country

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Poverty & Demographics



Poverty Rate

11.68%

13.4%



Single Parent Families

14.4%

15.8%



Median Household Income

\$1,544

\$1,829

Housing and Financial Stress



38%

people are living in housing stress.¹

39%

have gone without meals because they were short of money.

49%

have been unable to pay a utility bill on time at least once.

Health



22%

More than one in five people attended the ED because they could not see a GP.³

48%

have gone without prescribed medication because of cost.

300%

25% of people have delayed / avoided seeing a specialist because of cost. A 300% increase since 2020.

Children and Young People



13.8%

children are living in poverty at a cost of \$1.5 billion.⁴

588

young offenders across the region in the last 12 months, 43% of those young people proceeded to court.⁵

11.3%

children are developmentally vulnerable in two or more domains.⁵

Local Challenges



16%

people have had difficulty accessing government-funded financial support. Almost twice NSW average (9%).¹

55.8

Pokie machines per 1000 people in Queanbeyan, significantly higher than the NSW average of 14 and 11th highest across NSW.⁷

Disaster Relief

Areas within the Capital Region are still navigating the impacts of major floods and bushfires including road repairs through Bega and the Snowy Mountains.⁸

¹ Impossible Choices: Decisions NSW families shouldn't have to make. Regional Snapshot. NSW Council of Social Service. Following statistics have come from the NCOSS Cost of Living report. ² Access Denied: Australians Locked Out of Quality Healthcare Patient Experience and Socioeconomic Disadvantage in NSW. NCOSS 2024 ³ NSW Street Count results. NSW Government ⁴ Lasting Impacts of Child Poverty. NCOSS. ⁵ Australian Early Development Census 2024. Data by SA4. ⁶ Trends in youth offending in NSW 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research ⁷ Liquor and Gaming NSW. Electronic Gaming Machines by SA2. ⁸ Transport for NSW. South Region natural disaster recovery. ⁹ Poverty rate is defined as 15.27% of households. Single parent families is defined as 18.5% of all families. Australian Bureau of Statistics 2022.