

City & Inner South

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Poverty & Demographics

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NSW



Poverty Rate

11.69%

13.4%



Single Parent Families

11.6%

15.8%



Median Household Income

\$2,207

\$1,829

Housing and Financial Stress



71%

people are living in housing stress.¹

48%

have gone without meals because they were short of money.

65%

people could not afford to travel for essential reasons.

Health



21%

One in five people have gone to the ED because the GP was not available.²



230%

The number of people delaying or avoiding seeing a GP due to cost has increased 230% since 2020.

45%

people have gone without prescribed medication because of cost.

Children and Young People



10.2%

children are living in poverty at a cost of \$843 million.⁴

1,338

young offenders were recorded in the last 12 months. 52.4% proceeded to court.⁶

7.6%

children are developmentally vulnerable in two or more domains.⁵

Local Challenges



1,203

recorded DV related assaults in 2024, the area is ranked 56th in the state.⁸



346

The City of Sydney had the largest total increase of people sleeping rough in the 2025 street count, recording 346 people.³

46.5

pokie machines for every 1000 people in Haymarket, significantly higher than the NSW average of 14.⁷

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 2024/2024. ³ NSW Street Count results. NSW Government. 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 NSW Domestic Violence Quarterly Report. March 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research. 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. 2021 Census Quickstats.