

# **North Sydney and Hornsby**

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Poverty & Demographics	North Sydney & Hornsby	NSW
Poverty Rate	7.28%	13.4%
Single Parent Families	11.7%	15.8%
Median Household Income	\$2,623	\$1,829

### **Housing and Financial Stress**



73%

Of people living in North Sydney and Horsby are living in housing stress<sup>1</sup> 40%

Have gone without meals because they were short of money.

42%

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

#### Health



47%

Of people have a long term health condition.<sup>3</sup>

620%

The number of people delaying or avoiding seeing a specialist due to cost has increased 620% since 2020.

40%

Of people in the region have gone without prescribed medication because of cost.

## **Children and Young People**



6.1%

Of children are living in poverty at a cost of \$1.205 billion.4

672

young offenders across the region in the last 12 months. 57% accessed diversion options.<sup>6</sup> 7.4%

children are developmentally vulnerable in two or more domains.<sup>5</sup>

#### **Local Challenges**



1,1449

People were on the general waitlist for social housing in the Northern Suburbs at June 2024. The wait time is 10+ years.<sup>9</sup> 111

North Sydney is currently ranked III in NSW for recorded incidents of DV related assaults.<sup>8</sup> 154

pokie machines per 1000 people in Millers Point, significantly higher than the NSW average of 14/1000.<sup>7</sup>

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 20242024. 4 Lasting Impacts of Child Poverty. NCOSS. 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 NSW FACS (2024) Expected Waiting Times 10 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.