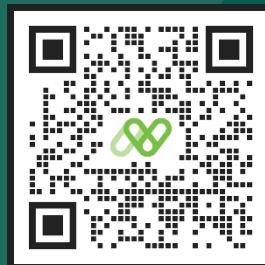


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Poverty & Demographics



Poverty Rate

17.53%

13.4%



Single Parent Families

15.1%

15.8%



Median Household Income

\$1,828

\$1,829

Housing and Financial Stress



70%

of people living in the Parramatta are living in housing stress¹

48%

have gone without meals because they were short of money.

49%

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

Health



22%

More than 1 in 5 people have waited longer than acceptable to see a specialist³



95%

The number of people delaying or avoiding seeing a specialist due to cost has increased 95% since 2020.

41%

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

Children and Young People



23%

of children are living in poverty at a cost of \$5.5 billion.⁴

707

young offenders across the region in the last 12 months. Increasing from 680 in the previous year.⁵

12.6%

children are developmentally vulnerable in two or more domains.⁶

Local Challenges



2,090

Incidences of DV assaults recorded in Parramatta over the 12 months to March 2025.⁷

2,495

Applicants are on the social housing waitlist, the fourth highest in the state.⁸

62.9

Parramatta has 62.9 pokie machines per 1000 people, significantly higher than the NSW average of 14.⁹

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. ⁴ Lasting Impacts of Child Poverty. NCOSS. ⁵ Trends in youth offending in NSW 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research. ⁶ Australian Early Development Census 2024. Data by SA4. ⁷ DV Assault Regional Comparison Tool. March 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research. ⁸ Social housing applicant households on the NSW Housing Register by Allocation Zone. May 2025. NSW Department of Communities and Justice. ⁹ Liquor and Gaming NSW. Electronic Gaming Machines by SA2. 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.