

## Sydney – Ryde

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### Poverty & Demographics



Poverty Rate

11%

13.4%



Single Parent Families

11.8%

15.8%



Median Household Income

\$2,206

\$1,829

### Housing and Financial Stress



74%

of people living in Ryde are living in housing stress<sup>1</sup>

31%

of people have gone without meals because they were short of money.

35%

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

### Health



20%

1 in 5 people have waited longer than acceptable to see a specialist.<sup>3</sup>



180%

The number of people delaying or avoiding seeing a specialist due to cost has increased 180% since 2020.

31%

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

### Children and Young People



8.8%

of children are living in poverty at a cost of \$3.62 billion.<sup>4</sup>

218

young offenders across the region in the last 12 months. Slightly increasing from 212 in the previous year.<sup>5</sup>

9.2%

children are developmentally vulnerable in two or more domains.<sup>6</sup>

### Local Challenges



19.8%

Increase in the number of sexual assaults recorded in Ryde over the two years to March 2025.<sup>7</sup>

2,411

people in the Northern Suburbs, which includes Ryde, are on the social housing waitlist.<sup>8</sup>

69.5

pokie machines per 1000 people, significantly higher than the NSW average of 14.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> Access Denied: Australians Locked Out of Quality Healthcare Patient Experience and Socioeconomic Disadvantage in NSW. NCOSS 2024/2024. <sup>3</sup> Lasting Impacts of Child Poverty. NCOSS. <sup>4</sup> Trends in youth offending in NSW 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research <sup>5</sup> Australian Early Development Census 2024. Data by SA4. <sup>6</sup> NSW Recorded Crime Statistics. March 2025. NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research <sup>7</sup> Liquor and Gaming NSW. Electronic Gaming Machines by SA2. <sup>8</sup> Social housing applicant households on the NSW Housing Register by Allocation Zone. May 2025. NSW Department of Communities and Justice <sup>9</sup> Liquor and Gaming NSW. Electronic Gaming Machines by SA2 <sup>10</sup> 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.