



# BRISBANE ZERO FAMILIES VULNERABILITY SNAPSHOT

JULY 2024 TO MARCH 2025

Brisbane Zero aims to end and prevent homelessness for individuals, youth, and families, starting with those who are or have been sleeping rough—on the streets, in parks, in tents, in cars, or cycling through motels and emergency accommodation. By 2032, we aim to achieve this goal.

Between **July 2024 and March 2025**, **155 Families with children** completed the Australian Homelessness Vulnerability Triage Tool (AHVTT).

The data provides valuable information on families' needs, assists in triaging the most vulnerable and advocating for systems change.

FAMILIES	DEMOGRAPHICS	HOMELESS HISTORY
 <p><b>155</b> Families with children surveyed</p>	<p><b>36yr, 2mo.</b> average age of head of household</p> <p><b>26%</b>  of heads of household identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (41)</p> <p><b>92%</b> Female Male</p>	<p><b>1yr, 5mo.</b> average time homeless</p> <p><b>143</b> Female Heads of Household</p>
<p><b>ROUGH SLEEPING</b></p>	<p><b>31%</b> (48)</p>	<p>of households were sleeping rough, meaning they are sleeping on the streets, in parks, or cars, at time of survey</p>

### SAFETY

**67%** (104) of families experienced violence within the past year

**66%** (103) of families lost housing because they experienced violence

### DAILY NEEDS

**48%** (74) do not have people they can rely upon or care about them

**47%** (73) do not have money to take care of daily needs outside of housing

**21%** (33) do not have access to food and water when hungry or thirsty

### HEALTH

Families who have disclosed health issues for at least one family member.

**68%** (105) experienced at least one health or substance use issue

**55%** (85) have a diagnosed mental health condition

**41%** (64) have a serious ongoing health issue

**8%** (13) regularly use substances such as drugs or alcohol

**24%** (37) have a brain injury or traumatic head injury

#### COMMON HEALTH ISSUES

For those with a diagnosed mental or physical health condition:

- 39%** (60) anxiety disorder
- 27%** (42) clinical depression
- 26%** (40) post-traumatic stress disorder
- 8%** (12) neurodevelopment disorder
- 7%** (11) neurological diseases

### HEALTH SYSTEM USAGE

Families who have disclosed regular interactions with health services for at least one family member.

**25%** (39) were high health service system users

**10%** were taken in an ambulance to hospital 5 or more times in the past year

**15%** went to the emergency department 5 or more times in the last year

**19%** were admitted to the hospital for 5 or more nights in the past year

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## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Physical or mental health conditions, addictions, pregnancy.

## SOCIAL AND DAILY NEEDS

Access to hygiene facilities and services.

## WELLBEING AND SAFETY

About feeling safe or experienced violence.

## SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

