

The Brisbane Zero Campaign is a community-based project to build public support for ending homelessness.

Brisbane Zero aims to know our homeless by name and is committed to our goal for homelessness to be rare, brief and non-recurring.

The Brisbane Zero data collaboration includes our regional members:

3rd Space
Anglicare SEQ
Annerley Baptist Church
ATSICH Brisbane Housing Service
Brisbane City Council
Community Plus QLD
Community QLD
Drug ARM
Encircle
Footprints
Indigenous Urban Institute of Health (IUIH)
Kyabra SEQ
Micah Projects
Mission Australia
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Unlocking systems
to end homelessness



**This snapshot shows the indicator
of needs by survey of a cohort of**

INDIVIDUAL WOMEN

**experiencing homelessness in
Brisbane (2019-2022)**

¹ 548 women who presented without children were surveyed by participating Brisbane Zero services between 2019 -2022

²Specialist homelessness services annual report 2019-20, Older clients - Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (aihw.gov.au)

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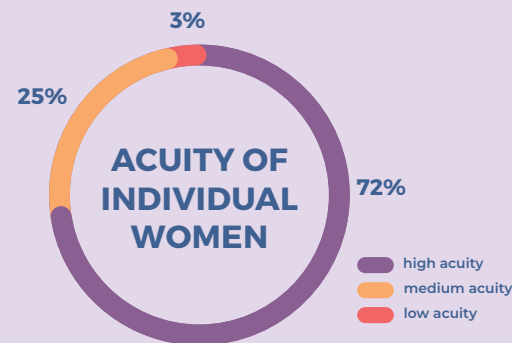


845 women experiencing homelessness in Brisbane were surveyed by participating Brisbane Zero services over the last 3 years. This number includes **548*** individual women.

Brisbane Zero knows them all by name.

548 BRISBANE WOMEN** TOLD US

**who presented without children and are experiencing homelessness.



'Acuity' levels identify the kind of housing and support people require to live more stable and productive lives.

High Acuity

72% need Supportive Housing: permanent, affordable housing with embedded healthcare and community services.

Medium Acuity

25% require an affordable and stable housing solution with short-term support services.

Low Acuity

3% simply need affordable housing.

Partners in the Brisbane Zero Campaign use a tool called the **Vulnerability Index- Service Prioritisation Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT)**, to pre-screen for health, housing and support needs.

This fact sheet provides information about **548*** individual women who have experienced homelessness in the past 3 years.¹



* This number represents only 43% of individual women who presented at and consented to be surveyed by participating Brisbane Zero homelessness services over the last 3 years. It does not include all the individual women experiencing homelessness in Brisbane during this period.



Over 3 years we surveyed

548⁽ⁿ⁾

individual women experiencing homelessness in Brisbane¹

SNAPSHOT OF INDIVIDUAL WOMEN

493 WOMEN

90%¹

22%²

National population comparison

have at least **ONE MENTAL HEALTH CONDITION**

378

or



69%¹

DEPRESSION
diagnosis

249 WOMEN

or

45%¹

have had to be taken in an **AMBULANCE TO THE HOSPITAL**

382

or



70%¹

ANXIETY
diagnosis

319 WOMEN

or

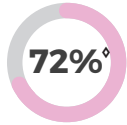


58%¹

have had **POLICE INTERACTION**

394 WOMEN

or



are using **CRISIS SERVICES**
including hotlines

183 WOMEN



33%¹



17%

National population comparison²

have at least **ONE** type of **DISABILITY**

¹ Percentage of (n) 548 total individual women surveyed

SECURITY

% of women surveyed who expressed a high need for permanent, affordable housing with embedded healthcare and support services.

72%

226 were sleeping on the streets, in parks, tents or cars.

322 were in some form of temporary accommodation (shelters, motels, or other emergency accommodation).

HEALTH

	Total
At least one Chronic Health condition (CH)	297
Dual Morbidity (MH+SU)	323
Tri-Morbidity (MH+SU+CH)	188
Substance Use (SU)	341

STABILITY

Women who are homeless are experiencing very high levels of vulnerability - that is, they have a high level of need for Emergency and/or Supportive Housing (housing + health services + other support services).

The information collected indicates that 92% of women surveyed have used at least one public emergency service.



	Total
Presentations at Accident & Emergency	297
Non-Mental Health Inpatient	192
Mental Health Inpatient	111

SAFETY

79% surveyed are or have been experiencing violence.

64% disclosed that their homelessness is caused by a relationship breakdown.

	Total
Women who have been physically harmed or mentally abused	366
Women who have experienced violence in the last 6 months	362