5,985 people are experiencing homelessness in South Australia.

### Homelessness in SA

#### National Average

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### Why are they homeless?

#### As Percentages

- **Financial difficulties**: housing stress, unemployment (8%)
- **Accommodation issues**: housing crisis, inadequate or inappropriate dwellings (42%)
- **Domestic violence and relationship issues**: time out from family, family breakdown, violence and assault (33%)
- **Health reasons**: mental health issues, substance abuse issues (2%)
- **Other**: transition from care/custody, lack of support, discrimination (14%)

### Who are they?

#### As Populations

- **Total**: male 3,376, female 2,505
- **Boarding houses**: male 768, female 208
- **Specialist homelessness services**: male 728, female 892

### Where do they stay?

#### As Percentages

- **Rough sleeping**: 6%
- **Supported Accommodation for the homeless**: 20%
- **Boarding Houses**: 17%
- **Overcrowded dwellings**: 39%
- **Staying with other households**: 17%
- **Other temporary accommodation**: 1%

### How old are they?

#### As Populations and Percentages

- **Under 12**: 15.7%
- **12-18**: 10.5%
- **19-24**: 13.8%
- **25-34**: 18%
- **35-44**: 14.9%
- **45-54**: 13.4%
- **55-64**: 8.5%
- **65-74**: 3.6%
- **Over 75**: 1.6%

### References

- Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Specialist Homelessness Services 2012-13