



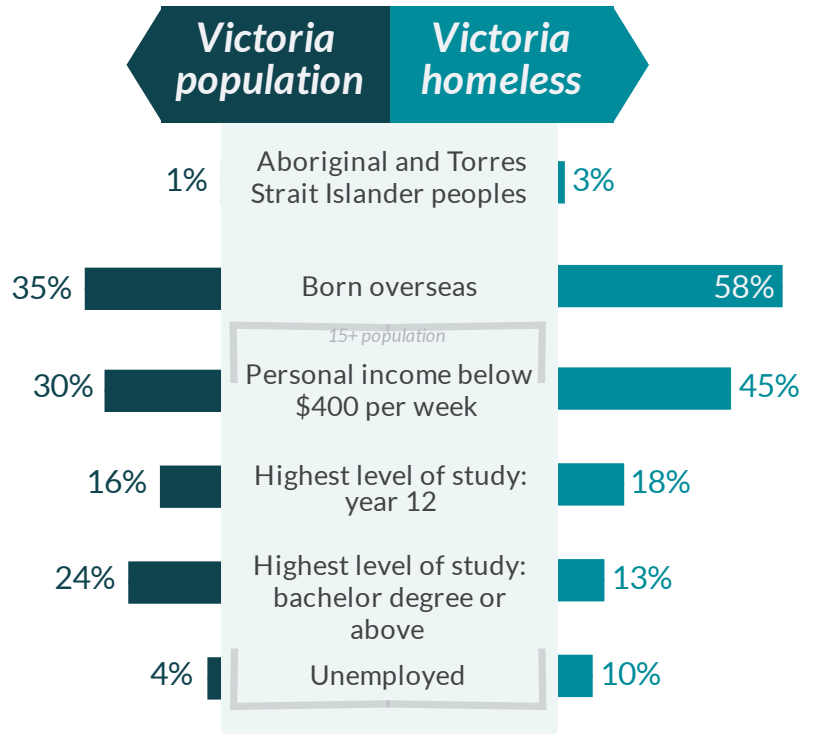
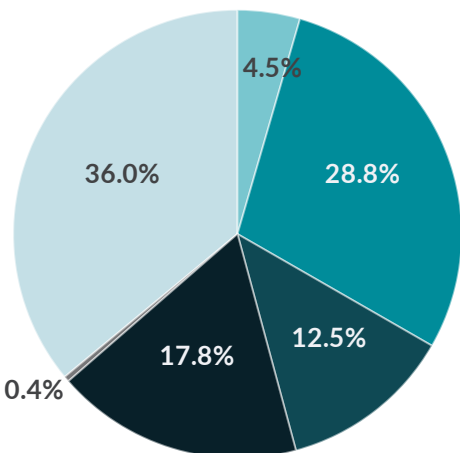
# Homelessness in Victoria: Key facts

People experiencing homelessness can have a varied range of **complex** legal and other issues that, when not dealt with, can further exacerbate this experience.<sup>1</sup> Information on homelessness can therefore play a **vital role** in the planning of legal assistance services across Australia. People experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness are one of the **priority groups** under the **National Partnership Agreement on Legal Assistance Services**. The Foundation has recently updated the **2018 Collaborative Planning Resource** to include data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics "Estimating Homelessness" data release in March 2018 to assist with collaborative service planning. This infographic presents some **key facts** on homelessness.



## Where do homeless people in Victoria live?

## How do homeless people in Victoria compare to the rest of the population?



- severely crowded dwellings
- sleeping rough
- supported accommodation for the homeless
- staying with other households
- boarding houses
- temporary lodgings

LGAs by greatest <b>per cent</b> of homeless people		LGAs by greatest <b>number</b> of homeless people	
Greater Dandenong	1.3% of the LGA	Greater Dandenong	1,942
Melbourne	1.3% of the LGA	Melbourne	1,725
Port Phillip	1.1% of the LGA	Brimbank	1,477
Yarra	1.0% of the LGA	Casey	1,280
Maribyrnong	0.9% of the LGA	Port Phillip	1,127

Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing: Estimating Homelessness, 2016 & ABS Census of Population and Housing 2016.

<sup>1</sup> Forell, S, McCarron, E & Schetzer, L 2005, *No home, no justice? The legal needs of homeless people in NSW*, Law and Justice Foundation of NSW, Sydney.

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