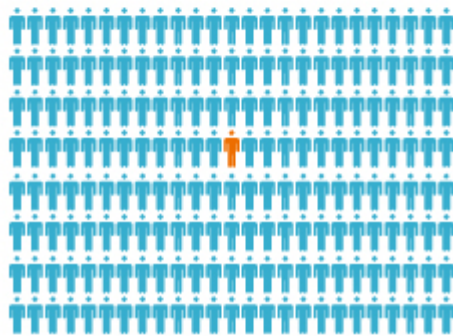


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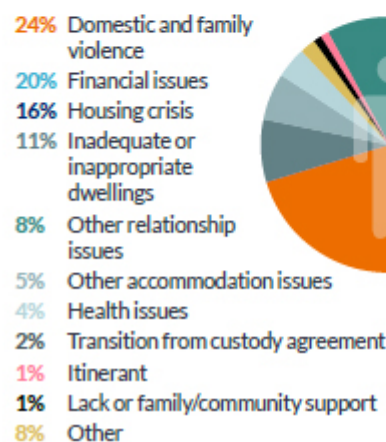


## Who is homeless?

1 in 200 people are homeless on any given night.  
17,845 are under 12 years old & 10,913 are 12 - 18 years old.



## Why are they homeless?



## Journey of homelessness

### Child



Dad and Mum fight a lot.  
One night the police came and we had to go to a shelter.  
Mum tried to find a job and was really sad.  
We moved to a homeless shelter.  
The service helped Mum find a job, buy us school uniforms and books (even a desk so we could do homework).

### Teen



I fought with Mum all the time. She said I needed to behave or leave, so I left.  
I slept at friends' houses for a couple of weeks. Each night I tried to find somewhere to stay. Sometimes it was at someone's house I'd never met and some nights on the street.  
I contacted a youth service. They helped with somewhere to stay, now I'm in my own place.

## What happens when you're homeless?

- Move Schools or stop going altogether
- Lose your friends and/or family
- Miss out on school uniforms, books, excursions
- You get sick
- You can get depressed/anxious
- You do whatever you can to survive



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## How can you help?

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1. Visit the Homelessness Week event page at [www.homelessnessaustralia.org.au](http://www.homelessnessaustralia.org.au) to find out about events in your local area.

2. Promote Homelessness Week material on social media and through your networks:  
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