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Connections Week

- 5 outreach sessions from Monday to Wednesday
- 280 volunteers – a record!
- 20 training sessions
- 28 teams
- 20 zones surveyed in CBD, parklands and North Adelaide
- Adelaide is the first city to use the new vulnerability assessment survey (VI-SPDAT)

Initial Findings

We engaged with **119** people
sleeping rough during Connections Week

60 people were identified for the first time

Plus an additional **167** people are known to be sleeping rough
on our By-Name List =

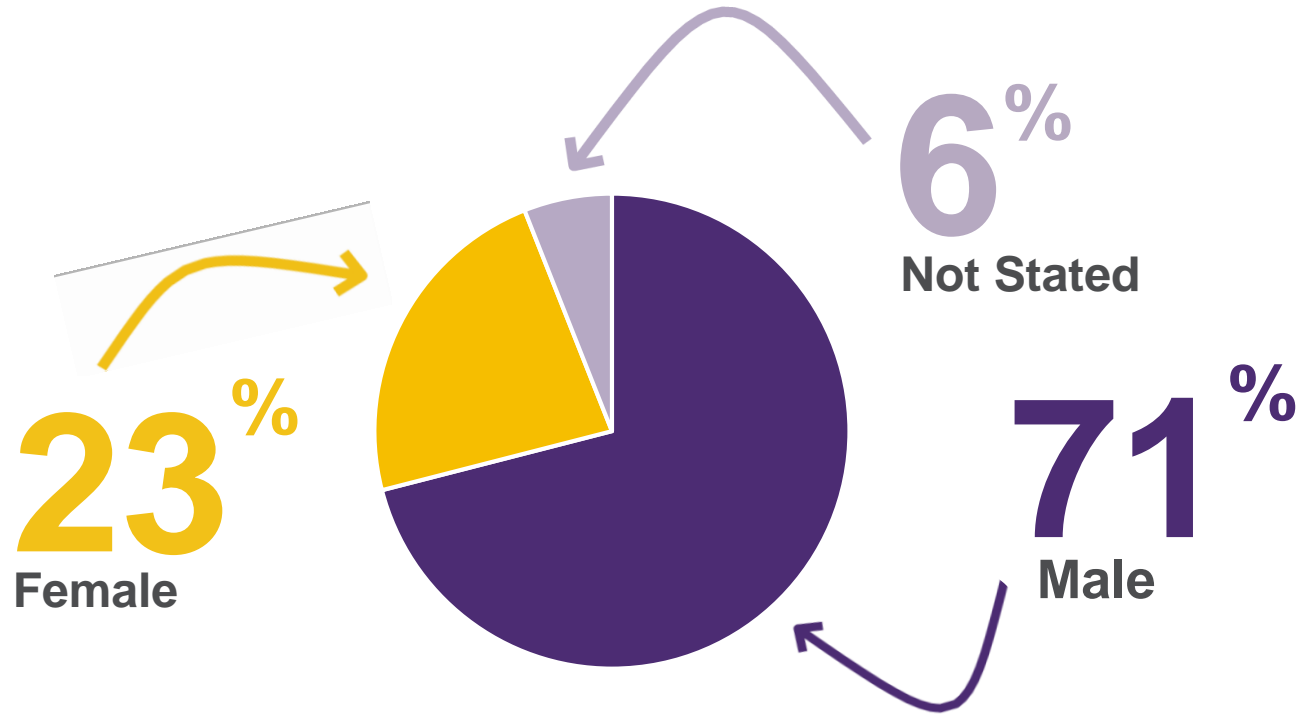
227 people currently sleeping rough

Vulnerability

- The average vulnerability score was 11 out of 31
- The highest vulnerability score was 20 out of 31

A score of 10 or higher indicates extreme vulnerability and high service/support needs

Initial Findings - Demographics



32.6% of rough sleepers were **ABORIGINAL** and/or **TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER** despite being only 2% of the South Australian population



Initial Findings – Time Spent Sleeping Rough

58%

had been sleeping rough
for more than 2 years

40%

3 or more episodes of
homelessness in the past
year

26%

had been sleeping rough
for less than 1 year

Initial Findings – Wellness



72%

Physical Health
Issues



72%

Mental Health
Issues

Initial Findings – Wellness



73%

Substance Abuse
Issues



47%

Experiencing
Tri-Morbidity

Tri-morbidity is defined as experiencing a combination of physical health issues, mental health issues and substance abuse issues

Personal stories

People who feel they have no meaningful daily activities:

59%

people reporting they lack daily
meaningful activity while sleeping
rough

- Age first sleeping rough
- What do people need to be safe and well?