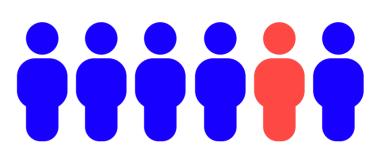


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1 IN 8 PEOPLE LIVE IN POVERTY

THIS INCLUDES 1 IN 6 CHILDREN



Everybody in Australia should have a roof over their head and food on the table. But that is not the case.

3.3 million people in Australia, including 761,000 children, live in poverty.

The facts:



\$489

is the **poverty line** for a **single adult** (based on 50% median income).



\$1,027

is the poverty line for a couple with 2 children.



\$304

is the **average poverty gap** - the difference between the average incomes of people in poverty and the poverty line.

Poverty can be reduced by:



boosting

growth in jobs.



increasing

JobSeeker and Commonwealth Rent Assistance.



investing

in **social housing** to ensure everyone has a **safe place** to call **home**.