# People experiencing mental health issues

## Our Diverse Communities

Compared to Greater Melbourne, Banyule has a higher proportion of people living with a mental health condition



Each year 1.2 million (one in five) Victorians will experience mental illness, and nearly half (45%) will experience mental illness in their lifetime

People living with a severe mental illness have reduced participation in the workforce and a greater likelihood of poverty and welfare dependence

Mental illness can be associated with greater risks of physical illness, experiencing violence, homelessness, disadvantage and discrimination

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Communities who are at greater risk of poor mental health and wellbeing include:

- First Nations people
- People from diverse cultural backgrounds,
- People experiencing family violence,
- Refugees
- People over 65 or under 25
- LGBTIQA+ people

The data from this report has been sourced from Profile .id using ABS Census 2021 data, Victoria's 10-year mental health plan (2023)