Yarra City Council

Early Years Development

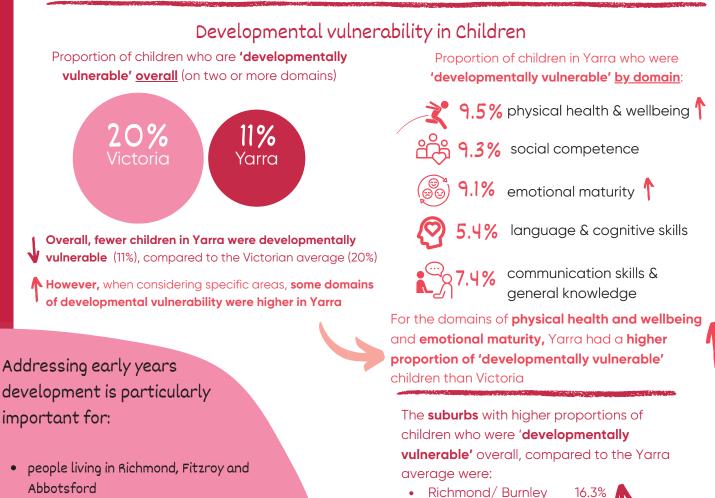
Why is it important?

The foundations of adult health are laid during the early childhood period (0-5 years). Physical, social, emotional and language/cognition development in early childhood strongly influence school success, economic participation, social citizenship and health later in life.

What is the story in Yarra?

4% of Yarra residents were 0-4 years of age in 2021, which represents 3,636 people. This is lower than the proportion of 0-4 year olds living in Metropolitan Melbourne (5.9%) and Victoria (5.8%) in 2021. The foundational importance of the first five years of life makes it an important population group to understand.

of Yarra children are fully immunised at 5 years of age, which is comparable with the Victorian average of 93%



- the physical health and wellbeing domain
- the emotional maturity domain

15.4%

16.1%

Fitzroy

Abbotsford

