



HUD 2021 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs Homeless Populations and Subpopulations

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Full Summary Report (All States, Territories, Puerto Rico and District of Columbia)

Summary by household type reported:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered**	Total**
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing*		
Households without children ¹	152,348	34,378	—	—
Households with at least one adult and one child ²	32,285	9,109	—	—
Households with only children ³	975	360	—	—
Total Homeless Households	185,608	43,847	—	272,372

Summary of persons in each household type:

Persons in households without children¹	158,148	35,130	—	—
Persons Age 18 to 24	10,239	5,694	—	—
Persons Over Age 24	147,909	29,436	—	—
Persons in households with at least one adult and one child²	103,474	27,903	—	—
Children Under Age 18	62,030	17,155	—	—
Persons Age 18 to 24	7,405	2,290	—	—
Persons Over Age 24	34,039	8,458	—	—
Persons in households with only children³	1,057	414	—	—
Total Homeless Persons	262,679	63,447	—	380,657

Demographic summary by ethnicity:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered**	Total**
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing*		
Hispanic / Latino	60,855	12,303	—	—
Non-Hispanic / Non- Latino	201,824	51,144	—	—
Total	262,679	63,447	—	—

Demographic summary by gender:

Female	113,370	28,127	—	—
Male	147,998	34,675	—	—
Transgender	983	434	—	—
Gender Non-Conforming (i.e. not exclusively male or female)	328	211	—	—
Total	262,679	63,447	—	—

* Safe Haven programs are included in the Transitional Housing category.

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Demographic summary by race:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered**	Total**
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing*		
Black or African-American	122,849	24,672	—	—
White	113,294	31,413	—	—
Asian	3,055	774	—	—
American Indian or Alaska Native	6,460	1,483	—	—
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3,785	844	—	—
Multiple Races	13,236	4,261	—	—
Total	262,679	63,447	—	—

Summary of chronically homeless households by household type reported:

	Sheltered		Unsheltered**	Total**
	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing*		
Chronically Homeless households with at least one adult and one child ²	2,360	0	—	—

Summary of chronically homeless persons in each household type:

Chronically Homeless persons in households without children ¹	43,420	863	—	—
Chronically Homeless persons in households with at least one adult and one child ²	7,233	0	—	—
Chronically Homeless persons in households with only children ³	63	0	—	—
Total Chronically Homeless Persons	50,716	863	—	—

Summary of all other populations reported:

Severely Mentally Ill	51,180	12,951	—	—
Chronic Substance Abuse	28,698	10,730	—	—
Veterans	10,502	9,248	—	—
HIV/AIDS	5,005	1,815	—	—
Victims of Domestic Violence	24,505	6,040	—	—
Unaccompanied Youth	9,928	5,835	—	—
Unaccompanied Youth Under 18	996	349	—	—
Unaccompanied Youth 18-24	8,932	5,486	—	—
Parenting Youth	4,163	1,612	—	—
Parenting Youth Under 18	27	34	—	—
Parenting Youth 18-24	4,136	1,578	—	—
Children of Parenting Youth	5,141	1,944	—	—

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