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Preface to the 2003 Report

Homelessness In The Denver Metropolitan Area: A Demographic and Statistical Report Fourth Annual Point In Time Study: January 27, 2003

The Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) has worked for the past ten years to facilitate and develop a comprehensive system of housing and services for persons who are homeless throughout the six-county Denver metropolitan area. This research project concentrated on conducting a census count of homeless persons in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties. Designing and implementing a comprehensive homeless service delivery system requires on-going accurate information on the number and demographic characteristics of homeless persons who need access to emergency shelter, supportive housing, permanent housing and specialized services. This is the fourth homeless census survey completed in the Denver metropolitan area. The four surveys, completed in June of 1998, September of 2000, October of 2001, and January of 2003, built upon previous research efforts beginning with Dr. Franklin James who conducted an initial Denver Metropolitan Homeless Survey, in 1988. While attempts have been made to improve each subsequent survey, care has been taken to assure a reasonable measure of comparability over time. As a result, we are able to examine important trends and shifts in the nature and characteristics of homelessness throughout the Denver Metropolitan Area.

One hundred and twenty-nine homeless providers from throughout the six county region participated in the census count of persons who were homeless on January 27, 2003. The census count was completed by distributing questionnaires to all area homeless facilities requesting that they administer the survey to all homeless persons throughout the week of January 27 with the understanding that persons completing surveys must be or have been homeless on Monday, January 27th. Homeless persons completed survey forms with the assistance of staff and volunteers at homeless provider facilities. Data entry, cleaning and removal of duplicates was performed by the National Research Center. Final data analysis was performed through utilization of a statistical software program called SPSS. Data analysis for homeless characteristics, demographics and other statistics are based solely upon respondents who completed a survey and indicated that they were homeless.

This study was completed on the streets, in emergency shelters, transitional housing projects, food lines, day shelters, homeless treatment programs, area hospitals, and homeless work programs. Persons were counted as homeless who lacked a permanent place of their own to live. This includes persons who were staying on the streets, in emergency shelters in transitional living facilities or were using services for the indigent, living in welfare hotels or motels, or were staying temporarily with family or friends and identified themselves as being homeless and were therefore requesting emergency shelter and services. Persons who reported that they had a permanent place of their own to live were not counted as homeless their permanent residence was an emergency shelter or the streets. The definition of permanent housing includes persons living in the following situations:

- Market Rate Housing Persons renting on their on within the community.
- Homeownership Persons owning their own home.
- Section 8 Program Persons renting in the community with the assistance of a voucher or funded through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The voucher covers the rental difference between an individual or family who pays between 30% and 40% of their adjusted gross income toward rent with HUD paying the rest.
- Shelter + Care and Permanent Supportive Housing Formally homeless persons whose rent is subsidized through funding received from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Summary

This study gives an illustration of the people experiencing homelessness in the seven-county Denver metropolitan area on a single day and evening in January of 2003. The findings reported are based on completed surveys from 1,985 families representing a total of 6,511 persons and 3,214 single individuals.

Key Findings

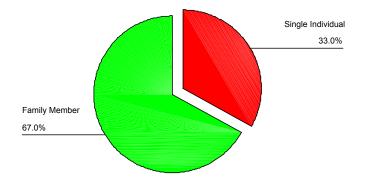
Overall Homeless Count

- A total of 9,725 persons in the metropolitan area were counted as homeless on January 27, 2003. Of the total homeless persons counted 3,214 were single individuals including 401 single youth on their own between the ages of 9 and 21. 3,452 were adults or youth headed families, and approximately one-third -- 3,059 -- were children in families.
- On January 27, 2003, 6,885 persons who completed a survey or 71% of the population surveyed had a need for emergency shelter and services. These persons lacked a permanent place of their own and were sleeping in emergency shelters, on the streets or in their car, camping out, staying temporarily with family or friends, residing night-to-night at welfare hotels, coming out of institutions, or staying in other places not fit for human habitation. Persons receiving transitional housing and services are not included in this figure.
- A total of 2,803 persons who completed a survey or 29% of the population surveyed, are participants in homeless transitional housing programs or treatment programs. A total of 37 persons who completed a survey or .4% of the population surveyed, did not report where they are staying, so no assumptions can be made as to what type of housing they would need.
- Point prevalence is important in determining the current need for emergency shelter beds, food, and clothing. However, an annual prevalence or how many homeless persons there are over the course of a year is important in determining the on-going supportive housing, job training, educational, and permanent housing needs of homeless persons. Results of this survey suggest that the annual prevalence of homelessness in the Denver metropolitan area is close 31,217 persons each year.¹
- Results of the 2003 study indicate that 67% of homeless persons are persons in families and that homeless individuals comprise 33% of the total homeless population.

¹ At the time of the January survey, 1,791 of the total homeless persons had been homeless one month or less. The estimate of annual prevalence assumes the number of new cases each month is constant over the year, yielding (12X 1,791) or about 21,492 new cases over the year plus the sum of the point prevalence of 9,725 = 31,217.

Individuals and Family Members

Total Homeless Persons Counted



Causes of Homelessness

■ Unemployment and inability to pay rent or mortgage and were reported as the two highest causes for homelessness among both individuals and families. Other causes of homelessness as reported by survey respondents varied between individuals and families. Substance abuse and mental illness were sited as causes of homelessness for individuals more often than for families; whereas, domestic violence was a larger contributing factor in family homelessness.

Reasons for	Highest	Overall	Percent	Individual	Individual	Family	Family
Homelessness	to	Count	of	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
	Lowest		Cases				
Unemployment	1	4517	54.1	1681	60.1	2836	51.1
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	2	3996	47.8	949	33.9	3047	54.9
Alcohol and Substance Abuse	3	1192	14.3	653	23.3	539	9.7
Domestic Violence	4	1136	13.6	159	5.7	977	17.6
Family Member/Personal Illness	5	1125	13.5	291	10.4	834	15
Unable to Pay Utilities	6	1023	12.2	235	8.4	788	14.2
Mental Illness	7	990	11.9	535	19.1	455	8.2
Bad Credit History	8	963	11.5	243	8.7	720	13
Moved to Seek Work	9	926	11.1	255	9.1	671	12
Physical Disabilities	10	709	8.5	328	11.7	381	6.9
Discharge Prison/Jail	11	568	6.8	315	11.3	253	4.6
Welfare Issues	12	497	5.9	90	3.2	407	5.3
Child Abuse	13	187	2.2	70	2.5	117	2.1
Sexual Orientation	14	71	0.4	30	1.1	41	0.7

Reasons respondents reported for becoming homeless are as follows:

Previous Address

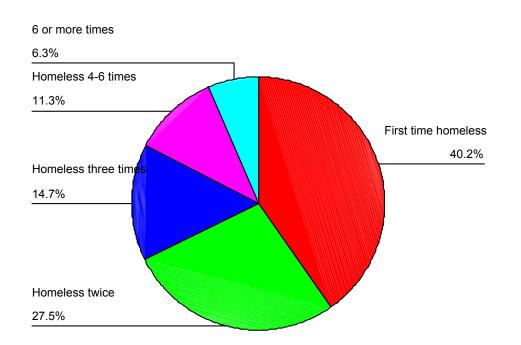
■ Persons surveyed were from all over the metropolitan area. The following table summarizes the county of last permanent residence for respondents.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Denver	3425	35.2	35.2
	Adams County	1437	14.8	50.0
	Jefferson County	1267	13.0	63.0
	Arapahoe County	1148	11.8	74.8
	Boulder County	932	9.6	84.4
	Other state	726	7.5	91.9
	Other place in Colorado	319	3.3	95.2
	Not answered	258	2.7	97.8
	Other country	104	1.1	98.9
	Broomfield	68	.7	99.6
	Douglas County	41	.4	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	

What was the last county you lived in before you became homeless? (County)

Frequency of Homelessness

• Over forty percent of the persons surveyed had never been homeless before.



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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	3708	38.1	40.2	40.2
	1	2539	26.1	27.5	67.8
	2	1357	14.0	14.7	82.5
	3-5	1038	10.7	11.3	93.7
	6 or more	578	5.9	6.3	100.0
	Total	9220	94.8	100.0	
No	Response	505	5.2		
Total		9725	100.0		

Length of Homelessness

■ A total of 2,986 persons or 43% of the persons surveyed had been homeless for 90 days or less. A total of 758 persons or 10.9%, had been homeless for two or more years. Surprisingly, chronic homelessness (*persons continuously homeless for a year or more*) affects both single individuals and persons in families as the tables below indicate.

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing

		Frequency	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 30 days	1441	20.8	20.8
	30 – 90 days	1545	22.3	43.1
	3 to six months	1130	16.3	59.5
	six months to one year	920	13.3	72.8
	one to two years	675	9.8	82.5
	two to five years	411	5.9	88.4
	five to ten years	176	2.5	91.0
	ten or more years	171	2.5	93.5
	Not answered	453	6.5	100.0
	Total	6922	100.0	

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

		Individuals a Mem	-	
		Single Individual	Family Member	Total
Length of	less than 30 days	416	1025	1441
Homelessness	30 – 90 days	506	1039	1545
Not Including Transitional	3 to six months	351	779	1130
Housing	six months to one year	337	583	920
Tiouonig	one to two years	296	379	675
	two to five years	238	173	411
	five to ten years	99	77	176
	ten or more years	113	58	171
	Not answered	120	333	453
Total		2476	4446	6922

Count

Introduction

The primary purpose of this report is to determine who the current homeless population is, how many persons are currently experiencing homelessness and to better understand the trends and shifts in the nature and characteristics of homelessness throughout the Denver Metropolitan Area.

The overall goals of the 2003 survey were:

- To provide a comprehensive census count of the homeless population in the metropolitan area on January 27, 2003;
- To document demographic characteristics of the homeless population;
- To determine the last permanent residence of homeless persons to better determine needs within each county;
- To determine where homeless persons spent the night of January 27th and where they were staying on the day of survey completion to analyze system capacity and review patterns of mobility of the homeless;
- To meet research requirements for the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the annual Homeless Notice of Funding Availability;
- To differentiate the needs of homeless persons for emergency housing, transitional housing, and permanent housing;
- To document the estimated number of disabled homeless persons who are chronically homeless;
- To differentiate the needs of homeless persons for appropriate services like job training, child care, education, food, domestic violence counseling, employment assistance, HIV/AIDS treatment, and mental health and/or substance abuse treatment.

The information contained within this report comes from one primary sources:

1. Surveys completed by homeless individuals, families and youth at area homeless drop-in centers, soup kitchens, on the streets, emergency shelters, transitional housing programs, and in welfare motels.

It should be noted that this study was limited in its ability to gain comprehensive information about the specific housing and service needs of homeless persons with special needs. Collecting information on the number of persons with mental illness, substance abuse issues, and HIV or AIDS related illnesses is difficult due to client confidentiality issues and the self-reporting nature of this study. As a result many homeless consumers with special needs may have chosen not to self-report receiving or needing services. However, the survey was able to gather a snapshot of information about homeless persons with special needs, and where possible that information is summarized and reported. Further studies that focus on these specific populations would be better able to document their specific housing and service needs.

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Methodology

Specific Point-in-Time of Data Collection

The Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative conducted the most recent homeless point-in-time survey for both sheltered and unsheltered counts on January 27, 2003 using the methodology established in coordination with The Colorado Department of Human Services for the previous three enumerations.

Community's Process And Methods For Collecting The Data

In order to gain an accurate enumeration of the number of homeless persons in the Denver metropolitan area, comprehensive surveys were conducted by agencies that serve the homeless throughout the seven county geographic regions, which include Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, and Jefferson counties. Participating agencies included emergency shelters, day shelters, transitional housing facilities, soup kitchens, homeless clinics, county departments of social services, housing authorities, and homeless permanent supportive housing programs funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In addition, mobile outreach teams from the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless, the Boulder Homeless Shelter, the Denver Medical Center Mental Health Team, the Boulder Mental Health Center, the Salvation Army, and previously homeless volunteers conducted outreach surveys to persons sleeping on the streets, other public places, and area welfare motels.

The Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) Research Committee met in December of 2002 to refine this year's process based upon feedback from the 2001 study. The 2003 survey instrument was significantly improved by first making changes to the 2001 questionnaire based upon results and feedback of that survey and then coding and restructuring the survey to make it easier for data collection, data entry and cleaning.

Over 10,000 questionnaires were distributed by mail and by hand to over 100 service agencies throughout the week of January 20, 2003. Questionnaires included attachments with detailed instructions for completing the survey. Training sessions were held in specific geographic locations to ensure that the survey was completed appropriately throughout the metropolitan area.

One hundred and twenty-nine homeless service providers from throughout the seven county region participated in the census count of persons who were homeless on January 27, 2003. The census count was completed by distributing questionnaires to all area homeless facilities requesting that they administer the survey to all homeless persons throughout the week of January 27th with the understanding that persons completing surveys must be or have been homeless on Monday, January 27. Homeless persons either self-completed the survey forms or received assistance from staff and volunteers at homeless provider facilities. The questionnaire was designed to ask only the person who completed the survey to report whether they were receiving or had received services/treatment for mental illness, substance abuse, etc. Because of this self-reporting, the numbers of special needs subpopulation in the survey are likely underestimated.

Many day and night shelters provided incentives such as candy bars, personnel necessity items and pop as an incentive to homeless persons to complete the survey. Outreach workers canvassed the streets and area motels to interview and complete survey forms for homeless persons not accessing homeless services.

Completed surveys were given to National Research Center, Inc. (NRC) in bundles from each agency. These surveys were reviewed before going to data entry by volunteer board members and staff from the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority. This review included:

- 1. Placing a unique numeric identification number on each survey.
- 2. Placing an agency id on each survey. If the agency name was not on the survey, but the survey was in a bundle of other surveys from that agency, that agency id was used.
- 3. Checking to see if the criteria identifying a "homeless person/family" were met. Several of the initial questions on the survey were asked to help with this process. Surveys completed by those who were in housing situations such that they would not be considered "homeless" were removed, and were not sent for data entry.

The surveys were next sent to an outside vendor, Alexander's Data Entry Services, for data entry. In this step, the information on each survey was entered in a uniform manner into an electronic dataset. Initial data entry, cleaning and removal of duplicates was performed by the National Research Center. Final data analysis was performed through utilization of a statistical software program called SPSS. Data analysis for homeless characteristics, demographics and other statistics are based solely upon respondents who completed a survey

When NRC received the electronic dataset, these data sets were then imported into SPSS, a statistical software program. Analyses were run using this program to look for inconsistent information. The first check was a "range check," in which a frequency distribution for each question was examined, to see if there were any values that were out of range; for example, if a question had two possible answers "yes" and "no," these responses would have been entered as either a "1" for yes or a "2" for no. If there were responses in the dataset of "3" or "4" to that question, they would be considered "out of range." The electronic data and the hard copy of the surveys would be examined to clarify the problem, and the dataset would be changed to reflect the correct responses.

"Logic checks" were also performed. These are analyses that look to see whether answers on some questions make sense given answers to other questions. When illogical responses were seen, the hard copies of the surveys and the dataset were examined, and changes were made to the electronic dataset to reflect the correct situation. Two SPSS datasets were created: one in which the unit of analysis was "family" (including one-person families) and one in which the unit of analysis was "person." Staff with the Colorado Department of Human Services, Supportive Housing and Homeless Programs completed final data cleaning with additional logic checks and analysis of variables. Results are currently being incorporated into a final report.

Finally, while the results of this study provide a good estimate for the needs of homeless persons in the metropolitan area, it should be noted that only homeless persons receiving and requesting assistance or those found through outreach efforts were counted. It is unlikely, that every homeless person in the metropolitan area was found on that particular day. Families sleeping in their cars and individuals not requesting assistance and who were not found through outreach efforts were not counted. This is a point in time census count and formulas were not utilized to estimate the number of persons not found.

Reasons Chosen for This Method

The principal reason for conducting a homeless census survey was to gather statistical information needed by the initiative to facilitate system planning and to accurately complete statistical and demographic information required by HUD for the annual homeless funding application. It was determined by the MDHI board that the most cost effective and efficient way of gaining an accurate count was to coordinate the methodology, training, data analysis and interpretation of the results with volunteer board members, the board research committee chaired by Pat Lease and staff from the Colorado Department of Human Services and to contract with a research organization whose primary purpose is to enter and clean raw data.

Defining the Homeless

Guidelines and requirements established by the federal government were used to conduct an enumeration of the homeless population. The federal definition includes homeless persons with emergency housing and service needs, as well as, homeless persons who are receiving transitional housing and services. Persons residing in transitional housing were not counted as needing emergency services. Persons were also counted as homeless who lacked a permanent place to live, were using services for the indigent, were living in welfare hotels or motels, and were staying temporarily with family or friends and identified themselves as being homeless and were therefore requesting emergency shelter and services. Persons in any of these places, who reported that they had a permanent place to live, were not counted as homeless. The definitions of populations types analyzed for this survey are as follows:

Homeless Families - Includes families with children, youth with children, and couples without children.

Single Individuals - Analysis is conducted in two different ways for this population. Overall count include single men and women age 21 and over. Detailed demographic information and statistical analysis within tables includes single men and women age 18 and older.

Homeless Youth - Analysis is conducted in two different ways for this population. Overall count includes single youth age 12 to 21. Detailed demographic information and statistical analysis within tables includes single youth age 12 to 18.

Contact Information For Our Homeless Surveys And Ongoing Data Collection Efforts Are As Follows:

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Pat Lease is an MDHI board member who was responsible for the 2003 survey distribution, collection and oversight of initial data entry and cleaning process.

The Colorado Department of Human Services – State government agency providing staffing assistance to the MDHI Initiative Tracy D'Alanno 4020 S. Newton St. Denver, CO 80236 303-866-7361 <u>tracy.Dalanno@state.co.us</u> Tracy D'Alanno is an MDHI board member responsible for final data analysis and written results. Ms.

D'Alanno is also responsible for oversight and supervision of the continuum HMIS system.

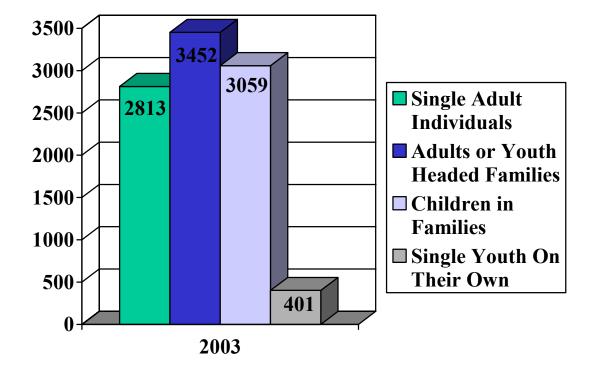
Introduction to Survey Results

This report presents study results in three ways:

- 1. Summary of Finding
- 2. Responses to key questions included in the survey for all respondents across the seven county metropolitan area.
- 3. Comparison of key questions among population groups for all respondents.
- 4. Detailed data tables which breakout key questions for each county.
 - Specific analyses may be requested on an "at cost" basis.
 - A copy of the database may be requested at no charge.

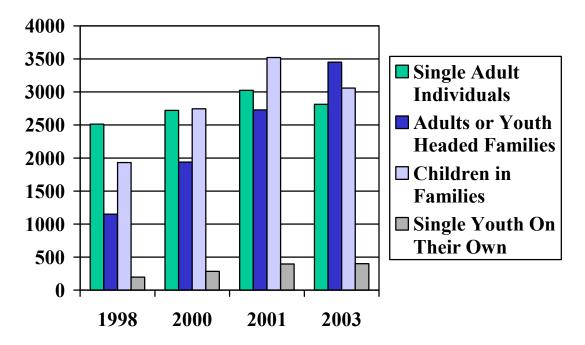
Key Questions

1) How Many People Were Homeless on January 27, 20	03
Total Persons Counted and Surveyed	
Single Adult Individuals (21 years and older)	2,813
Adults or Youth Headed Families	3,452
Children in Families (Under 18 years)	3,059
Single Youth not in Families (12 years – 21 years)	401
Total Unduplicated Persons Counted	9,725



1a) Persons Counted As Homeless 1998 through 2003

Population	1998	2000	2001	2003
Single Adult Individuals (21 and older)	2,514	2,722	3,024	2813
Adults or Youth Headed Families	1,150	1,938	2,728	3,452
Children in Families (Under 18 years)	1,931	2,745	3,522	3,059
Single Youth not in Families (9–21)	197	284	396	401
Total Unduplicated Persons Counted	5,792	7,689	9,670	9,725



Unsheltered Homeless Estimates

While the results of this study provide a good estimate for the needs of homeless persons in the metropolitan area, it should be noted that only homeless persons receiving and requesting assistance or those found through outreach efforts were counted. It is unlikely, that every homeless person in the metropolitan area was found on that particular day. Families sleeping in their cars and individuals not requesting assistance and who were not found through outreach efforts were not counted. The actual number on non-sheltered homeless persons on January 27, 2003 is not known. Research conducted by The Urban Institute in other states has found that estimates of the "non-shelter-using" homeless population range between 20 and 40 percent of the shelter-using population. Percentage is variable based upon the availability of shelter beds, the season and weather conditions. In addition, the Institute survey examined the living situation of homeless clients over an eight-day period and found that homeless persons are extremely transient over short periods of time. During the eight-day period many clients staved overnight in a number of different locations. Clients would often move from the streets, to different shelters, to staying in a friends' apartment or sharing a motel room temporarily. The study concluded that, "just under one-third of homeless clients would have been found during a typical week's time". If we apply the conservative estimate of 20% to the number of homeless persons we surveyed who were in an emergency shelter on January 27, 2003, it would add approximately 398 persons to the number of persons in non-shelter locations who completed a survey on that day.² That would bring the total head count to just over 10,120 homeless persons at any given point in time.

Annual Prevalence

Point prevalence is important in determining the current need for emergency shelter beds, food, and clothing. However, an annual prevalence or how many homeless persons there are over the course of a year is important in determining the on-going supportive housing, job training, educational, and permanent housing needs of homeless persons. Results of this survey suggest that the annual prevalence of homelessness in the Denver metropolitan area is close 31,217 persons each year.³

² Burt, M., & Cohen, B. (1989). *America's homeless: Numbers, characteristics, and the programs that serve them.* Washington, DC: The Urban Institute Press.

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2) In What Type Of Place Did You Spend Last Night?

Shelter & Housing Capacity

- A lack of capacity in the current emergency, transitional and affordable permanent housing stock has forced individuals and families to become creative in finding places to stay. Results of this survey indicate that 1,992 or 20.5% of persons surveyed were sleeping in shelters. 27.6% of homeless persons interviewed were staying temporarily with family or friends, 9.7% percent were sleeping on the streets, camping out, or were living in their car. 9.8% were living in hotels and motels. The total number of emergency shelter and domestic violence beds available to homeless persons in families is 813 not including the shelter being provided by local churches and overflow created by placing mattresses on the floors and doubling up with smaller infants. Total number of homeless persons in families who reported spending the previous evening in emergency shelter was 962. 343 persons in families spent the night on the streets, camping out, or in their car, including 98 children. The current emergency shelter system for homeless families is seriously over capacity and many homeless families needing assistance were likely missed in this survey due to our inability to locate them.
- Results of this study indicate that over 240 families or 12% of homeless families are stuck in what is called the motel trap. Due to the lack of capacity in the emergency shelter system, many working individuals and families are forced to live in daily and weekly rate motels. These families find it hard to save enough money to move into a permanent place of their own. The daily hotel rate and the necessity of having to eat out drains away any money earned, leaving little or nothing to put away for a damage deposit and first and last months rent.
- Ninety-three persons reported that they spent last night in their own home and had become homeless on the day of the survey. This number is similar to the results of the survey conducted in October of 2001, which reported that 98 persons become homeless on the day of that survey. Both surveys indicate that almost 100 persons become homeless on a daily basis throughout the Denver metropolitan area.
- Seventy-eight persons reported that they spent last night in jail or prison. This is a significant number of persons being released daily to the streets with the expectation that homeless facilities will provide them with emergency shelter.
- Thirty-one persons interviewed indicated that they had spent the previous night in the hospital. The Denver metropolitan area does not currently have adequate respite care facilities that can provide homeless persons with the type of care they need when being released from hospitals. Consequently, homeless persons who may require a bed in which to recover from surgery or a major illness have few options available to them.
- Thirty-seven persons interviewed indicated that they had spent the previous night in a
 psychiatric hospital. Interestingly, this is the same number of persons who reported being
 discharged from a psychiatric hospital in the 2001 survey. Not surprisingly, only four of the
 persons released from a psychiatric facility to the streets in the 2003 survey had been homeless
 for less than 30 days and 20 persons had experienced frequent episodes of homelessness.
 Psychiatric facilities are finding it difficult to place homeless persons in residential programs
 after hospitalization, since they did not have a permanent residence upon entry into the hospital.
 However, new discharge policies are being developed at the state level to address the need for
 more appropriate residential placement upon hospital discharge.

Where Homeless Persons Spend the Night

Respondents provided answers to two questions regarding nightly residence. The results of these two questions help us to analyze mobility patterns over short periods of time. The two questions asked are:

- 1) In What type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27?
- 2) Where are you staying now?

Frequencies

	Statistics						
		In what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27?	Where are you staying now?				
Ν	Valid	9725	9725				
	Missing	0	0				

Frequency Table

In what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	emergency shelter	1807	18.6	18.6	18.6
	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	608	6.3	6.3	24.8
	bus	61	.6	.6	25.5
	prison/jail	78	.8	.8	26.3
	psychiatric hospital	37	.4	.4	26.6
	in a home I/we own	93	1.0	1.0	27.6
	migrant shelter	25	.3	.3	27.9
	domestic violence shelter	160	1.6	1.6	29.5
	in transitional housing	2710	27.9	27.9	57.4
	with a friend or relative	2682	27.6	27.6	84.9
	hotel/motel	955	9.8	9.8	94.8
	detox facility	22	.2	.2	95.0
	medical hospital	31	.3	.3	95.3
	in a car	165	1.7	1.7	97.0
	camping	111	1.1	1.1	98.1
	don't know	50	.5	.5	98.7
	other	100	1.0	1.0	99.7
	Not answered	30	.3	.3	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0	

Where are you staying now?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	transitional housing	2803	28.8	28.8	28.8
	family or friends	2885	29.7	29.7	58.5
	hotel/motel	978	10.1	10.1	68.5
	domestic violence shelter	215	2.2	2.2	70.8
	emergency shelter	1924	19.8	19.8	90.5
	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	620	6.4	6.4	96.9
	camping or in the car	263	2.7	2.7	99.6
	Not answered	37	.4	.4	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0	

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

		Cases						
	Va	Valid		Missing		tal		
	N	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
In what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27? * Where are you staying now?	9725	100.0%	0	.0%	9725	100.0%		

In what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27? * Where are you staying now? Crosstabulation

					Where are	you staying now	?			
					domestic		on the street,			
		transitional	family or		violence	emergency	under a	camping or		
		housing	friends	hotel/motel	shelter	shelter	bridge, etc.	in the car	Not answered	Total
In what	emergency shelter	26	42	22	37	1639	31	10	0	1807
type of place	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	0	47	14	1	75	451	20	0	608
did you spend	bus	0	14	13	7	12	3	12	0	61
Monday	prison/jail	25	24	7	1	4	9	1	7	78
night,	psychiatric hospital	7	1	5	0	20	1	1	2	37
January	in a home I/we own	0	57	8	1	19	4	1	3	93
27?	migrant shelter	0	2	0	0	14	8	1	0	25
	domestic violence shelter	0	2	0	148	9	1	0	0	160
	in transitional housing	2700	2	0	0	5	3	0	0	2710
	with a friend or relative	14	2504	56	11	54	31	10	2	2682
	hotel/motel	3	85	823	5	10	14	7	8	955
	detox facility	1	9	0	0	7	4	0	1	22
	medical hospital	1	7	2	0	13	7	1	0	31
	in a car	0	16	12	0	7	9	121	0	165
	camping	0	6	7	0	10	21	67	0	111
	don't know	8	22	0	0	3	9	1	7	50
	other	18	44	4	1	19	3	10	1	100
	Not answered	0	1	5	3	4	11	0	6	30
Total		2803	2885	978	215	1924	620	263	37	9725

Given the lack of shelter and housing capacity in the Denver metropolitan area and the highly transient nature of homelessness, results show that respondents often rotate between shelters, the street, staying overnight in hotels/motels, to residing temporarily with family and friends. For example, while 1,807 persons reported spending Monday night in an emergency shelter, only 1,639 of those same persons reported that they were still residing in an emergency shelter. However, a total of 285 different

persons who spent Monday night somewhere else were now also staying in emergency shelter for a total count of 1,924 persons.

Individual and Family Differences

Patterns of mobility and choices of where to stay vary somewhat between single individuals and families. Families are more likely to stay in motels or with family and friends, while individuals are more likely to stay in emergency shelters and on the streets. However, given the severe lack of emergency shelter for families, this may be more representative of the current capacity of our shelter system.

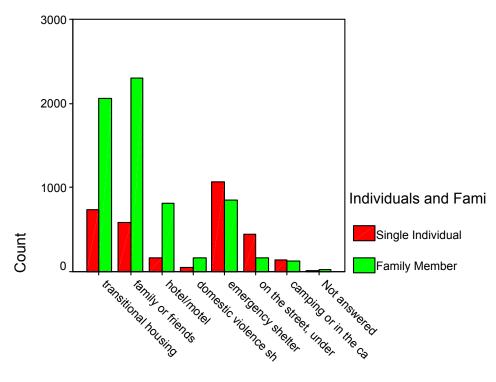
Crosstabs

Case	Processing	Summary
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		Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
Where are you staying now? * Individuals and Family Members	9725	100.0%	0	.0%	9725	100.0%		

Where are you staying now? * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

Count				
		Individuals a Mem	,	
		Single Individual	Family Member	Total
Where	transitional housing	738	2065	2803
are you	family or friends	584	2301	2885
staying	hotel/motel	170	808	978
now?	domestic violence shelter	49	166	215
	emergency shelter	1071	853	1924
	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	451	169	620
	camping or in the car	134	129	263
	Not answered	17	20	37
Total		3214	6511	9725



Where are you staying now?

County Differences

The capacity of each county to meet the needs of persons who are homeless varies. For example, Adams County has some emergency and transitional housing for families, but very little in the way of emergency shelter for single individuals. Boulder has some emergency housing for families, more for individuals, but very little in the way of transitional housing for either population. Broomfield and Douglas County have very little capacity to meet either the emergency or transitional housing needs of homeless persons. Given the limitations of our survey it is impossible to determine what the need may be for those counties, since most persons who completed a survey did so at a homeless facility. Counties who lack homeless facilities are not well represented in the count, since finding and identifying persons who are homeless is difficult.

Crosstabs

		Cases						
	Va	Valid		Missing		tal		
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
What was the last county and city you lived in before you became homeless? (County) * Where are you staying now?	9725	100.0%	0	.0%	9725	100.0%		

Case Processing Summary

What was the last county and city you lived in before you became homeless? (County) * Where are you staying now? Crosstabulation

Count										
	Where are you staying now?								•	
					domestic		on the street,			
		transitional	family or		violence	emergency	under a	camping or		
		housing	friends	hotel/motel	shelter	shelter	bridge, etc.	in the car	Not answered	Total
What was	Adams County	367	517	134	35	314	53	17	0	1437
the last	Arapahoe County	480	330	118	32	125	29	32	2	1148
county and city you lived	Boulder County	158	369	85	36	162	72	42	8	932
in before	Douglas County	13	7	8	3	8	1	1	0	41
you became	Jefferson County	349	485	207	24	116	31	50	5	1267
homeless?	Denver	1026	773	275	56	900	304	77	14	3425
(County)	Broomfield	20	25	4	0	12	5	2	0	68
	Other place in Colorado	112	73	21	9	55	34	15	0	319
	Other state	132	171	105	14	205	75	23	1	726
	Other country	43	41	5	1	8	5	1	0	104
	Not answered	103	94	16	5	19	11	3	7	258
Total		2803	2885	978	215	1924	620	263	37	9725

3) What Are the Age Breakdowns for Homeless Populations?

Age Group Breakdown - All Respondents Frequencies

Statistics

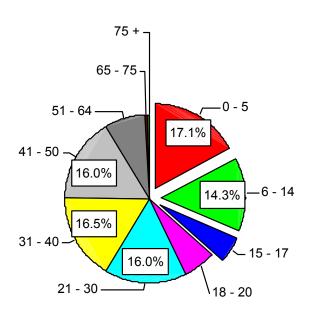
Age

Ν	Valid	9725
	Missing	0

	Age								
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent				
Valid	0 - 5	1599	16.4	16.4	16.4				
	6 - 14	1342	13.8	13.8	30.2				
	15 - 17	458	4.7	4.7	35.0				
	18 - 20	595	6.1	6.1	41.1				
	21 - 30	1501	15.4	15.4	56.5				
	31 - 40	1542	15.9	15.9	72.4				
	41 - 50	1499	15.4	15.4	87.8				
	51 - 64	739	7.6	7.6	95.4				
	65 - 75	63	.6	.6	96.0				
	75 +	16	.2	.2	96.2				
	Not answered	371	3.8	3.8	100.0				
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0					

Age





Family Age Breakdown

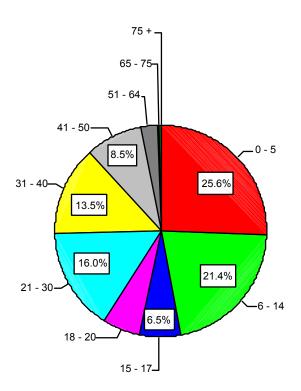
Frequencies

Statistics

Age		
Ν	Valid	6511
	Missing	0

	Age								
					Cumulative				
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent				
Valid	0 - 5	1598	24.5	24.5	24.5				
	6 - 14	1338	20.5	20.5	45.1				
	15 - 17	404	6.2	6.2	51.3				
	18 - 20	335	5.1	5.1	56.4				
	21 - 30	1000	15.4	15.4	71.8				
	31 - 40	847	13.0	13.0	84.8				
	41 - 50	532	8.2	8.2	93.0				
	51 - 64	157	2.4	2.4	95.4				
	65 - 75	31	.5	.5	95.9				
	75 +	10	.2	.2	96.0				
	Not answered	259	4.0	4.0	100.0				
	Total	6511	100.0	100.0					





The age breakdown for children in families is important to understanding the childcare and educational needs of homeless families in the Denver metropolitan area. A total of 1,598 children or 24.5% of

persons in families were five years old or younger, including 8% age one or younger. If the parents of these children are expected to work or attend educational programs, then these children will be in need of affordable childcare. In addition, there were a total of 1,078 children at 16.6% of homeless persons in families who were between the ages of 6 and 12, and 664 children at just over 10% of persons in families between the ages of 13 and 17. Public school systems need to be more aware of the educational rights of homeless students and to be able serve the potential special educational and emotional needs of these children.

Age of Heads of Household Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases		
	Valid	Total	
	Ν	Percent	
Age * Total Family Households	1985	100.0%	

Age * Total Family Households Crosstabulation

Count		-			
		То	Total Family Households		
			Youth Headed		
		Family Unit	Household	Youth Primary	Total
Age	6 - 14	0	1	1	2
	15 - 17	0	27	11	38
	18 - 20	93	92	1	186
	21 - 30	718	0	0	718
	31 - 40	582	0	0	582
	41 - 50	334	0	0	334
	51 - 64	73	0	0	73
	65 - 75	5	0	0	5
	75 +	1	0	0	1
	Not answered	46	0	0	46
Total		1852	120	13	1985

The survey documented 120 youth headed households with the head of household being between the ages of 14 and 19. The survey also documented thirteen youth primary households where the reported family composition was youth couples without children or youth joining together to form their own "family". Finally 93 households were counted where one head of household was 19 years or younger and the spouse or partner was 20 years of age or older.

Age by Family Type and Head of Household Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases		
	Family Total		
	N Percent		
Age * Family Type	1985	100.0%	

Age * Family Type Crosstabulation

Count

			Family	Туре	-	
		two parent	one parent	couple		
		family with	family with	without	other type	
		children	children	children	of family	Total
Age	6 - 14	0	1	0	1	2
	15 - 17	7	14	7	10	38
	18 - 20	40	109	10	27	186
	21 - 30	144	466	33	75	718
	31 - 40	107	363	56	56	582
	41 - 50	71	154	69	40	334
	51 - 64	7	16	31	19	73
	65 - 75	0	0	3	2	5
	75 +	0	0	0	1	1
	Not answered	11	22	5	8	46
Total		387	1145	214	239	1985

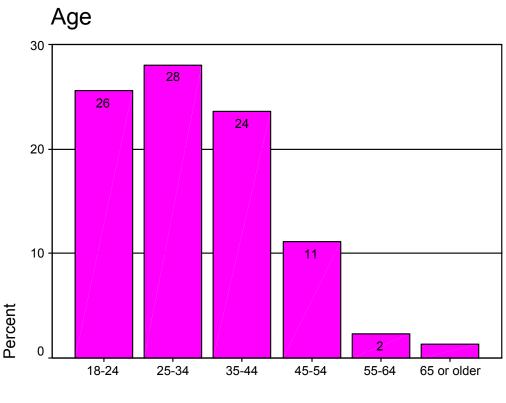
Frequencies Age of Adults in Families

Statistics

Age	Э	
Ν	Valid	3171
	Missing	0

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	18-24	811	25.6	25.6	25.6
	25-34	889	28.0	28.0	53.6
	35-44	747	23.6	23.6	77.2
	45-54	352	11.1	11.1	88.3
	55-64	72	2.3	2.3	90.5
	65 or older	41	1.3	1.3	91.8
	Not answered	259	8.2	8.2	100.0
	Total	3171	100.0	100.0	

Age



Age

The age breakdown of homelessness among adults within families shows that the highest percentage were between the ages of 25 and 34 at 28%. It has often been believed that homelessness among parents of homeless families were primarily younger adults. However, our last three studies show that parental age in homeless families mirrors that of the general population. The other surprising result of our last two homeless studies show an increase in other types of family compositions including homeless grandparents raising grandchildren and larger more extended families which often include additional members like aunts, uncles, and adult siblings, and grandparents.

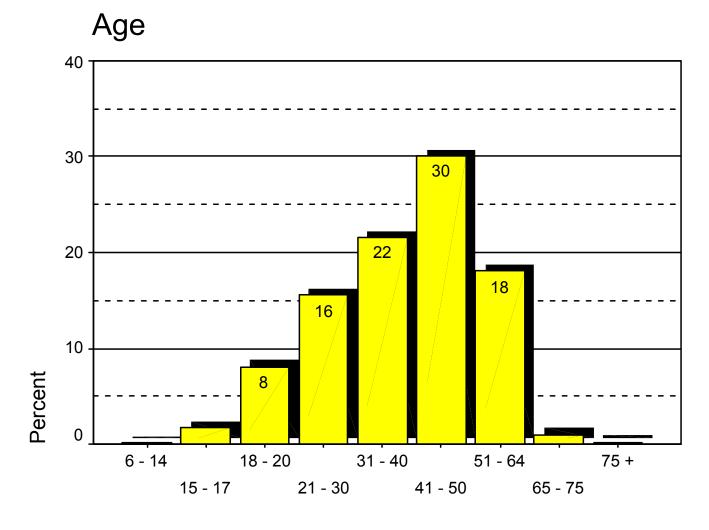
Individual Age Breakdown Frequencies

Statistics

Age	;		
Ν	Valid	3214	
	Missing	0	

Age	•
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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	6 - 14	4	.1	.1	.1
	15 - 17	54	1.7	1.7	1.8
	18 - 20	260	8.1	8.1	9.9
	21 - 30	501	15.6	15.6	25.5
	31 - 40	695	21.6	21.6	47.1
	41 - 50	967	30.1	30.1	77.2
	51 - 64	582	18.1	18.1	95.3
	65 - 75	32	1.0	1.0	96.3
	75 +	7	.2	.2	96.5
	Not answered	112	3.5	3.5	100.0
	Total	3214	100.0	100.0	





The age breakdown for homeless single individuals shows a continuing trend toward single individuals becoming older. In 1988, most single individuals were between the ages of 25 and 35.⁴ The age breakdown of homelessness among single adults shows that 761 persons or 23.7% are between the ages of 18 and 30. Currently, single adults between the ages of 31 and 50 comprise 51.7% of the homeless single population, with the median age for single individuals reported at 41. Finally, over 19% are 51 and older.

Age Breakdown Homeless Youth On Their Own 21 and under Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Age * Single Youth 21 and Under	401	100.0%

Single Youth 21 and Under Crosstabulation

Count

		Single Youth 21 and Under	
			Total
Age	6 - 14	4	4
	15 - 17	54	54
	18 - 20	260	260
	21 - 30	83	83
Total		401	401

Results of the 2003 survey show a continual increase in the number of homeless youth age 21 and under living on their own. The youngest homeless youth surveyed was nine years old with the majority at 65% between the ages of 18 and 20.

⁴ Franklin J. James, "Patterns of Homelessness in the Denver Metropolitan Area: August, 1995." Denver: Graduate School of Public Affairs, April 1996 (revised).

4) Gender

Gender Breakdown - All Respondents Frequencies

Statistics

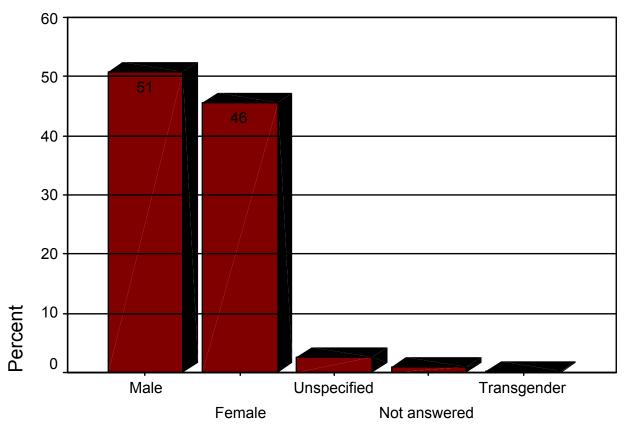
How do you define your gender?

Ν	Valid	9725
	Missing	0

How do you define your gender?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Male	4932	50.7	50.7	50.7
	Female	4433	45.6	45.6	96.3
	Unspecified	245	2.5	2.5	98.8
	Not answered	92	.9	.9	99.8
	Transgender	23	.2	.2	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0	

How do you define your gender?



How do you define your gender?

Gender Breakdown - Family Members Frequencies

Statistics

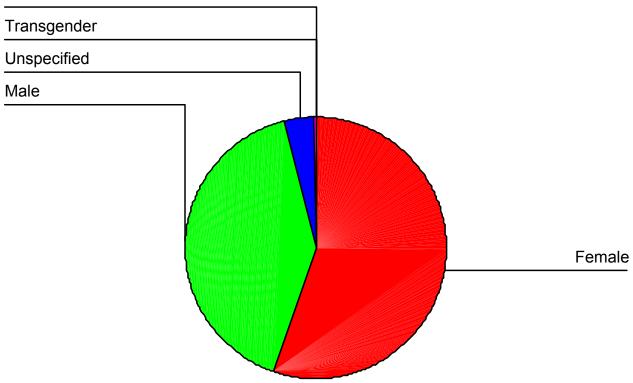
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Family Gender Breakdown

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Female	3604	55.4	55.4	55.4
	Male	2649	40.7	40.7	96.0
	Unspecified	245	3.8	3.8	99.8
	Transgender	9	.1	.1	99.9
	Not answered	4	.1	.1	100.0
	Total	6511	100.0	100.0	

Family Gender Breakdown

Not answered

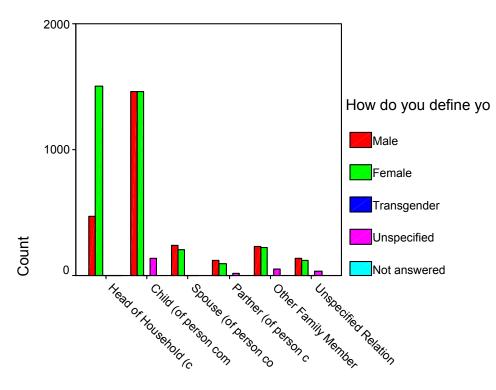


Case Processing Summary

		Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total		
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	
Person's Position in Household * How do you define your gender?	6511	100.0%	0	.0%	6511	100.0%	

Person's Position in Household * How do you define your gender? Crosstabulation

Count							
			How	do you define yo	our gender?	•	
		Male	Female	Transgender	Unspecified	Not answered	Total
Person's Position in	Head of Household (completed the survey)	469	1508	3	1	4	1985
Household	Child (of person completing the survey)	1458	1458	3	140	0	3059
	Spouse (of person completing the survey)	238	201	1	4	0	444
	Partner (of person completing the survey)	122	90	1	14	0	227
	Other Family Member (of person completing the survey)	228	226	0	53	0	507
	Unspecified Relationship (to person completing the survey)	134	121	1	33	0	289
Total		2649	3604	9	245	4	6511



Person's Position in Household

Single Individuals - Gender Breakdown Frequencies

Statistics

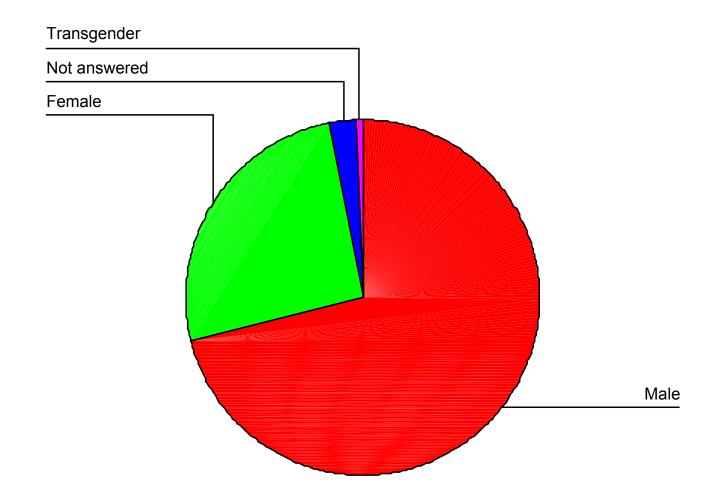
Individual Gender

Ν	Valid	3214
	Missing	0

Individual Gender

			_		Cumulative
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent
Valid	Male	2283	71.0	71.0	71.0
	Female	829	25.8	25.8	96.8
	Not answered	88	2.7	2.7	99.6
	Transgender	14	.4	.4	100.0
	Total	3214	100.0	100.0	

Individual Gender



Gender Distribution for Homeless Youth Crosstabs

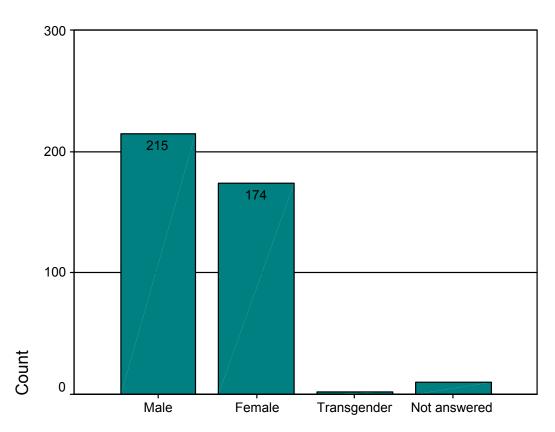
Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid Total	
	Ν	Percent
How do you define your gender? * Single Youth 21 and Under	401	100.0%

How do you define your gender? * Single Youth 21 and Under Crosstabulation

Count

		Single Youth 21 and Under	
			Total
How do you	Male	215	215
define your	Female	174	174
gender?	Transgender	2	2
	Not answered	10	10
Total		401	401



How do you define your gender?

Family Unit Breakdowns with Gender and Family Type Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

		Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
How do you define your gender? * Individuals and Family Members	9725	100.0%	0	.0%	9725	100.0%		

How do you define your gender? * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

			Individuals a Mem		
			Single Individual	Family Member	Total
How do you	Male	Expected Count	1630.0	3302.0	4932.0
define your		% of Total	23.5%	27.2%	50.7%
gender?	Female	Expected Count	1465.1	2967.9	4433.0
		% of Total	8.5%	37.1%	45.6%
	Transgender	Expected Count	7.6	15.4	23.0
		% of Total	.1%	.1%	.2%
	Unspecified	Expected Count	81.0	164.0	245.0
		% of Total	.0%	2.5%	2.5%
	Not answered	Expected Count	30.4	61.6	92.0
		% of Total	.9%	.0%	.9%
Total		Expected Count	3214.0	6511.0	9725.0
		% of Total	33.0%	67.0%	100.0%

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

		Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total		
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	
How do you define your gender? * Individuals and Family Members	9725	100.0%	0	.0%	9725	100.0%	

			Individuals a Mem	•	
			Single	Family	
			Individual	Member	Total
How do you	Male	Expected Count	1630.0	3302.0	4932.0
define your gender?		% within How do you define your gender?	46.3%	53.7%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	71.0%	40.7%	50.7%
		% of Total	23.5%	27.2%	50.7%
	Female	Expected Count	1465.1	2967.9	4433.0
		% within How do you define your gender?	18.7%	81.3%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	25.8%	55.4%	45.6%
		% of Total	8.5%	37.1%	45.6%
	Transgender	Expected Count	7.6	15.4	23.0
		% within How do you define your gender?	60.9%	39.1%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	.4%	.1%	.2%
		% of Total	.1%	.1%	.2%
	Unspecified	Expected Count	81.0	164.0	245.0
		% within How do you define your gender?	.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	.0%	3.8%	2.5%
		% of Total	.0%	2.5%	2.5%
	Not answered	Expected Count	30.4	61.6	92.0
		% within How do you define your gender?	95.7%	4.3%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	2.7%	.1%	.9%
		% of Total	.9%	.0%	.9%
Total		Expected Count	3214.0	6511.0	9725.0
		% within How do you define your gender?	33.0%	67.0%	100.0%
		% within Individuals and Family Members	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
		% of Total	33.0%	67.0%	100.0%

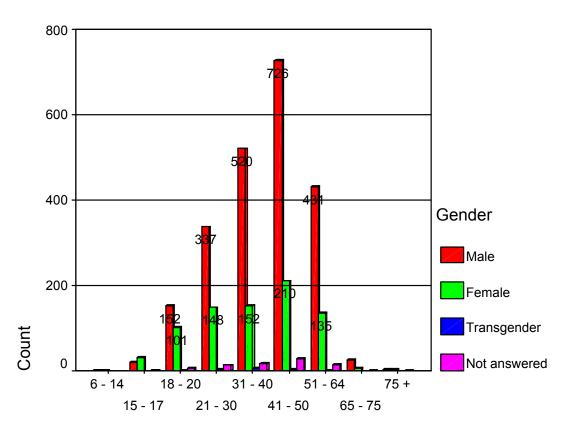
How do you define your gender? * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

Case Processing Summary

	Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
Age * How do you define your gender?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%

Age * How do you define your gender? Crosstabulation

Count							
	How do you define your gender?						
		Male	Female	Transgender	Not answered	Total	
Age	6 - 14	2	2	0	0	4	
	15 - 17	20	32	0	2	54	
	18 - 20	152	101	1	6	260	
	21 - 30	337	148	3	13	501	
	31 - 40	520	152	5	18	695	
	41 - 50	726	210	3	28	967	
	51 - 64	431	135	1	15	582	
	65 - 75	25	6	0	1	32	
	75 +	3	3	0	1	7	
	Not answered	67	40	1	4	112	
Total		2283	829	14	88	3214	





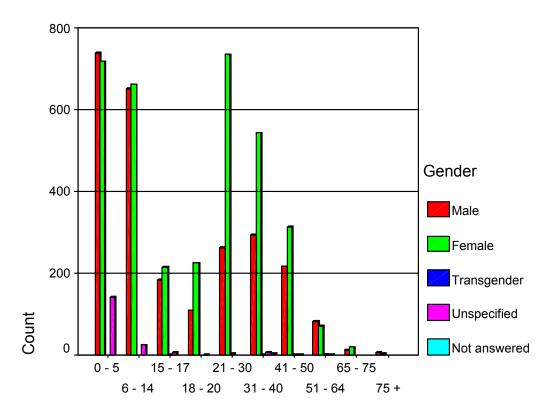
Family Gender and Age Breakdowns Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

		Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
Age * How do you define your gender?	6511	100.0%	0	.0%	6511	100.0%		

Age * How do you define your gender? Crosstabulation

Count	Count								
			How	do you define yo	our gender?				
		Male	Female	Transgender	Unspecified	Not answered	Total		
Age	0 - 5	739	718	0	141	0	1598		
	6 - 14	652	661	0	25	0	1338		
	15 - 17	183	214	1	6	0	404		
	18 - 20	109	225	0	1	0	335		
	21 - 30	262	735	3	0	0	1000		
	31 - 40	293	543	1	6	4	847		
	41 - 50	216	314	1	1	0	532		
	51 - 64	83	71	2	1	0	157		
	65 - 75	12	19	0	0	0	31		
	75 +	6	4	0	0	0	10		
	Not answered	94	100	1	64	0	259		
Total		2649	3604	9	245	4	6511		



Age

6) Individuals and Family Status Comparison

Family Status	Number of Families 2001	Number of Families 2003	Number of People 2001	Number of People 2003	% of Persons 2001	% of Persons 2003
One Parent Families*	1263	1103	3,861	3512	43.5	36.1
Two Parent Families**	341	372	1,517	1662	17.1	17.1
Couples without Children***	135	205	274	428	3.1	4.4
Other Family Compositions	61	217	168	909	1.9	9.3
Total Families	1,800	1985	5,820	6511	65.6	66.9
Single Individuals (18 & older)			2,959	3156	33.4	32.5
Homeless Youth (10-17)			92	58	1	.6
Total Single Persons			3,051	3214	34.4	33.1
TOTALS			8,871	9725	100	100

Notes:

* 56% are one-parent families (2001 study was 70% one-parent families) (2000 study was 76% one parent families)

** 19% are two-parent families (2001 study was 19% two-parent families) (2000 study was 13% two parent families)

*** 10% are couples without children (2001 study was 7.5% for couples without children)

According to Dr. Franklin James, homeless single individuals comprised approximately 75% of the homeless population in 1988.⁵ In the 1998 study, homeless persons in families had grown to encompass approximately 50% of the homeless population. In the 2000 study homeless persons in families made-up approximately 63.2% of the homeless population and that percentage has continued to grow to 65.6% in 2001 and 66.9% of the homeless population in January of 2003.

⁵ Franklin J. James, "Changing Patterns of Homelessness in Colorado: 1988 to 1990." Denver Graduate School of Public Affairs, April, 1991.

Family Status of Persons Surveyed Frequencies

Statistics

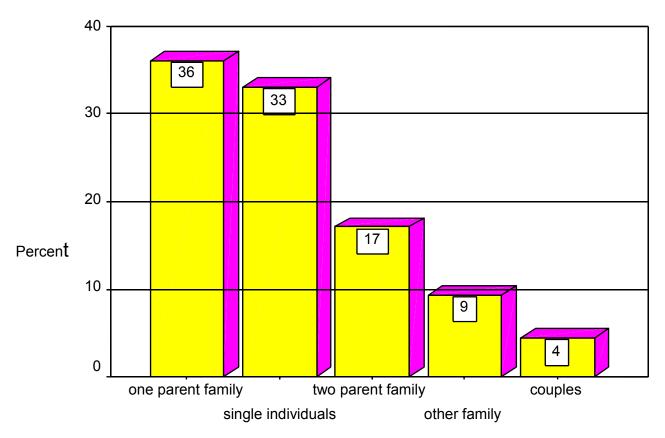
Which of the following best describes your family/household?

Ν	Valid	9725
	Missing	0

Which of the following best describes your family/household?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	one parent family with children	3512	36.1	36.1	36.1
	I am a single individual	3214	33.0	33.0	69.2
	two parent family with children	1662	17.1	17.1	86.3
	other type of family	909	9.3	9.3	95.6
	couple without children	428	4.4	4.4	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0	

Which of the following best describes your family/household?



Statistics

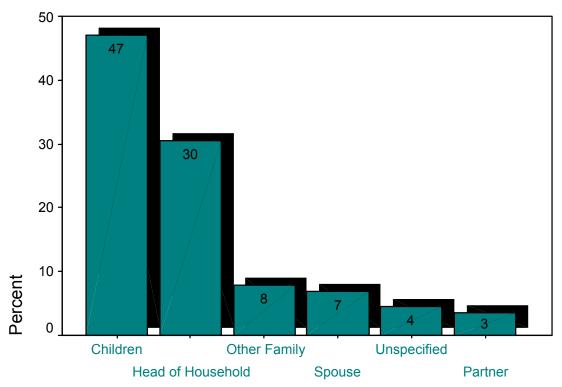
Person's Position in Household

Ν	Valid	6511	
	Missing	0	

		Frequenc	Percen	Valid	Cumulativ Percen	
Valid	Child (of completing the	3059	47.0	47.0	47.0	
	Head of (completed the	1985	30.5	30.5	77.5	
	Other Family Member person completing survey)	507	7.8	7.8	85.3	
	Spouse (of completing the	444	6.8	6.8	92.1	
	Unspecifie Relationship (to completing the	289	4.4	4.4	96.5	
	Partner (of completing the	227	3.5	3.5	100.0	
	Total	6511	100.0	100.0		

Family Position

Person's Position in Household



Person's Position in Household

7) Length and Frequency of Homelessness

Period of Homelessness All Persons Surveyed Frequencies

Statistics

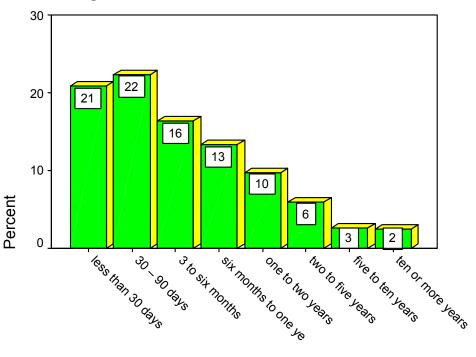
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional

N Valid 6922 NA 2803

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 30 days	1441	14.8	20.8	20.8
	30 – 90 days	1545	15.9	22.3	43.1
	3 to six months	1130	11.6	16.3	59.5
	six months to one year	920	9.5	13.3	72.8
	one to two years	675	6.9	9.8	82.5
	two to five years	411	4.2	5.9	88.4
	five to ten years	176	1.8	2.5	91.0
	ten or more years	171	1.8	2.5	93.5
	Not answered	453	4.7	6.5	100.0
	Total	6922	71.2	100.0	
	NA	2803	28.8		
Total		9725	100.0		

Length of Homelessness



Not Including Transitional

Period of Homelessness Including Transitional Frequencies

Statistics

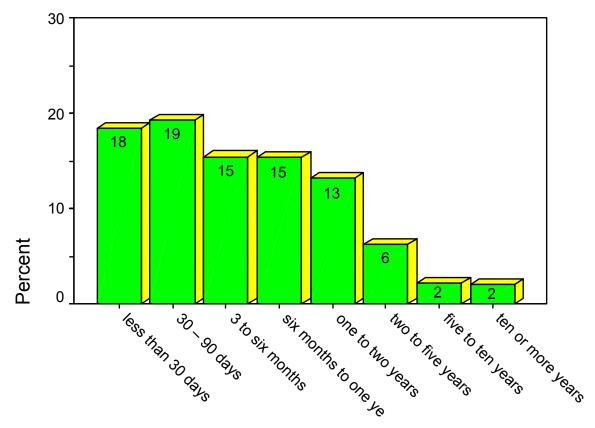
How long have you been homeless this time?

N Valid		9725
	Missing	0

How long have you been homeless this time?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 30 days	1791	18.4	18.4	18.4
	30 – 90 days	1875	19.3	19.3	37.7
	3 to six months	1500	15.4	15.4	53.1
	six months to one year	1488	15.3	15.3	68.4
	one to two years	1281	13.2	13.2	81.6
	two to five years	609	6.3	6.3	87.9
	five to ten years	214	2.2	2.2	90.1
	ten or more years	195	2.0	2.0	92.1
	Not answered	772	7.9	7.9	100.0
	Total	9725	100.0	100.0	

How long have you been homeless this time?



How long have you been homeless this time?

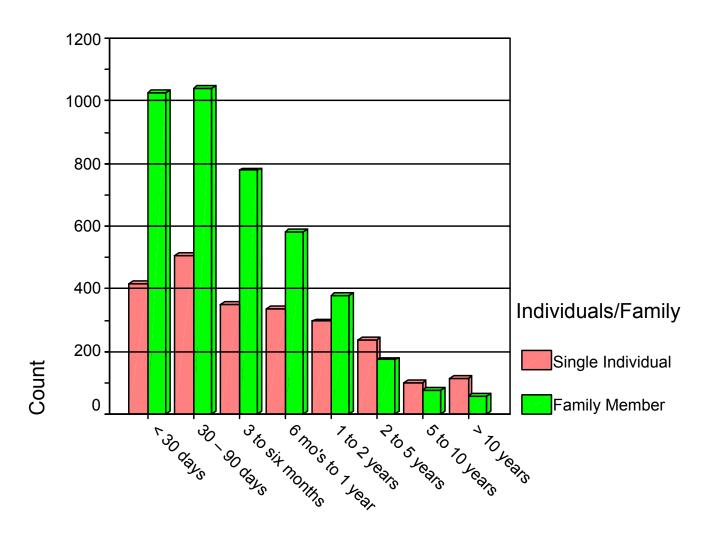
Family/Individual Comparison on Length of Homelessness Crosstabs do not including persons residing in transitional housing

Case Processing Summary

			Cas	Cases		
	Valid		TH/ Not applicable		Total	
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional * Individuals and Family Members	6922	71.2%	2803	28.8%	9725	100.0%

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

			Individuals a Mem		
			Single Individual	Family Member	Total
Length of	less than 30 days	Count	416	1025	1441
Homelessness Not Including		% within Individuals and Family Members	16.8%	23.1%	20.8%
Transitional	30 – 90 days	Count	506	1039	1545
		% within Individuals and Family Members	20.4%	23.4%	22.3%
	3 to six months	Count	351	779	1130
		% within Individuals and Family Members	14.2%	17.5%	16.3%
	six months to one year	Count	337	583	920
		% within Individuals and Family Members	13.6%	13.1%	13.3%
	one to two years	Count	296	379	675
		% within Individuals and Family Members	12.0%	8.5%	9.8%
	two to five years	Count	238	173	411
		% within Individuals and Family Members	9.6%	3.9%	5.9%
	five to ten years	Count	99	77	176
		% within Individuals and Family Members	4.0%	1.7%	2.5%
	ten or more years	Count	113	58	171
		% within Individuals and Family Members	4.6%	1.3%	2.5%
	Not answered	Count	120	333	453
		% within Individuals and Family Members	4.8%	7.5%	6.5%
Total		Count	2476	4446	6922
		% within Individuals and Family Members	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional

Length of Homelessness Single Individuals Frequencies

Statistics

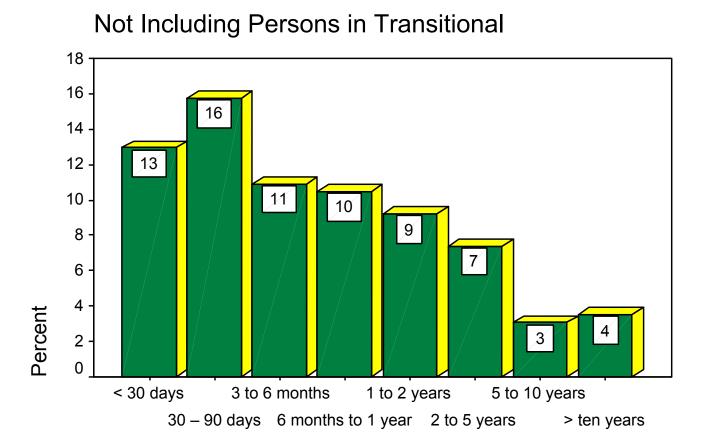
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing

Ν	Valid	3214
	Missing	0

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 30 days	416	12.9	12.9	12.9
	30 – 90 days	506	15.7	15.7	28.7
	3 to six months	351	10.9	10.9	39.6
	six months to one year	337	10.5	10.5	50.1
	one to two years	296	9.2	9.2	59.3
	two to five years	238	7.4	7.4	66.7
	five to ten years	99	3.1	3.1	69.8
	ten or more years	113	3.5	3.5	73.3
	not answered	120	3.7	3.7	77.0
	not applicable	738	23.0	23.0	100.0
	Total	3214	100.0	100.0	

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing

Length of Homelessness



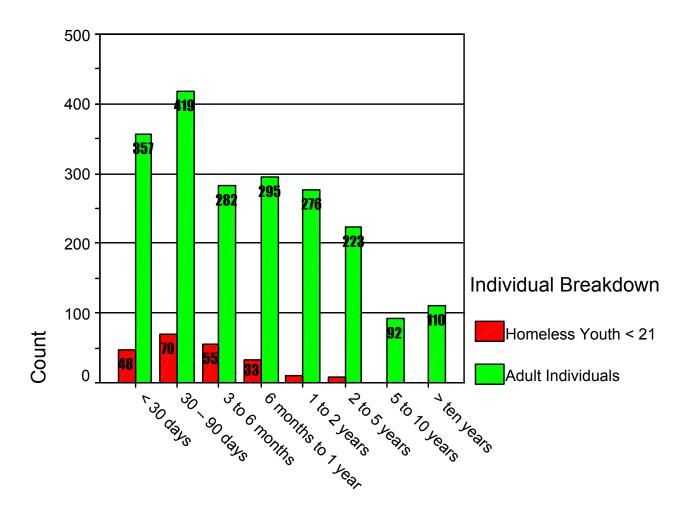
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing

Case Processing Summary

		Cases				
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	N	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing * Individual Breakdown	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%

Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing * Individual Breakdown Crosstabulation

			In	dividual Breakdo	own	
			Homeless Youth Under 21	Adult Single Individual	Not Answered	Total
Length of	less than 30 days	Count	48	357	11	416
Homelessness Not Including	-	% within Individual Breakdown	15.1%	12.8%	9.8%	12.9%
Transitional Housing	30 – 90 days	Count	70	419	17	506
Tiousing		% within Individual Breakdown	22.0%	15.1%	15.2%	15.7%
	3 to six months	Count	55	282	14	351
		% within Individual Breakdown	17.3%	10.1%	12.5%	10.9%
	six months to one year	Count	33	295	9	337
		% within Individual Breakdown	10.4%	10.6%	8.0%	10.5%
	one to two years	Count	11	276	9	296
		% within Individual Breakdown	3.5%	9.9%	8.0%	9.2%
	two to five years	Count	8	223	7	238
		% within Individual Breakdown	2.5%	8.0%	6.3%	7.4%
	five to ten years	Count	1	92	6	99
		% within Individual Breakdown	.3%	3.3%	5.4%	3.1%
	ten or more years	Count	0	110	3	113
		% within Individual Breakdown	.0%	4.0%	2.7%	3.5%
	Not answered	Count	7	107	6	120
		% within Individual Breakdown	2.2%	3.8%	5.4%	3.7%
	not applicable	Count	85	623	30	738
		% within Individual Breakdown	26.7%	22.4%	26.8%	23.0%
Total		Count	318	2784	112	3214
		% within Individual Breakdown	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional Housing

Length of Homelessness Families Not Living in Transitional Housing Frequencies

Statistics

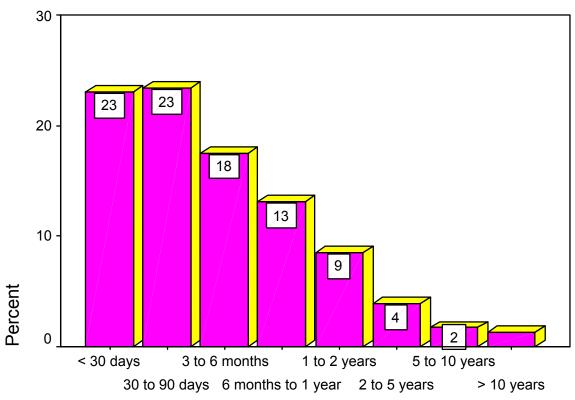
Length minus persons in transitional

Ν	Valid	4446
	NA	2065

Length minus persons in transitional

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 30 days	1025	15.7	23.1	23.1
- Cana	30 – 90 days	1020	16.0	23.4	46.4
	3 to six months	779	12.0	17.5	63.9
	six months to one year	583	9.0	13.1	77.1
	one to two years	379	5.8	8.5	85.6
	two to five years	173	2.7	3.9	89.5
	five to ten years	77	1.2	1.7	91.2
	ten or more years	58	.9	1.3	92.5
	Not answered	333	5.1	7.5	100.0
	Total	4446	68.3	100.0	
	NA Transitional	2065	31.7		
Total		6511	100.0		

Length minus persons in transitional



Length minus persons in transitional

Frequency of Homelessness All Respondents Frequencies

•	LEGEND
0	Never have been homeless before this period
1	Experienced homelessness once before this period
2	Experienced homeless twice before this period
3-5	Experienced homelessness three to five times before this period
6 or more	Experienced homelessness six or more times before this period

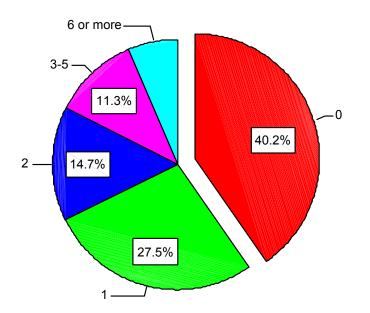
Statistics

Frequency of Homelessness

N	Valid	9220
	Missing	505

Frequency of Homelessness

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	3708	38.1	40.2	40.2
	1	2539	26.1	27.5	67.8
	2	1357	14.0	14.7	82.5
	3-5	1038	10.7	11.3	93.7
	6 or more	578	5.9	6.3	100.0
	Total	9220	94.8	100.0	
	not answered	505	5.2		
Total		9725	100.0		



Frequency of Homelessness Individuals Frequencies

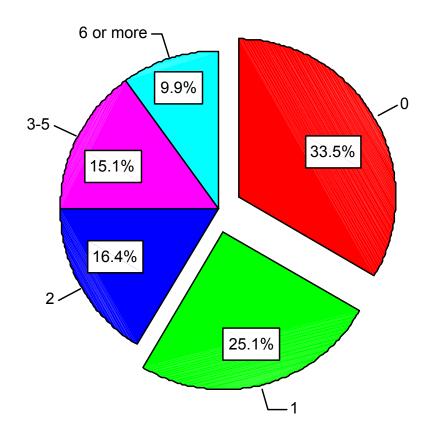
Statistics

Frequency of Homelessness

Ν	Valid	3052
	Missing	162

Frequency of Homelessness

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	1021	31.8	33.5	33.5
	1	766	23.8	25.1	58.6
	2	502	15.6	16.4	75.0
	3-5	461	14.3	15.1	90.1
	6 or more	302	9.4	9.9	100.0
	Total	3052	95.0	100.0	
	not answered	162	5.0		
Total		3214	100.0		

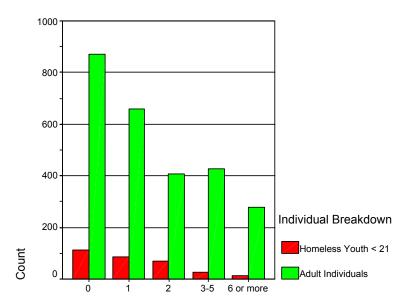


Frequency of Homelessness Individual Breakdown Crosstabs

Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
Frequency of Homelessness * Individual Breakdown	3052	95.0%	162	5.0%	3214	100.0%

Case Processing Summary

Frequency of Homelessness * Individual Breakdown Crosstabulation Individual Breakdown Homeless Youth Under Adult Single Individual Not Answered 21 Total Frequency of 0 Count 112 872 37 1021 Homelessness % within Individual 36.4% 33.0% 35.6% 33.5% Breakdown 1 Count 766 86 659 21 % within Individual 27.9% 25.0% 20.2% 25.1% Breakdown 2 502 Count 71 406 25 % within Individual 23.1% 15.4% 24.0% 16.4% Breakdown 3-5 Count 26 426 9 461 % within Individual 8.4% 16.1% 8.7% 15.1% Breakdown 6 or more Count 13 277 12 302 % within Individual 4.2% 10.5% 11.5% 9.9% Breakdown Total Count 308 2640 104 3052 % within Individual 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% Breakdown



Frequency of Homelessness Persons in Families Frequencies

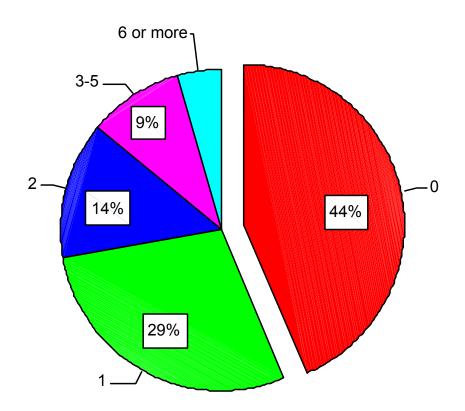
Statistics

Frequency of Homelessness

Ν	Valid	6168
	Missing	343

Frequency of Homelessness

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	2687	41.3	43.6	43.6
	1	1773	27.2	28.7	72.3
	2	855	13.1	13.9	86.2
	3-5	577	8.9	9.4	95.5
	6 or more	276	4.2	4.5	100.0
	Total	6168	94.7	100.0	
	not answered	343	5.3		
Total		6511	100.0		

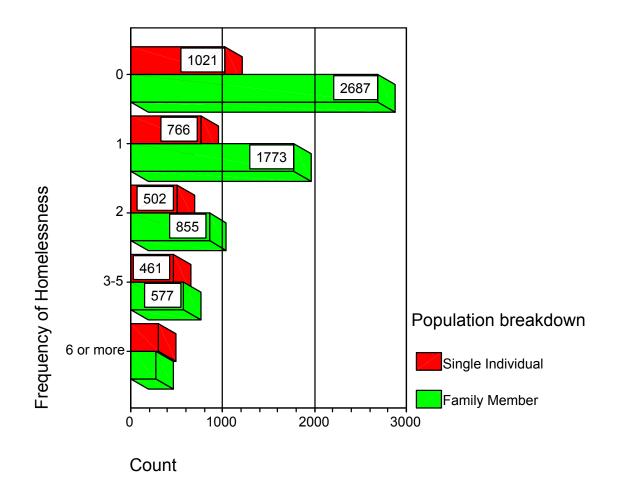


Case Processing Summary

	Cases								
	Va	lid	Missing		Total				
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent			
Frequency of Homelessness * Individuals and Family Members	9220	94.8%	505	5.2%	9725	100.0%			

Frequency of Homelessness * Individuals and Family Members Crosstabulation

	Individuals a Mem				
			Single Individual	Family Member	Total
Frequency of	0	Count	1021	2687	3708
Homelessness		% within Individuals and Family Members	33.5%	43.6%	40.2%
	1	Count	766	1773	2539
		% within Individuals and Family Members	25.1%	28.7%	27.5%
	2	Count	502	855	1357
		% within Individuals and Family Members	16.4%	13.9%	14.7%
	3-5	Count	461	577	1038
		% within Individuals and Family Members	15.1%	9.4%	11.3%
	6 or more	Count	302	276	578
		% within Individuals and Family Members	9.9%	4.5%	6.3%
Total		Count	3052	6168	9220
		% within Individuals and Family Members	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



Cross Tabulation of Homeless Frequency and Period Crosstabs

Crosstabs

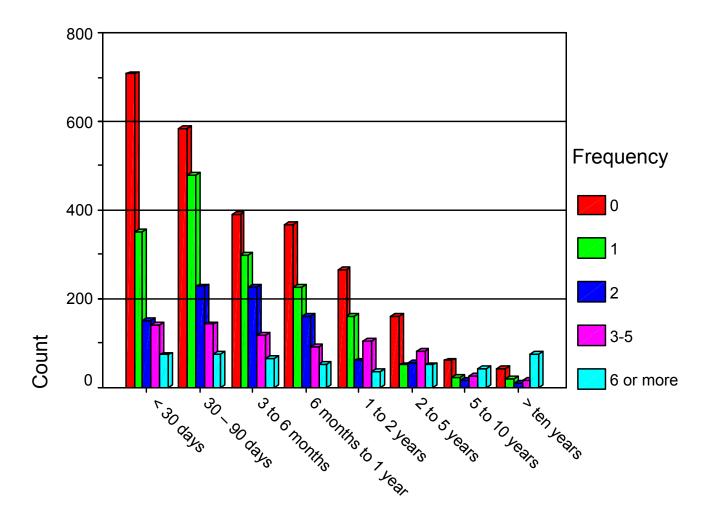
Case Processing Summary

		Cases							
	Va	lid	NA Transitional		Total				
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent			
Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional * Frequency of Homelessness	6502	66.9%	3223	33.1%	9725	100.0%			

	 		···· , ·····			
Count						
		Frequer	ncy of Homele	essness		
	0	1	2	3-5	6 or more	Total

Length of Homelessness Not Including	g Transitional * Frequency of	Homelessness Crosstabulation
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		0	1	2	3-5	6 or more	Total
Length of	less than 30 days	707	351	152	140	74	1424
Homelessness	30 – 90 days	584	478	228	143	77	1510
Not Including Transitional	3 to six months	391	300	227	119	66	1103
Tansilionai	six months to one year	368	227	160	93	53	901
	one to two years	267	160	61	104	35	627
	two to five years	162	51	55	81	51	400
	five to ten years	61	24	17	26	44	172
	ten or more years	44	21	10	16	77	168
	Not answered	103	51	26	14	3	197
Total		2687	1663	936	736	480	6502



Length of Homelessness Not Including Transitional

8) Race and Ethnicity Frequencies Race and Ethnicity - Primaries Only

Family members not surveyed

Statistics

		Race Primaries Only	Ethnicity Primaries Only
Ν	Valid	4955	4659

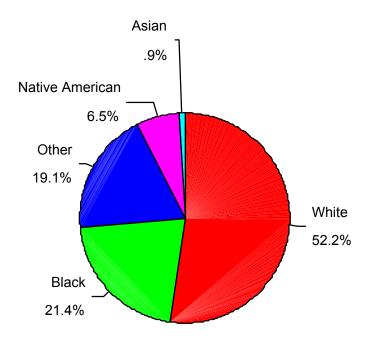
Frequency Table

Race Primaries Only

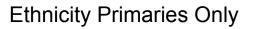
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	White	2585	26.6	52.2	52.2
	Black/African American	1058	10.9	21.4	73.5
	Other	946	9.7	19.1	92.6
	Native American/Alaskan Native	322	3.3	6.5	99.1
	Asian	44	.5	.9	100.0
	Total	4955	51.0	100.0	
	NA - Family Members	4526	46.5		
	No Response	244	2.5		
	Total	4770	49.0		
Total		9725	100.0		

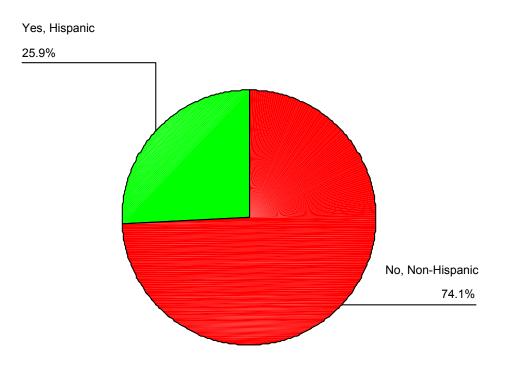
Ethnicity Primaries Only

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No, Non-Hispanic	3453	35.5	74.1	74.1
	Yes, Hispanic	1206	12.4	25.9	100.0
	Total	4659	47.9	100.0	
	NA - Family Members	4526	46.5		
	No Response	540	5.6		
	Total	5066	52.1		
Total		9725	100.0		



Race Primaries Only





Case Processing Summary

	Cas	ses
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Race Primaries Only * Ethnicity Primaries Only	4539	100.0%

Race Primaries Only * Ethnicity Primaries Only Crosstabulation

Count

		Ethnicity Pri	maries Only	
			No,	
		Yes, Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Total
Race	Asian	3	34	37
Primaries Only	Native American/Alaskan Native	47	241	288
	Black/African American	26	898	924
	White	222	2151	2373
	Other	799	118	917
Total		1097	3442	4539

Race Primaries Only * Ethnicity Primaries Only Crosstabulation

			Ethnicity Pri	maries Only	
				No,	Tatal
Daaa	Acies	Onum	Yes, Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Total
Race	Asian	Count	3	34	37
Primaries Only		% within Race Primaries Only	8.1%	91.9%	100.0%
	Native American/Alaskan	Count	47	241	288
	Native	% within Race Primaries Only	16.3%	83.7%	100.0%
	Black/African American	Count	26	898	924
		% within Race Primaries Only	2.8%	97.2%	100.0%
	White	Count	222	2151	2373
		% within Race Primaries Only	9.4%	90.6%	100.0%
	Other	Count	799	118	917
		% within Race Primaries Only	87.1%	12.9%	100.0%
Total		Count	1097	3442	4539
		% within Race Primaries Only	24.2%	75.8%	100.0%

			Ethnicity Pri	maries Only	
				No,	
			Yes, Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Total
Race	Asian	Count	3	34	37
Primaries Only		% within Race Primaries Only	8.1%	91.9%	100.0%
		% of Total	.1%	.7%	.8%
	Native American/Alaskan	Count	47	241	288
	Native	% within Race Primaries Only	16.3%	83.7%	100.0%
		% of Total	1.0%	5.3%	6.3%
	Black/African American	Count	26	898	924
		% within Race Primaries Only	2.8%	97.2%	100.0%
		% of Total	.6%	19.8%	20.4%
	White	Count	222	2151	2373
		% within Race Primaries Only	9.4%	90.6%	100.0%
		% of Total	4.9%	47.4%	52.3%
	Other	Count	799	118	917
		% within Race Primaries Only	87.1%	12.9%	100.0%
		% of Total	17.6%	2.6%	20.2%
Total		Count	1097	3442	4539
		% within Race Primaries Only	24.2%	75.8%	100.0%
		% of Total	24.2%	75.8%	100.0%

Race Primaries Only * Ethnicity Primaries Only Crosstabulation

10) Veteran Status All Primaries Among Families and Single Individuals Surveyed Frequencies

Statistics

US Veteran Status Primaries N Valid 4931

US Veteran Status Primaries

		Frequency	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	No	4210	85.4	85.4
	Yes	721	14.6	100.0
	Total	4931	100.0	

Crosstabs

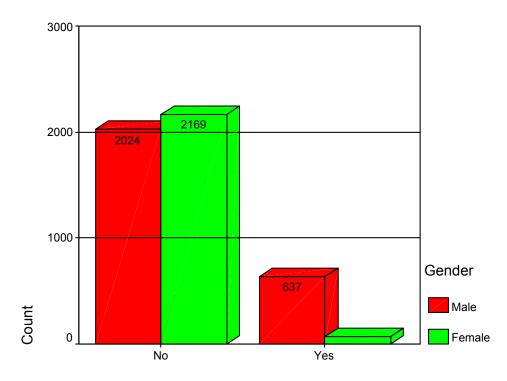
Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid	Total
	N	Percent
US Veteran Status Primaries * How do you define your gender?	4931	100.0%

US Veteran Status Primaries * How do you define your gender? Crosstabulation

Count

			How do you define your gender?				
		Male	Total				
US Veteran Status	No	2024	2169	7	10	4210	
Primaries	Yes	637	72	7	5	721	
Total		2661	2241	14	15	4931	



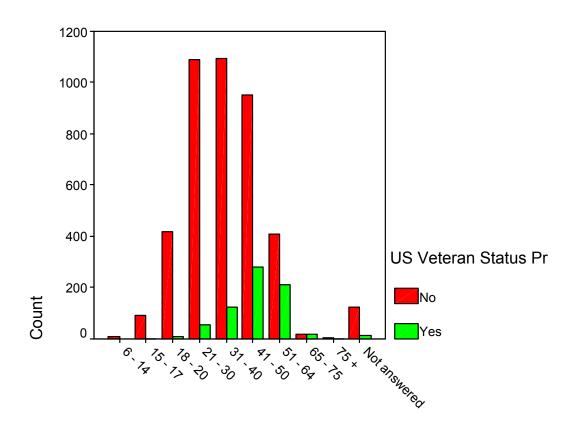
US Veteran Status Primaries

Case Processing Summary

		Cases				
	Va	lid	Missing		Total	
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
Age * US Veteran Status Primaries	4931	50.7%	4794	49.3%	9725	100.0%

Age * US Veteran Status Primaries Crosstabulation

		US Vetera Prima		
		No	Yes	Total
Age	6 - 14	11	0	11
	15 - 17	93	2	95
	18 - 20	419	11	430
	21 - 30	1089	57	1146
	31 - 40	1092	122	1214
	41 - 50	951	282	1233
	51 - 64	407	212	619
	65 - 75	17	18	35
	75 +	5	2	7
	Not answered	126	15	141
Total		4210	721	4931



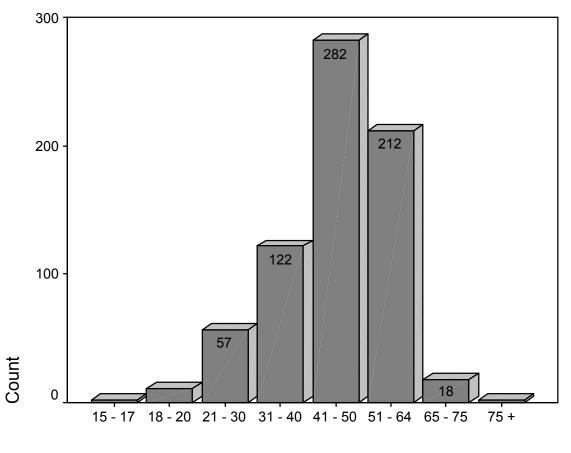
Age

Crosstabs

Age * All Veterans Crosstabulation

1				
			All	
			Veterans	
			US Veteran	Total
Age	15 - 17	Count	2	2
		% of Total	.3%	.3%
	18 - 20	Count	11	11
		% of Total	1.5%	1.5%
	21 - 30	Count	57	57
		% of Total	7.9%	7.9%
	31 - 40	Count	122	122
		% of Total	16.9%	16.9%
	41 - 50	Count	282	282
		% of Total	39.1%	39.1%
	51 - 64	Count	212	212
		% of Total	29.4%	29.4%
	65 - 75	Count	18	18
		% of Total	2.5%	2.5%
	75 +	Count	2	2
		% of Total	.3%	.3%
	Not answered	Count	15	15
		% of Total	2.1%	2.1%
Total		Count	721	721
		% of Total	100.0%	100.0%

	Cases		
	Valid	Total	
	Ν	Percent	
Age * All Veterans	721	100.0%	



Age

Crosstabs

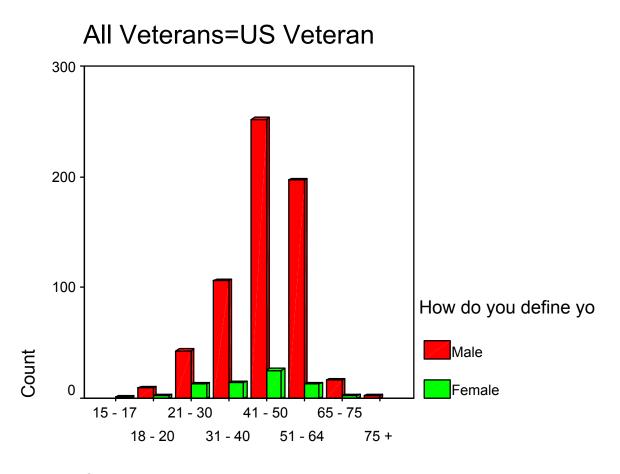
Case Processing Summary

	Cas	ses
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Age * How do you define your gender? * All Veterans	721	100.0%

Age * How do you define your gender? * All Veterans Crosstabulation

Count

			How do you define your gender?				
All Veterans			Male	Female	Transgender	Not answered	Total
US Veteran	Age	15 - 17	0	1	0	1	2
		18 - 20	9	2	0	0	11
		21 - 30	43	13	1	0	57
		31 - 40	106	14	2	0	122
		41 - 50	252	25	2	3	282
		51 - 64	197	13	1	1	212
		65 - 75	16	2	0	0	18
		75 +	2	0	0	0	2
		Not answered	12	2	1	0	15
	Total		637	72	7	5	721





Veteran Status of Single Individuals Surveyed Frequencies

Statistics

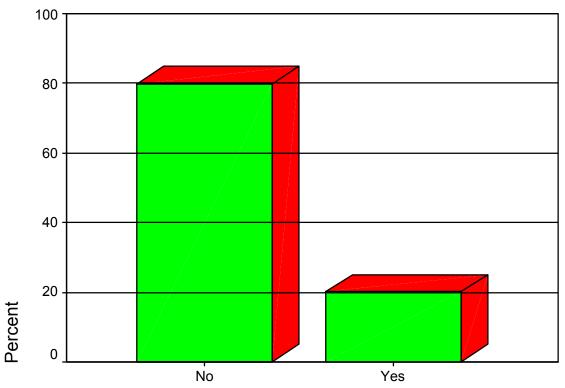
US Veteran Status Primaries

Ν	Valid	3019
	Missing	195

US Veteran Status Primaries

					Cumulative
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent
Valid	No	2412	75.0	79.9	79.9
	Yes	607	18.9	20.1	100.0
	Total	3019	93.9	100.0	
Missing	System	195	6.1		
Total		3214	100.0		





US Veteran Status Primaries

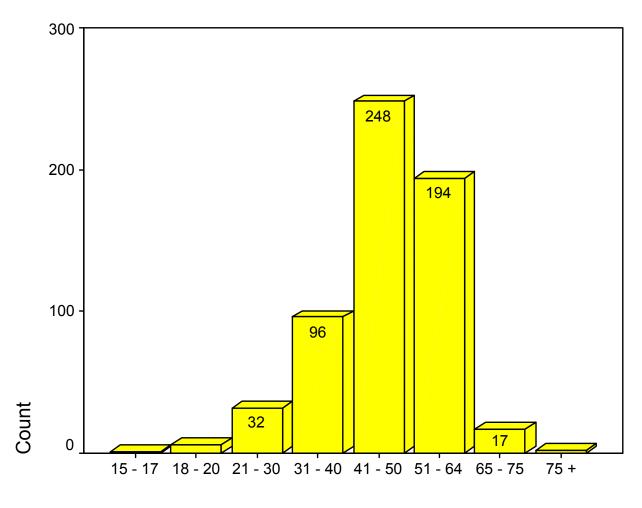
Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Age * All Veterans Surveyed	607	100.0%

Age * All Veterans Surveyed Crosstabulation

Count

		All Veterans Surveyed	
		U.S. Veteran	Total
Age	15 - 17	1	1
	18 - 20	6	6
	21 - 30	32	32
	31 - 40	96	96
	41 - 50	248	248
	51 - 64	194	194
	65 - 75	17	17
	75 +	2	2
	Not answered	11	11
Total		607	607



Age

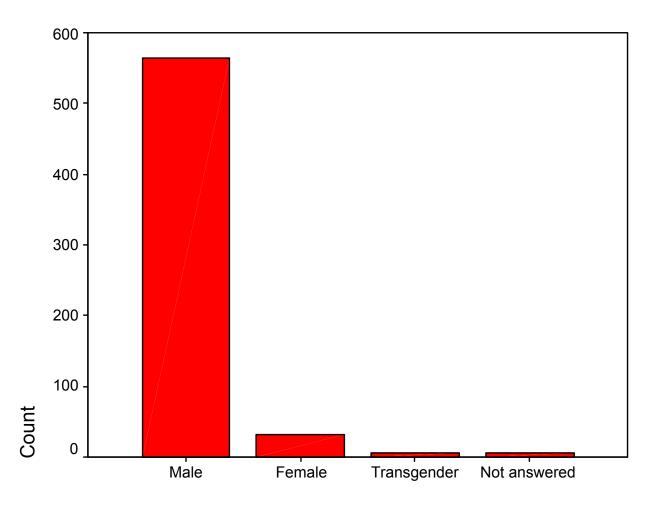
Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
How do you define your gender? * All Veterans Surveyed	607	100.0%

How do you define your gender? * All Veterans Surveyed Crosstabulation

Count

		All Veterans Surveyed	
		U.S. Veteran	Total
How do you	Male	564	564
define your	Female	32	32
gender?	Transgender	6	6
	Not answered	5	5
Total		607	607



How do you define your gender?

Crosstabs

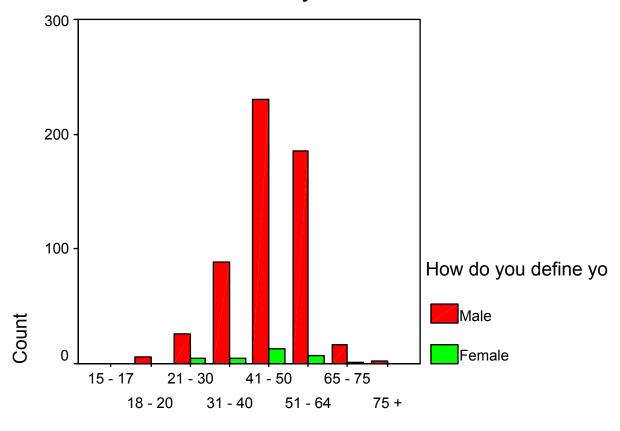
Case Processing Summary

	Cas	ses
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Age * How do you define your gender? * All Veterans Surveyed	607	100.0%

Age * How do you define your ge	der? * All Veterans Surveyed Crosstabulation
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Count							
			How do you define your gender?				
All Veterans Surveye	d		Male	Female	Transgender	Not answered	Total
U.S. Veteran	Age	15 - 17	0	0	0	1	1
		18 - 20	6	0	0	0	6
		21 - 30	26	5	1	0	32
		31 - 40	89	5	2	0	96
		41 - 50	230	13	2	3	248
		51 - 64	185	7	1	1	194
		65 - 75	16	1	0	0	17
		75 +	2	0	0	0	2
		Not answered	10	1	0	0	11
	Total		564	32	6	5	607

All Veterans Surveyed=U.S. Veteran



Age

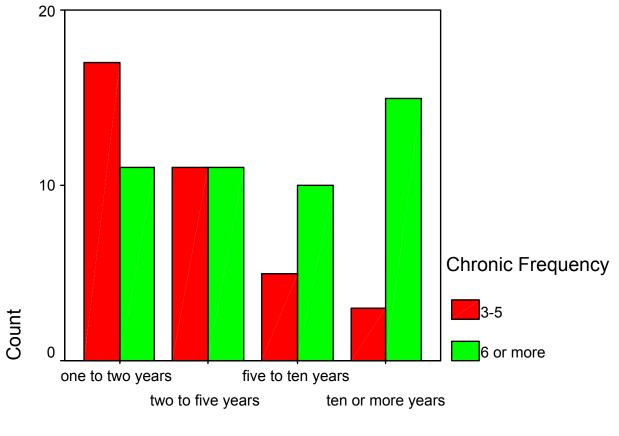
Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid	Total
	Ν	Percent
Chronic Length * Chronic Frequency * All Veterans Surveyed	103	100.0%

Chronic Length * Chronic Frequency * All Veterans Surveyed Crosstabulation

Count						
			C	Chronic Frequency		
All Veterans Surveyed			3-5	6 or more	Not answered	Total
U.S. Veteran	Chronic	one to two years	17	11	4	32
Length	Length	two to five years	11	11	1	23
		five to ten years	5	10	0	15
		ten or more years	3	15	0	18
		Not answered	1	0	14	15
	Total		37	47	19	103

All Veterans Surveyed=U.S. Veteran



Chronic Length

Frequencies

Statistics

Have you ever been in the U.S. military?

Ν	Valid	3214	
	Missing	0	

Have you ever been in the U.S. military?

			Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Γ	Valid	No	2412	75.0	75.0	75.0
		Yes	607	18.9	18.9	93.9
		Not answered	195	6.1	6.1	100.0
		Total	3214	100.0	100.0	

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases		
	Valid Total		
	Ν	Percent	
Have you ever been in the U.S. military? * Veteran's Benefits * How do you define your gender?	55	100.0%	

Have you ever been in the U.S. military? * Veteran's Benefits * How do you define your gender? Crosstabulation

Count				
How do you define			Veteran's Benefits	
your gender?			1	Total
Male	Have you ever been	Yes	52	52
	in the U.S. military?	Not answered	1	1
	Total		53	53
Female	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	Yes	2	2
	Total		2	2

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total		
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	
Where are you staying now? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%	

Where are you staying now? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

		Have you ev	ver been in th	e U.S. military?	
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total
Where	transitional housing	606	103	29	738
are you	family or friends	447	64	73	584
staying	hotel/motel	130	27	13	170
now?	domestic violence shelter	42	3	4	49
	emergency shelter	768	265	38	1071
	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	321	99	31	451
	camping or in the car	89	43	2	134
	Not answered	9	3	5	17
Total		2412	607	195	3214

Count

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

		Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	N	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
In what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%		

n what type of place did you spend Monday night, January 27? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count

		Have you ev	ver been in th	e U.S. military?	
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total
In what	emergency shelter	689	250	33	972
type of place	on the street, under a bridge, etc.	322	91	29	442
did you spend	bus	13	2	1	16
Monday	prison/jail	31	5	2	38
night,	psychiatric hospital	25	2	0	27
January	in a home I/we own	17	5	2	24
27?	migrant shelter	14	5	0	19
	domestic violence shelter	33	3	3	39
	in transitional housing	574	101	29	704
	with a friend or relative	396	62	70	528
	hotel/motel	123	22	10	155
	detox facility	12	3	1	16
	medical hospital	12	4	0	16
	in a car	56	23	5	84
	camping	43	15	2	60
	don't know	11	6	0	17
	other	31	7	2	40
	Not answered	10	1	6	17
Total		2412	607	195	3214

Case Processing Summary

		Cases						
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
What was the last county and city you lived in before you became homeless? (County) * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%		

Vhat was the last county and city you lived in before you became homeless? (County) * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count						
		Have you ev	ver been in th	e U.S. military?		
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total	
What was	Adams County	255	63	25	343	
the last	Arapahoe County	182	42	10	234	
county and	Boulder County	292	45	10	347	
city you lived in before	Douglas County	21	4	0	25	
you became	Jefferson County	213	35	41	289	
homeless?	Denver	1089	299	63	1451	
(County)	Broomfield	15	2	2	19	
	Other place in Colorado	93	30	3	126	
	Other state	187	76	11	274	
	Other country	17	1	1	19	
	Not answered	48	10	29	87	
Total		2412	607	195	3214	

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases					
	Va	lid	Miss	sing	Total	
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent
What is your racial background? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? * Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic (Latino, Mexican, Mexican, Chicano, Cuban, Central-South American)?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%

nat is your racial background? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? * Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic (Latin
Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Cuban, Central-South American)? Crosstabulation

Count						
Do you consider yourself			Have you ev	ver been in th	e U.S. military?	
to be Hispanic (Latino,			No	Yes	Not answered	Total
Yes, Hispanic	What is your	Asian	3	0	0	3
	racial background?	Native American/Alaskan Native	31	5	1	37
		Black/African American	9	1	1	11
		White	66	14	8	88
		Other	353	46	13	412
		Not answered	51	6	6	63
	Total		513	72	29	614
No, Non-Hispanic	What is your	Asian	20	2	2	24
	racial background?	Native American/Alaskan Native	120	24	4	148
		Black/African American	369	108	16	493
		White	1102	319	49	1470
		Other	54	23	0	77
		Not answered	6	1	1	8
	Total		1671	477	72	2220
Not answered	What is your	Asian	4	1	0	5
	racial background?	Native American/Alaskan Native	14	7	2	23
		Black/African American	74	17	6	97
		White	107	26	6	139
		Other	17	3	0	20
		Not answered	12	4	80	96
	Total		228	58	94	380

Case Processing Summary

	Cases	
	Valid Total	
	Ν	Percent
alcohol/substance abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	653	100.0%

alcohol/substance abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count

		Have you ev	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?		
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total
alcohol/substance abuse	1	503	140	10	653
Total		503	140	10	653

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cas	ses	
	Valid Total		
	Ν	Percent	
severe mental illness * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	707	100.0%	

severe mental illness * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count

	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?				
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total
severe mental illness	Severe Mental Illness	573	101	33	707
Total		573	101	33	707

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases		
	Valid Total		
	Ν	Percent	
chronic drug abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	362	100.0%	

chronic drug abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count

	Have you e	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?				
	No	No Yes Not answered				
chronic drug abuse 1	302	54	6	362		
Total	302	54	6	362		

Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases		
	Valid Tota		
	Ν	Percent	
chronic alcohol abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	404	100.0%	

chronic alcohol abuse * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count

	Have you ev	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?			
	No Yes Not answered			Total	
chronic alcohol abuse 1	298	99	7	404	
Total	298	99	7	404	

Case Processing Summary

	Cases							
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent		
What was your annual household income in the year 2002? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%		

Nhat was your annual household income in the year 2002? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count								
	Have you ever been in the U.S. military?							
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total			
What was	\$0.00	611	113	21	745			
your	up to \$1,000	340	69	6	415			
annual household	\$1,000 - \$2,499	269	47	6	322			
income in	\$2,500 - \$4,999	320	72	13	405			
the year	\$5,000 - \$7,888	297	95	15	407			
2002?	\$8,000 - \$9,999	105	47	7	159			
	\$10,000 - \$12,499	123	39	13	175			
	\$12,500 - \$14,999	79	27	5	111			
	\$15,000 - \$19,999	58	30	0	88			
	\$20,000 - \$29,999	53	24	3	80			
	\$30,000 - \$39,999	34	9	1	44			
	\$40,000 - \$49,999	5	2	0	7			
	\$50,000 or more	8	11	0	19			
	Not answered	110	22	105	237			
Total		2412	607	195	3214			

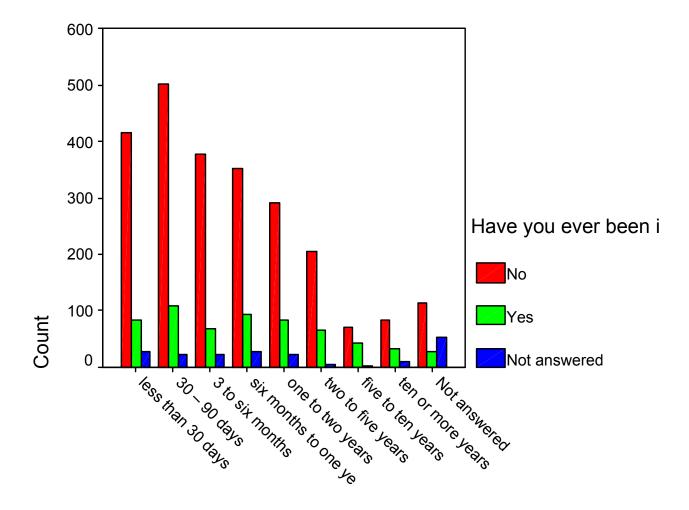
Crosstabs

Case Processing Summary

	Cases							
	Valid		Missing		Total			
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	N	Percent		
How long have you been homeless this time? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%		

How long have you been homeless this time? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military? Crosstabulation

Count					
		Have you ev			
			Yes	Not answered	Total
How long	less than 30 days	416	84	27	527
have you	30 – 90 days	501	108	23	632
been homeless	3 to six months	377	69	23	469
this time?	six months to one year	352	94	28	474
	one to two years	291	83	24	398
	two to five years	205	66	5	276
	five to ten years	72	43	2	117
	ten or more years	84	33	9	126
	Not answered	114	27	54	195
Total		2412	607	195	3214



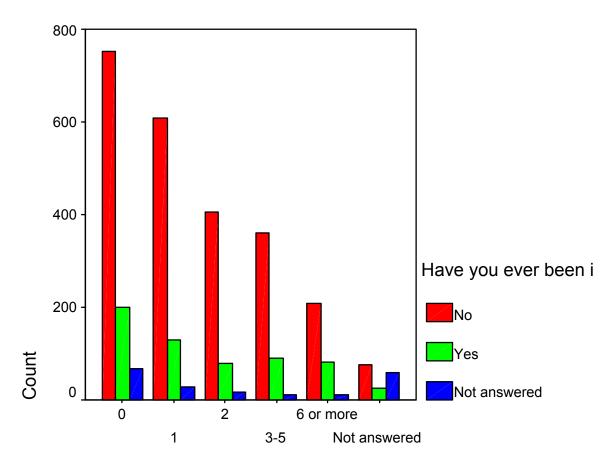
How long have you been homeless this time?

Case Processing Summary

	Cases								
	Valid		Missing		Total				
	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent	Ν	Percent			
How many times have you been homeless before this time? * Have you ever been in the U.S. military?	3214	100.0%	0	.0%	3214	100.0%			

low many times have you been homeless before this time? * Have you ever been in the U.S military? Crosstabulation

Count					
	Have you ev				
		No	Yes	Not answered	Total
How many times	0	751	201	69	1021
have you been homeless before this time?	1	609	129	28	766
	2	407	78	17	502
	3-5	361	90	10	461
	6 or more	208	83	11	302
	Not answered	76	26	60	162
Total		2412	607	195	3214



How many times have you been homeless before this time?