



The Homeless Point-In-Time Count (PIT) is a one-day snapshot that captures the characteristics and situations of people living in the County without permanent housing. The Homeless PIT Count includes both sheltered individuals (those sleeping in emergency shelters or transitional housing) and unsheltered individuals (those sleeping outside or living in places that are not meant for human habitation). Due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, there was no unsheltered survey conducted, which caused our 2021 totals to be lower than previous years. This is not an indication of fewer people experiencing homelessness. Unsheltered surveys will resume in 2022.

The annual Homeless PIT Count occurs sometime in the last 10 days in January. Typically, The Homeless PIT Count is carried out by outreach teams and volunteers who interview people using a standard survey (via a mobile app) that asks people where they slept the night before, where their last residence was located, what may have contributed to their loss of housing, and what disabilities the individual may have. It also asks how long the individual has been homeless, age and demographics, and whether the person is a veteran and/or a survivor of domestic violence.

Like all surveys, the Homeless PIT Count has limitations. Results from the count are influenced by the weather, local encampment removal and relocation, availability of overflow shelter beds, the number of volunteers, and the level of engagement of the people volunteers interview. Due to COVID restrictions and with caution for volunteers, people experiencing homelessness, and outreach staff, the unsheltered count was not completed this year but will resume in 2022 for both the sheltered and unsheltered count.

Total Persons Counted	#	%	Historical Data				
			2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
All Persons Total	1005	100%	1321	1628	1486	1897	1005
Sheltered	1,005	100%	817	878	857	983	1005
Unsheltered	0	0%	504	750	629	914	0

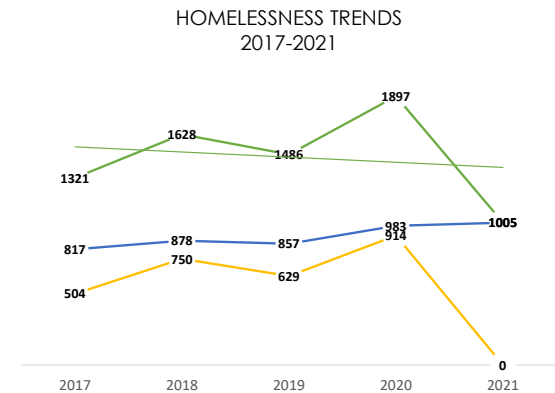
The HUD definition of "sheltered" includes ONLY shelters or transitional housing that report in HMIS.

Total Household Types Counted	#	% of Total Households Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Total Households	745	100%	745	100%	0	0%
Households without Children	651	87%	651	87%	0	0%
Households with Children	83	11%	83	11%	0	0%
Households with only Children	11	2%	11	1%	0	0%

In this table only, percentages represent percent of total households (i.e. not individuals).

Race	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	44	4%	44	4%	0	0%
Asian	12	1%	12	1%	0	0.0%
Black/African Americans	211	21%	211	21%	0	0%
Multi- Racial	181	18%	181	18%	0	0%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	56	6%	56	6%	0	0%
White	501	50%	501	50%	0	0%

Ethnicity	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%



Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	856	85%	856	85%	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	149	15%	149	15%	0	0.0%

— Total — Sheltered* — Unsheltered — 5-Year Trend

Age	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Under 18	223	22%	223	22%	0	0%
18-24 yr. old	70	7%	70	7%	0	0%
25-34 yr. old	138	14%	138	14%	0	0%
35-44 yr. old	196	19%	196	19%	0	0%
45-54 yr. old	130	13%	130	13%	0	0%
55-61 yr. old	162	16%	162	16%	0	0%
62+	86	9%	86	9%	0	0%

Gender	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Female	412	41%	412	41%	0	0%
Male	579	58%	579	58%	0	0%
Non-conforming	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Transgender	4	0%	4	0%	0	0%
Unknown	8	1%	8	1%	0	0%

Not all individuals answered this question.

Where People Stayed the Night Before the Count	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Abandoned Building	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Emergency Shelter	898	89%	898	89%	0	0%
Out of Doors (street, tent, etc.)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Transitional Housing	107	11%	107	11%	0	0%
Vehicle	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Unknown	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Targeted Populations	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Chronically* Homeless Persons	265	26%	265	26%	0	0%
Adult Domestic Violence Survivor	243	24%	243	24%	0	0%
Veterans	84	8%	84	8%	0	0%
Unaccompanied Youth & Young Adults	92	9%	92	9%	0	0%

	Historical Data				
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Chronically* Homeless Persons	276	403	364	223	265
Adult Domestic Violence Survivor	183	165	106	236	243
Veterans	134	135	134	95	84
Unaccompanied Youth & Young Adults	84	96	143	61	92

* HUD defines chronic homelessness as a person who has a disabling condition AND has either been continuously homeless for a year or more, OR has had at least four homeless episodes totaling one year or more in the past three years.

Self-Reported Disabilities	Reported Disabilities		Sheltered		Unsheltered	
	#	% of Total Persons Counted	#	%	#	%
Mental Health	415	41%	415	41%	0	0%
Physical Disability	298	30%	298	30%	0	0%
Chronic Health Condition	300	30%	300	30%	0	0%
Substance Abuse	205	20%	205	20%	0	0%
Developmental Disability	110	11%	110	11%	0	0%
HIV/AIDS	8	0.8%	8	1%	0	0%

Individuals may offer multiple responses
Percentages represent percent of total persons and thus may not sum to 100%.

Last Reported Zip code	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Bonney Lake	4	0%	4	0%	0	0%
Buckley	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Carbonado	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Eatonville	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%
Fife	5	0%	5	0%	0	0%
Gig Harbor	3	0%	3	0%	0	0%
Graham	6	1%	6	1%	0	0%
Joint Base Lewis McChord	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Kapowsin	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%
King County	46	5%	46	5%	0	0%
Lakewood	74	7%	74	7%	0	0%
Milton	4	0%	4	0%	0	0%
Orting	3	0%	3	0%	0	0%
Outside Pierce	61	6%	61	6%	0	0%
Outside Washington	128	13%	128	13%	0	0%
Parkland	96	10%	96	10%	0	0%
Puyallup	16	2%	16	2%	0	0%
Roy	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
South Hill	31	3%	31	3%	0	0%
Spanaway	31	3%	31	3%	0	0%
Steilacoom	2	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Sumner	5	0%	5	0%	0	0%
Tacoma	405	40%	405	40%	0	0%
University Place	17	2%	17	2%	0	0%
Unknown	59	6%	59	6%	0	0%
Wilkeson	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%

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Income Sources	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Alimony	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Child Support	11	1%	11	1%	0	0%
General Assistance	27	3%	27	3%	0	0%
Income From Job	101	10%	101	10%	0	0%
No Resource	547	54%	547	54%	0	0%
Other	26	3%	26	3%	0	0%
Pension or Other Retirement	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%
Private Disability	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Retirement Income From Social Security	11	1%	11	1%	0	0%
SSDI	79	8%	79	8%	0	0%
SSI	161	16%	161	16%	0	0%
TANF	71	7%	71	7%	0	0%
Unemployment	27	3%	27	3%	0	0%
VA Non-Service	9	1%	9	1%	0	0%
VA Service	16	2%	16	2%	0	0%
Workers Comp	11	1%	11	1%	0	0%

Individuals may have more than one source of income. total persons and thus may not sum to 100%.

Primary Reason For Homelessness	#	% of Total Persons Counted	Sheltered		Unsheltered	
			#	%	#	%
Asked to leave home when turned 18	8	1%	8	1%	0	0%
Child Born During Homeless Episode	13	1%	13	1%	0	0%
Child reunifying with homeless family	8	1%	7	1%	1	0%
Criminal activity	18	2%	18	2%	0	0%
Domestic Violence Victim & Fleeing domestic violence	90	9%	90	9%	0	0%
Eviction & Mortgage Foreclosure	84	8%	84	8%	0	0%
Family Crisis/Breakup	148	15%	148	15%	0	0%
Health/safety	61	6%	61	6%	0	0%
Loss of Child Care	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Loss of job	113	11%	113	11%	0	0%
Loss of public assistance	7	1%	7	1%	0	0%
Loss of transportation	6	1%	6	1%	0	0%
Medical condition	49	5%	49	5%	0	0%

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Mental health	42	4%	42	4%	0	0%
Mortgage Foreclosure	3	0%	3	0%	0	0%
No affordable housing	114	11%	114	11%	0	0%
Release from institution	10	1%	10	1%	0	0%
Substance abuse	64	6%	64	6%	0	0%
Substandard housing	4	0%	4	0%	0	0%
Underemployment/low income	102	10%	102	10%	0	0%
Unknown	61	6%	61	6%	0	0%
Utility Shutoff	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%