



## 2019 Point-In-Time Count Results

Each January, Pierce County surveys people experiencing homelessness. This "point-in-time count" is a one-day snapshot that captures the characteristics and situations of people living here without a home.

# 1,486

Homeless persons counted



### 24%

Chronically homeless



### 25%

Members of families with children



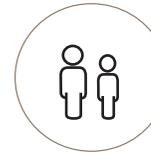
### 38%

Female



### 7%

Adult survivors of domestic violence



### 10%

Unaccompanied youth & young adults



### 9%

Veterans



### 46%

 People of color\*

\*However, people of color make up only 26% of the Pierce County population. (ACS estimate 2017)

## Not all people experiencing homelessness sleep outside



### 47%

Emergency shelter



### 28%

Out of doors (street, tent, etc.)



### 11%

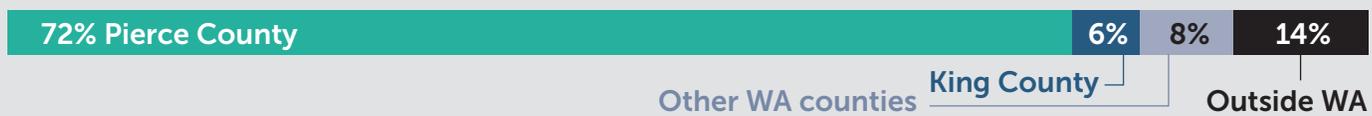
Transitional housing



### 14%

Vehicle, abandoned building, other

## Most told us they lived in Pierce County before they became homeless

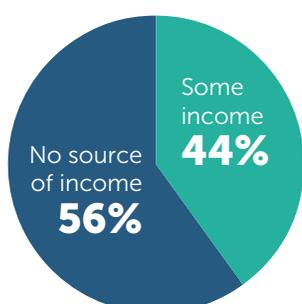


## The main causes of homelessness are economic and housing-related

Survey respondents shared many causes for becoming homeless. These are the top three:

1. Lack of affordable housing
2. Inadequate income or employment
3. Eviction

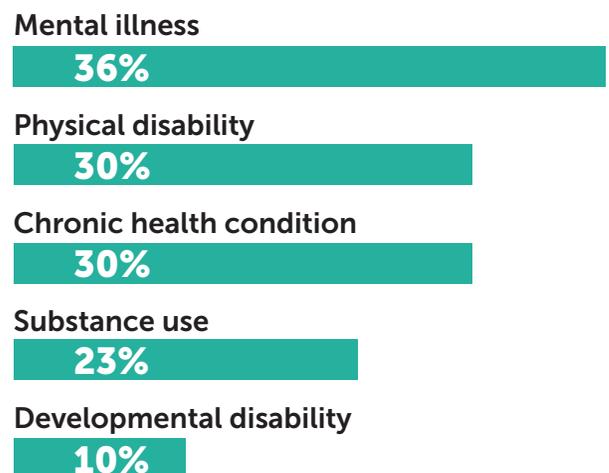
## Many people experiencing homelessness have an income



44% of people who are homeless in Pierce County report at least one source of income.

## Mental illness is the most commonly reported disability

Here is the breakdown of the most commonly reported disabilities. Some people reported having multiple disabilities.



## For the full data set:

Visit [www.piercecountywa.gov/pointintime/2019data](http://www.piercecountywa.gov/pointintime/2019data)