

Point-In-Time Survey Results

Denton County Homeless Coalition

January 26, 2017

Number of surveys recorded	191
Number of adults in households	194
Number of children in households	34
Total number of people	228
Chronically Homeless People*	39

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	1	0.5
18 – 24	25	13.5
25 – 64	154	83.2
65 & Older	5	2.8
Total	185	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	133	69.6
Female	57	29.9
Transgender	0	0.0
Doesn't Identify as M, F, T	1	0.5
Total	191	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	6	3.2
Straight	174	93.5
Questioning	2	1.1
Prefer not to answer	4	2.2
Total	186	100.0

*Per section 401(2) of the McKinney-Act, 42 U.S.C. 11360, Chronically homeless means: as an individual or family that is homeless and resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, and has been homeless and residing in such a place for at least 1 year or on at least four separate occasions in the last 3 years. The statutory definition also requires that the individual or family has a head of household with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability, posttraumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability.

A shorter way to put it: A person living in emergency shelter, safe haven, or a place not meant for habitation who has a disability, and who has been homeless for at least one year or at least four times in the past three years (total time would equal 12 months or more).



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Race

	Frequency	Percent
White	129	69.4
Asian	1	0.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	1.1
Black or African American	46	24.7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	8	4.3
Total	186	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	27	16.7
No	135	83.3
Total	162	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/26/17

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	76	40.2
Transitional Shelter	12	6.3
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	5	2.6
Place Not Meant For Habitation	93	49.2
Safe Haven	3	1.7
Total	189	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	116	79.5
Unaccompanied <i>Youth</i> (age 18 – 24)	8	5.5
Unaccompanied <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	1	0.7
Parenting <i>Youth</i> (age 18 – 24)	1	0.7
Parenting <i>Minor</i> (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	16	11.0
Other Type Of Family	4	2.6
Total	146	100.0



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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	74	41.6
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	37	20.7
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	19	10.7
Continuously homeless for a year or more	48	27.0
Total	178	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	12 Months
Range	1 Day – 20 Years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

	Frequency
Denton	67
Lewisville	36
Dallas	13
Out of State	12
Other TX Cities	48
Total	176

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	81	50.3
No	80	49.7
Total	161	100.0



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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	67	14.3
Loss of Public Aid	7	1.5
Natural Disaster	1	0.2
Unemployment	84	17.9
Moved to Seek Work	21	4.5
Evicted	22	4.7
Physical Health Reasons	23	4.9
Family Illness	8	1.7
Divorce or Separation	17	3.6
Pregnant or Parenting	2	0.4
Mental Illness	26	5.5
Substance Abuse	44	9.4
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	20	4.3
Domestic Violence	25	5.3
Criminal Record	23	4.9
Ran Away From Home	10	2.0
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	0	0.0
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	1	0.2
Kicked Out by Family/Friends	36	7.7
Other	33	7.0
Total	470	100.0

177 people answered this question. Those 177 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
HIV/AIDS	2	1.1
Domestic Violence	26	14.2
Physical Disability	42	23.0
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	28	15.3
Serious Mental Illness	34	18.6
Substance Abuse Disorder	41	22.4
Developmental Disability	6	3.3
Traumatic Brain Injury	4	2.1
Total	183	100.0

96 people answered this question. Those 96 people were able to pick more than one disability.



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Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	24	15.3
No	133	84.7
Total	157	100.0

Pregnant or an Expected Parent

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	152	100
Total	152	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	157	84.0
No	30	16.0
Total	187	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed	77	50.0
Regular full-time job	25	16.3
Regular part-time job	14	9.1
Temporary job	14	9.1
Day labor/Odd jobs	23	14.9
Retired	1	0.6
Total	154	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	10



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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	16	9.5
No	152	90.5
Total	168	100.0

**Activated Into Active Duty As
A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist**

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	0.5
No	104	99.0
Total	105	100.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	3

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	0	0.0
Kuwait	1	6.7
Afghanistan	4	26.6
Iraq	3	20.0
Other	7	46.7
Total Responses	15	100.0

13 people answered this question. Those 13 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	7	41.2
No	10	58.8
Total	17	100.0



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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	81	18.0
Job Training/Placement	67	14.9
Food Stamps	81	18.0
Transportation Assistance	86	19.1
Case Management	79	17.4
Veteran Benefits	8	1.8
Other	49	10.8
Total	451	100.0

167 people answered this question. Those 167 people were able to pick more than one needed service.



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