

HEALTHCARE AND HOUSING (H²) SYSTEMS INTEGRATION INITIATIVE TEXAS

Data Snapshots: Populations In Need

POPULATION: PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS¹

Number of Homeless Persons in Texas on a Single Night in 2014

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|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Total Homeless | 28,495 |
| % Unsheltered | 36.0% |
| Homeless Individuals | 18,436 |
| % Unsheltered | 48.5% |
| Homeless Persons in Families | 10,059 |
| % Unsheltered | 13.1% |

Homeless Sub-Populations in Texas on a Single Night in 2014

| Sub-Population | Number | % Unsheltered |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| Total Chronically Homeless | 5,416 | 58.8% |
| Individuals | 4,952 | 61.8% |
| Persons in Families | 464 | 26.9% |
| Unaccompanied Children & Youth | 2,210 | 54.9% |
| Children | 612 | 66.7% |
| Young Adults | 1,598 | 50.5% |
| Veterans | 2,718 | 42.0% |
| Chronic Substance Abuse | 6,945 | 51.6% |
| HIV/AIDS | 628 | 57.3% |
| Severely Mentally Ill | 7,387 | 49.0% |
| Victims of Domestic Violence | 6,336 | 33.6% |

Snapshot of Texas Homelessness

- Six states (California, Texas, Florida, New York, Georgia, and Louisiana) are home to nearly 60 percent of the chronically homeless population. Nearly 1 in 5 homeless individuals in Texas has experienced chronic homelessness.²
- According to the National Center on Family Homelessness, Texas is ranked 39th among all states in terms of child homelessness, based on 1) the extent of child homelessness, 2) child well-being, 3) risk of child homelessness, and 4) state policy and planning efforts to end and prevent child homelessness.³
- In June 2015, Houston announced that it has effectively ended veteran homelessness. Over 35 local agencies collaborated to build a nationally-recognized response system that has housed over 3,650 homeless veterans in just over 3 years, and has the resources to house every homeless veteran (or those at risk of homelessness) in Harris and Fort Bend Counties.⁴

¹ 2014 PIT Count, available at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/3031/pit-and-hic-data-since-2007/> and http://www.thn.org/images/CoC_PopSub_State_TX_2014.pdf

² <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/2014-AHAR-Part1.pdf>

³ <http://www.homelesschildrenamerica.org/pdfs/2014/TX.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.houstontx.gov/mayor/press/houston-effectively-ends-veteran-homelessness>

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POPULATION: LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS AND THOSE LIVING IN POVERTY

Numbers of Persons Below the Poverty Line⁵

As of 2015, Texas has a poverty rate of 17.5%, significantly higher than the national poverty rate of 14.3%. It is estimated that 7.3% of those in Texas are living in “deep poverty”, which is defined as having an income below half of the Federal Poverty Level.

Health Insurance Coverage of Those Living Below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) in 2013⁶

| | Uninsured | Employer | Other Private | Medicaid | Total |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 0-64 (under 100% FPL) | 1,524,500 (37%) | 362,700 (9%) | 231,200 (6%) | 1,812,800 (44%) | 4,101,200 |
| 19-64 (under 100% FPL) | 1,263,200 (56%) | 224,900 (10%) | 170,500 (7%) | 475,000 (21%) | 2,273,100 |
| 0-18 (under 100% FPL) | 261,300 (14%) | 137,700 (8%) | N/A | 1,337,800 (73%) | 1,828,100 |

POPULATION: PERSONS LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS⁷

- 64,498 people in Texas were living with HIV/AIDS (as of December 31, 2011)
- Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Clients in Illinois in 2012 Income and Housing Status
 - 69.5% (24,820) have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
 - 2.7% (972) are homeless or in unstable housing
 - 31.7% (11,253) are in temporary housing
 - 65.6% (23,298) are in stable/permanent housing

⁵<http://www.povertyusa.org/the-state-of-poverty/poverty-map-state/> and <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/chs/popdat/ST2015.shtm>.

⁶ The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, www.kff.org.

⁷ <http://hab.hrsa.gov/stateprofiles/Client-Characteristics.aspx> and <http://hab.hrsa.gov/stateprofiles/State-Overview.aspx#chart3>