

2022 Point in Time Count

About the Point in Time Count Survey

The Point in Time Count (PIT) is a snapshot of homelessness on one night of the year. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that each Continuum of Care (CoC) conduct a sheltered PIT annually, and that it occur within the last ten days of January. In 2022, the "Night of the Count" in Maine was January 25. This count included both sheltered and unsheltered populations. Information from emergency shelters and other service providers was primarily collected though Maine's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

Information from those who were unsheltered on the night of the count, as well as from those shelters or programs that do not participate in HMIS, was collected using paper survey forms and later entered into HMIS. For the first time, people staying in hotels funded by General Assistance and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program were included in the PIT, representing 2,476 of the sheltered total in 2022.

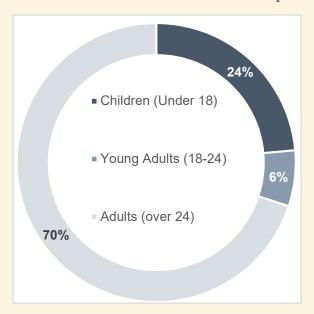
3,455 people experienced homelessness in Maine on January 25, 2022

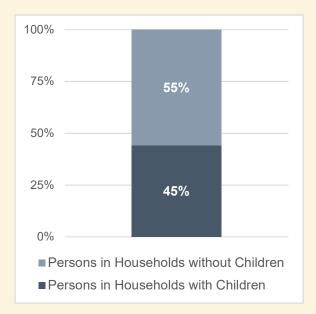


Notes: 1) The increase in 2022 is attributable to individuals staying in hotels funded by General Assistance and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program being included in the PIT for the first time. 2) The total does not include the 956 individuals in Transitional Housing reported to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). 3) There was no unsheltered count in 2021 due to COVID-19.

Youth & Families

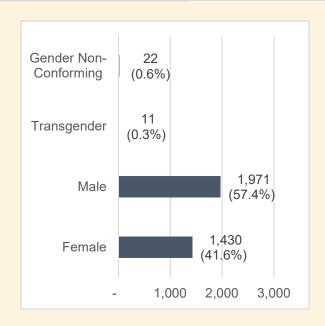
Almost half of all households who experienced homelessness have at least one child.

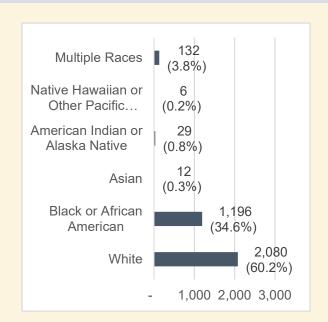




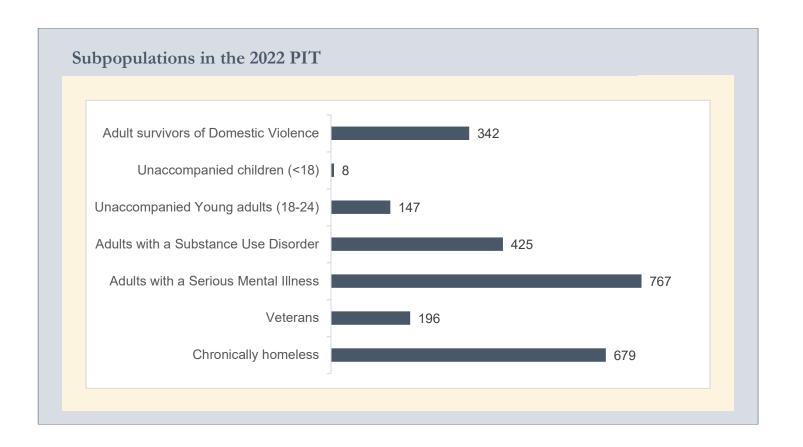
Nearly <u>1 in 4</u> (24%) persons in the 2022 survey were under 18. There were 1,543 persons in households with at least on child, of those 815 were under 18. Unaccompanied youth totaled 155, comprised of 147 young adults (18-24) and eight children under 18.

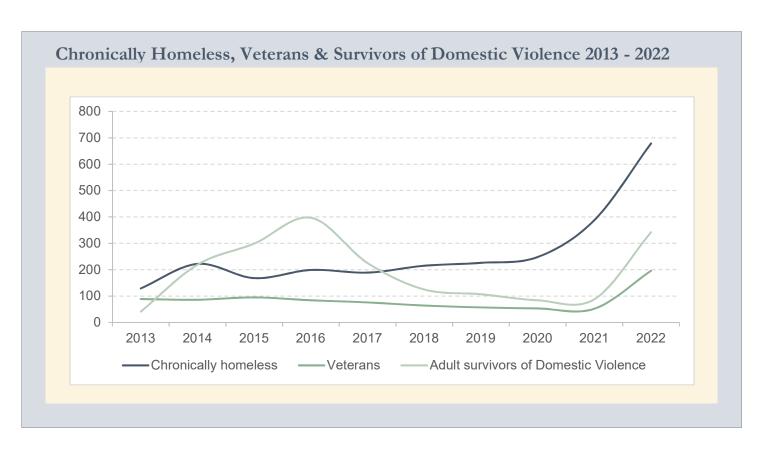
Gender & Race



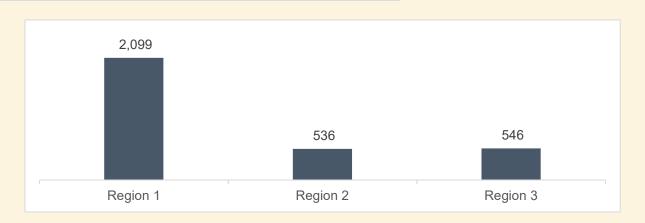


Survey respondents were more likely to be male and non-white as compared to Maine's population, which is 91% white and 49% male. The 2022 PIT was comprised of 57% males and 40% racial minorities, mostly black or African American making up 35% of the PIT.





Where People Were on the Night of the Survey



Continuum of Care (CoC) Region 1: Cumberland and York

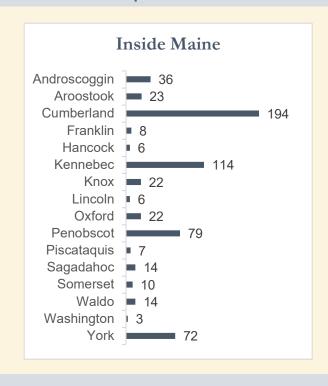
CoC Region 2: Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Somerset, and Waldo

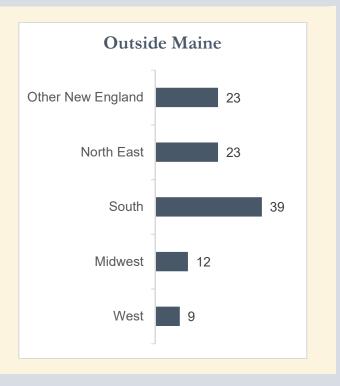
CoC Region 3: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis, and Washington

For a definition of CoC, see page 5.

Note: The PIT reported 3,455 persons experiencing homelessness on January 25, 2022. To protect the whereabouts of certain populations location data was not collected for 164 unsheltered homeless persons or 110 in domestic violence shelters.

Place of Last Reported Permanent Residence





"Outside Maine" regions defined by the U.S. Census. 1,767 persons did not respond to this question.

More about the Point in Time Count Survey

The Point in Time count is a survey of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on a single night in January. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that Continuum of Care Programs* receiving federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance funds conduct an annual count of homeless persons who are sheltered in emergency shelters, transitional housing, and safe havens within the last ten days of January.

HUD uses information from the surveys, among other data sources, in the Annual Homeless Assessment Report. Each count is planned, coordinated, carried out locally, and contain elements that are based on self-reported data. Information from emergency shelters and other service providers is collected through Maine's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), and through paper surveys. This survey is one of several annual reports and data sources that is useful in increasing understanding of the scope of homelessness in Maine.

*Continuum of Care (CoC) Programs are designed to promote community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

About MaineHousing

MaineHousing is an independent quasi-state agency and a top mortgage lender and affordable housing development lender in the state. It is a \$2.1 billion financial institution with a staff of 180+ whose mission is to assist Maine people in obtaining and maintaining quality affordable housing and services suitable to their housing needs.

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