

Homeless Count and Characteristics Survey Results

Huntsville

January 23, 2014

Number of Surveys Recorded 28

1. Age of Respondent

	Age
Average	45.92
Median	50.50

2. Gender

	Frequency	Percent
Male	15	53.6
Female	43	46.4
Total	28	100.0

3. Race

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
Asian American	1	3.4	3.6
Black or African American	6	20.7	21.4
White	22	75.9	78.6
Total	29	100.0	103.6

*28 Confirmed Cases

4. Hispanic or Latino?

	Frequency	Percent
Yes, Hispanic or Latino	1	3.6
No, Not Hispanic or Latino	27	96.4
Total	28	100.0

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5. Physical/Mental Disability

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
Substance Abuse Disorder	4	13.3	14.3
Chronic Physical Illness	5	16.7	17.9
Serious Mental Illness	1	3.3	3.6
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	3	10.0	10.7
None of the Above	17	56.7	60.7
Total	30	100.0	107.1

*28 Confirmed Cases

6. Family/Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Single Individual	27	96.4
Other Type Of Family	1	3.6
Total	28	100.0

7. Total People In Family/Household

Average	1.00
Median	1.00

8. Adults In Family/Household

Average	1.00
Median	1.00

9. Last Night's Lodging

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter	26	92.9
Permanent Supportive Housing	1	3.6
Substandard Housing	1	3.6
Total	28	100.0

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10. US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	4	14.3
No	24	85.7
Total	28	100.0

11. Length of Service

	Length of service (Years)
Median	3.5

12. Activated Into Active Duty As A Member Of The National Guard Or As A Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	0	0.00
No	4	100.0
Total	4	100.0

13. Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
Korea	1	20.0	25.0
Vietnam	3	60.0	75.0
Iraq	1	20.0	25.0
Total Responses	5	100.0	125.0

*4 Confirmed cases

14. VA Benefits

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	3	75.0
No	1	25.0
Total	4	100.0

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15. Length of Homelessness

Median	3.9 Months
Range	6 days – 3 years

16. Respondent's Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	22	78.6
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	4	14.3
Continuously homeless for a year or more	1	3.6
Not currently homeless	1	3.6
Total	28	100.0

17. Times Moved in Last 60 Days

Median	1 Time
Range	1 Time

18. Homeless another time in past 12 months?

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	5	18.5
No	22	81.5
Total	27	100.0

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19. Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent of Responses	Percent of Cases
Unable to pay rent/mortgage	11	22.0	42.3
Unemployment	13	26.0	50.0
Divorce/Separation	3	6.0	11.5
Domestic Violence	4	8.0	15.4
Family/Personal Illness	2	4.0	7.7
Physical/Mental Disabilities	2	4.0	7.7
Addiction	3	6.0	11.5
Evicted	5	10.0	19.2
Moved to seek work	1	2.0	3.8
Other	6	12.0	23.1
Total	50	100.0	192.3

*26 Confirmed Cases

20. Education

	Frequency	Percent
Some high school	5	17.9
High school diploma/GED	7	25.0
Some college	9	32.1
Technical school/Job Training Program	1	3.6
College graduate	6	21.4
Total	28	100.0

21. Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	26	92.9
No	2	7.1
Total	28	100.0

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22. Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Regular Full Time	4	15.4
Regular Part Time	6	23.1
Day Labor	1	3.8
Unemployed	13	50.0
Retired	2	7.7
Total	26	100.0

23. Length of Unemployment

	Years
Median	1.2

24. Needed Medical Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	20	76.9
No	6	23.1
Total	26	100.0

25. Received Medical Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	17	85.0
No	3	15.0
Total	20	100.0

26. Medical Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
ER	15	48.4	88.2
Private Doctor	6	19.4	35.3
VA	3	9.7	17.6
Community Clinic	5	16.1	29.4
MHMR	2	6.5	11.8
Total	31	100.0	182.4

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27. Needed Dental Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	16	64.0
No	9	36.0
Total	25	100.0

28. Received Dental Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	5.3
No	18	94.7
Total	19	100.0

29. Dental Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
Private Doctor	1	100.0	100.0
Total	1372	100.0	120.0

*1 Confirmed Case

30. Needed Mental Health Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	5	21.7
No	18	78.3
Total	23	100.0

31. Received Mental Health Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	11.1
No	8	88.9
Total	9	100.0

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32. Mental Health Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
VA	1	50.0	50.0
Community Clinic	1	50.0	50.0
Total	2	100.0	100.0

*2 Confirmed Cases

33. Needed Substance Abuse Treatment in the Past year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	4	17.4
No	19	82.6
Total	23	100.0

34. Received Substance Abuse Treatment

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	2	25.0
No	6	75.0
Total	8	100.0

35. Substance Abuse Treatment Received From

	Frequency	Percent	Percent of Cases
ER	0	0.00	0.00
Private Doctor	0	0.00	0.00
VA	0	0.00	0.00
Community Clinic	0	0.00	0.00
MHMR	0	0.00	0.00
Social Service Agency	0	0.00	0.00
Other	0	0.00	0.00
Total	0	0.00	0.00

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26. Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent of Responses	Percent of Cases
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	17	30.4	65.4
Job Training/Placement	9	16.1	34.6
Food Stamps	10	17.9	38.5
Transportation Assistance	11	19.6	42.3
Case Management	7	12.5	26.9
Veteran Benefits	2	3.6	7.7
Total	56	100.0	215.4

*26 Confirmed Cases