

Point-In-Time Survey Results

Longview

January 21, 2016

Number of surveys recorded	380
Number of adults in households	356
Number of children in households	41
Total number of people	397
Chronically Homeless Households*	29

Age Category

	Frequency	Percent
17 & Under	4	1.3
18 – 24	34	10.8
25 – 64	250	79.1
65 & Older	28	8.9
Total	316	100.0

Gender Identity

	Frequency	Percent
Male	192	54.9
Female	158	45.1
Transgender	0	0.0
Total	350	100.0

Sexual Orientation

	Frequency	Percent
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual	5	1.8
Straight	262	92.6
Questioning	0	0.0
Prefer not to answer	16	5.7
Total	283	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	221	74.7
Asian	1	0.3
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	1.7
Black or African American	57	19.3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Two or More	12	4.1
Total	296	100.0

Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	13	4.8
No	256	95.2
Total	296	100.0

Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/21/16

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter (DV shelter included)	218	57.4
Transitional Shelter	102	26.8
Hotel/Motel (paid by voucher)	7	1.8
Place Not Meant For Habitation	53	13.9
Total	380	100.0

Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Households Without Children	318	83.7
Unaccompanied <i>Young Adults</i> (age 18 – 24)	26	6.8
Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	27	7.1
Parenting <i>Young Adults</i> (age 18 – 24)	1	0.3
Parenting Youth (under age 18)	0	0.0
Household With Children (at least one adult & one child)	8	2.1
Minor Respondent Living With Parent(s)	0	0.0
Other Type Of Family	0	0.0
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Current Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	133	43.8
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	98	32.2
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	24	7.9
Continuously homeless for a year or more	49	16.1
Total	304	100.0

Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	9 months
Range	1 day – 10 years

Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

Carthage	5	Dallas	8
Ft. Worth	4	Gilmer	6
Houston	5	Kilgore	6
Longview	153	Marshall	6
Tyler	11	White Oak	3

Homeless another time in past 12 months

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	125	42.7
No	168	57.3
Total	293	100.0

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Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Financial Reasons	179	62.4
Unable to Pay Rent/Mortgage	93	32.4
Loss of Public Aid	19	6.6
Natural Disaster	5	1.7
Unemployment	97	33.8
Moved to Seek Work	16	5.6
Evicted	31	10.8
Physical Health	49	17.1
Domestic Violence	36	12.5
Family Illness	16	5.6
Divorce or Separation	38	13.2
Hospital Discharge	5	1.7
Pregnant or Parenting	6	2.1
Mental Illness	44	15.3
Substance Abuse	78	27.2
Left Jail/Prison/Detention	42	14.6
Criminal Record	35	12.2
Ran Away From Home	7	2.4
Lifestyle Choice	16	5.6
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	0	0.0
To Protect Self or Family Member(s)	16	5.6
Abandonment by Parent or Guardian	11	3.8
Too Crowded/Doubled Up	5	1.7
Aged Out or Ran Away From Foster Care	5	1.7
Kicked Out by Family	28	9.8
Kicked Out by Friends	13	4.5
Total	890	310.1

287 people answered this question. Those 287 people were able to pick more than one reason for becoming homeless.

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Physical/Mental Disability (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
Alcohol/Substance Abuse (or addiction)	135	46.6
Serious Mental Illness	92	31.7
Physical Disability	86	29.7
Developmental Disability	23	7.9
HIV/AIDS	4	1.4
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	41	14.1
Traumatic Brain Injury	10	3.4
None of the Above	77	26.6
Total	468	161.4

290 people answered this question. Those 290 people were able to pick more than one disability.

Previous Experiences

	Frequency	Percent
Domestic Violence	92	33.0
Child Abuse/Neglect	70	25.1
Foster Care	35	12.5
Legal Problems/Prior Conviction	73	26.2
Sexual Assault	41	14.7
Gang Involvement	17	6.1
None of the Above	119	42.7
Total	447	160.2

279 people answered this question. Those 279 people were able to pick more than one previous experience.

Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence While Homeless

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	54	20.9
No	204	79.1
Total	258	100.0

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Education

	Frequency	Percent
Less than 9 th grade	21	7.7
Some high school	36	13.2
High school diploma/GED	123	45.1
Some college	64	23.4
College graduate	16	5.9
Technical school/Training program	11	4.0
Master's degree or higher	2	0.7
Total	273	100.0

Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	195	66.1
No	100	33.9
Total	295	100.0

Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployed but looking for work	104	54.5
Unemployed but <i>not</i> looking for work	29	15.2
Regular full-time job	25	13.1
Regular part-time job	26	13.6
Temporary job	4	2.1
Day labor/Odd jobs	2	1.0
Retired	1	0.5
Total	191	100.0

Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	6.0

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US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	21	7.1
No	274	92.9
Total	295	100.0

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

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	2	0.7
No	272	99.3
Total	274	100.0

Length of Service

	Years
Median	3.0

Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	0	0.0
Vietnam	4	33.3
Kuwait	4	33.3
Afghanistan	2	16.7
Iraq	1	8.3
Other	2	16.7
Total Responses	13	100.0

12 people answered this question. Those 12 people were able to pick more than one tour of duty.

Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	9	42.9
No	12	57.1
Total	21	100.0

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Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	211	77.9
Job Training/Placement	95	35.1
Food Stamps	151	55.7
Transportation Assistance	143	52.8
Case Management	65	24.0
Veteran Benefits	7	2.6
Other	33	12.2
Total	705	260.1

271 people answered this question. Those 271 people were able to pick more than one needed service.