MONTEREY COUNTY

2022 HOMELESS POINT-IN-TIME COUNT & SURVEY

Every two years, during the last 10 days of January, communities across the country conduct comprehensive counts of the local homeless populations in order to measure the prevalence of homelessness in each local Continuum of Care.

The 2022 Monterey County Point-in-Time Count was a community-wide effort conducted on January 27th and 28th, 2022. In the weeks following the street count, a survey was administered to 287 unsheltered and sheltered individuals experiencing homelessness in order to profile their experience and characteristics.
**Primary Condition that Lead to Homelessness**

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<th>Condition</th>
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<td>Financial Issues (Job Loss, Eviction, Etc.)</td>
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<td>Alcohol or Drug Use</td>
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<td>Incarceration</td>
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<td>Mental Health Issues</td>
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<td>Legal Issues</td>
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<td>Divorce/Separation/Break-Up</td>
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**First Episode of Homelessness**

- 38% of survey respondents indicated their current episode of homelessness was their first.

**Age at First Episode of Homelessness**

- 8% 18-24
- 9% 25+
- 83% 0-17

**Duration of Current Episode of Homelessness**

- 5% 30 Days or Less
- 11% 1-11 Months
- 84% A Year or More

**Obstacles to Obtaining Permanent Housing**

- 71% RENTAL ASSISTANCE
- 56% JOB/MORE INCOME
- 35% MONEY FOR MOVING COSTS
- 34% MORE TRANSPORTATION

**Self Reported Health**

- 57% Depression
- 49% Alcohol and Drug Use
- 43% PTSD
- 30% Chronic Health Condition
- 28% Psychiatric or Emotional Conditions
- 27% Physical Disability

**Disabling Conditions**

- 61% of survey respondents reported having at least one disabling condition.

**Government Services and Assistance**

- 34% No ID
- 24% Don't Think I'm Eligible
- 23% Never Applied
- 21% Paperwork Too Difficult
- 17% Don't Want Government Assistance
- 16% No Permanent Address

**Reasons for Not Receiving Any Government Assistance**

- 23% Contact with Outreach Worker
- 9% Emergency Shelter
- 7% Housing Navigation
- 7% Shelter Day Services
- 6% Alcohol/Drug Counseling
- 52% Not Using Any Services

**Subpopulation Definitions**

### Chronically Homeless

An individual with one or more disabling conditions or a family with a head of household with a disabling condition who:
- Has been continuously homeless for 1 year or more and/or;
- Has experienced 4 or more episodes of homelessness within the past 5 years.

### Veterans

Persons who have served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. This does not include inactive military reserves or the National Guard unless the person was called up to active duty.

### Families

A household with at least one adult member (persons 18 or older) and at least one child member (persons under 18).

### Unaccompanied Youth & Young Adults

Youth under the age of 18 and young adults between the ages of 18 and 24 years old (18Y) who are experiencing homelessness and living without a parent or legal guardian.

*Multiple response question, results may not add up to 100%.

**Note:** Some percentages have been rounded so total percentage will equal 100%.

The complete comprehensive report includes a more detailed profile of the characteristics of those experiencing homelessness in Monterey. It will be available summer 2022.

Source: Applied Survey Research, 2022, Monterey County Homeless Census & Survey, Watsonville, CA.