



Ozarks Alliance to End Homelessness Unsheltered Point-in-Time Report

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Introduction

Unsheltered Point-in-Time Survey

Every January, communities across the country complete an annual “Point-in-Time” count of people experiencing homelessness on a given night. These counts are federally mandated, and they provide important insight into each community’s homeless population. Locally, this effort is led by the Ozarks Alliance to End Homelessness, which serves as the Continuum of Care for Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties.

The first part of this report examines responses to the 2023 Unsheltered Point-in Time Survey conducted in Springfield and Greene County, Missouri, and provides information for 159 individuals who were unsheltered. This count reflects 146 individuals who either completed the survey instrument or who were observed, and 13 additional household members for whom survey takers provided information.

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Demographic Profile of Participants

Most participants (73%) reported that they or their household members were aged thirty-five or older (Table 1). Men comprised 68.8% of the sample while women comprised 31.2% (Table 1). Most participants (83.8%) self-identified as being white and non-Hispanic/Latinx (Table 1). Fourteen participants (9.5%) reported having served in the military, and two participants reported having served in the National Guard (Table 2 & 3). However, fewer than half of those veterans had ever received healthcare or benefits from a Veterans Affairs medical center (Table 4). Over one-quarter of participants (29.3%) reported having been employed part-time or full-time within the last six months (Table 5).

Table 1. Demographics

Demographic Information		Percent of Participants	Percent for Greene County ¹
Age	Under 18	3.1%	20.8%
	18-24 years	5.0%	13.5%
	25-34 years	18.9%	13.9%
	35-44	25.8%	12.2%
	45-54	25.2%	11.2%
	55-64	18.9%	12%
	65 and older	3.1%	16.4%
	N	159	--
Gender	Male	68.8%	48.9%
	Female	31.2%	51.1%
	N	157	--
Race	White	83.8%	90.1%
	Black, African American, or African	6.5%	3.5%
	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	4.5%	0.8%
	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
	Asian	0.0%	2.3%
	Multiple Races	5.2%	3.2%
	N	154	--
Ethnicity	Non-Hispanic/Non-Latinx	97.2%	95.8%
	Hispanic/Latinx	2.8%	4.2%
	N	144	--

¹ County-level data comes from the [2021 American Community Study \(ACS\)](#). Some differences exist in racial categorization on the ACS: ACS does not include the specification of “African” or “Indigenous.”

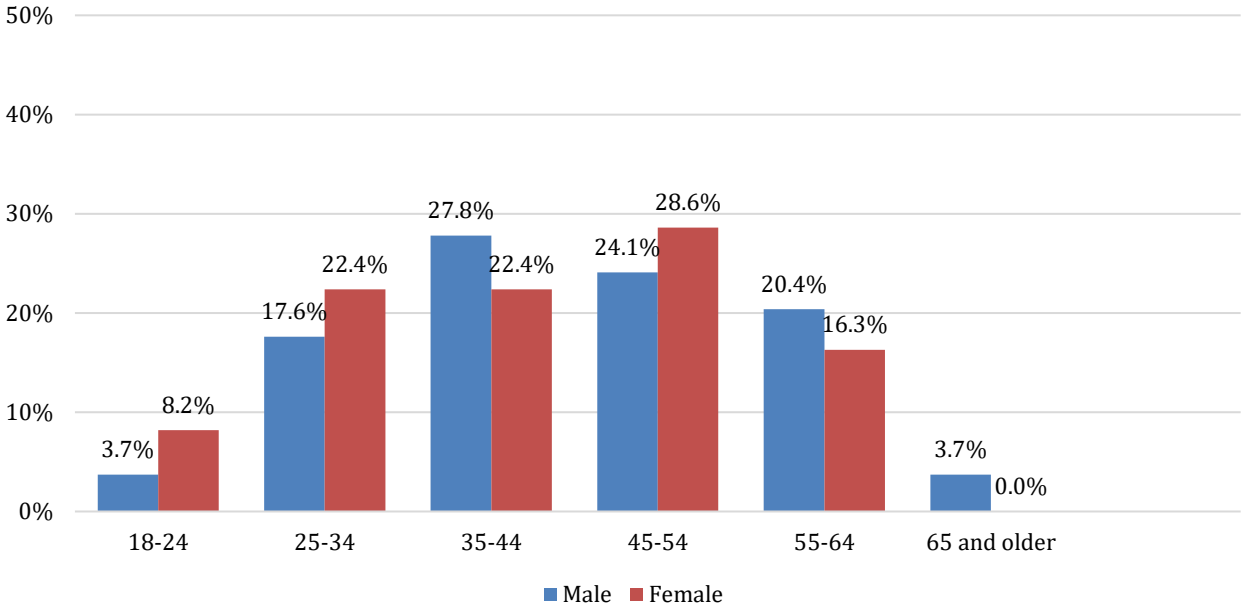


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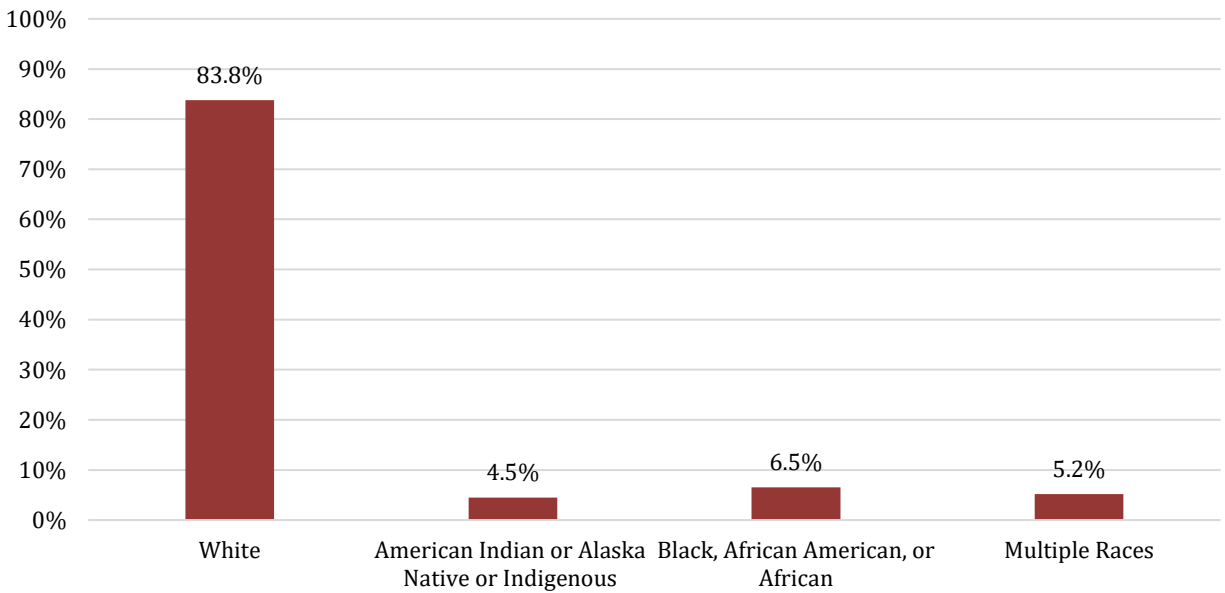


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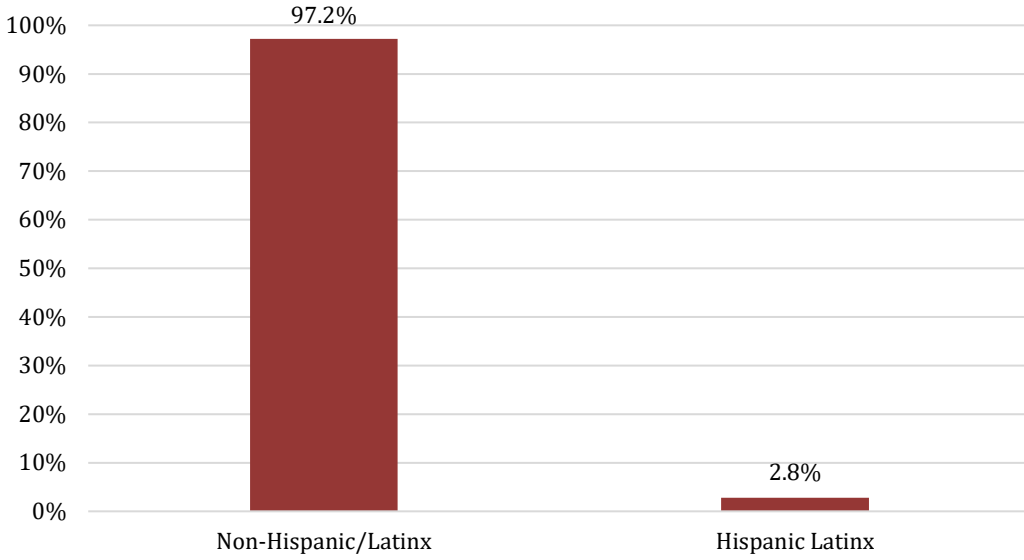


Figure 3. Ethnicity of participants

Table 2. Have you served in the military?

Veteran	N	Percent
No	133	90.5%
Yes	14	9.5%
Total	14	100%

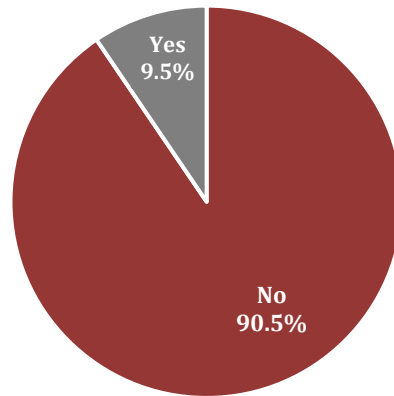


Table 3. Have you served in the National Guard?

National Guard	N	Percent
No	12	85.7%
Yes	2	14.3%
Total	14	100%

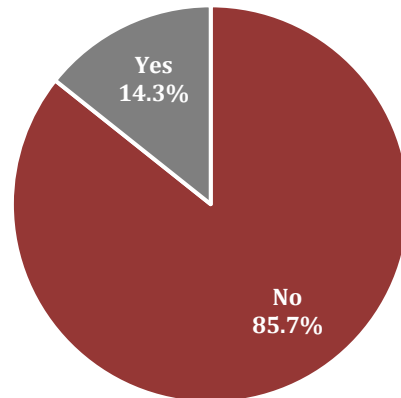


Table 4. *Have you ever received healthcare or benefits from a VA medical center?*

VA Benefits	N	Percent
No	8	57.1%
Yes	6	42.9%
Total	14	100%

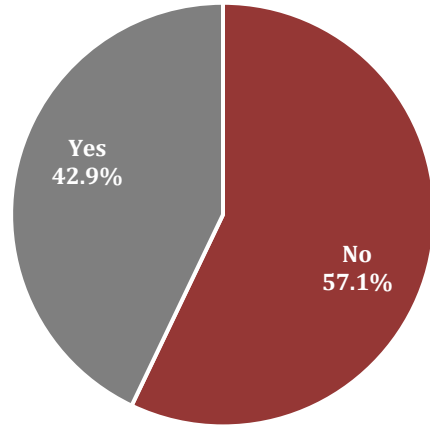
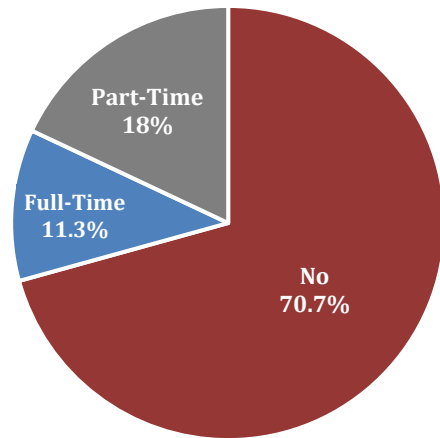


Table 5. *Have you been employed within the last six months, either part-time or full-time?*

Employment Status	N	Percent
No	106	70.7%
Part-Time	27	18.0%
Full-Time	17	11.3%
Total	150	100%

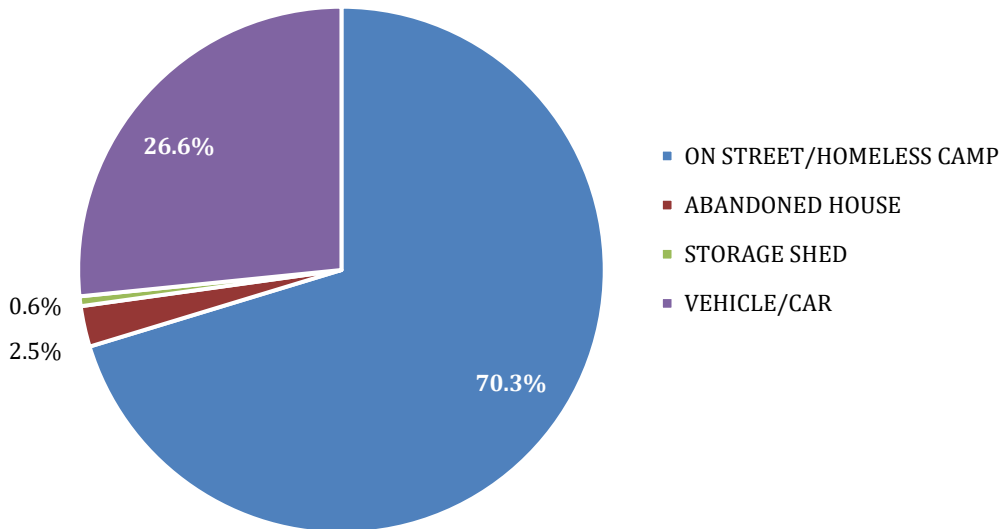


Homelessness Status

On the night the survey was conducted (January 25th, 2023), 70.3% of participants reported having slept on the streets or in a homeless camp. The next most cited shelter was “vehicle or car” at 26.6%, followed by “abandoned house” (2.5%) and “storage shed” (0.6%, Table 6). Most participants (66.7%) reported that they were by themselves (Table 7). A little over three-quarters of individuals (77.4%) reported having been homeless continuously for a year or more at the time the survey was conducted (Table 8). Over half of participants (62.8%) met the HUD criteria for being considered “chronically homeless”² (Table 9).

Table 6. *Where did you sleep on the night of January 25th, 2023?*

Location Where Slept	N	Percent
On Street/Homeless Camp	111	70.3%
Vehicle/Car	42	26.6%
Abandoned House	4	2.5%
Storage Shed	1	0.6%
Total	158	100%



² Criteria for chronicity includes: Must have a disability and have been living in a place not meant for human habitation or emergency shelter for the last 12 months (continuously) OR on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years *where those occasions cumulatively total at least 12 months.*

Table 7. Are you with a household or are you by yourself?

Family Status	N	Percentage
By Myself	106	66.7%
With Household	53	33.3%
Total	159	100%

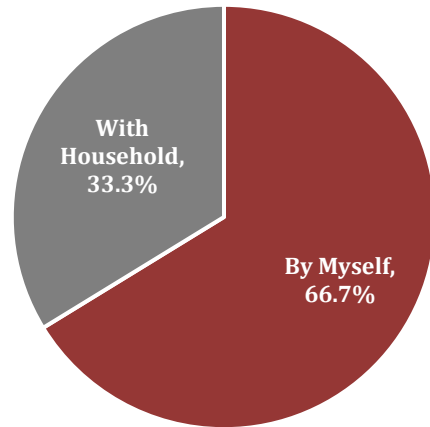


Table 8. Have you been homeless (on the streets or in a shelter) continuously for a year or more?

Prolonged Homelessness	N	Percentage
No	35	22.6%
Yes	120	77.4%
Total	159	100%

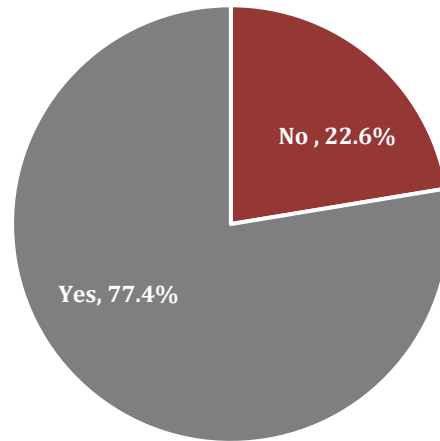
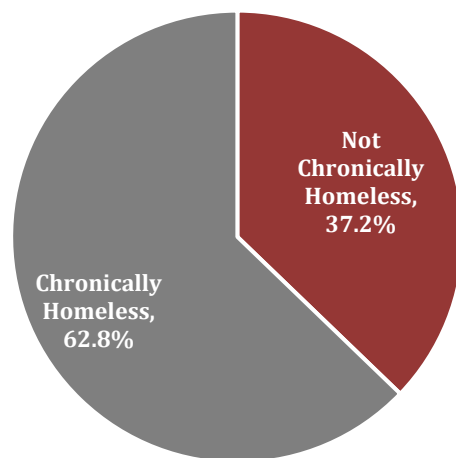


Table 9. Percentage of participants who meet HUD's criteria for being chronically homeless.

Chronically Homeless	N	Percent
Not Chronically Homeless	55	37.2%
Chronically Homeless	93	62.8%
Total	148	100%



Disabling Conditions

Almost three-quarters of participants (71.3%) reported having at least one disabling condition (Table 10), although only one-fifth (20.3%) of those disabled individuals were receiving disability benefits of any kind (Table 12). Although the samples were smaller, all members of the American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous group reported having at least one disability, and those identifying as being more than one race composed the second largest category of people with a disability (Table 11). Mental health was the most commonly cited disability (59.3%), followed by physical disability (50.0%), a chronic health condition (34.3%), drug abuse (31.5%), alcohol abuse (23.1%), a developmental disability (9.3%) and HIV/AIDs (0.9%; Table 13).

Table 10. *Do you have a disability?*

Disability	N	Percent
No	43	28.7%
Yes	107	71.3%
Total	150	100%

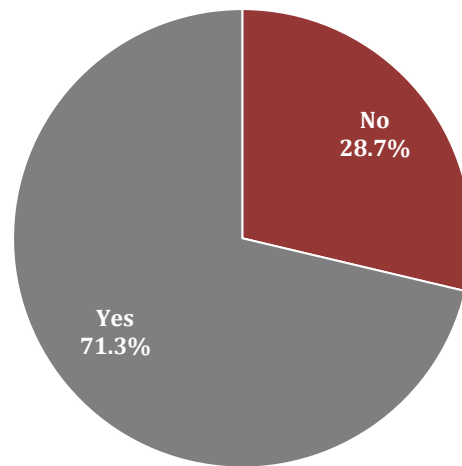


Table 11. *Disability Status by Race*

	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Black, African American, or African	White	Multiple Races
No	0%	37.5%	30.4%	14.3%
Yes	100%	62.5%	69.6%	85.7%
	N=7	N=8	N=125	N=7

Table 12. Do you receive any disability benefits, such as Social Security Income, Social Security Disability Income, or Veterans Disability Benefits?

Benefits	N	Percent
No	122	79.7%
Yes	31	20.3%
Total	153	100%

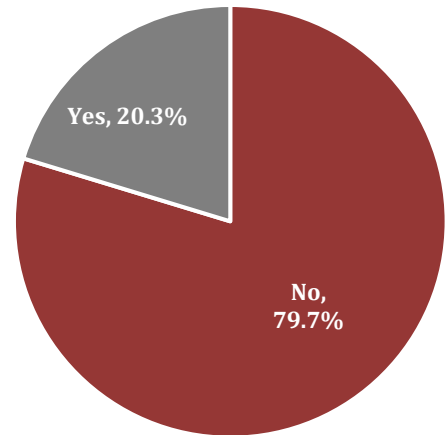


Table 13. Do you have a disability related to any of the following?

Disability Type	N	Percent
Mental health	64	59.3%
Physical	54	50.0%
Chronic Health Condition	37	34.3%
Drug Abuse	34	31.5%
Alcohol Abuse	25	23.1%
Developmental	10	9.3%
HIV/AIDS	1	0.9%
Total	214	--

Note. Each respondent may have indicated more than one activity, so percentages add to more than 100%.

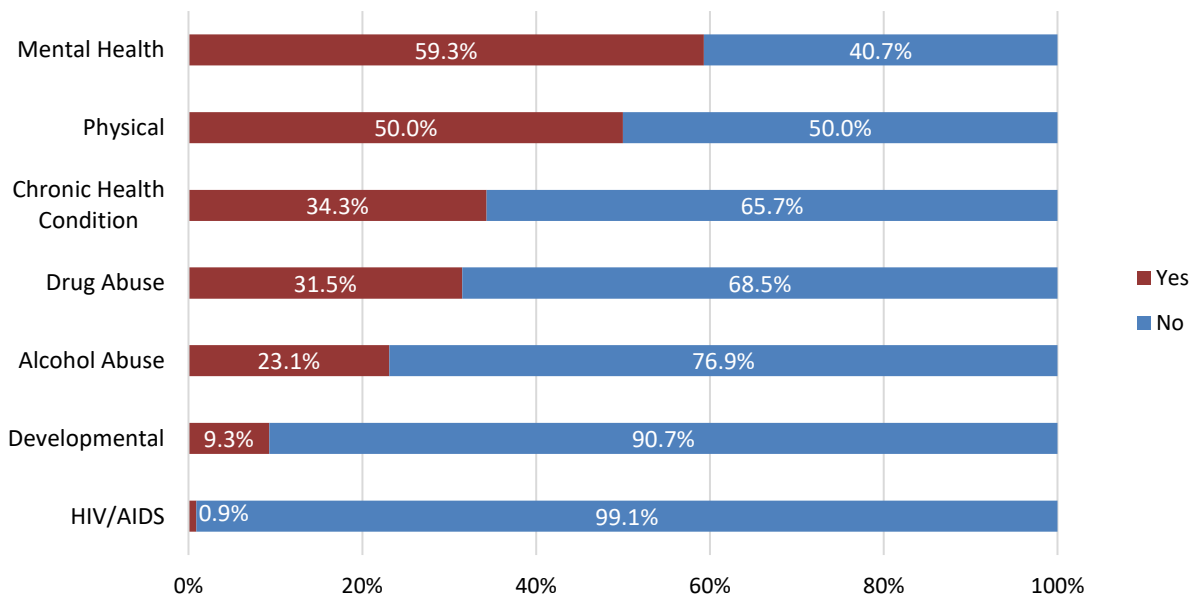


Figure 4. Disability by type

Victimization

Thirty-one percent of participants reported having been a victim of domestic violence (Table 14). Women were significantly more likely to have ever been a victim of domestic violence than men (Table 15), and participants who reported having at least one disability were significantly more likely to report being domestic violence victims than non-disabled participants (Table 17). Of participants who reported that they had been a victim of domestic violence, 23.3% indicated that they were currently fleeing (Table 18). Thirty-six percent of participants reported that they had been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person they were staying with while they were homeless (Table 19), and women and participants with disabilities were more likely to report having been harmed while homeless than men and participants without disabilities, respectively (Tables 20 and 22).

Table 14. *Have you ever been a victim of domestic violence?*

Victim	N	Percent
No	100	69.4%
Yes	44	30.6%
Total	144	100%

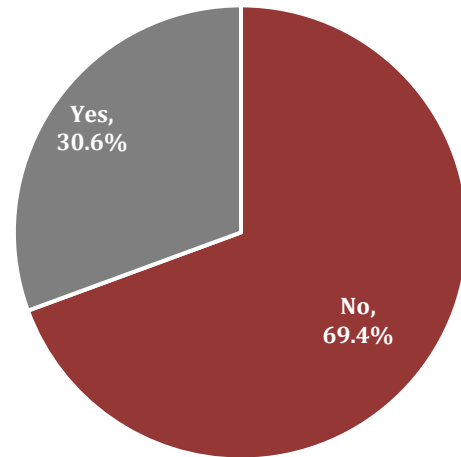


Table 15. *Domestic Violence Victimization, by Gender*

	Female	Male
No	41.3%	82.7%
Yes	58.7%	17.3%
	N= 46	N= 98

* $p < .001$; significant differences found between men and women with regard to the proportion who experienced domestic violence.

Table 16. Domestic Violence Victimization, by Race

	White	Black, African American, or African	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Multiple Races
No	69.2%	77.8%	66.7%	71.4%
Yes	30.8%	22.2%	33.3%	28.6%
	N=120	N=9	N=6	N=7

Table 17. Domestic Violence Victimization, by Disability Status

	At Least One Disability	No Disability
No	61.2%	89.7%
Yes	38.8%	10.3%
	N=103	N=39

* $p < .001$; significant differences found between those with and without a disability regarding the proportion who experienced domestic violence.

Table 18. Are you currently fleeing?

Currently Fleeing	N	Percent
No	33	76.7%
Yes	10	23.3%
Total	43	100%

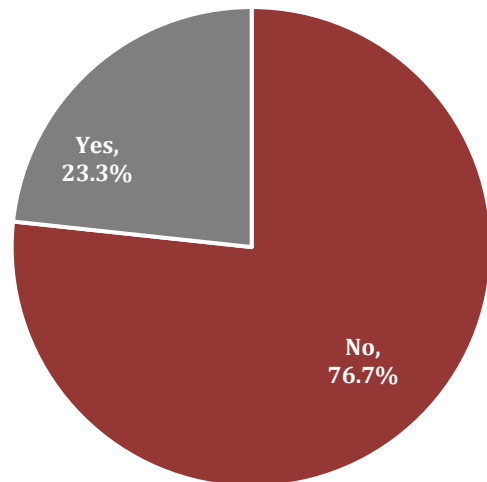


Table 19. *Have you ever been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person you were staying with while you were homeless?*

Harmed While Homeless	N	Percent
No	90	63.8%
Yes	51	36.2%
Total	141	100%

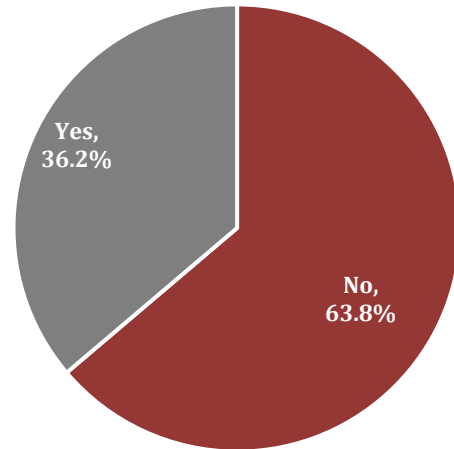


Table 20. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Gender*

	Female	Male
No	50.0%	70.1%
Yes	50.0%	29.9%
	N= 44	N=97

* $p < .05$; significant differences found between men and women with regard to the proportion who reported having been harmed while homeless.

Table 21. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Race*

	White	Black, African American, or African	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Multiple Races
No	65.5%	55.6%	71.4%	42.9%
Yes	34.5%	44.4%	28.6%	57.1%
	N=116	N=9	N=7	N=9

Table 22. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Disability Status*

	At Least One Disability	No Disability
Never Harmed while Homeless	53.5%	89.7%
Harmed While Homeless	46.5%	10.3%
	N=101	N=40

* $p < .001$; significant differences found between those with and without a disability regarding the proportion who reported having been harmed while homeless.

Appendix A: Codebook CoC Unsheltered Point-in-Time Survey 2023

Q1. Was this encounter an interview or observational? [INT]

- (0) Interview
- (1) Observational (I can't talk to this person.)

Q1a. Does the individual wish to participate in the unsheltered count? [CONSENT] Q1a displayed If Q1=0 ("Interview")

- (0) No
- (1) Yes

Q2. Where did the encounter occur? [LOC]

- (0) Meal Site-Springfield
- (1) Street Outreach-Springfield
- (2) Greene County
- (3) Christian County
- (4) Webster County

Q3. Was this survey done on paper and then entered into the portal at a later time? [PAPER]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes

Q4. Surveyor's Notes for Data Analysis Team (if any) [NOTES]

Q5. What is your name? [NAME]

_____(First) _____(Last)

Q6. What is your date of birth? [DOB]

_____(Month) _____(Day) _____(Year)
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q6a. Calculated Age [AGE] Q6a displayed If Q6≠9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")

Q6b. Which category best describes your age? [AGEGRP] Q6b displayed If Q6=9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")

- (0) Under 18
- (1) 18-24
- (2) 25-34
- (3) 35-44
- (4) 45-54
- (5) 55-64
- (6) 65 and over

Q7. What is your contact information (such as a phone number or email)? [INFO]

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q8. Where did you sleep on the night of January 25, 2023? [SLEEP]

- (0) On Streets/Homeless Camp
 - (1) Vehicle/Car
 - (2) Local Shelter
 - (3) Friends/Family (Doubled Up)
 - (4) Apartment/Hotel/House
 - (5) Other: _____

Q8a. Additional Notes (if any) [NOTES2] Q8a displayed If Q8=2 (“Local Shelter”) or 3 (“Friends/Family”) or 4 (“Apartment/Hotel/House”)

If Q8=2 (“Local Shelter”) or 3 (“Friends/Family”) or 4 (“Apartment/Hotel/House”), the survey ends here.

Q9. Why didn’t you stay at one of the Crisis Cold Weather Shelters? [REASON]

_____ (9999) Refused/Don’t Know

Q10. Are you with a household tonight or are you by yourself? [FAMILY] Q8b displayed If Q8=0 (“On Streets/Homeless Camp”) or 1 (“Vehicle/Car”) or 5 (“Other”)

- (0) By Myself (Single)
- (1) With Household (Family)

Q10a. Are you Head of the Household? [HEAD] Q10a displayed If Q10=1 (“With Household (Family)”)

- (0) No
- (1) Yes

Q10b. What is the total number of persons in your household? [SIZE] Q10b displayed If Q10=1 (“With Household (Family)”)

Q11. What is your gender? [GEN]

- Female
- Male
- A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)
- Transgender
- Questioning
- Refused/Don’t Know

Q12. What is your race? [RACE]

- American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
- Asian or Asian American
- Black, African American, or African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Refused/Don’t Know

Q13. What is your ethnicity? [ETHN]
(0) Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)
(1) Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q14. Have you been homeless (on the streets or in shelter) continuously for a year or more? [YEAR]
(0) No
(1) Yes
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q14a. Have you experienced four or more episodes of homelessness in the past three years?
[EPISODE] Q14a displayed If Q14=0 ("No") or 9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")
(0) No
(1) Yes
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q14b. Please enter the total number of months you have spent at least one day homeless (on the streets or in emergency shelter) in the past three years [MONTH] Q14b displayed If Q14a=1 ("Yes")

Q15. Do you have a disability? [DIS]
 NONE
 Drug Use Disorder
 Alcohol Use Disorder
 Mental Health Disorder
 Physical
 Developmental
 Chronic Health Condition
 HIV/AIDS
 Refused/Don't Know

Q16. Do you receive any disability benefits such as Social Security Income, Social Security Disability Income, or Veterans Disability Benefits? [DBEN1]
(0) No
(1) Yes
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q16a. Which disability benefits do you receive? [DBEN2] Q16a displayed If Q16=1 ("Yes")
 Social Security Income (SSI)
 Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)
 Veterans Disability Benefits
 Refused/Don't Know

Q17. Have you ever been a victim of domestic violence? [DVIO]
(0) No
(1) Yes
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q17a. Are you currently fleeing? [DVI02] Q17a displayed If Q17=1 ("Yes")

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q18. Have you ever been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person you have stayed with while you were homeless? [HARM]

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q19. Have you ever served in the military? [MIL]

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q19a. Did you serve in the National Guard/Reserve? [GUARD] Q19a displayed If Q19=1 ("Yes")

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q19b. Have you ever received healthcare or benefits from a Veterans Administration medical center? [VA] Q19b displayed If Q19=1 ("Yes")

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q20. Have you been employed in the last 6 months? [EMP]

(0) No

(1) Part-time

(2) Full-time

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q21. Additional Notes (if any): [NOTES3]

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	45-54	26.3%	11.2%
	55-64	20.0%	12%
	65 or older	3.4%	16.4%
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Gender	Male	65.2%	48.9%
	Female	34.8%	51.1%
	N	189	--
Race	White	72.3%	90.1%
	Black, African, or African American	11.9%	3.5%
	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	7.9%	0.8%
	Asian or Asian American	0.6%	2.3%
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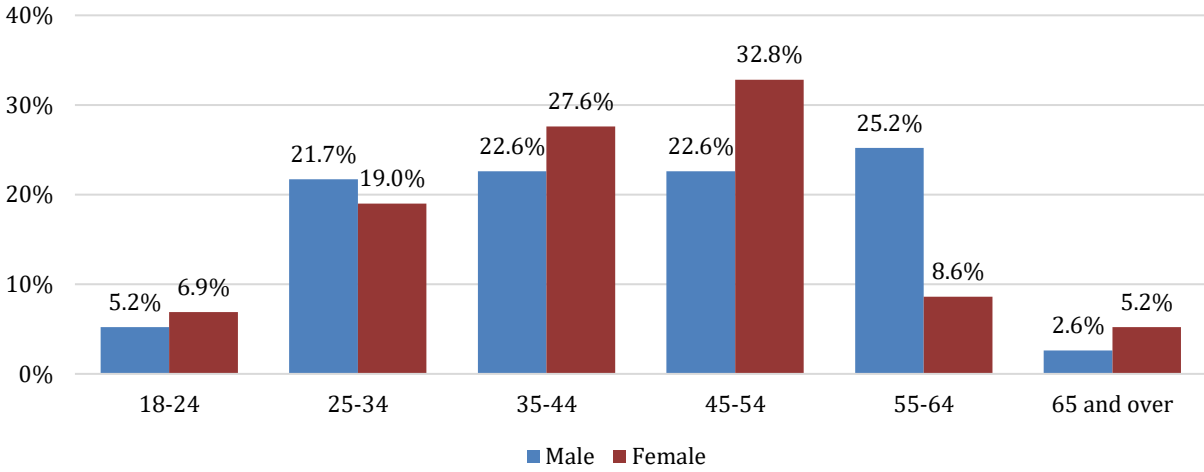


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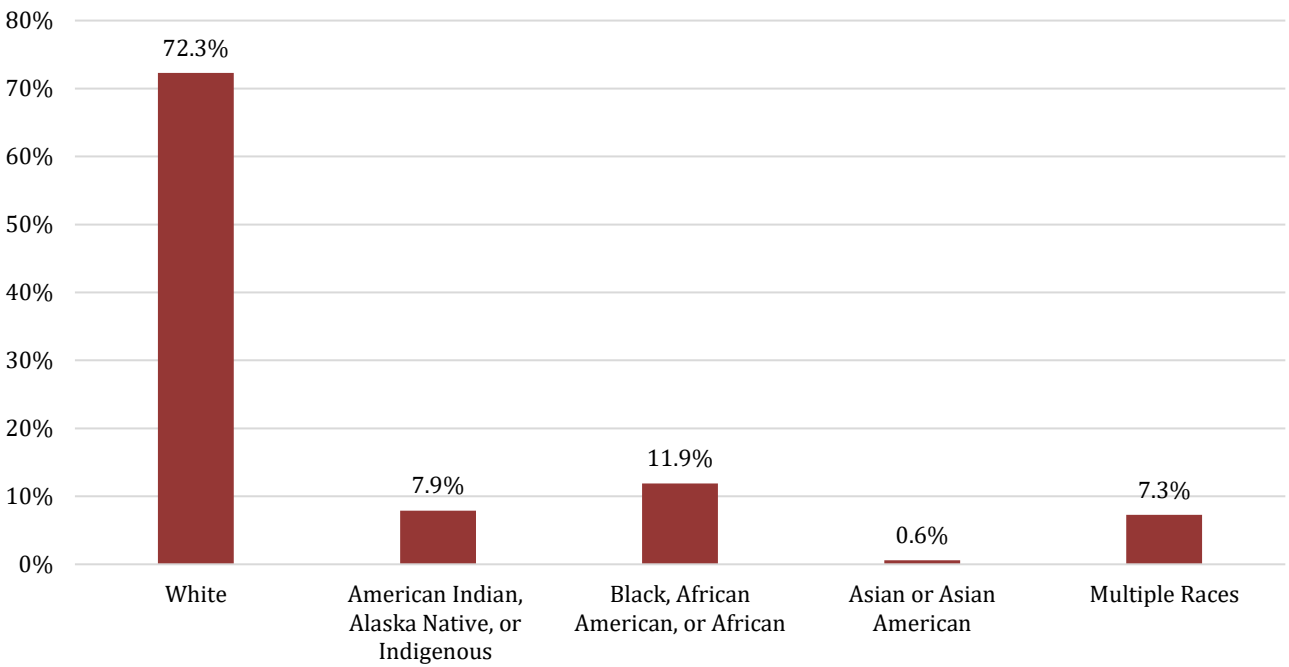


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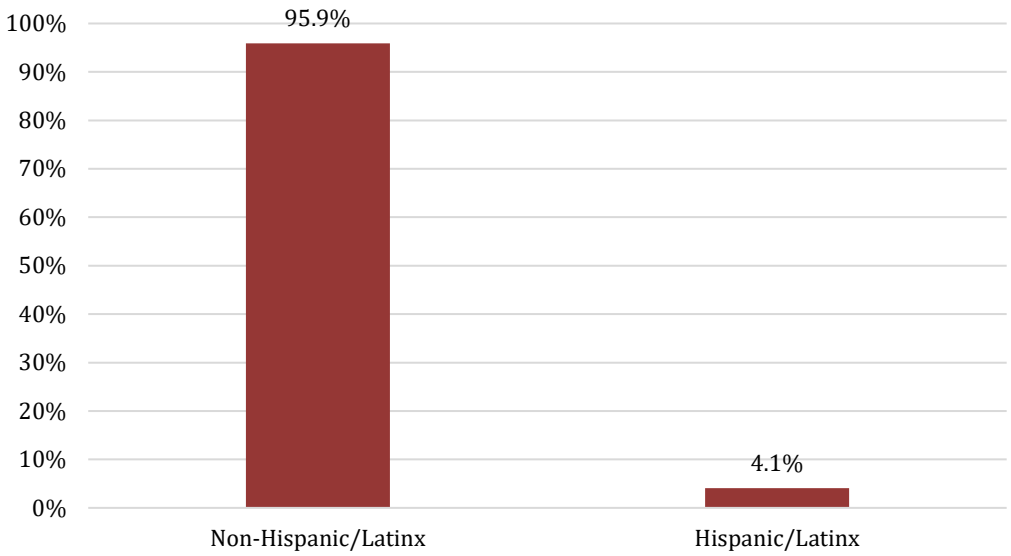


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Table 2. *Have you served in the military?*

Veteran	N	Percent
No	154	85.6%
Yes	26	14.4%
Total	180	100%

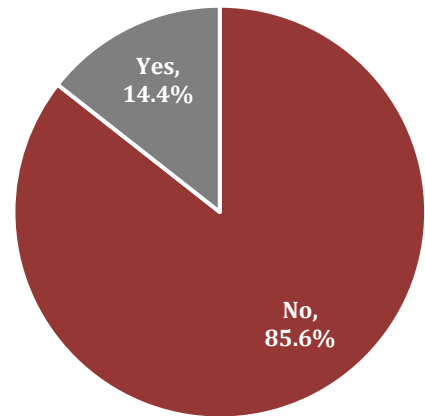


Table 3. *Have you served in the National Guard?*

National Guard	N	Percent
No	21	87.5%
Yes	3	12.5%
Total	24	100%

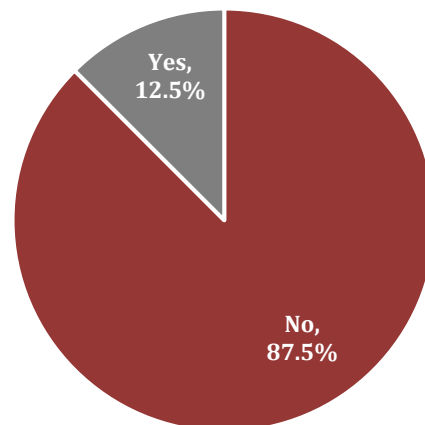


Table 4. *Have you ever received healthcare or benefits from a VA medical center?*

VA Benefits	N	Percent
No	17	65.4%
Yes	9	34.6%
Total	26	100%

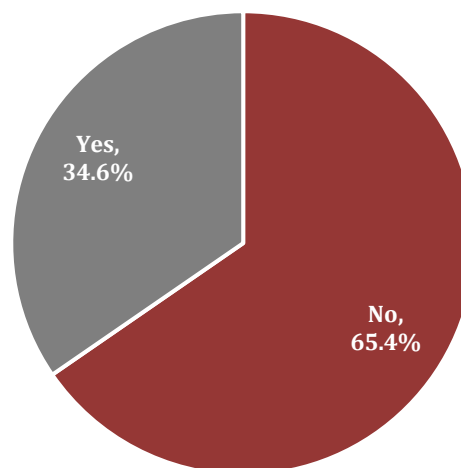
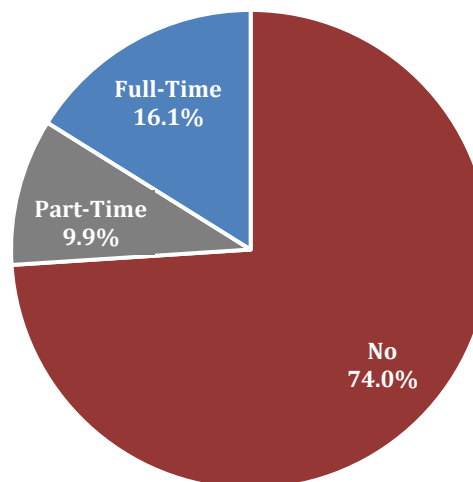


Table 5. *Have you been employed recently, either part-time or full-time?*

Employment Status	N	Percent
No	119	73.9%
Part-Time	16	9.9%
Full-Time	26	16.1%
Total	161	100%



Homelessness Status

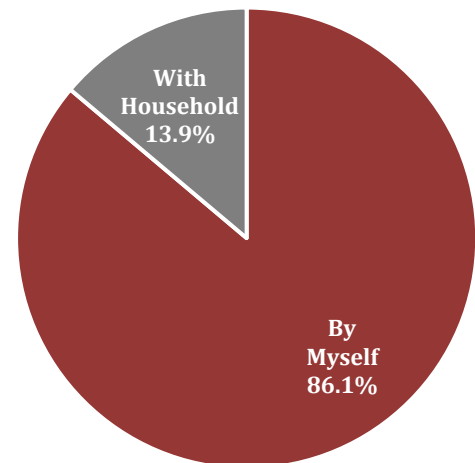
On the night of the Point in Time Count, (January 25th, 2023), participants took shelter at one of nine CCWS locations (Table 6). Most participants (86.1%) reported that they were by themselves (Table 7). Almost three-quarters of individuals (70.9%) reported having been homeless continuously for a year or more at the time the survey was conducted (Table 8). Over half of participants (59.5%) met the HUD criteria for being considered “chronically homeless”⁴ (Table 9).

Table 6. *Where did this individual/household stay on the night of the Point in Time Count?*

Location Where Slept	N	Percentage
East Sunshine Church of Christ	44	26.5%
Asbury United Methodist	21	12.7%
Sacred Heart Catholic Church	18	10.8%
Unity of Springfield	18	10.8%
Grace United Methodist Church	15	9.0%
Brentwood Christian Church	14	8.4%
The Connecting Grounds	13	7.8%
Salvation Army Springfield- Emergency Warming Shelter	12	7.2%
Revive 66 Campground	11	6.6%
Total	166	100%

Table 7. *Are you with a household tonight or are you by yourself?*

Family Status	N	Percent
By Myself	143	86.1%
With Household (Family)	23	13.9%
Total	166	100%



⁴ Criteria for chronicity includes: Must have a disability and have been living in a place not meant for human habitation or emergency shelter for the last 12 months (continuously) OR on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years *where those occasions cumulatively total at least 12 months.*

Table 8. *Have you been homeless (on the streets or in a shelter) continuously for a year or more?*

Homeless for a year or more	N	Percent
No	46	29.1%
Yes	112	70.9%
Total	158	100.0%

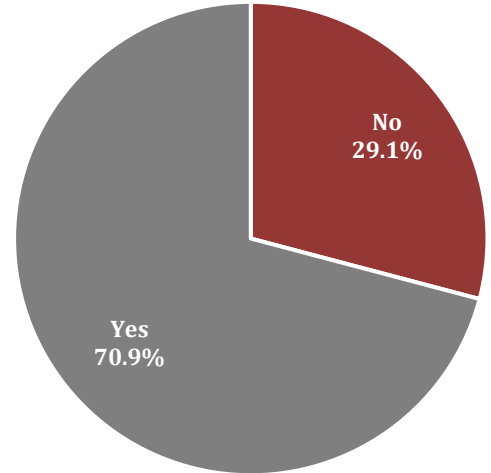
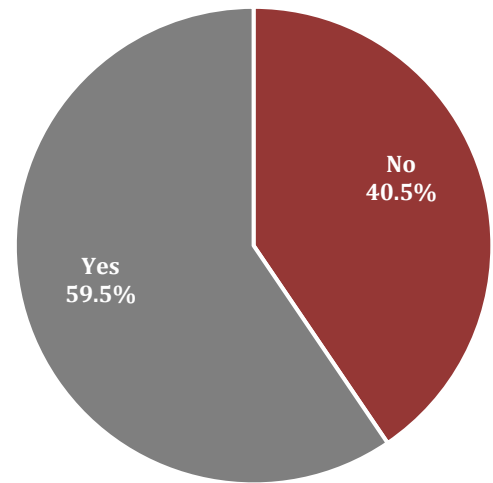


Table 9. *Percentage of participants who meet HUD's criteria for being chronically homeless.*

Chronically Homeless	N	Percent
Not Chronically Homeless	64	40.5%
Chronically Homeless	94	59.5%
Total	158	100%



Disabling Conditions

A large share of participants (76.6%) reported having at least one disabling condition (Table 10), although only 30.5% were receiving disability benefits of any kind (Table 13). Women were significantly more likely to report having a disability compared with men (Table 11). Although the samples were smaller, 92.3% of people in the Multiple Races group had a disability, with people in the American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous category having the second highest percentage of people with a disability (Table 12). Mental health was the most commonly cited disability (66.4%), followed by physical disability (42.5%), a chronic health condition (34.3%), drug abuse (23.1%), a developmental disability (15.7%), alcohol abuse (14.2%) and HIV/AIDs (0.7%; Table 14).

Table 10. *Do you have a disability?*

Disability	N	Percent
No	41	23.4%
Yes	134	76.6%
Total	175	100%

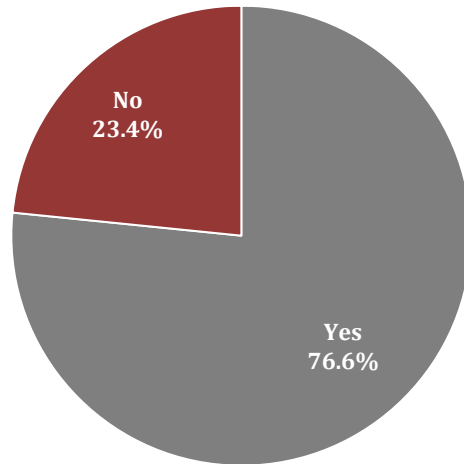


Table 11. *Disability Status by Gender*

	Female	Male
No	13.6%	28.4%
Yes	86.4%	71.6%
	N=59	N=116

*p <.05; significant differences found between men and women regarding the proportion who reported having a disability.

Table 12. *Disability Status by Race*

	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Black, African American, or African	White	Asian or Asian American	Multiple Races
No	16.7%	22.2%	25.8%	100%	7.7%
Yes	83.3%	77.8%	74.2%	0%	92.3%
	N=12	N=18	N=124	N=1	N=13

Table 13. Do you receive any disability benefits, such as Social Security Income, Social Security Disability Income, or Veterans Disability Benefits?

Benefits	N	Percent
No	116	69.5%
Yes	51	30.5%
Total	167	100%

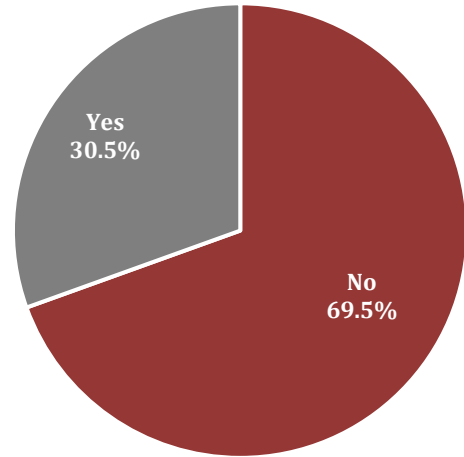


Table 14. Do you have a disability related to any of the following?

Disability Type	N	Percent
Mental health	89	66.4%
Physical	57	42.5%
Chronic Health Condition	46	34.3%
Drug Abuse	31	23.1%
Developmental	21	15.7%
Alcohol Abuse	19	14.2%
HIV/AIDS	1	0.7%
Total	264	--

Note. Each respondent may have indicated more than one activity, so percentages add to more than 100%.

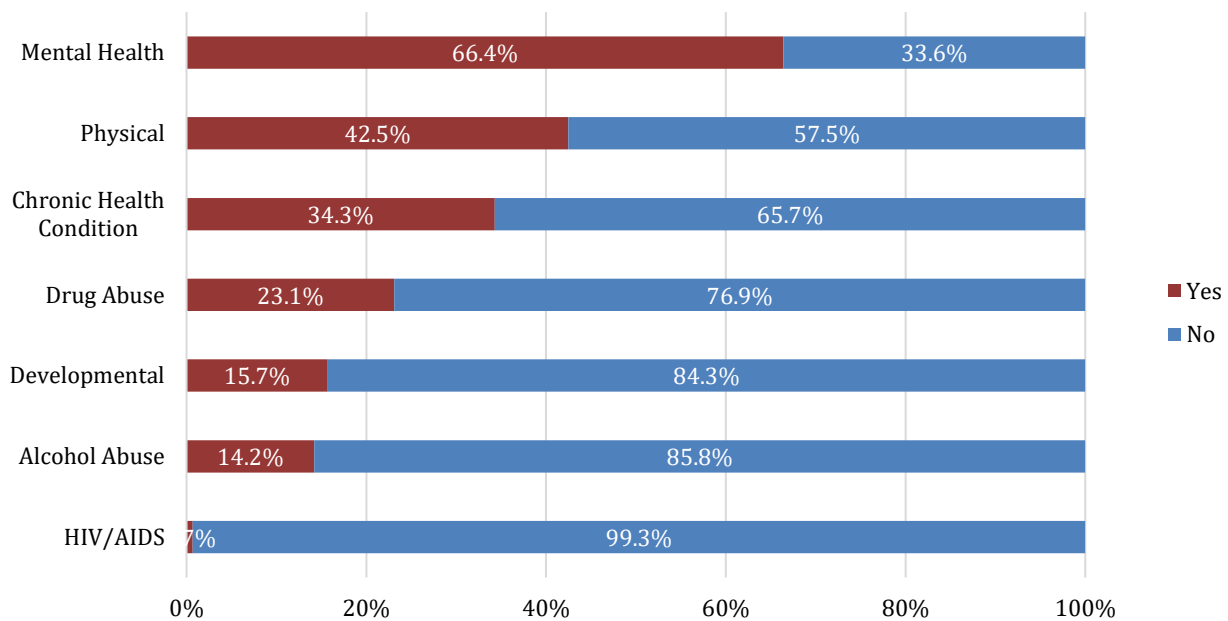


Figure 4. Disability by type

Victimization

Fifty-three percent of participants reported having been a victim of domestic violence (Table 15). Women were significantly more likely to have ever been a victim of domestic violence than men (Table 16), and participants who reported having at least one disability were significantly more likely to report being domestic violence victims than non-disabled participants (Table 18). Of participants who reported that they had been a victim of domestic violence, 23.9% indicated that they were currently fleeing (Table 19). Forty-six percent of participants reported that they had been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person they were staying with while they were homeless (Table 20), and women and participants with disabilities were more likely to report having been harmed while homeless than men and participants without disabilities, respectively (Tables 21 and 23).

Table 15. *Have you ever been a victim of domestic violence?*

Victim	N	Percent
No	82	47.4%
Yes	91	52.6%
Total	173	100%

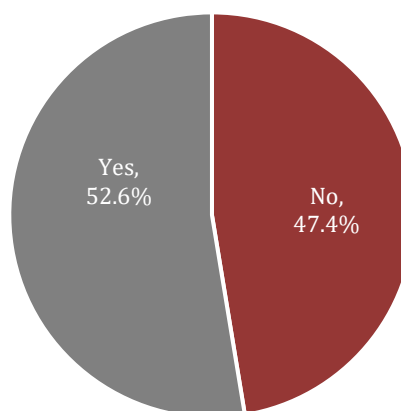


Table 16. *Domestic Violence Victimization, by Gender*

	Female	Male
No	18.3%	62.8%
Yes	81.7%	37.2%
	<i>N</i> = 60	<i>N</i> = 113

* $p < .001$; significant differences found between men and women regarding the proportion who experienced domestic violence.

Table 17. *Domestic Violence Victimization, by Race*

	White	Black, African American, or African	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Asian or Asian American	Multiple Races
No	45.5%	63.2%	50.0%	100%	38.5%
Yes	54.5%	36.8%	50.0%	0%	61.5%
	<i>N</i> =121	<i>N</i> =19	<i>N</i> =12	<i>N</i> =1	<i>N</i> =13

Table 18. Domestic Violence Victimization, by Disability Status

	At Least One Disability	No Disability
No	39.5%	72.5%
Yes	60.5%	27.5%
	<i>N=129</i>	<i>N=40</i>

*p <.001; significant differences found between those with and without a disability regarding the proportion who experienced domestic violence.

Table 19. Are you currently fleeing?

Currently Fleeing	N	Percent
No	67	76.1%
Yes	21	23.9%
Total	88	100%

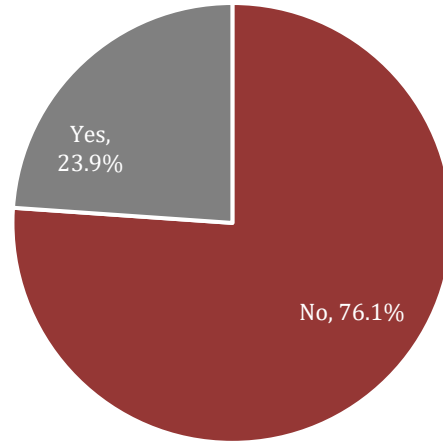


Table 20. Have you ever been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person you were staying with while you were homeless?

Harmed While Homeless	N	Percent
No	82	53.6%
Yes	71	46.4%
Total	153	100%

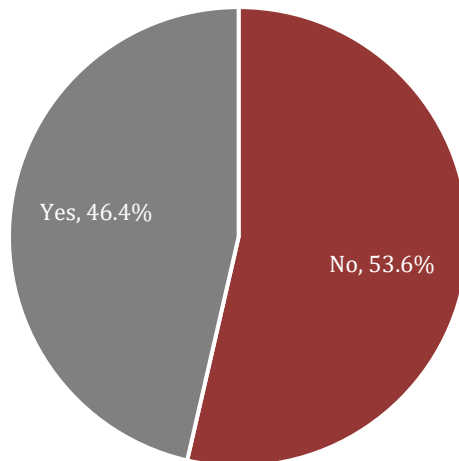


Table 21. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Gender*

	Female	Male
No	36.5%	62.4%
Yes	63.5%	37.6%
	<i>N= 52</i>	<i>N=101</i>

*p <.01; significant differences found between men and women regarding the proportion who reported having been harmed while homeless.

Table 22. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Race*

	White	Black, African American, or African	American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	Asian or Asian American	Multiple Races
No	54.9%	73.7%	33.3%	100%	41.7%
Yes	45.1%	26.3%	66.7%	0%	58.3%
	<i>N=102</i>	<i>N=19</i>	<i>N=12</i>	<i>N=1</i>	<i>N=12</i>

Table 23. *Have you ever been harmed while homeless, by Disability Status*

	At Least One Disability	No Disability
No	47.8%	75.0%
Yes	52.2%	25.0%
	<i>N=113</i>	<i>N=36</i>

*p <.01; significant differences found between those with and without a disability regarding the proportion who reported having been harmed while homeless.

Appendix A: Codebook Crisis Cold Weather Shelter Survey 2023

Q1. Was this survey done on paper and then entered into the portal at a later time? [SURVEY]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes

Q2. Where did this individual/household stay on the night of the Point in Time Count? [LOC]

- (0) Asbury United Methodist Church
- (1) Brentwood Christian Church
- (2) East Sunshine Church of Christ
- (3) Freedom City Church
- (4) Grace United Methodist Church
- (5) Revive 66 Campground
- (6) Sacred Heart Catholic Church
- (7) Salvation Army Springfield - Emergency Warming Shelter
- (8) The Connecting Grounds
- (9) Unity of Springfield
- (10) Other: _____

Q3. What is your name? [NAME]

_____(First) _____(Last)

Q4. What is your date of birth? [DOB]

_____(Month) _____(Day) _____(Year)
(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q4a. Calculated Age [AGE] Q4a displayed If Q4≠9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")

Q4b. Which category best describes your age? [AGEGRP] Q4a displayed If Q4=9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")

- (0) Under 18
- (1) 18-24
- (2) 25-34
- (3) 35-44
- (4) 45-54
- (5) 55-64
- (6) 65 and over

Q5. What is your contact information (such as a phone number or email)? [INFO]

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q6. Are you with a household tonight or are you by yourself? [FAMILY]

- (0) By Myself (Single)
- (1) With Household (Family)

Q6a. Are you Head of the Household? [HEAD] Q6a displayed If Q6=1 ("With Household (Family)")
(0) No
(1) Yes

Q6b. What is the total number of persons in your household? [SIZE] Q6b displayed If Q6=1 ("With Household (Family)")

Q7. What is your gender? [GEN]

- Female
- Male
- A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)
- Transgender
- Questioning
- Refused/Don't Know

Q8. What is your race? [RACE]

- American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
- Asian or Asian American
- Black, African American, or African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Refused/Don't Know

Q9. What is your ethnicity? [ETHN]

- (0) Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)
- (1) Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q10. Have you been homeless (on the streets or in shelter) continuously for a year or more? [YEAR]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q10a. Have you experienced four or more episodes of homelessness in the past three years?

[EPISODE] Q10a displayed If Q10=0 ("No") or If Q10=9999 ("Refused/Don't Know")

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q10b. Please enter the total number of months you have spent at least one day homeless (on the streets or in emergency shelter) in the past three years [MONTH] Q10b displayed If Q10a=1 ("Yes")

Q11. Do you have a disability? [DIS]

- NONE
- Drug Use Disorder
- Alcohol Use Disorder
- Mental Health Disorder
- Physical
- Developmental
- Chronic Health Condition
- HIV/AIDS
- Refused/Don't Know

Q12. Do you receive any disability benefits such as Social Security Income, Social Security Disability Income, or Veterans Disability Benefits? [DBEN1]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q12a. Which disability benefits do you receive? [DBEN2] Q12a displayed If Q12=1 ("Yes")

- Social Security Income (SSI)
- Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)
- Veterans Disability Benefits
- Refused/Don't Know

Q13. Have you ever been a victim of domestic violence? [DVIO]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q13a. Are you currently fleeing? [DVIO2] Q13a displayed If Q13=1 ("Yes")

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q14. Have you ever been harmed (physically, emotionally, or sexually) by a relative or another person you have stayed with while you were homeless? [HARM]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q15. Have you ever served in the military? [MIL]

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q15a. Did you serve in the National Guard/Reserve? [GUARD] Q15a displayed If Q15=1 ("Yes")

- (0) No
- (1) Yes
- (9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q15b. Have you ever received healthcare or benefits from a Veterans Administration medical center? [VA] Q15b displayed If Q15=1 ("Yes")

(0) No

(1) Yes

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q16. Have you been employed in the last 6 months? [EMP]

(0) No

(1) Part-time

(2) Full-time

(9999) Refused/Don't Know

Q17. Additional Notes (if any): [NOTE]

Appendix B: Report Metadata

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