

341 People Homeless in the Maine Balance of State COC Annual Point in Time Survey – January 30, 2008

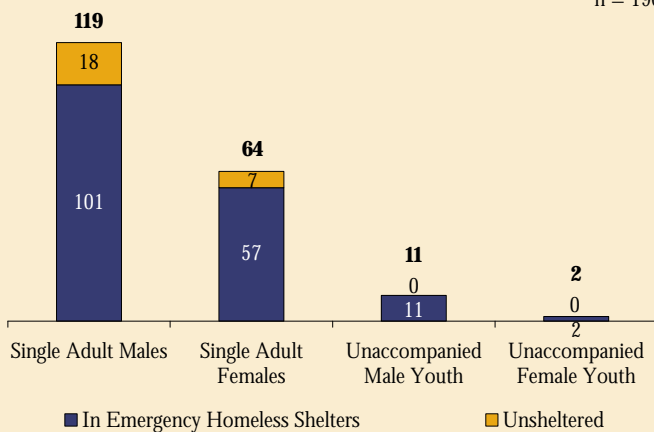
Where People Stayed	People Identified as Homeless	Survey Respondents	Survey Response Rate
In Emergency Homeless Shelters	312	297	95.2%
Unsheltered*	29	4	13.8%
Total	341	301	88.3%

*Unsheltered includes people who were staying in cars, tents, abandoned buildings, outside or in other places not suitable for human habitation.

People Identified as Homeless:

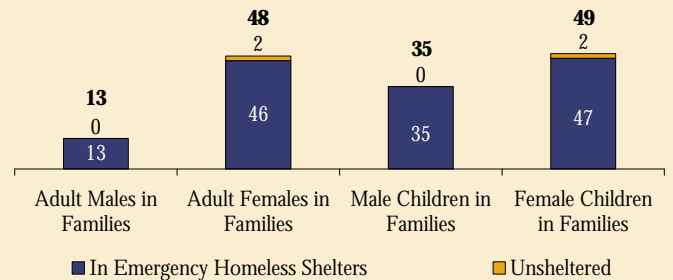
Individuals

n = 196



Families

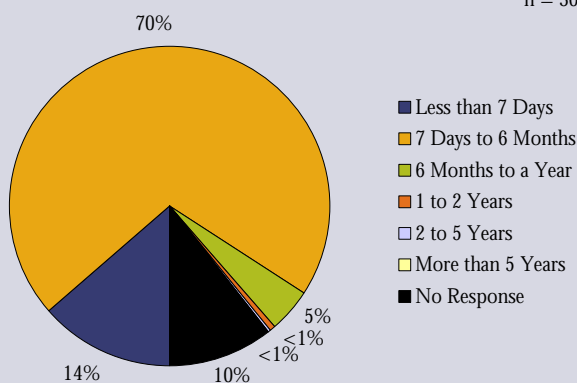
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Survey Results:

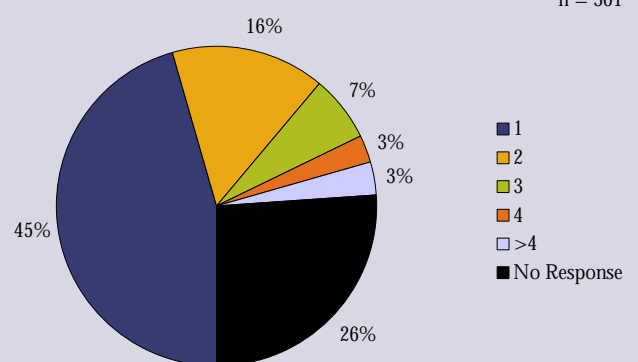
Length of Time Homeless

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Times Homeless in the Past Three Years

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Services Most Frequently Used

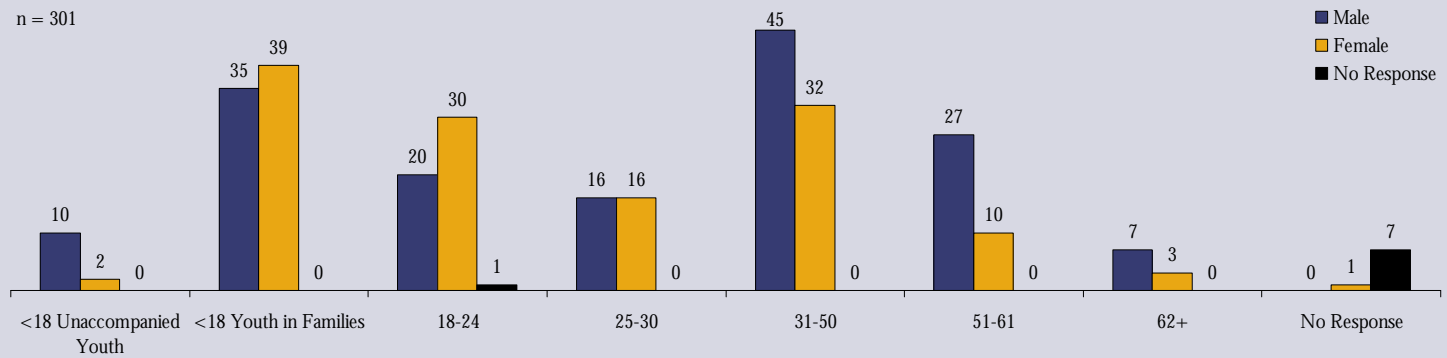
125 (42%) Case Management
92 (31%) Housing Search Help
82 (27%) Health Care

Services Most Frequently Needed but Not Accessed

49 (16%) Rental Subsidies
28 (9%) Health Care
23 (8%) Transportation Expenses

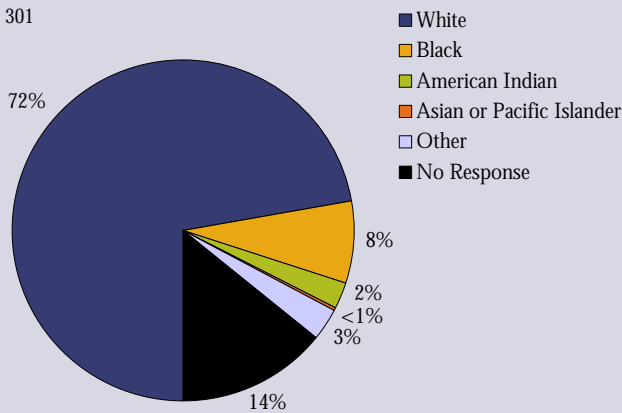
Gender and Age

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Racial Make-Up

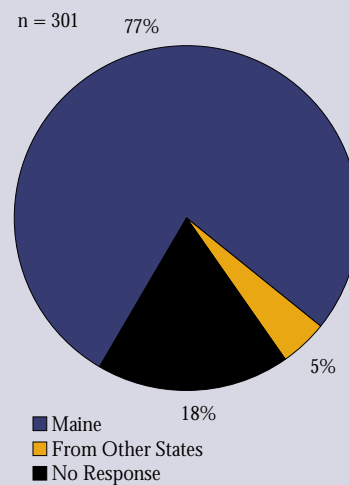
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22 (21%) people identified through the survey were minorities. Minorities are 4% of Maine's population.

Last Residence

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County	People	Percent
Androscoggin	42	14%
Aroostook	4	1%
Cumberland	27	9%
Franklin	1	<1%
Hancock	14	5%
Kennebec	36	12%
Knox	4	1%
Lincoln	2	1%
Oxford	28	9%
Penobscot	7	2%
Piscataquis	0	0%
Sagadahoc	4	1%
Somerset	15	5%
Waldo	1	<1%
Washington	10	3%
York	38	13%
Out of State	14	5%
No Response	54	18%
Total	301	

Adult Education Levels

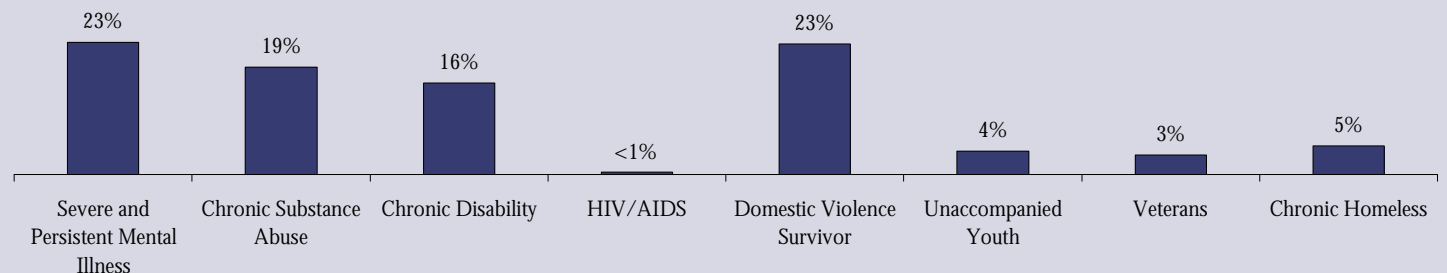
60 (28%) Less than High School Education
 91 (42%) High School Education
 33 (15%) More than High School Education
 31 (15%) No Response

Adult Employment Status

28 (13%) Employed
 40 (19%) Using Job Training Services

Additional Information*

n = 301



*Please note respondents could choose multiple categories.

15 (5%) survey respondents met the definition of chronically homeless: an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more or has had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years. Please go to www.ich.gov for more information.

About the Survey: The Annual Point in Time Survey provides a snapshot of people experiencing homelessness on a particular night of the year. The survey is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Continuums of Care to receive McKinney-Vento funds for Transitional and Permanent Supportive Housing. On January 30, 2008, service providers, homeless advocates and municipal officials from the three Continuums in Maine (The City of Portland, Greater Penobscot County and Maine Balance of State) conducted a statewide census of people staying in Emergency Shelters, Transitional Housing for people who are homeless, and those living on the streets or in places considered unfit for habitation (Unsheltered). The person's demographic information, homeless situation and service needs were recorded, whenever possible, in addition to counting people who were homeless. *This handout includes information and survey responses from people who were staying in Emergency Shelters or were Unsheltered in the Maine Balance of State Continuum of Care on January 30, 2008.* Visit www.mainehousing.org for additional Point in Time handouts with statewide and Continuum of Care data.