

2022 Point-in-Time Count

2022 Homeless Point-in-Time Count Results

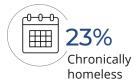
Each January, Pierce County surveys people experiencing homelessness. This homeless "point-in-time count" is a one-day snapshot that captures the characteristics and situations of people living here without a home. We counted 1,851 people, but the official estimate for homelessness in Pierce County is much larger - 4,300 individuals. The lower Point-in-Time count number reflects the challenge of counting a large, geographically distributed unsheltered population over a 24-hour period.

1,851

People counted during the homeless Point-in-Time count

4,300

Official estimate of people experiencing homelessness in Pierce County















^{*}People of color make up only 34% of the Pierce County population. (ACS estimate 2019)

Not all people experiencing homelessness sleep outside



Emergency shelter



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Out of doors



Transitional housing

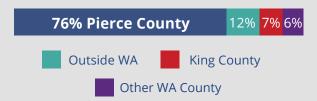


6% Vehicle

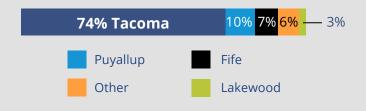


18% Unknown

Most told us they lived in Pierce County before experiencing homelessness



Most told us they slept in Tacoma the night of the Point-in-Time Count

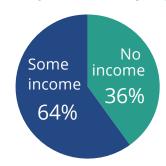


The main causes of homelessness are economic and housing-related

There are often many causes for becoming homeless. These are the top three most common:

- 1. Family crisis/breakup
- 2. No affordable housing
- 3. Loss of job

Many unhoused people have an income



64% of unhoused people in the County report at least one source of income.

Point-in-Time Count overview

- 198 number of volunteers
- 343 total number of individuals interviewed

A chronic health condition is the most commonly reported disability

Here is the breakdown of the most commonly reported disabilities. Some reported having multiple disabilities.

Mental illness

20%

Chronic health condition

27%

Physical disability

26%

Substance use

25%

Developmental disability

11%

For the full data set:

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