



Texas Homeless Network 2014 Point-In-Time Results

Texarkana

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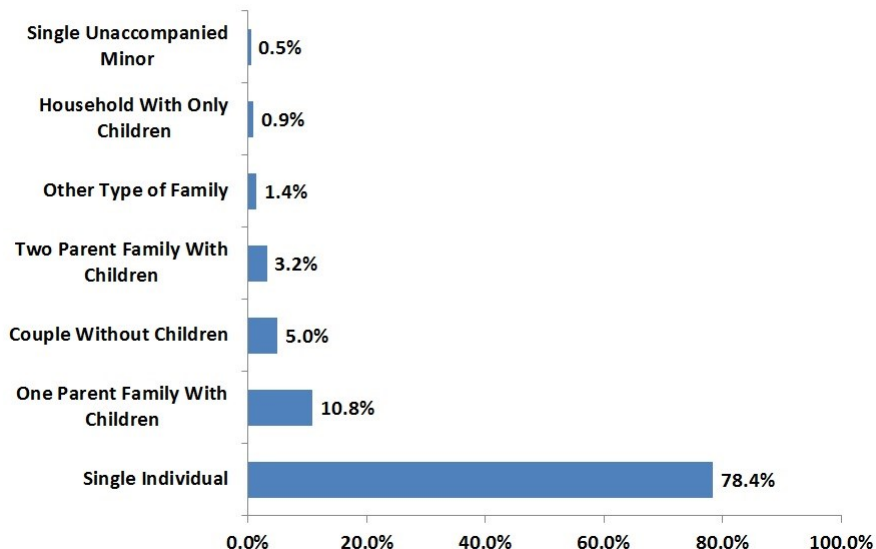
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Every year HUD requires all Continuum of Care to collect data on homelessness at a single point-in-time during the last week in January. The Texas Homeless Network annually assists communities with their Point-in-Time homeless survey preparation and data analysis. This report is a compilation of data collected on the day of January 23, 2014, by members of the Texarkana Homeless Coalition.

The “known location” methodology was used by volunteers who surveyed persons found at sites identified by the community to be where those suffering from homelessness are known to congregate. The resulting survey sample is represented by people in homeless situations and persons who are at risk of becoming homeless. The number of survey responses does not represent the total population suffering from homelessness, so estimates are provided in this report. This information is used by local communities in the development of short and long-term strategies to alleviate homelessness.

BASIC DEMOGRAPHICS 314 PEOPLE COUNTED

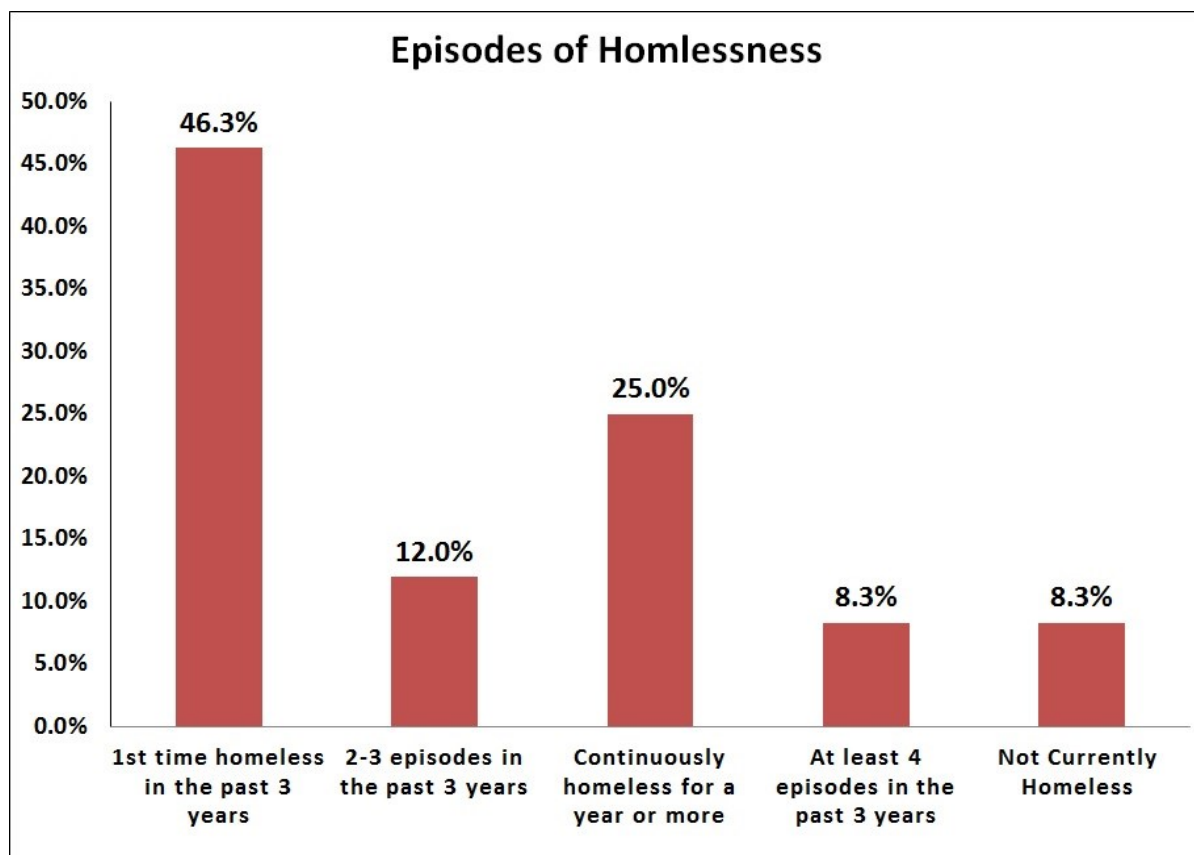
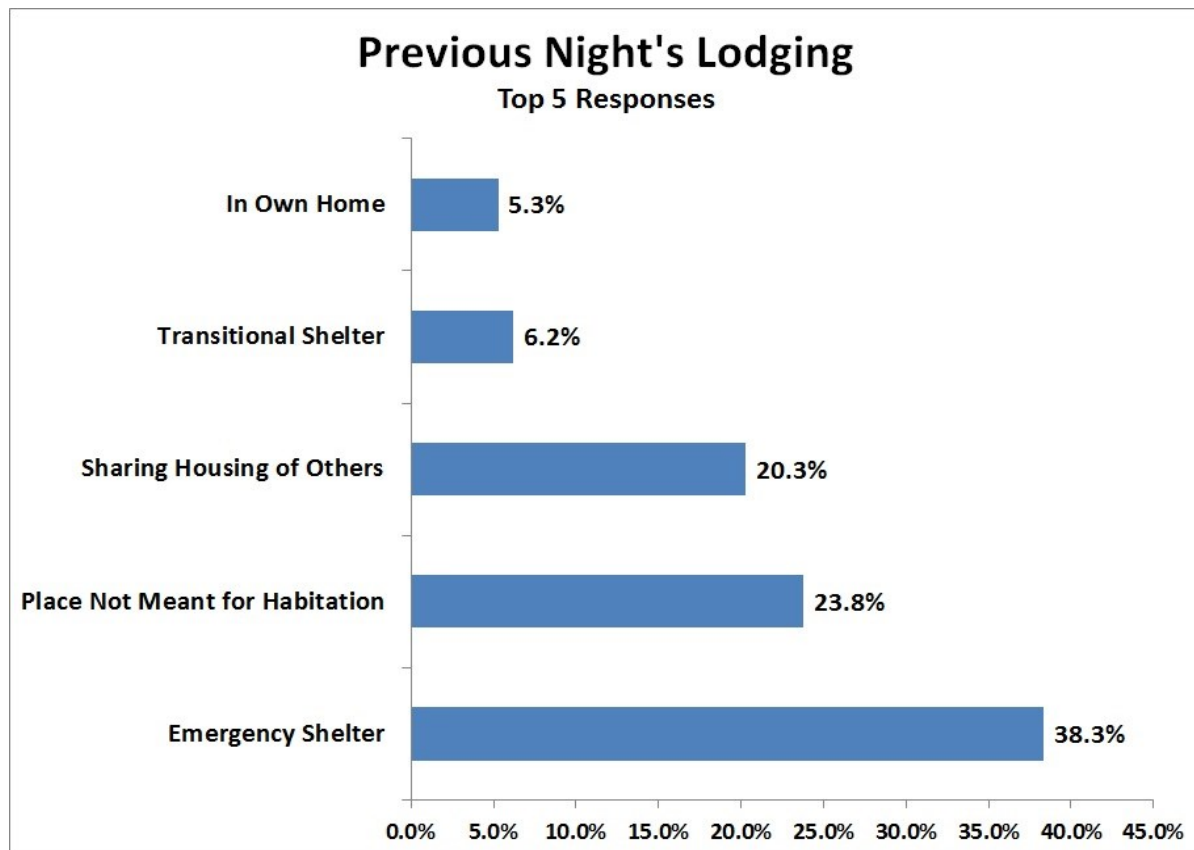
Family Type



Surveys accounted for 251 adults and 63 children.

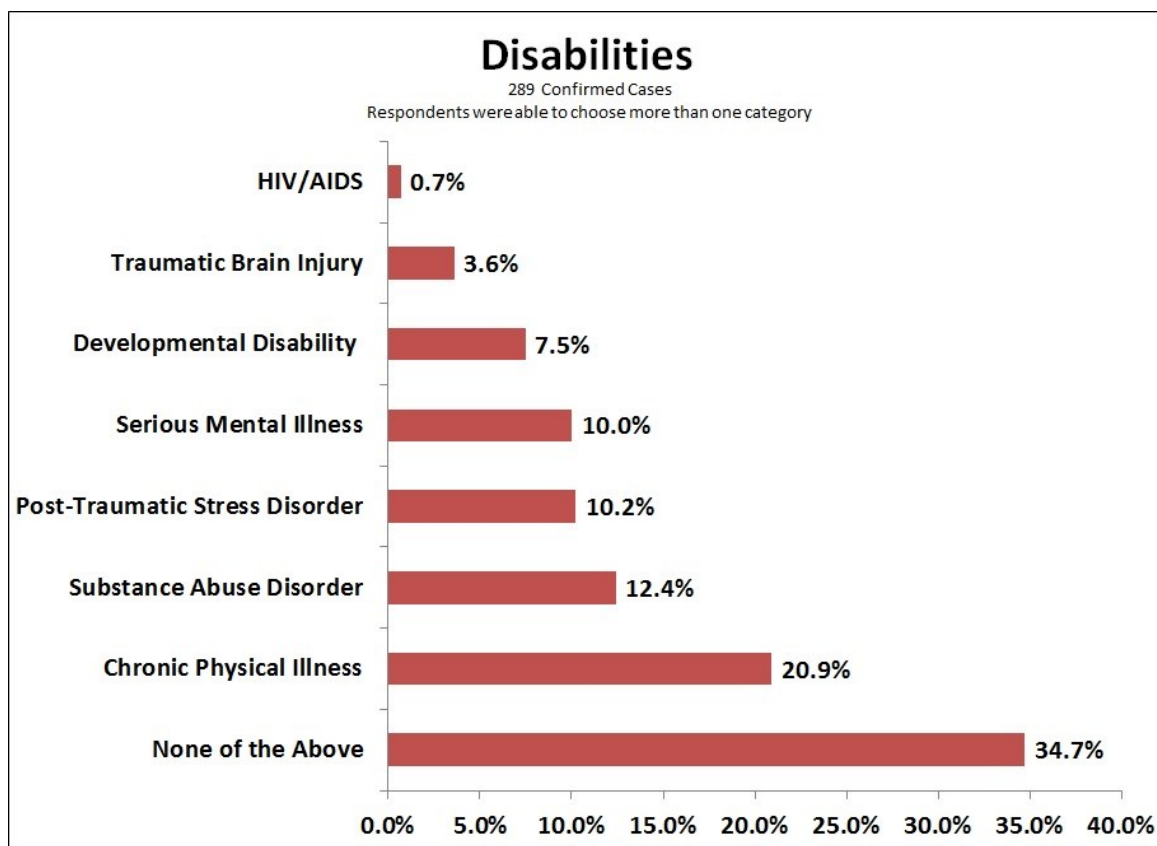
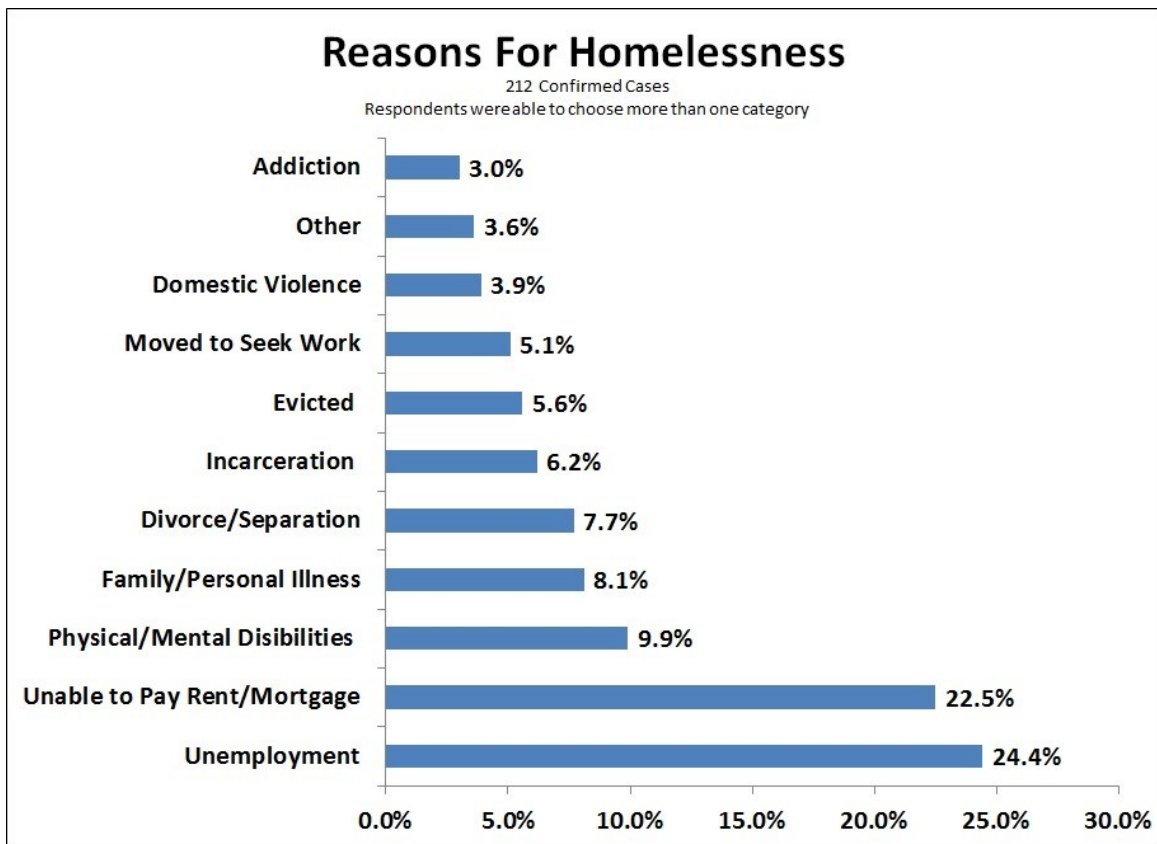
Average age of all participants	37.40
Median age of participants	40.00
Male	64.8%
Female	35.2%
White	42.0%
Black/African American	51.7%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	5.4%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.9%
Hispanic/Latino	3.4%
Households with Children	15.4%
Chronically Homeless	33.3%

RESPONDENT HISTORY

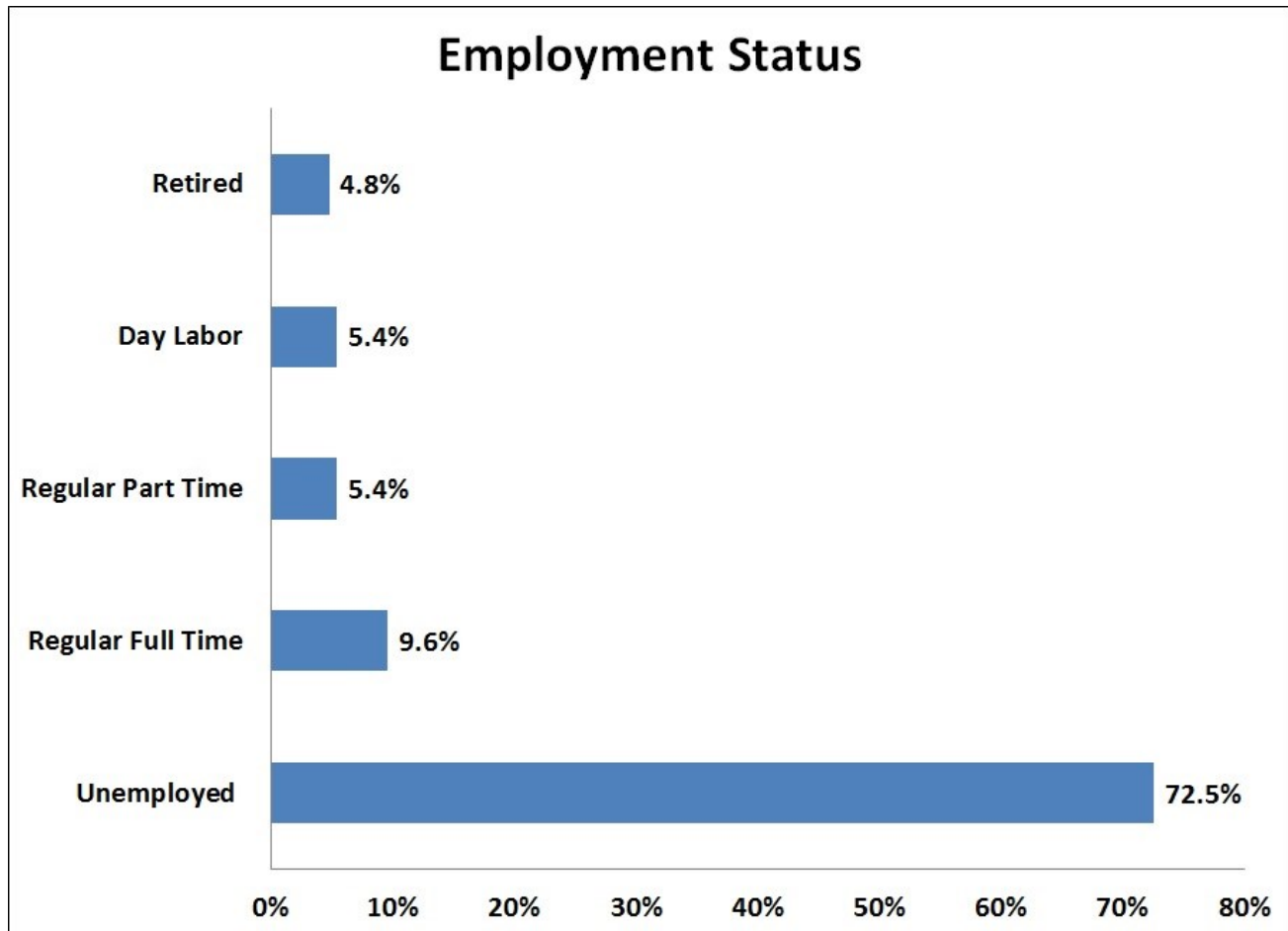


¹ §11302. General definition of homeless individual: (a) In general For purposes of this chapter, the term "homeless" or "homeless individual or homeless person" includes: 1. an individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and 2. an individual who has a primary nighttime residence that is – A. a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the mentally ill); B. an institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or C. a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

RISK FACTORS FOR HOMELESSNESS

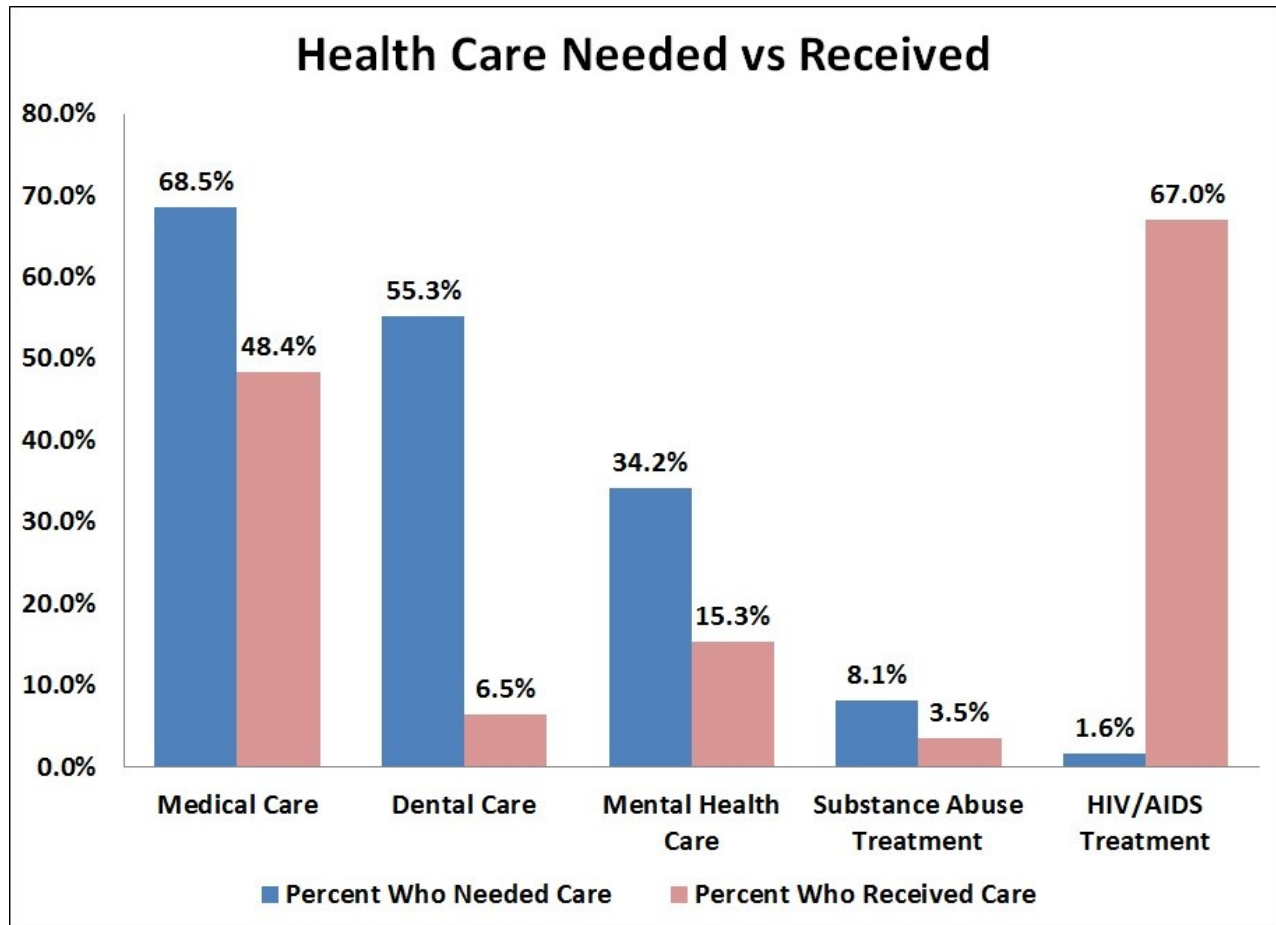


EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION



- **60.8%** of respondents indicated that they were able to work.
- Median length of unemployment is **1.1 years**.
- **71.6%** of respondents report attaining a high school diploma or higher degree in this sample.
- **28.5%** did not graduate high school.

HEALTH CARE



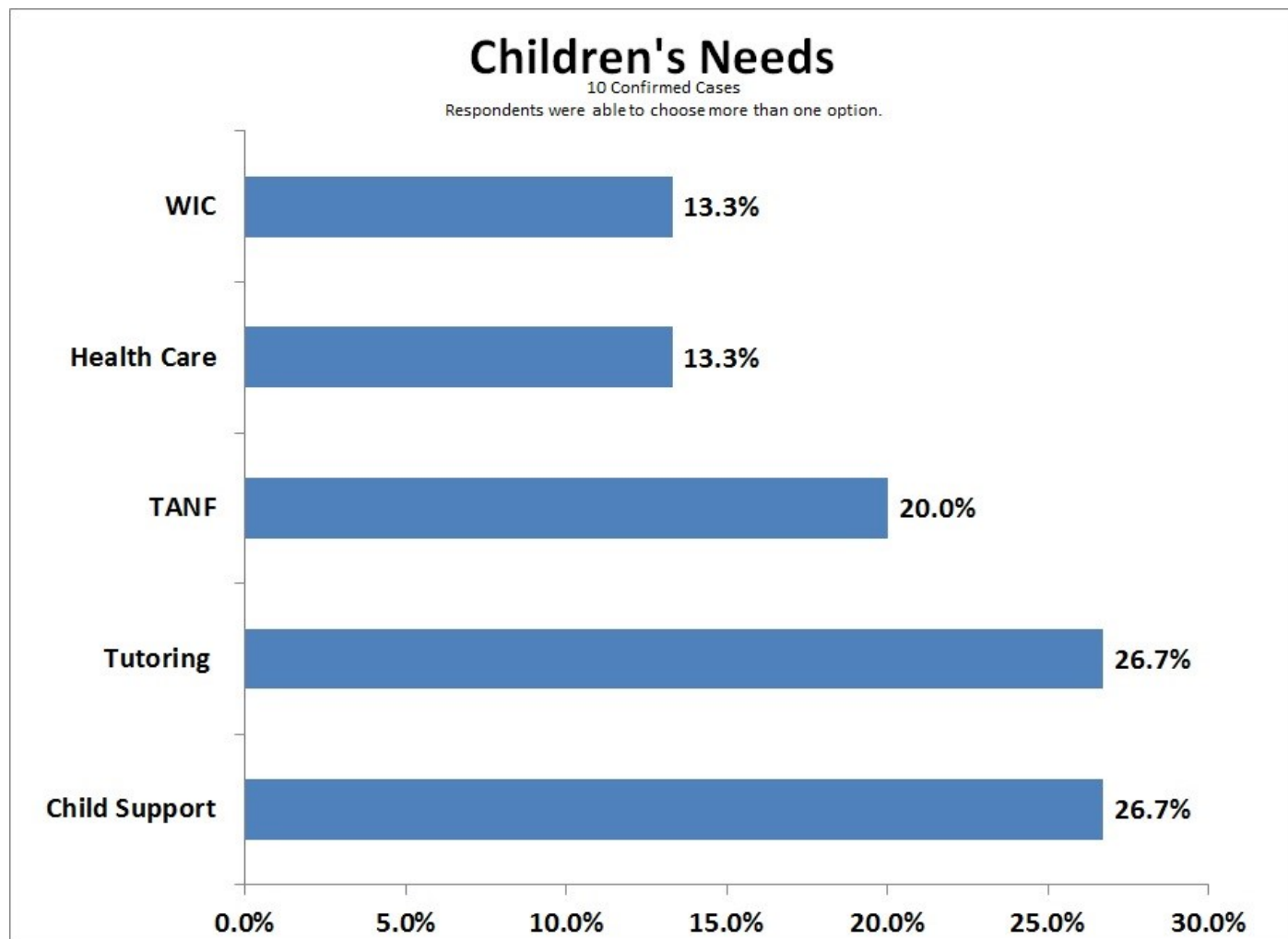
Health Care Need	Majority Treatment Received From	Percentage
Medical	Emergency Room	47.7%
Dental	Private Doctor	66.7%
Mental Health	MHMR/Community Clinic	27.6%
Substance Abuse Treatment	Community Clinic	33.3%
HIV/AIDS Treatment	Community Clinic/Other	50.0%

CHILDREN

There were 63 children (under the age of 18) accounted for in the 2014 Point-In-Time survey. Their median age is nine years. Male children make up 52.7% and females account for 47.3%.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act is a federal law that ensures immediate enrollment and educational stability for homeless children and youth. McKinney-Vento provides federal funding to states for the purpose of supporting district programs that serve homeless students.

Of the school-age children, 92.9% were enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade, 3.6% were enrolled in Head Start, and 3.6% were not enrolled in school. When asked if the family received enrollment assistance, 40.0% indicated they received help, while 60.0% they did not receive help.

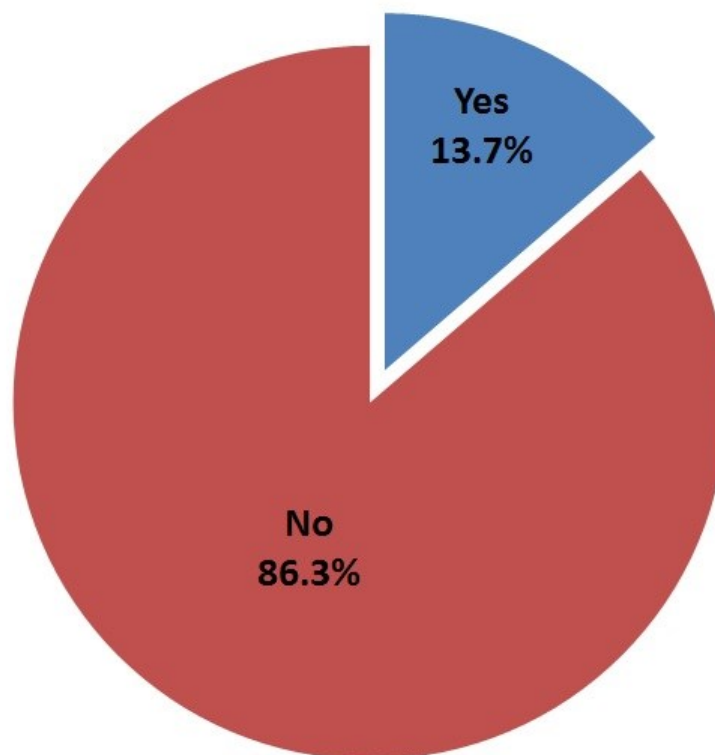


VETERAN STATISTICS

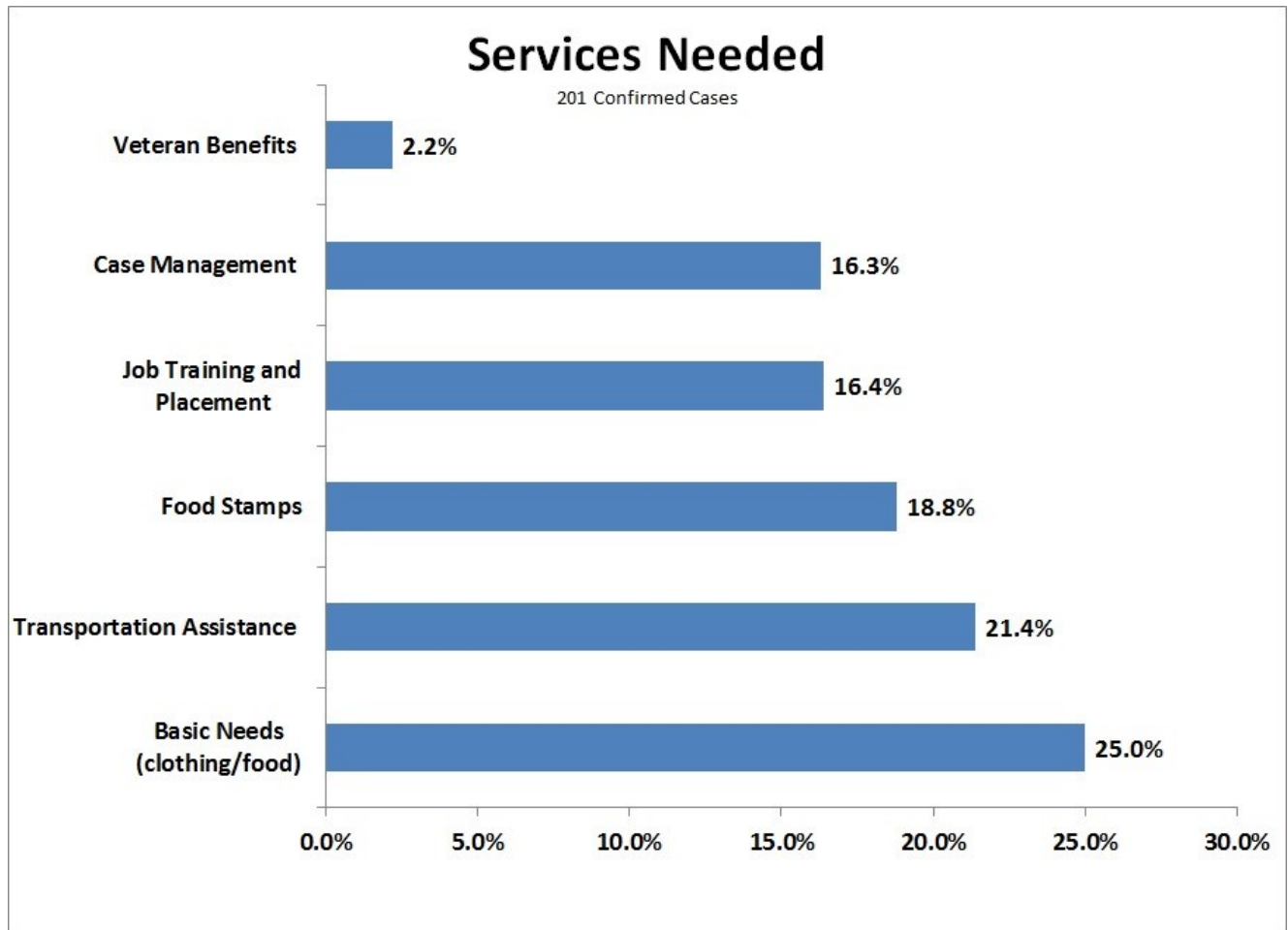
Those who indicated they served in the armed forces, their average length of service was four years. Twelve people out of 30 indicated they were called up for active duty as a member of the National Guard or as a reservist. Fifty five point two percent indicated they had no VA benefits of any kind.

The majority of people indicated they served in a conflict not listed on the PIT survey. Others indicated they served in Korea, Vietnam, Kuwait, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

Service in US Armed Forces



COMMUNITY NEEDS AND ESTIMATES



**PIT homeless estimate for
Texarkana Homeless Coalition:** **150**

**Annualized homeless
population estimate for
Texarkana Homeless Coalition:** **397**

