



Texas Homeless Network 2012 Point-In-Time Results

Texarkana

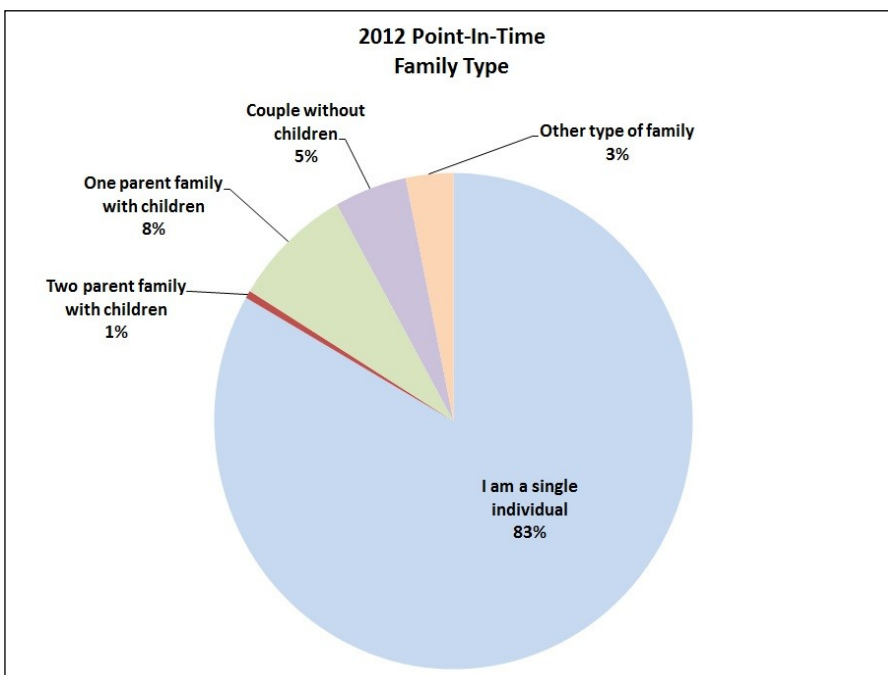
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Every year HUD requires all Continua to collect data on homelessness at a single point-in-time during the last week in January. The Texas Homeless Network annually assists communities with their Point-in-Time homeless survey preparation and data analysis. This report is a compilation of data collected on the day of January 26, 2012, 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.

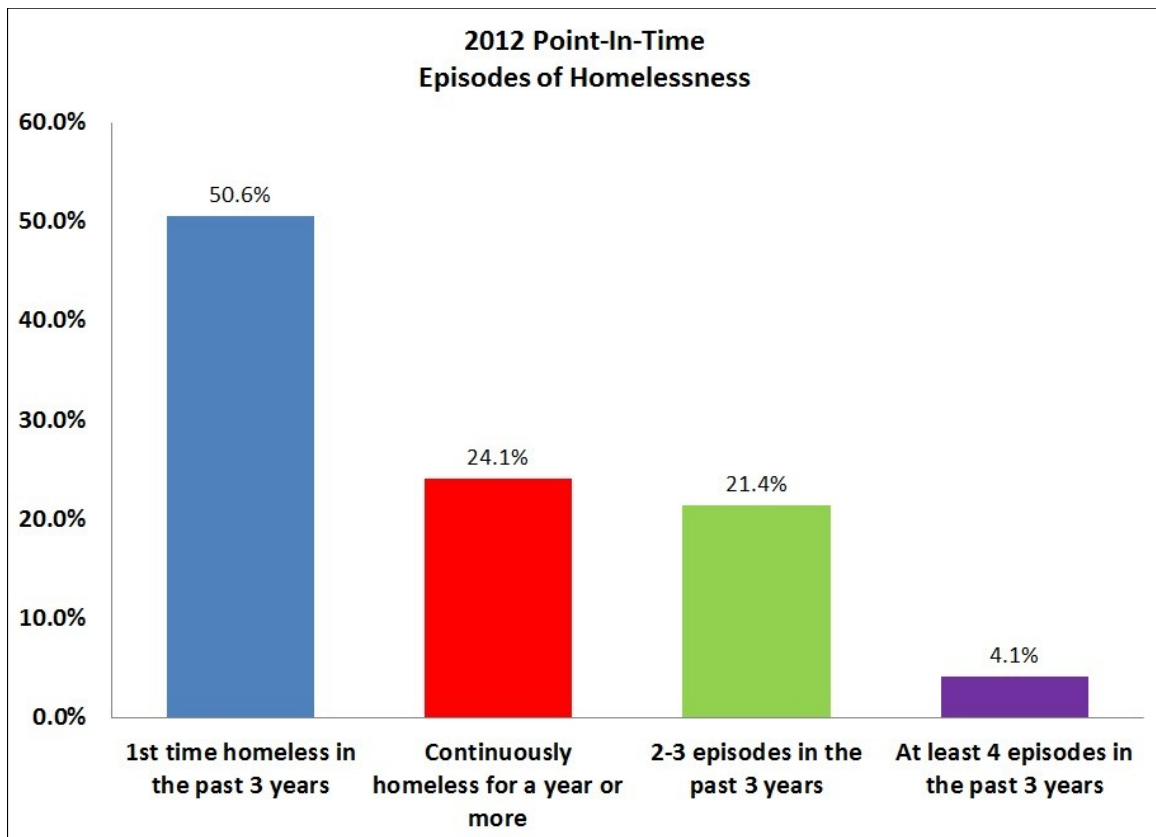
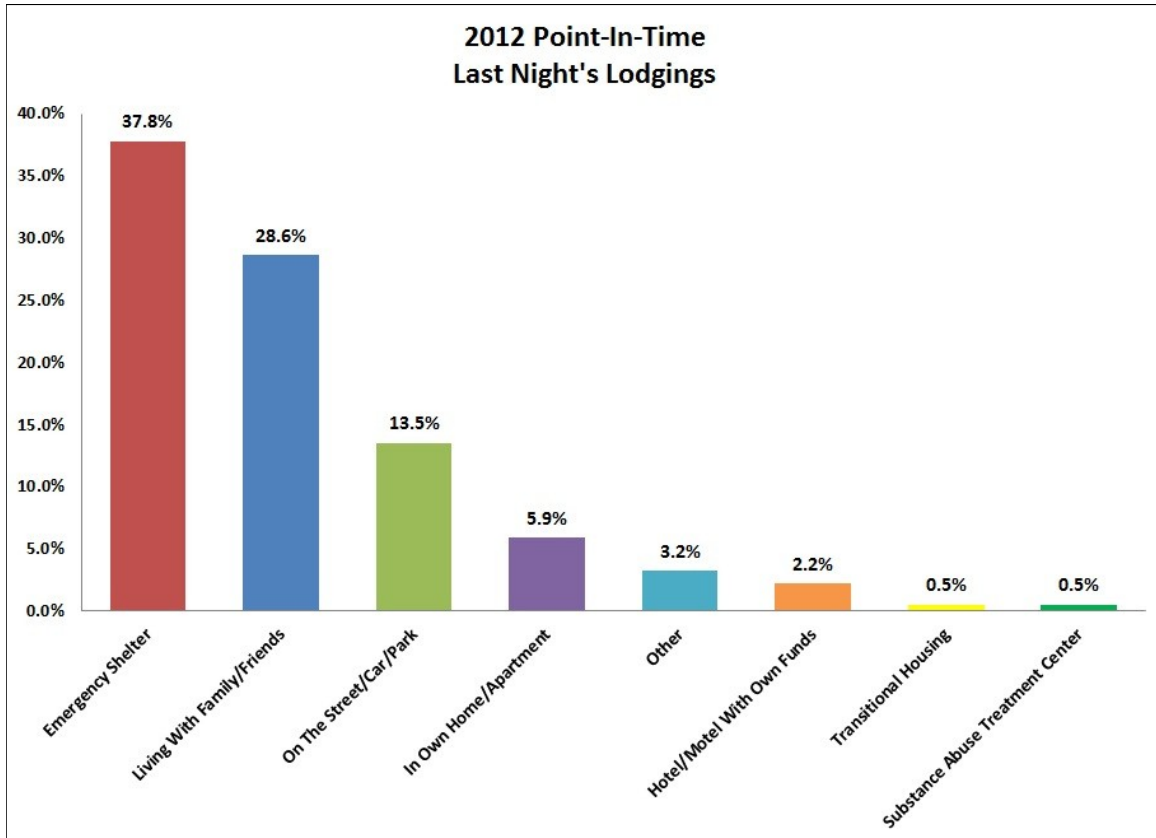
BASIC DEMOGRAPHICS QUICK REFERENCE OF 196 PEOPLE SURVEYED



229 people were accounted for in the survey. 197 Adults and 32 children.

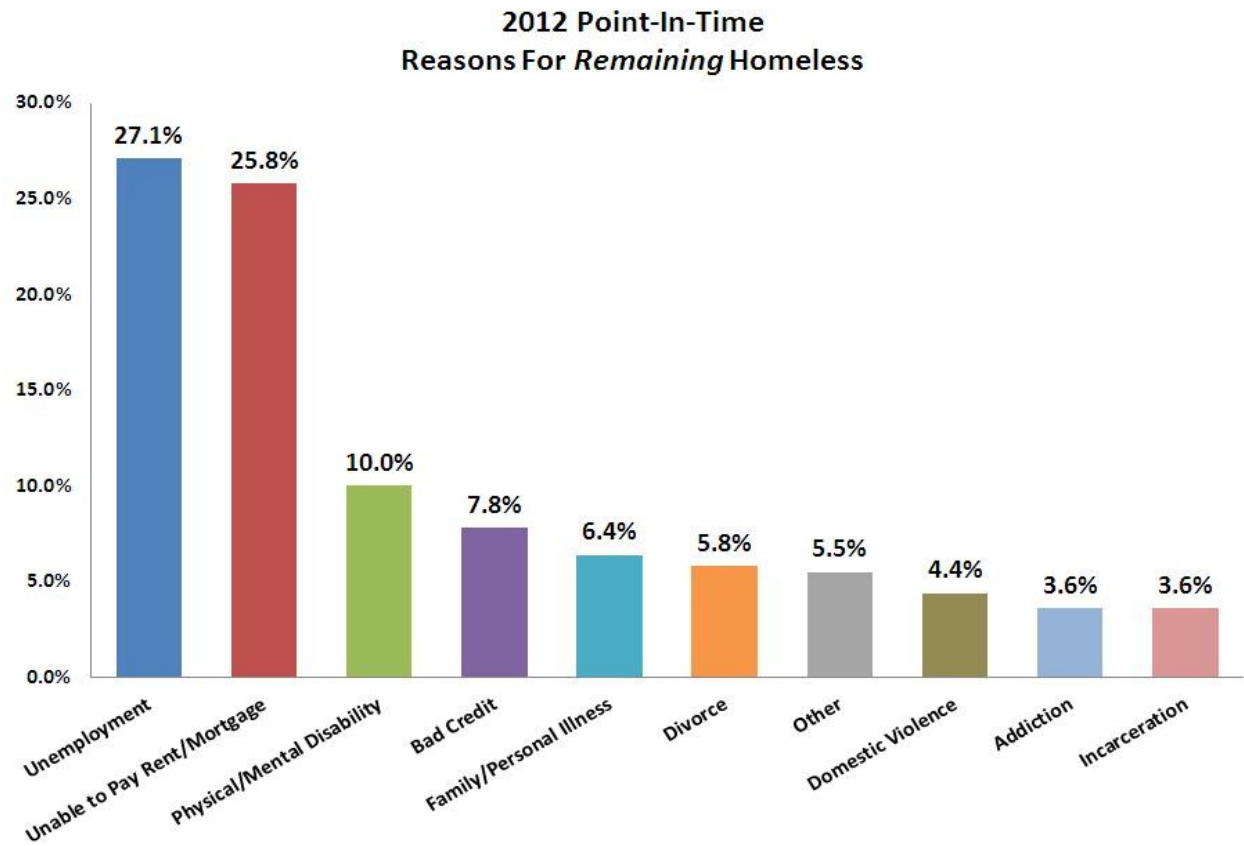
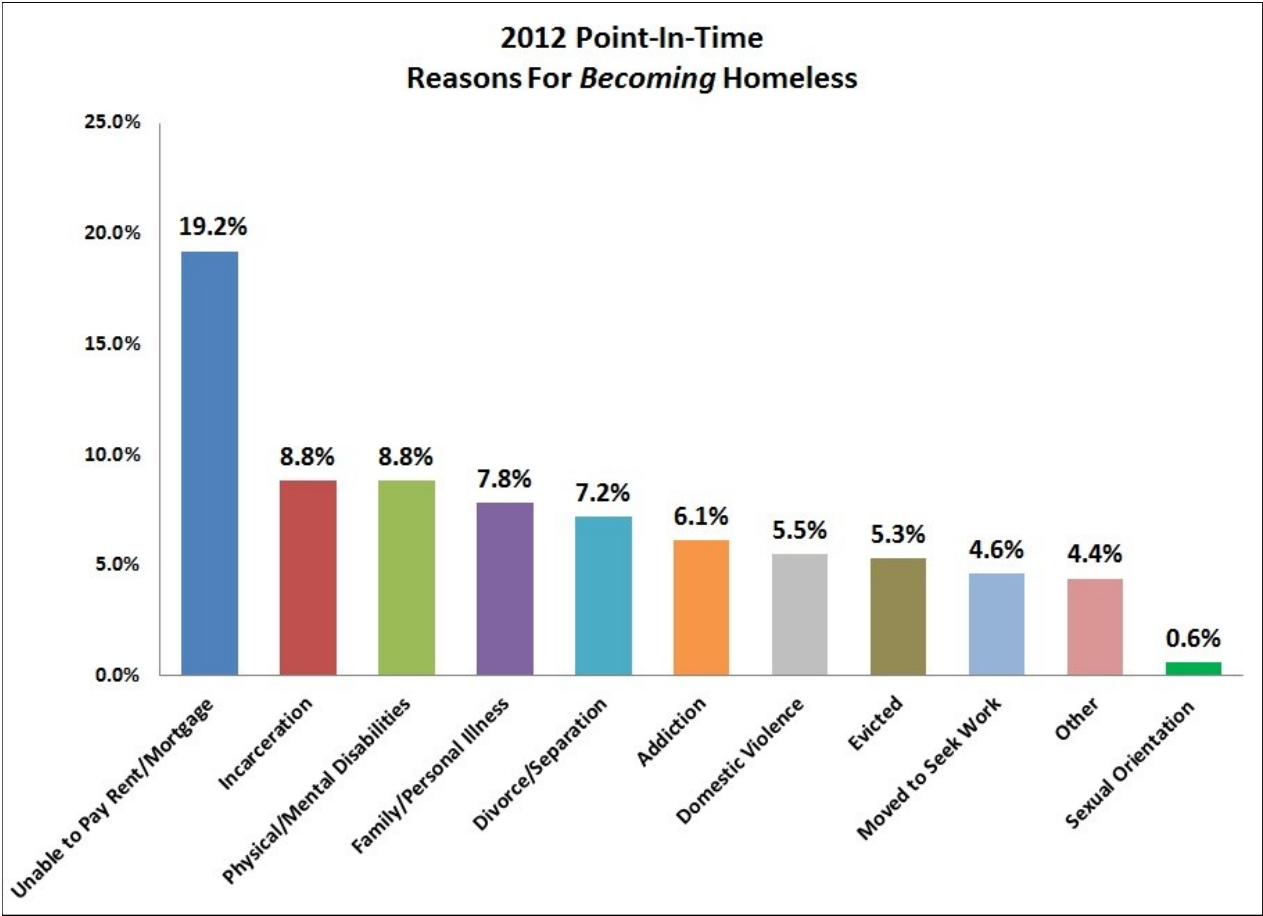
Average age of all participants	45.9
Median age of participants	48.4
Male	66.3%
Female	33.7%
White	47.1%
Black/African American	46.1%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	5.9%
Hispanic/Latino	2.2%
Households with children	8.6%
Median age of Children	8.43
HUD definition of homelessness	51.8%

RESPONDENT HISTORY

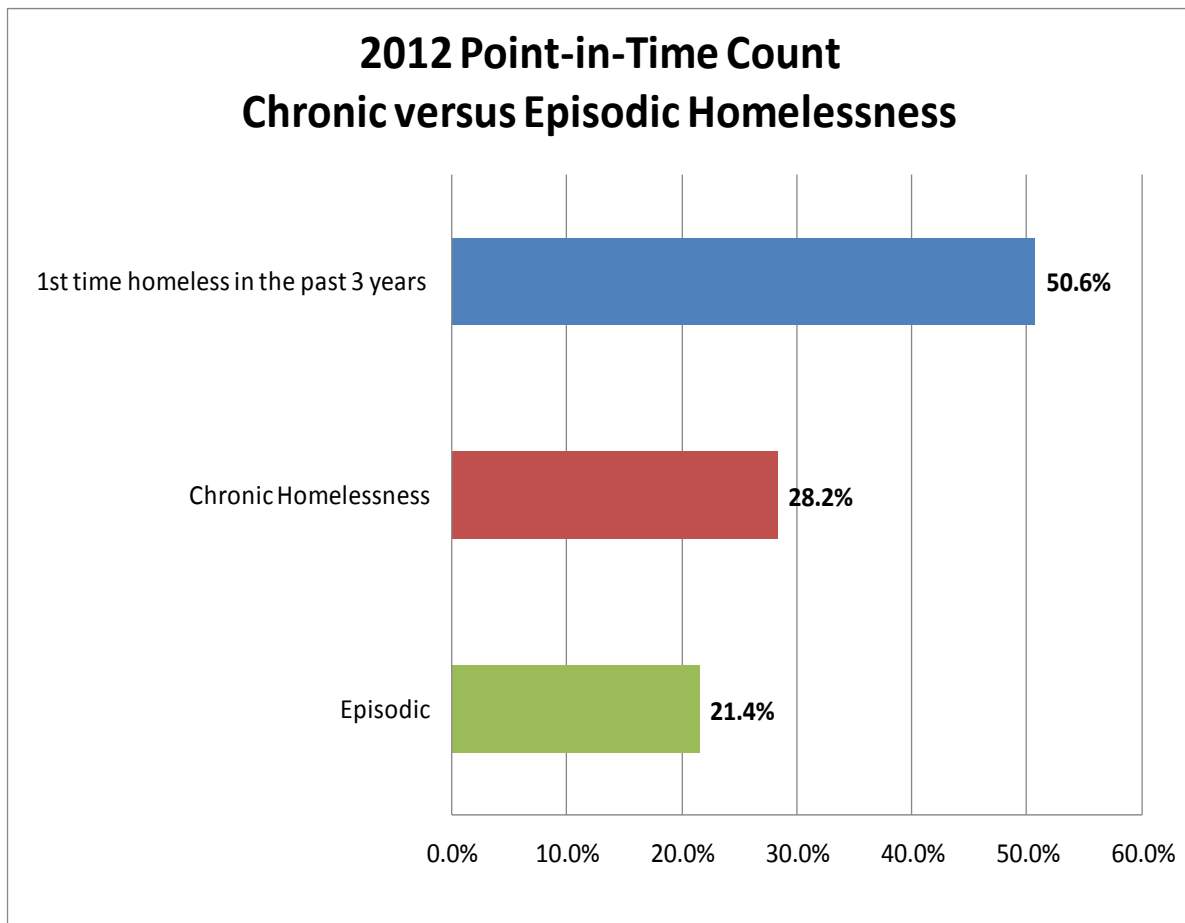


¹ §11302. General definition of homeless individual: (a) In general For purposes of this chapter, the term "homeless" or "homeless individual or homeless person" includes: 1. an individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and 2. an individual who has a primary nighttime residence 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.

CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS

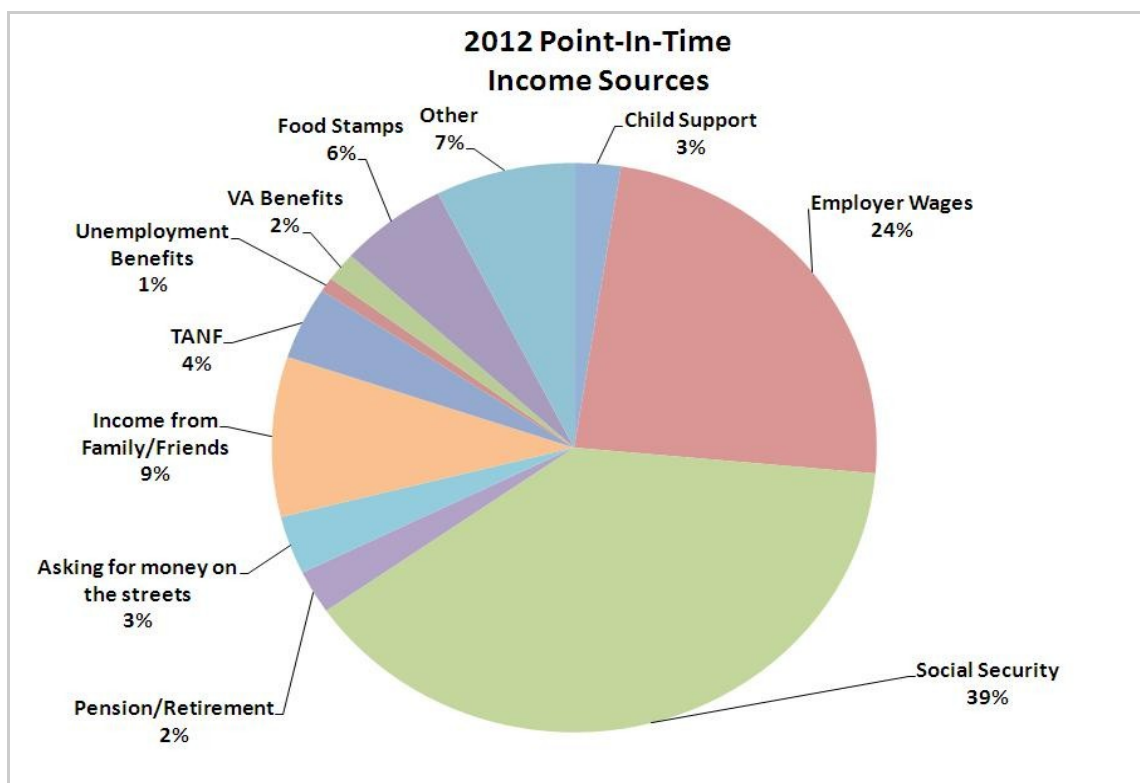
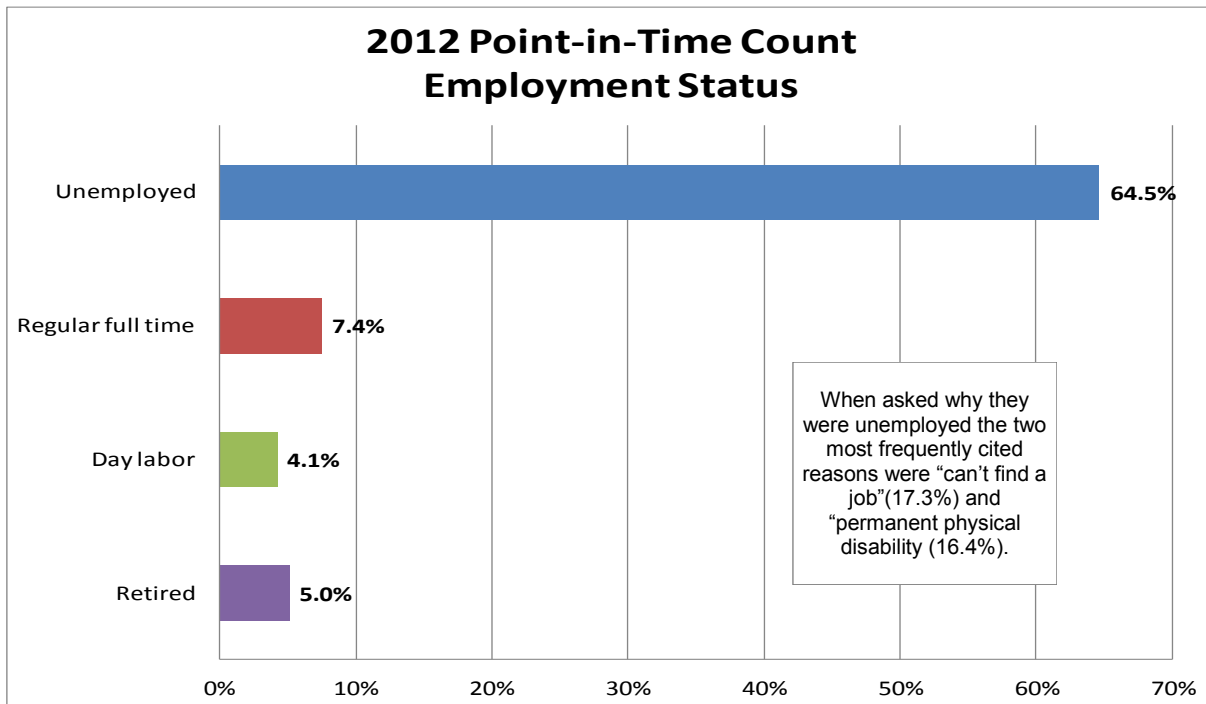


CHRONIC VS. EPISODIC



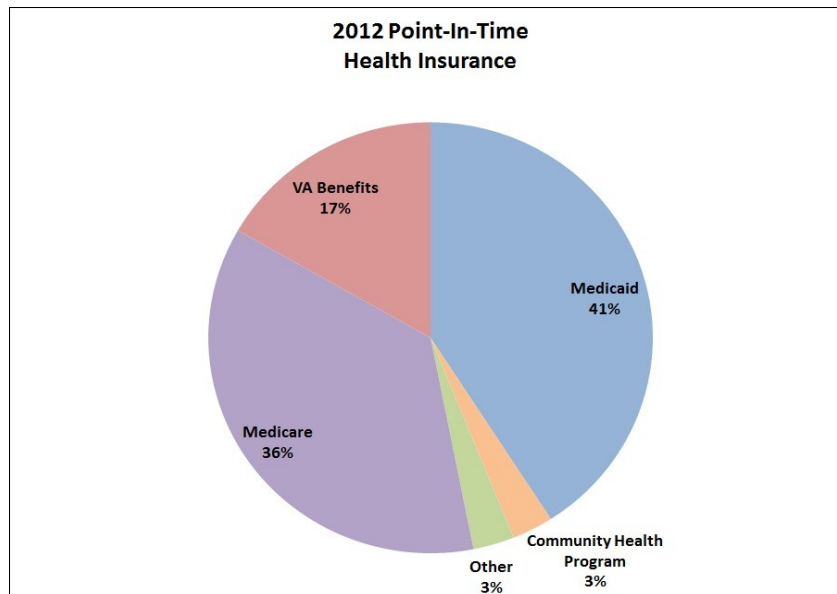
- **Episodically homeless is having more than 2-3 episodes of homelessness in the last 3 years.**
- **Chronic homelessness describes a person or family with at least one adult member who has a disabling condition and has been homeless for 1 year or longer or has had at least 4 episodes of homelessness in the past 3 years.**

EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, & INCOME



- **62.4%** of respondents indicated that they are able to work.
- Those that work averaged **23.81** hours per week, and their median monthly income was **\$624.00**.
- Median length of unemployment is **2 years**.
- **65.3%** of respondents report attaining a high school diploma or higher degree in this sample.
- **34.7%** did not graduate high school, and **5.9%** of those did not pass 8th grade.

TREATMENTS AND INSTITUTIONAL STAYS



Receiving Treatment For:

Mental Illness	33.8%
Drug Abuse	22.8%
Other Physical Condition	24.3%
Alcohol Abuse	15.7%
HIV/ AIDS Related Illness	3.7%

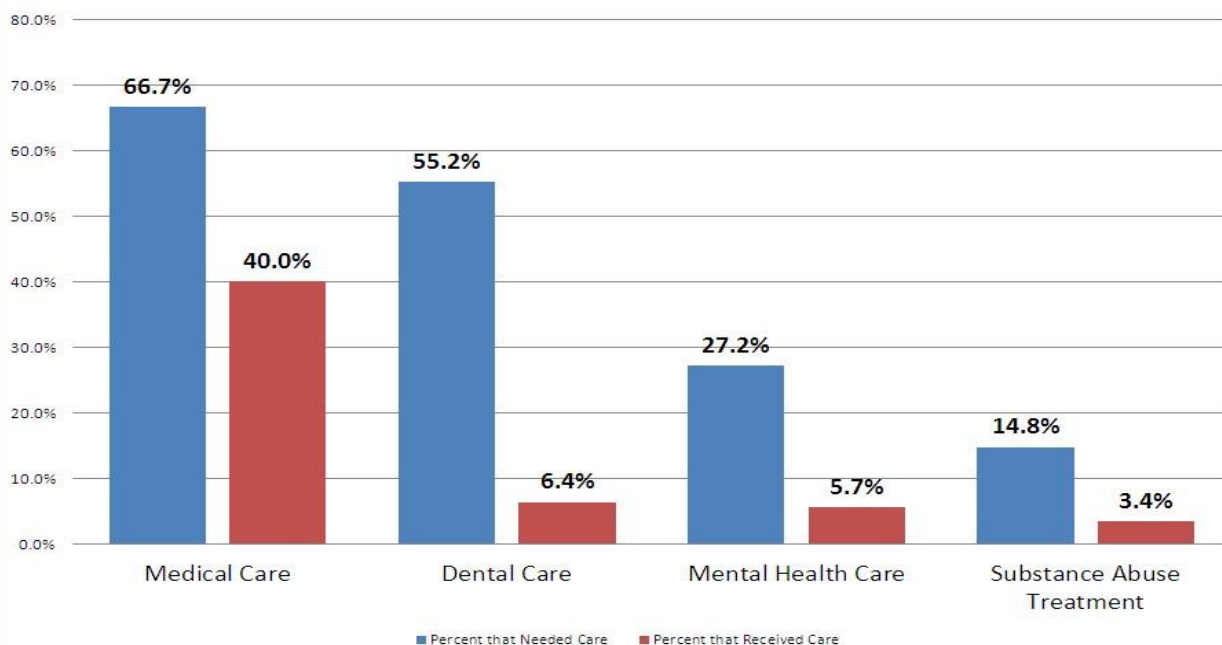
Institutional Stays:

Drug or Alcohol Abuse Treatment	23.9%
State Hospital/Long-term Care Facility	11.4%
Other Type of Institution	0.5%
Jail/Prison	58.2%
Foster Care	6.0%

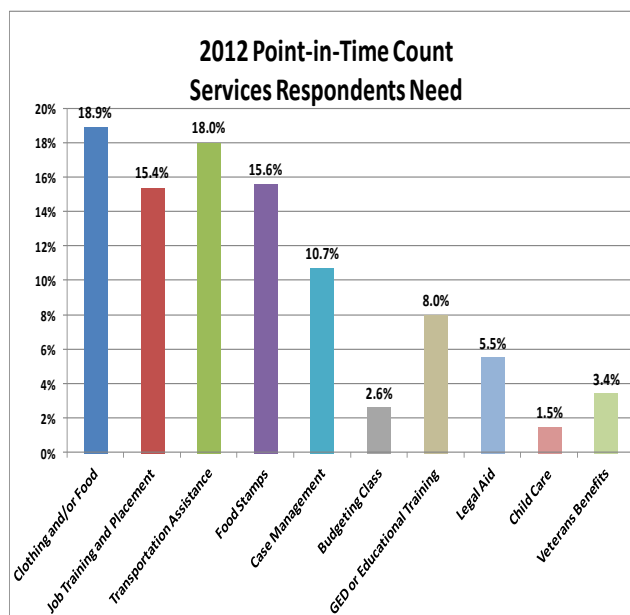
Prior to entering the Institution, 35.0% respondents were homeless.

Following release, 59.3% had some shelter to which to return.

2012 Point-in-Time Count Medical Care Needed and Received

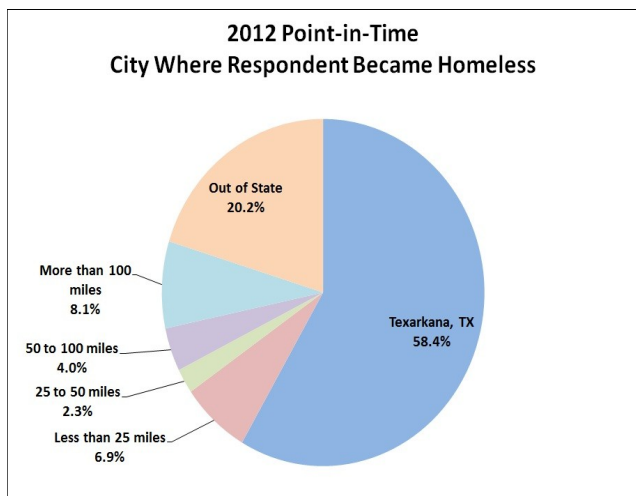


COMMUNITY NEEDS



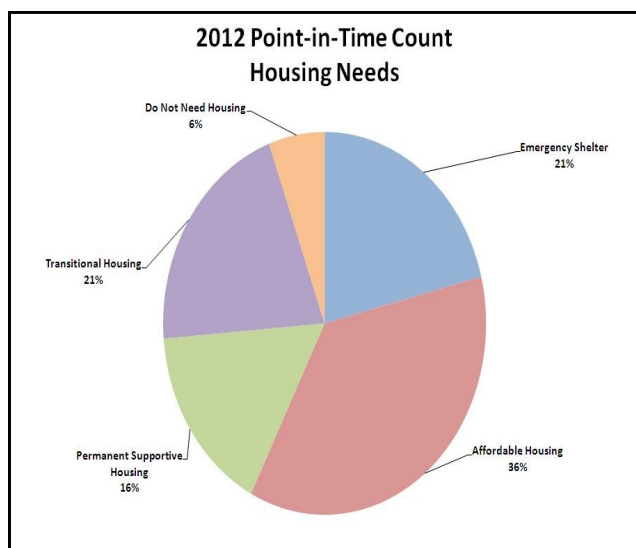
**PIT homeless estimate for
Texarkana: 150**

**Annualized homeless
population estimates for
Texarkana: 432**



Age

The median age
respondents became
homeless for the first time is
38.



Details of Homelessness

With the range of
homelessness from 1 day
to 20 years, the median
length of homelessness is 9
months.



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