

Homeless Count and Characteristics Survey Results

Laredo Homeless Coalition

January 22, 2015

Number of surveys recorded	173
Number of adults in households	178
Number of children in households	31
Total number of people	209
Total number of homeless people*	156

1. Age

	Age
Median	44.0

2. Gender

	Frequency	Percent
Male	120	72.7
Female	44	26.7
Transgender Male to Female	0	0.0
Transgender Female to Male	1	0.6
Total	165	100.0

3. Race

	Frequency	Percent
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0	0.0
Asian	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	0.0
Black or African American	7	4.5
White	149	95.5
Two or More	0	0.0
Total	156	100.0

4. Hispanic or Latino

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	133	81.6
No	30	18.4
Total	163	100.0

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5. Physical/Mental Disability of Respondent (self-reported)

	Frequency	Percent
Substance Abuse Disorder	46	21.4
Chronic Physical Illness	26	12.1
Traumatic Brain Injury	6	2.8
HIV/AIDS	2	0.9
Serious Mental Illness	40	18.6
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	12	5.6
Developmental Disability	12	5.6
None of the Above	71	33.0
Total	215	100.0

*159 Confirmed Cases

6. Nighttime Residence of Households on 1/22/15

	Frequency	Percent
Emergency Shelter	70	44.0
Transitional Shelter	5	3.1
Permanent Supportive Housing	15	9.4
Place Not Meant For Habitation	48	30.2
Sharing Housing Of Others	13	8.2
VA Domiciliary	0	0.0
Mental Health Facility	0	0.0
Substance Abuse Treatment Center	0	0.0
Hospital	0	0.0
Corrections Facility/Jail	0	0.0
Hotel/Motel (with voucher)	1	0.6
Hotel/Motel (with own funds)	2	1.3
Subsidized Housing	0	0.0
In Own Home	4	2.5
Own Place With Imminent Eviction	0	0.0
Substandard Housing	0	0.0
Foster Care Or Group Home	1	0.6
Total	159	100.0

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7. Family/Household Makeup

	Frequency	Percent
Single Individual	130	80.7
Single Unaccompanied Minor	8	5.0
Two Parent Family With Children	1	0.6
Couple Without Children	6	3.7
One Parent Family With Children	13	8.1
Household With Only Children	0	0.0
Other Type Of Family	3	1.9
Total	161	100.0

8. Age of Children

Median	10.0
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9. Gender of Children

	Frequency	Percent
Male	10	45.5
Female	12	54.5
Total	22	100.0

10. Resources Needed By Children

	Frequency	Percent
Health Care	12	40.0
Child Care	5	16.7
TANF	5	16.7
WIC	2	6.7
SNAP	6	20.0
Total	30	100.0

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11. US Armed Forces Service

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	5	3.5
No	137	96.5
Total	142	100.0

12. Activated Into Active Duty As A Member of the National Guard or as a Reservist

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	4.8
No	20	95.2
Total	21	100.0

13. Length of Service

	Years
Median	3.0

14. Tour of Duty

	Frequency	Percent
Korea	1	25.0
Vietnam	1	25.0
Kuwait	0	0.0
Iraq	0	0.0
Afghanistan	0	0.0
Other	2	50.0
Total Responses	4	100.0

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15. Health Care or Other Benefits from VA medical Center

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	3	60.0
No	2	40.0
Total	5	100.0

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16. Currently Homeless (self-reported by the respondent)?

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	153	95.0
No	8	5.0
Total	161	100.0

17. Respondent's Situation

	Frequency	Percent
1st time homeless in the past 3 years	77	49.7
2-3 episodes in the past 3 years	20	12.9
At least 4 episodes in the past 3 years	18	11.6
Continuously homeless for a year or more	40	25.8
Total	155	100.0

18. Length of Current Episode of Homelessness

Median	9.9 months
Range	2 days – 24 years

19. Location Where Respondent Became Homeless This Time

Laredo	117
Rio Bravo	2
Texas	17
Out of state	15

20. Homeless another time in past 12 months?

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	85	58.6
No	60	41.4
Total	145	100.0

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21. Reasons for Homelessness

	Frequency	Percent
Unable to pay rent/mortgage	47	15.6
Unemployment	79	26.2
Divorce/separation	24	8.0
Domestic violence	11	3.8
Incarceration	20	6.6
Family/personal illness	18	6.0
Physical/mental disabilities	30	10.0
Addiction	40	13.3
Evicted	4	1.3
Moved to seek work	2	0.7
Sexual orientation	0	0.0
Aged out of foster care	1	0.3
Other	25	8.3
Total	301	100.0

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22. Education

	Frequency	Percent
Never attended	57	35.6
1 st – 8 th Grade	0	0.0
Some high school	48	30.0
High school diploma/GED	39	24.4
Some college	11	6.9
Technical school/job training program	1	0.6
College graduate	3	1.9
Master's degree or higher	1	0.6
Total	160	100.0

23. Able to work

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	103	64.4
No	57	35.6
Total	160	100.0

All responses are based on the respondent unless otherwise noted.

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24. Job Status

	Frequency	Percent
Regular Full Time	1	0.9
Regular Part Time	11	10.3
Day Labor	0	0.0
Temporary Job	3	2.8
Unemployed	92	86.0
Retired	0	0.0
Total	107	100.0

25. Length of Unemployment

	Months
Median	11.8

26. Needed Medical Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	87	55.4
No	70	44.6
Total	157	100.0

27. Received Medical Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	56	64.4
No	31	35.6
Total	87	100.0

28. Medical Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent
ER	25	31.3
Private Doctor	26	32.5
VA	2	2.5
Community Clinic	14	17.5
MHMR	2	2.5
Social Service Agency	6	7.5
Other	5	6.3
Total	80	100.0

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29. Needed Dental Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	74	48.4
No	79	51.6
Total	153	100.0

30. Received Dental Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	21	28.8
No	52	71.2
Total	73	100.0

31. Dental Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent
ER	1	5.3
Private Doctor	14	73.37
VA	0	0.0
Community Clinic	2	10.5
MHMR	0	0.0
Social Service Agency	0	0.0
Other	2	10.5
Total	19	100.0

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32. Needed Mental Health Care in the Past Year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	52	33.5
No	103	66.5
Total	155	100.0

33. Received Mental Health Care

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	27	52.9
No	24	47.1
Total	51	100.0

34. Mental Health Care Received From

	Frequency	Percent
ER	2	7.1
Private Doctor	2	7.1
VA	2	7.1
Community Clinic	1	3.6
MHMR	18	64.3
Social Service Agency	2	7.1
Other	1	3.6
Total	28	100.0

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35. Needed Substance Abuse Treatment in the Past year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	42	27.8
No	109	72.2
Total	151	100.0

36. Received Substance Abuse Treatment

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	23	56.1
No	18	43.9
Total	41	100.0

37. Substance Abuse Treatment Received From

	Frequency	Percent
ER	1	4.5
Private Doctor	1	4.5
VA	0	0.0
Community Clinic	0	0.0
MHMR	0	0.0
Social Service Agency	14	63.6
Other	6	27.3
Total	22	100.0

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38. Needed HIV/AIDS Treatment in the Past year

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	3	2.1
No	141	97.9
Total	144	100.0

39. Received HIV/AIDS Treatment

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	1	50.0
No	1	50.0
Total	2	100.0

40. HIV/AIDS Treatment Received From

	Frequency	Percent
ER	0	0.0
Private Doctor	1	100.0
VA	0	0.0
Community Clinic	0	0.0
MHMR	0	0.0
Social Service Agency	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0
Total	1	100.0

*1 Confirmed Case

41. Services Needed

	Frequency	Percent
Basic Needs (clothing/food)	99	23.3
Job Training/Placement	85	20.0
Food Stamps	75	17.7
Transportation Assistance	82	19.3
Case Management	79	18.6
Veteran Benefits	4	0.9
Total	424	100.0

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*CoCs should include all individuals or families who meet the criteria in paragraph (1)(ii) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3. This includes individuals and families "living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangement (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals)" on the night designated for the count. This includes, emergency shelter, transitional shelter, VA domiciliary, place not meant for habitation, and hotel/motel paid by voucher.