

2025

Athens-Clarke County CoC

Point in Time and Housing Inventory Count

ACC Department of Housing
and Community Development





Housing Inventory Count


The Housing Inventory Count (HIC) is a point-in-time inventory of beds and units dedicated to serving people experiencing homelessness within a CoC. For permanent housing projects, individuals must be homeless at entry.

Four project types are included in the HIC: Emergency Shelter (EH), Transitional Housing (TH), Rapid Re-housing (RRH), Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), and Housing Vouchers for Veterans (VA-VSH).







PIT Count



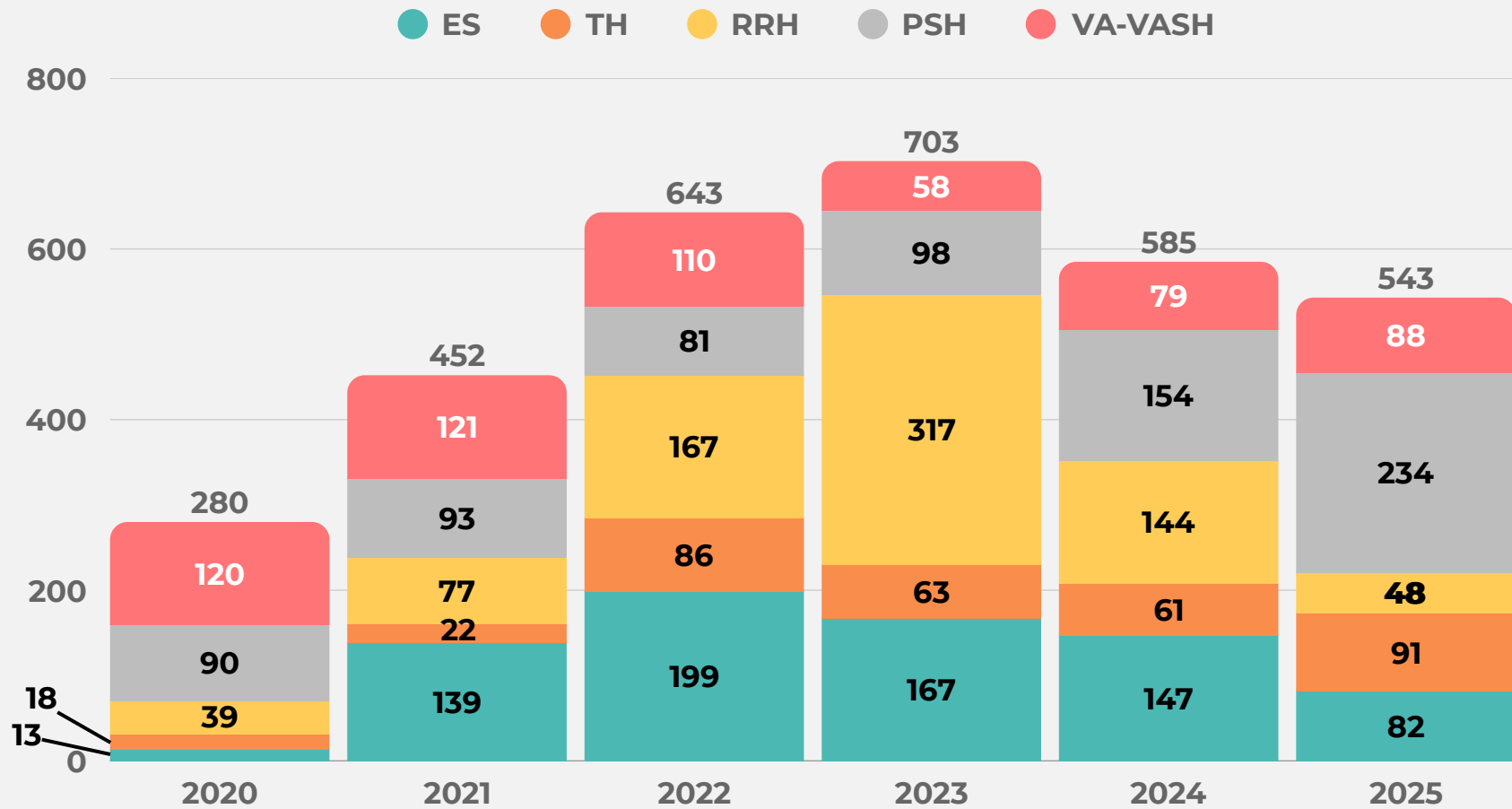
The Continuum of Care conducts a thorough count of the homeless population to measure the extent of homelessness. The 2025 Annual Point-in-Time count took place on January 29th counting for the night of January 28th.

The Point-in-Time count is a count of **sheltered** and **unsheltered** people experiencing homelessness. HUD defines unsheltered homelessness as residing in a place not meant for human habitation. Sheltered homelessness includes individuals staying in **emergency shelter (ES)** and **transitional housing (TH)**



HIC TOTALS

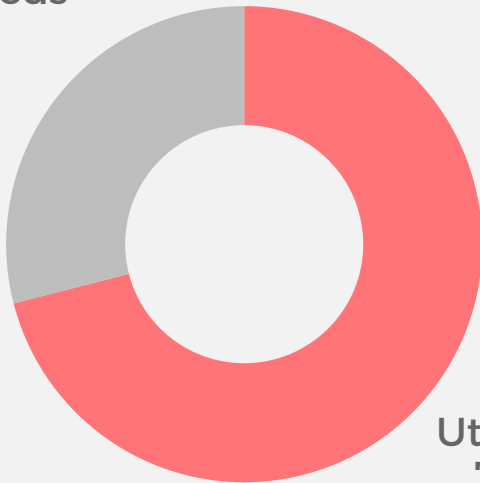
2020-2025





Bed Utilization Rate

Empty Beds
29%



Utilized
71%

Units

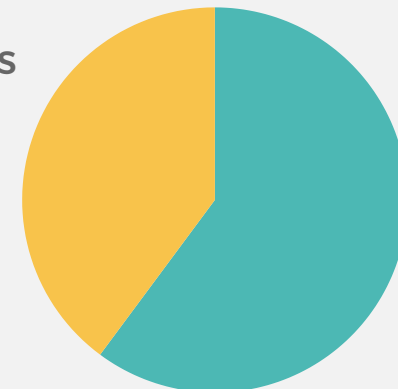
Individual Units
44.6%



Family Units
55.4%

Beds

Individual Beds
39.8%

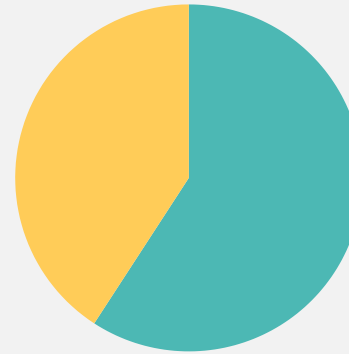


Family Beds
60.2%

PIT TOTALS

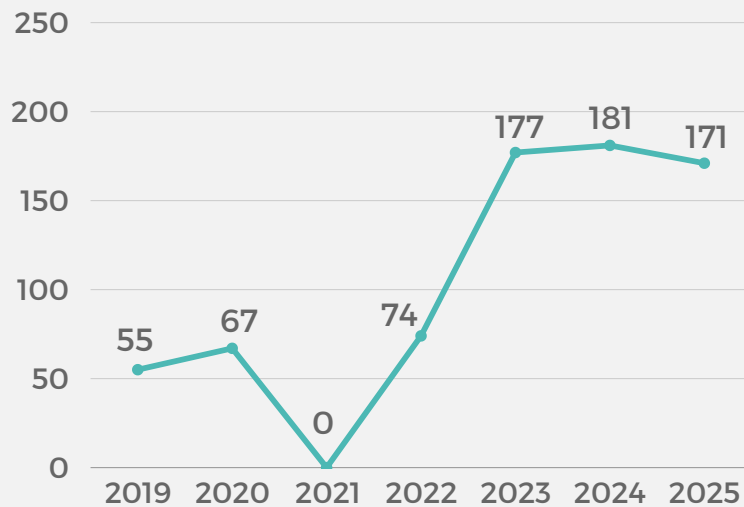
289 Individuals
Surveyed

Sheltered
40.8%

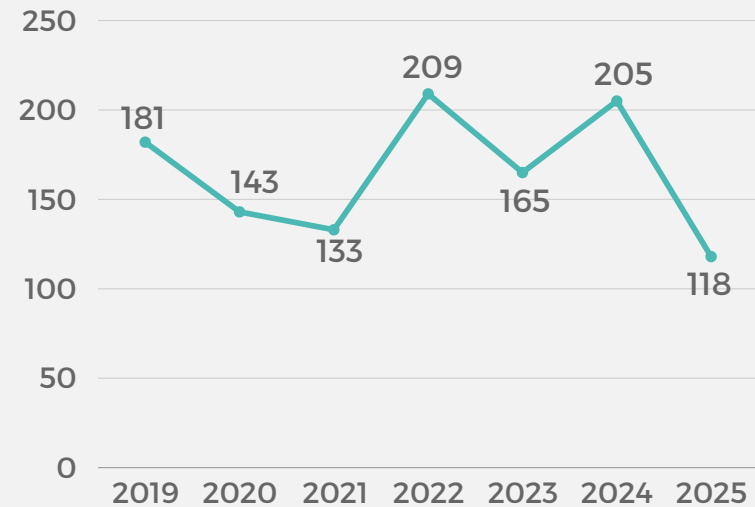


Unsheltered
59.2%

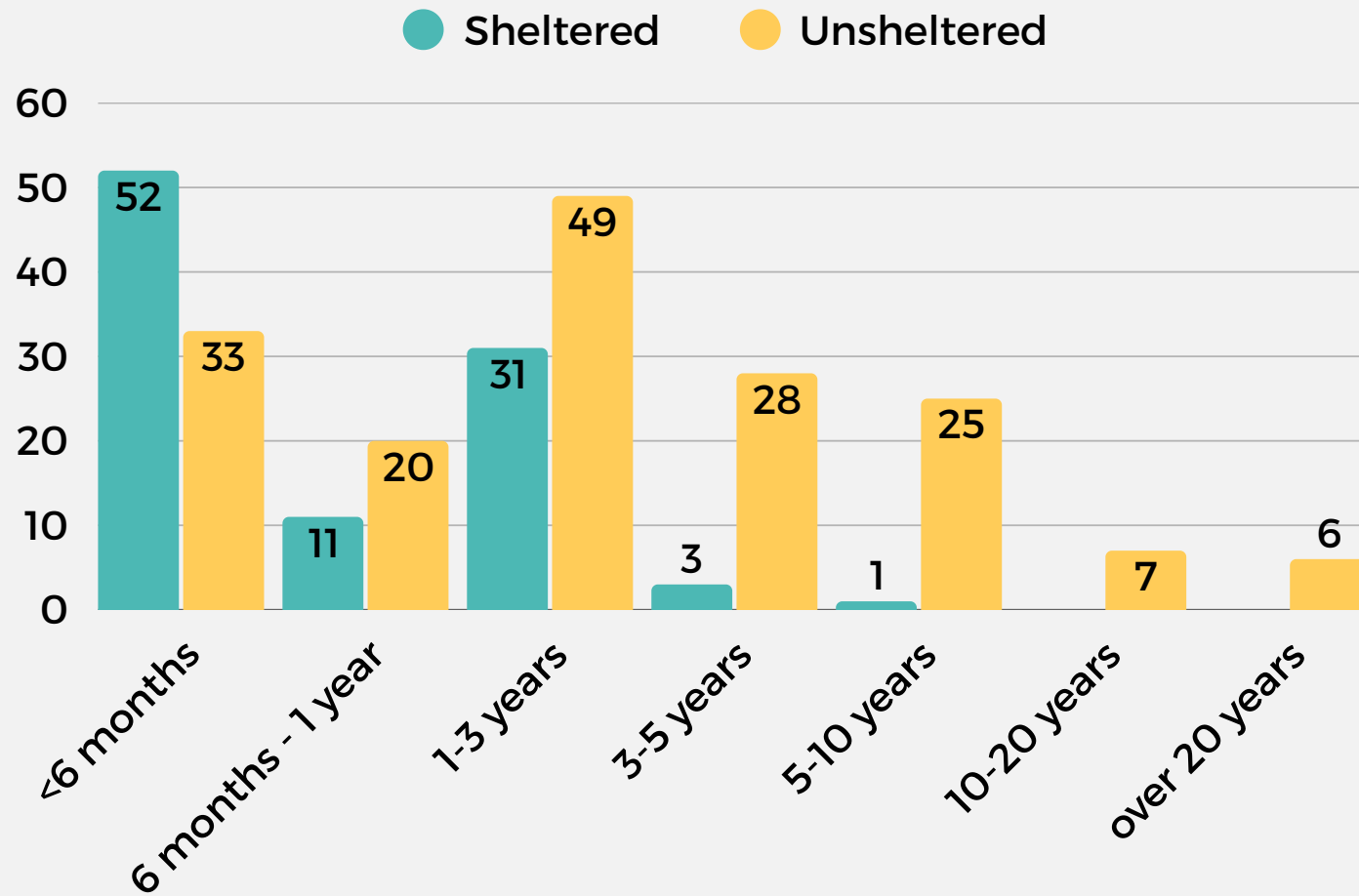
Unsheltered



Sheltered



Total Duration of Homelessness





demographic data

RACE

GENDER

AGE

VETERAN
STATUS

ETHNICITY

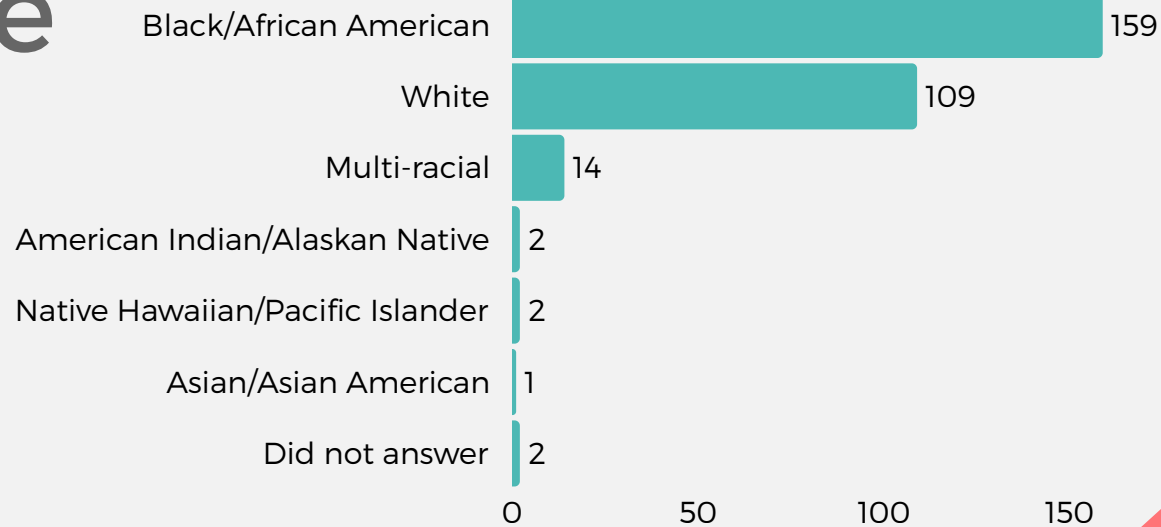
LGBTQ+
IDENTITY

MENTAL
HEALTH

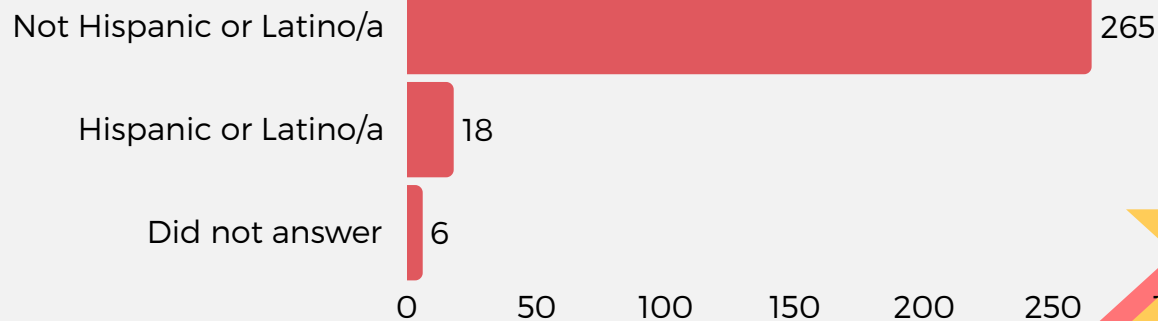
DISABILITY



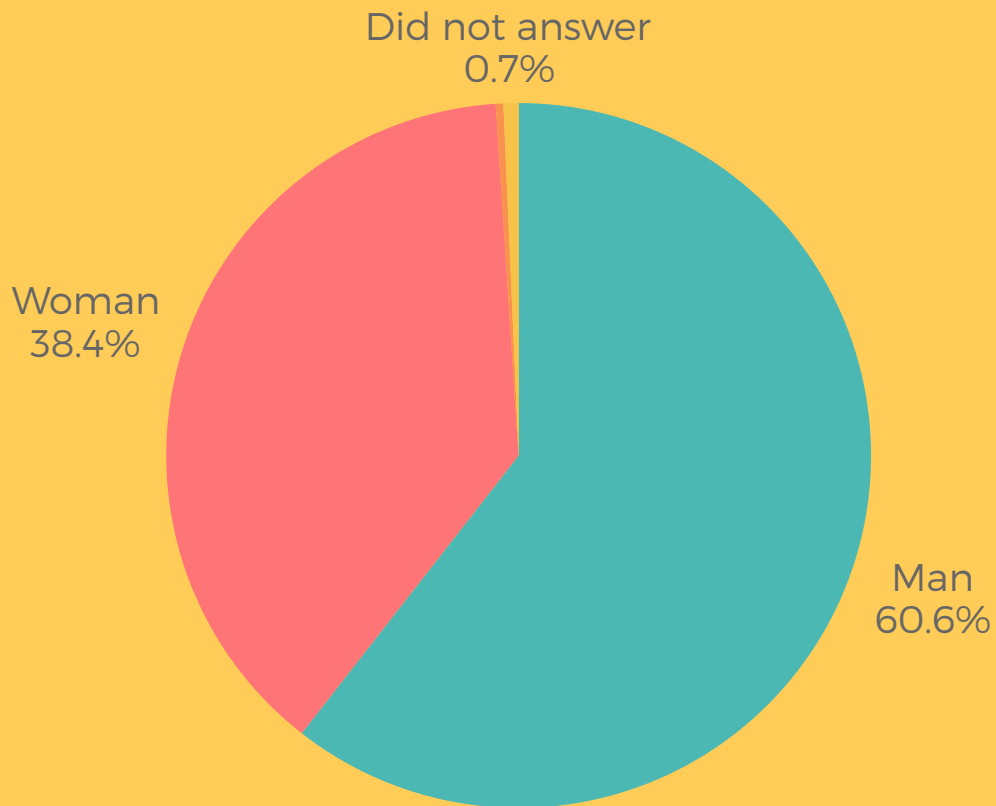
Race



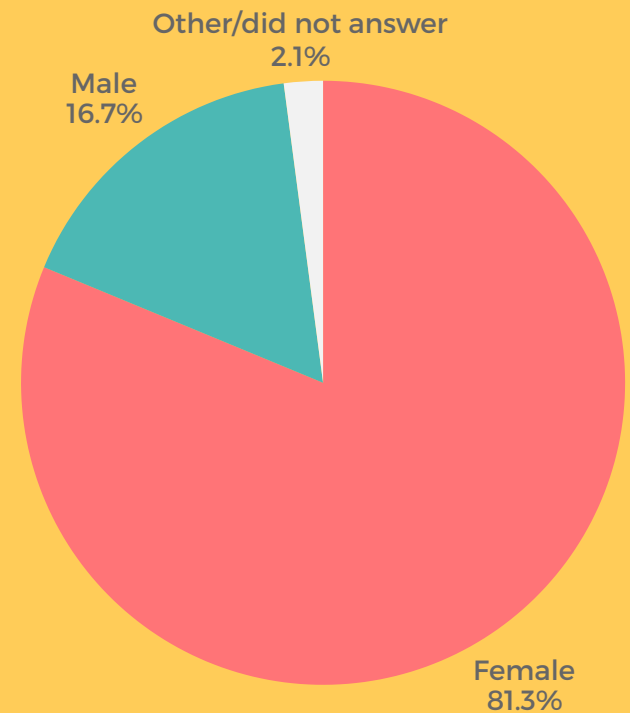
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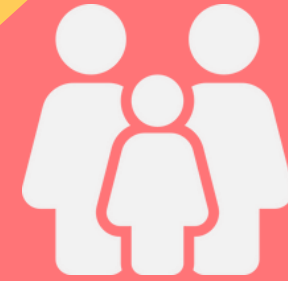
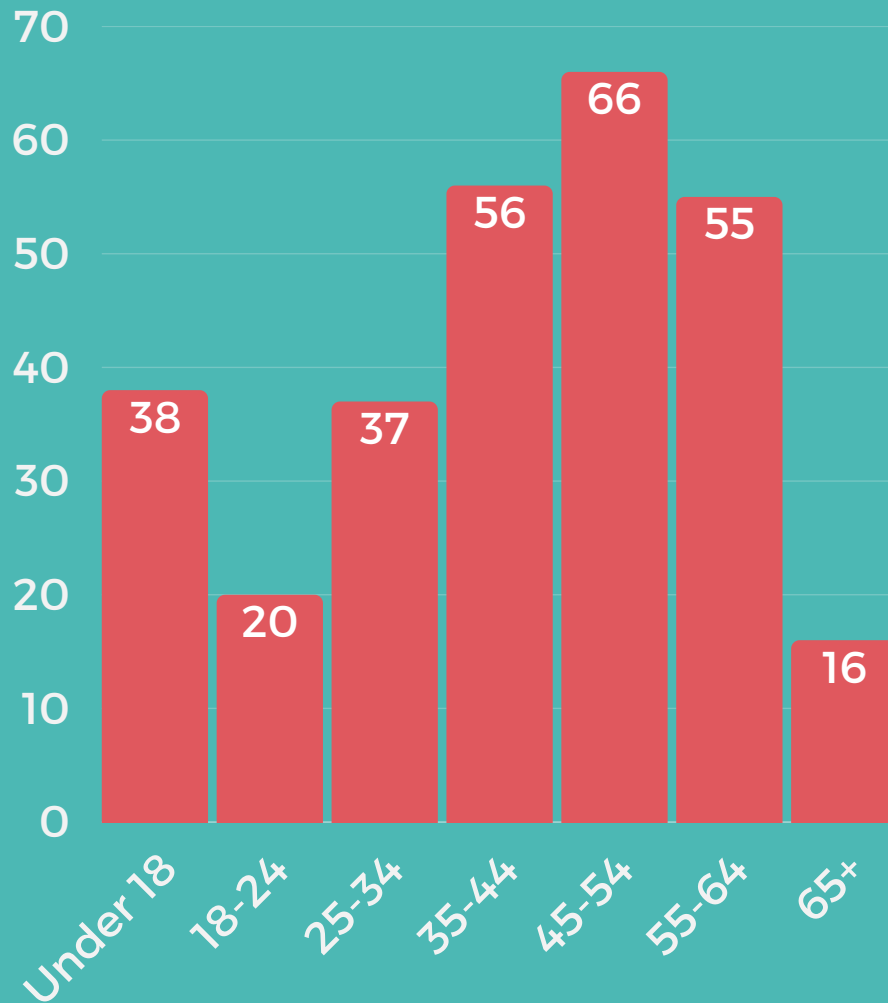
Gender



48 individuals fleeing domestic violence



Age



14 households
with children

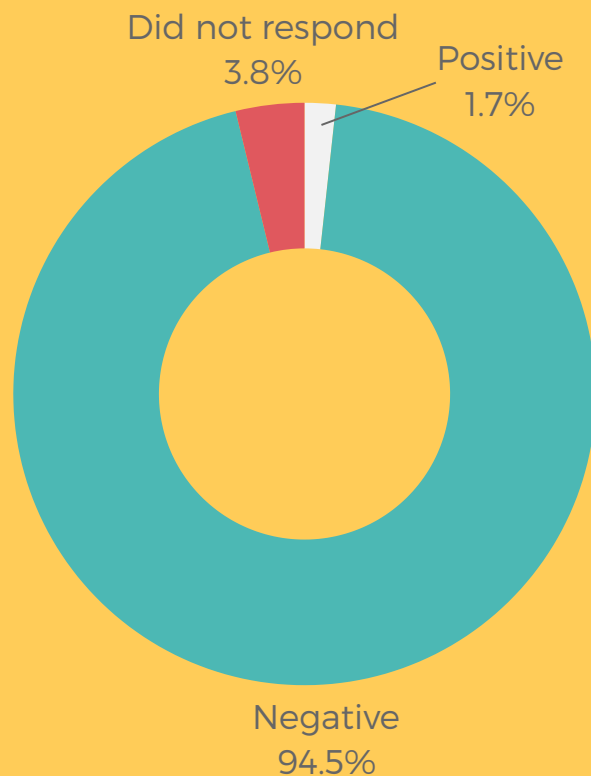


13
veterans



9% LGBTQ+

Illness and Disability

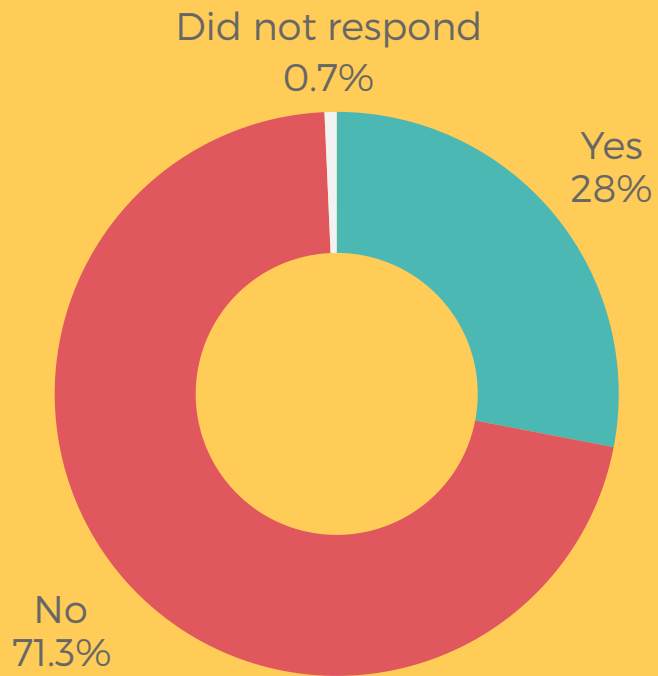


**AIDS/HIV
Status**

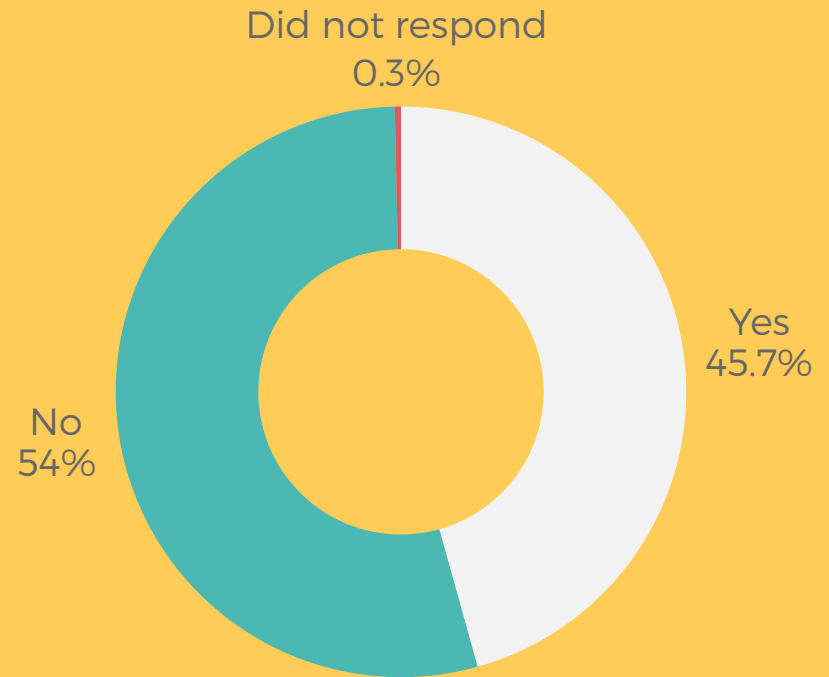


**Disabling
Condition**

Illness and Disability



Substance Use Disorder

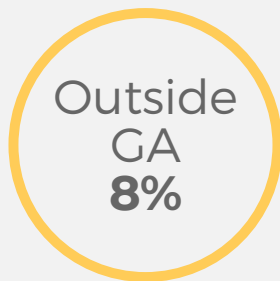


Mental Illness

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unsheltered
local data

Location before homelessness

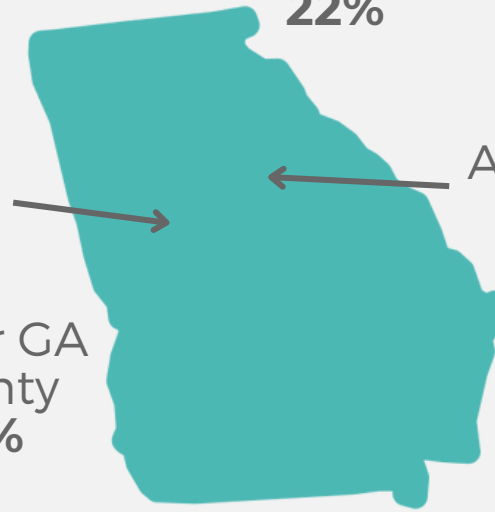


Metro Atlanta
4%

Other GA
county
16%

Northeast GA
22%

Athens-Clarke
49%



100

80

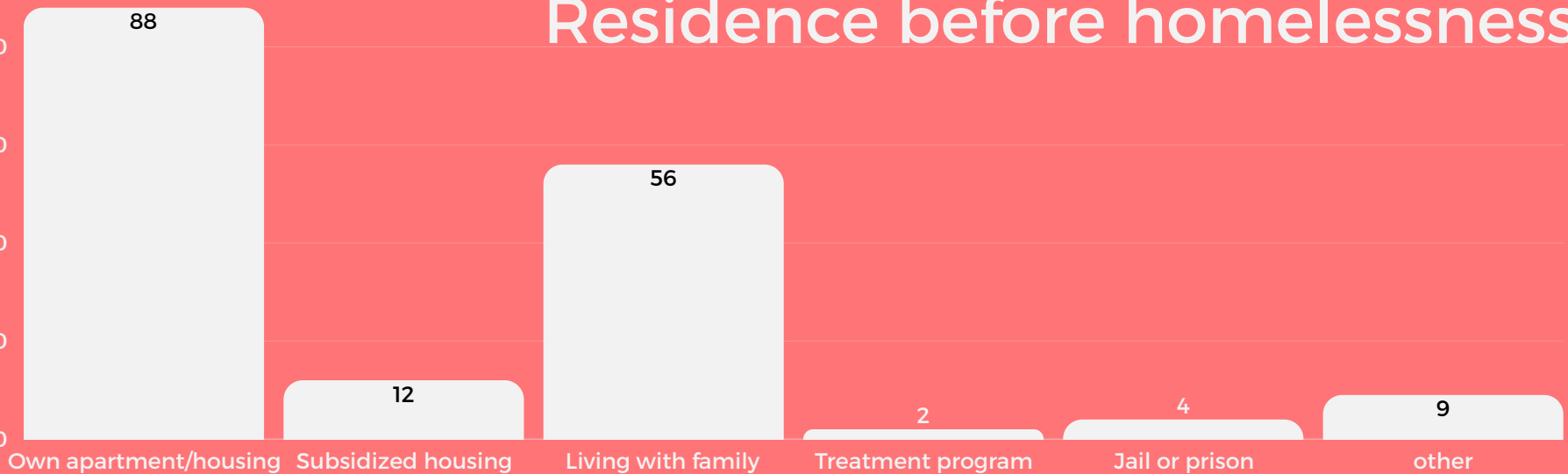
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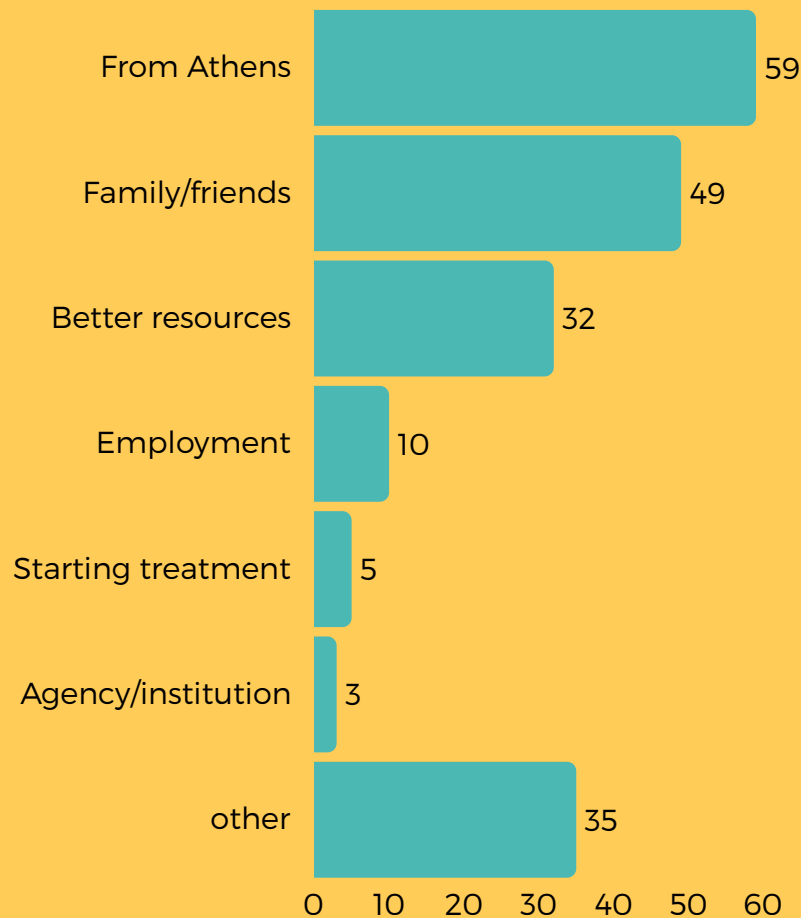
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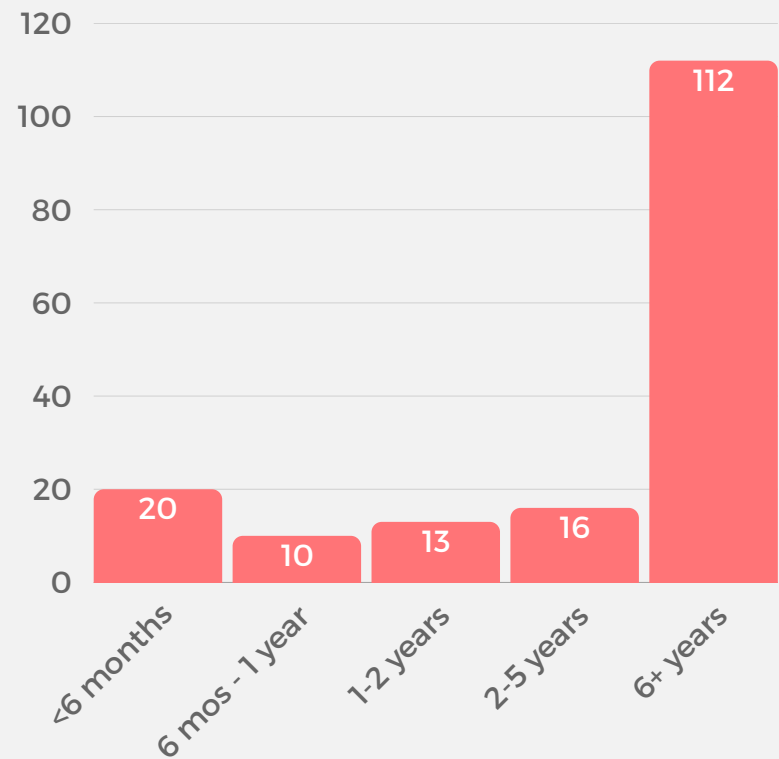
Residence before homelessness



What brought you to Athens-Clarke County?



How long have you lived in Athens-Clarke?



Key Findings

This year, **Permanent Supportive Housing** made up the largest segment of available housing resources. The total bed utilization rate across all housing types decreased by 14% from 2024 to 2025. The proportion of housing units and beds dedicated to **families** increased significantly, and now accounts for the majority of housing inventory.

289 individuals were surveyed in this year's PIT count, representing a 25% decrease in the overall surveyed population from 2024 to 2025. **Unsheltered individuals** made up a significantly greater proportion of the surveyed population than in 2024.

Over half of survey respondents this year reported experiencing homelessness **for the first time**.

The surveyed population is fairly local; 35% of the respondents are from Athens, and 65% have lived in Athens for 6 or more years.

Key Findings

In 2025, the number of **homeless households with children declined**.

When comparing homelessness by race, notable differences emerge for Black/African American households. Although they represent **26% of the ACC population**, they account for **55% of the total homeless population**. This difference is most pronounced in **sheltered settings, where 64%** are Black/African American. Among **families** experiencing homelessness, **74%** are Black/African American. There is also a higher incidence of homelessness among Black/African American individuals making up **53%** of the sheltered and **48%** of the unsheltered population.

The number of veterans and individuals fleeing domestic violence remained steady from 2024 to 2025. The age breakdown of the population also showed little change.

**Please note that the PIT count is a single-night snapshot and may not reflect year-round trends. Additionally, the closure of the Salvation Army shelter on the night of the count likely contributed to an undercount of sheltered individuals.*

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Survey Locations



Bigger Vision
of Athens



Advantage
Behavioral
Health



Family Promise



Lydia's Place



Live Forward



Athens Area
Homeless
Shelter



Project Safe



For more information on
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