



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 29<sup>th</sup> counting for the night of January 28<sup>th</sup>.

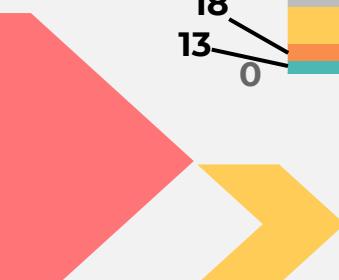
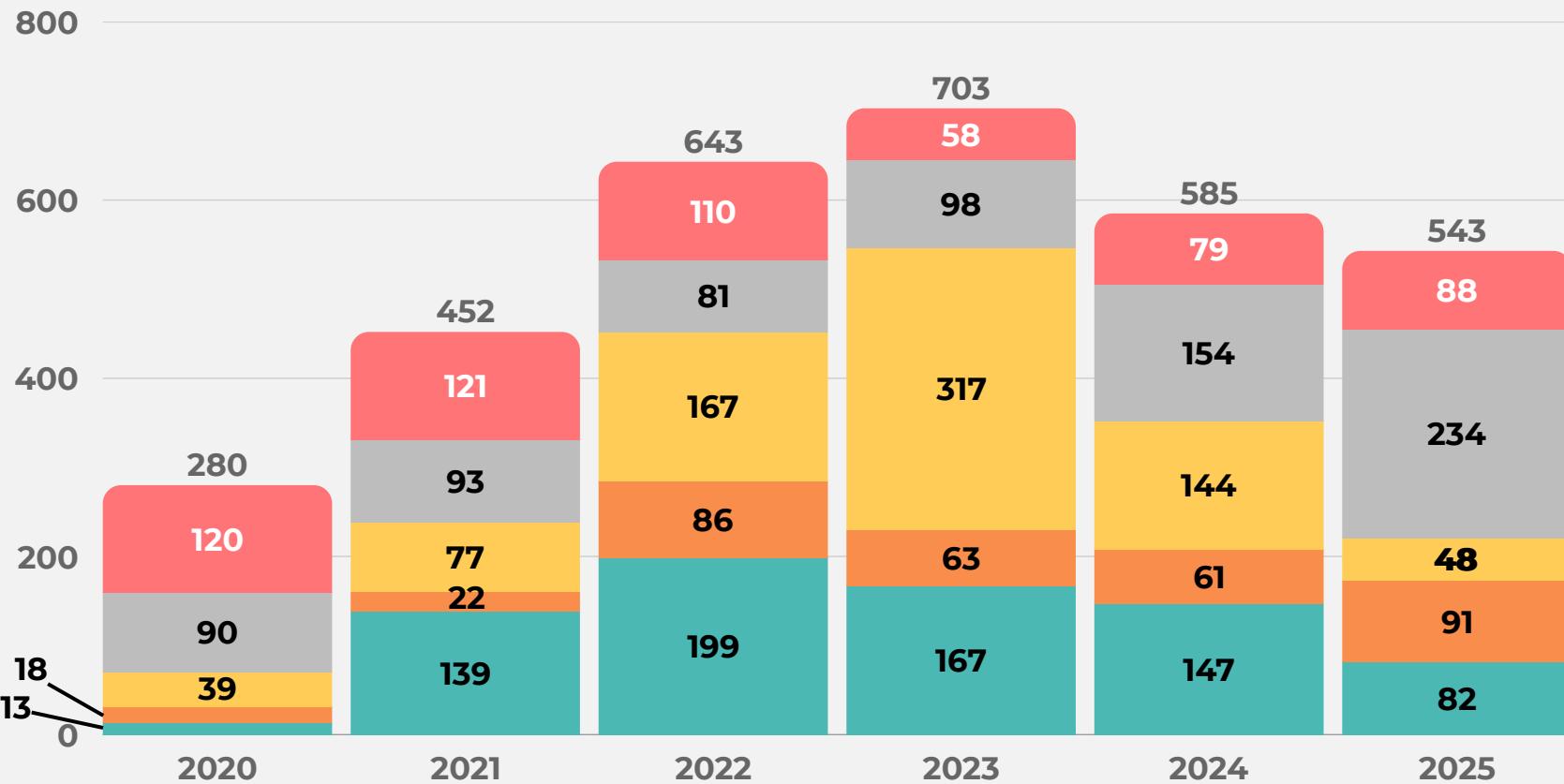
The Point-in-Time count is a count of **sheltered** and **unsheltered** people experiencing homelessness. HUD defines unsheltered homelessness as residing in a place not meant for human habitation. Sheltered homelessness includes individuals staying in **emergency shelter (ES)** and **transitional housing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

# HIC TOTALS

## 2020-2025

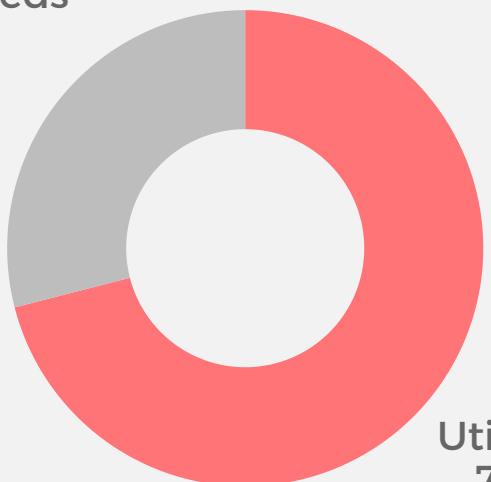


● ES   ● TH   ● RRH   ● PSH   ● VA-VASH



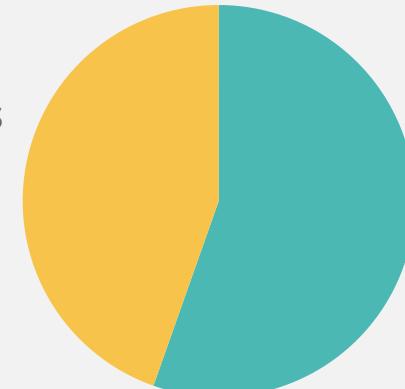
# Bed Utilization Rate

Empty Beds  
29%



Utilized  
71%

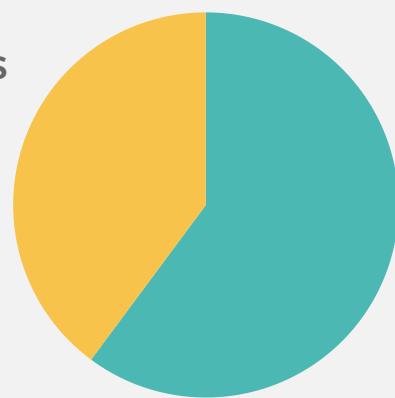
Individual Units  
44.6%



Family Units  
55.4%

Units

Individual Beds  
39.8%



Family Beds  
60.2%

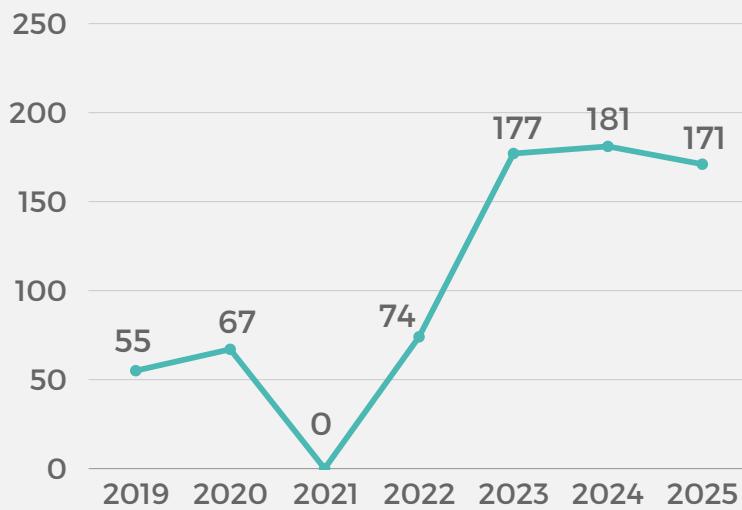
Beds

# PIT TOTALS

289 Individuals  
Surveyed



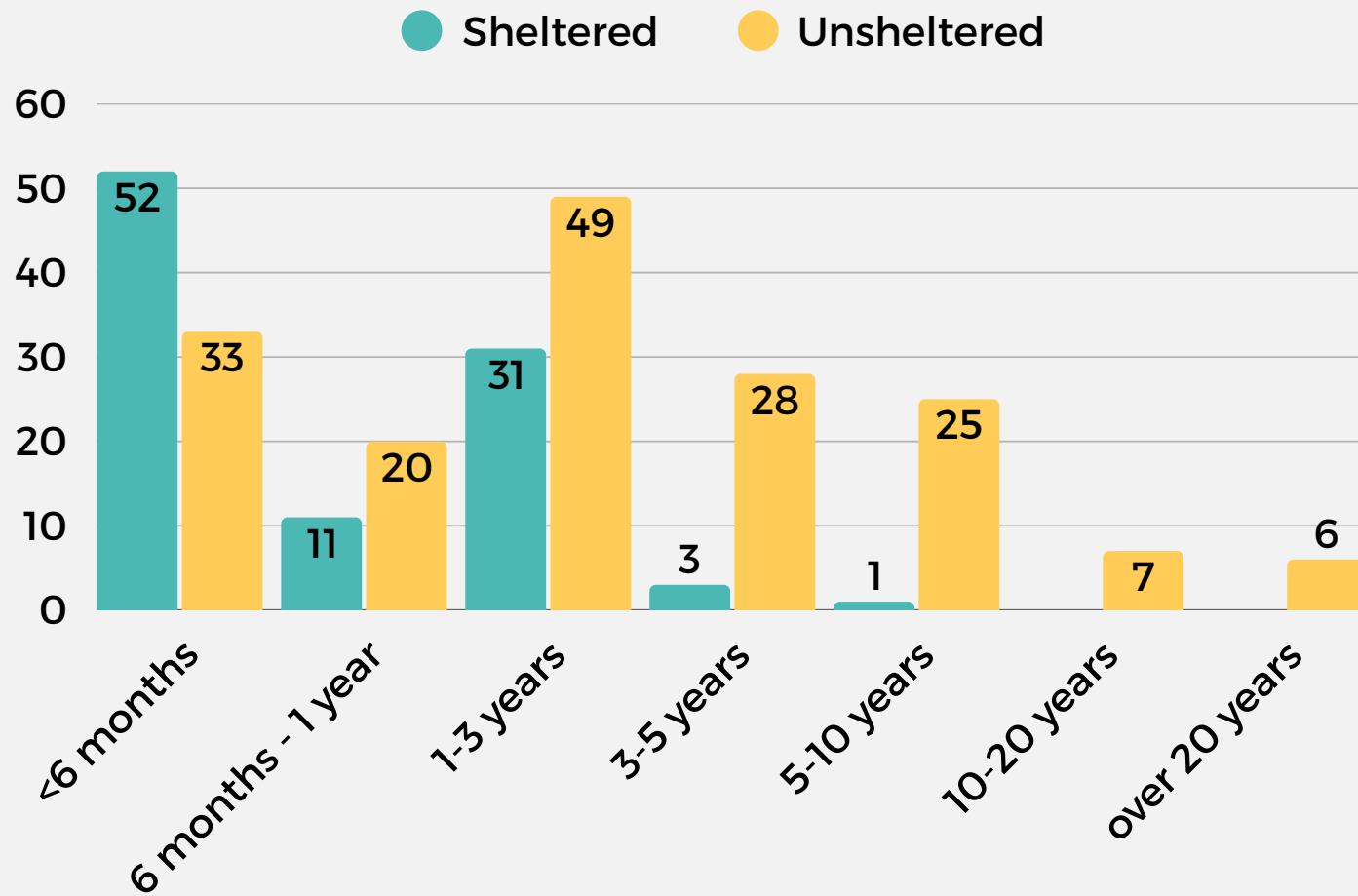
## Unsheltered



## Sheltered



# Total Duration of Homelessness





# demographic data

RACE

GENDER

AGE

VETERAN  
STATUS

ETHNICITY

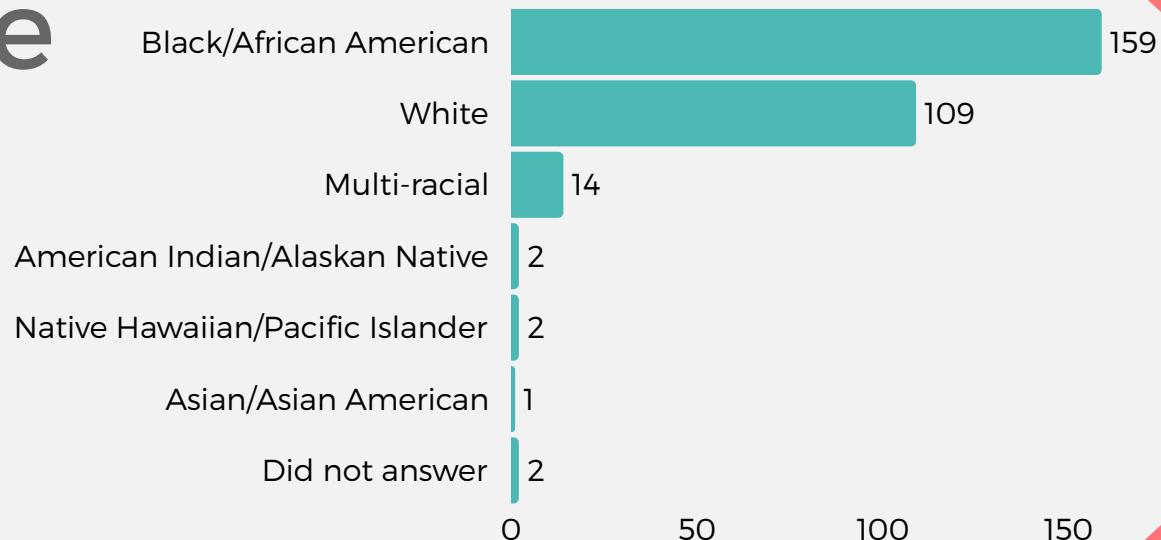
LGBTQ+  
IDENTITY

MENTAL  
HEALTH

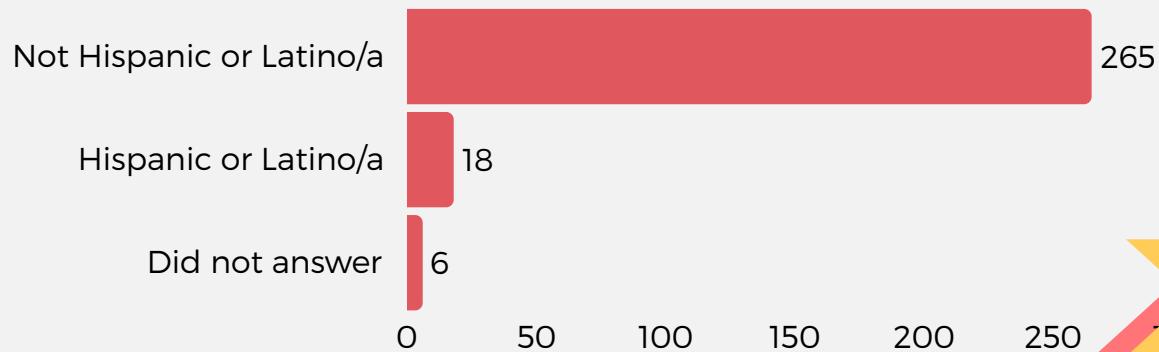
DISABILITY



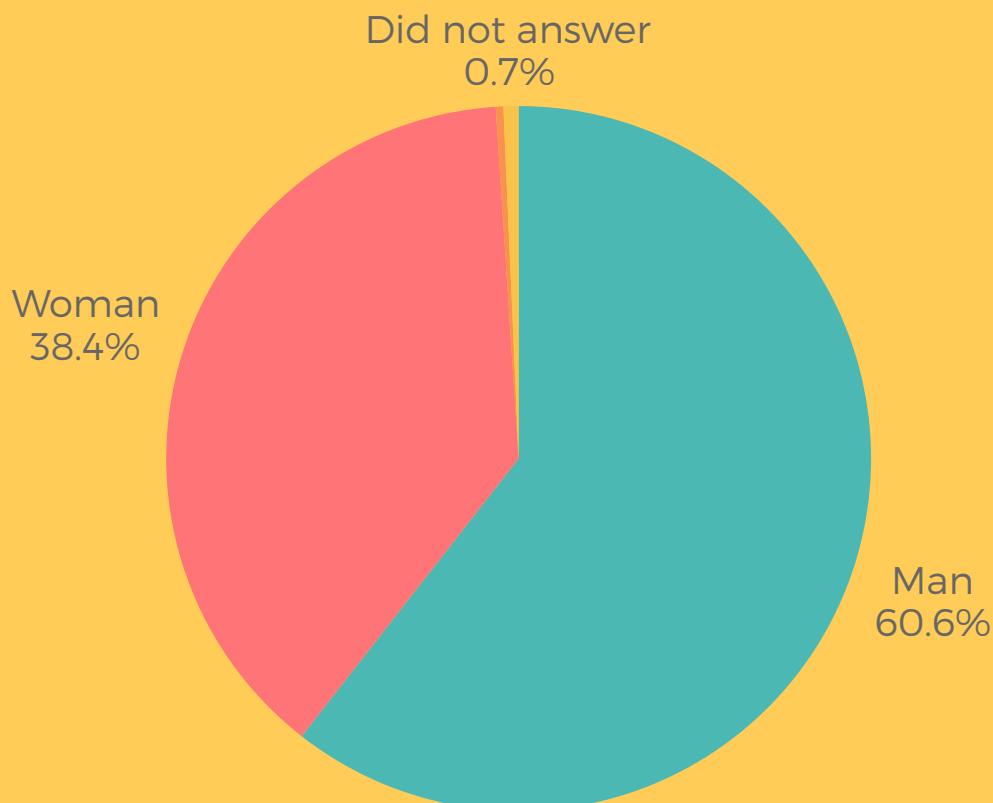
# Race



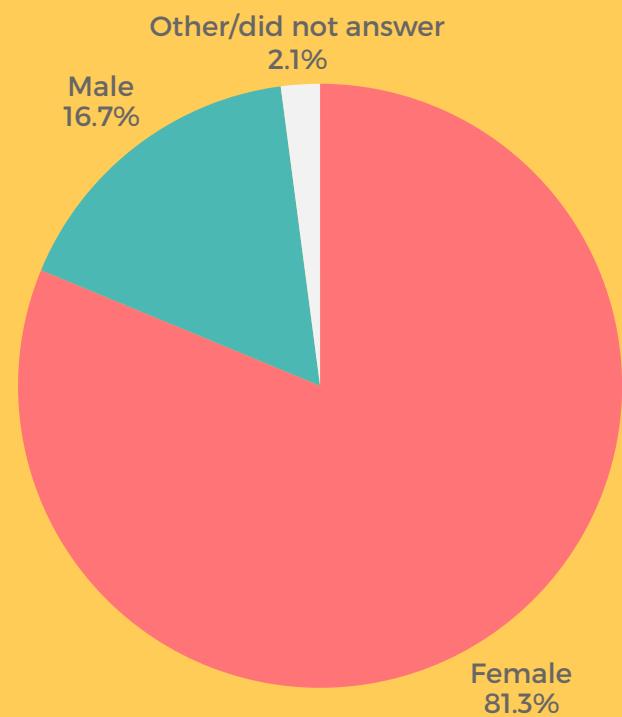
# Ethnicity



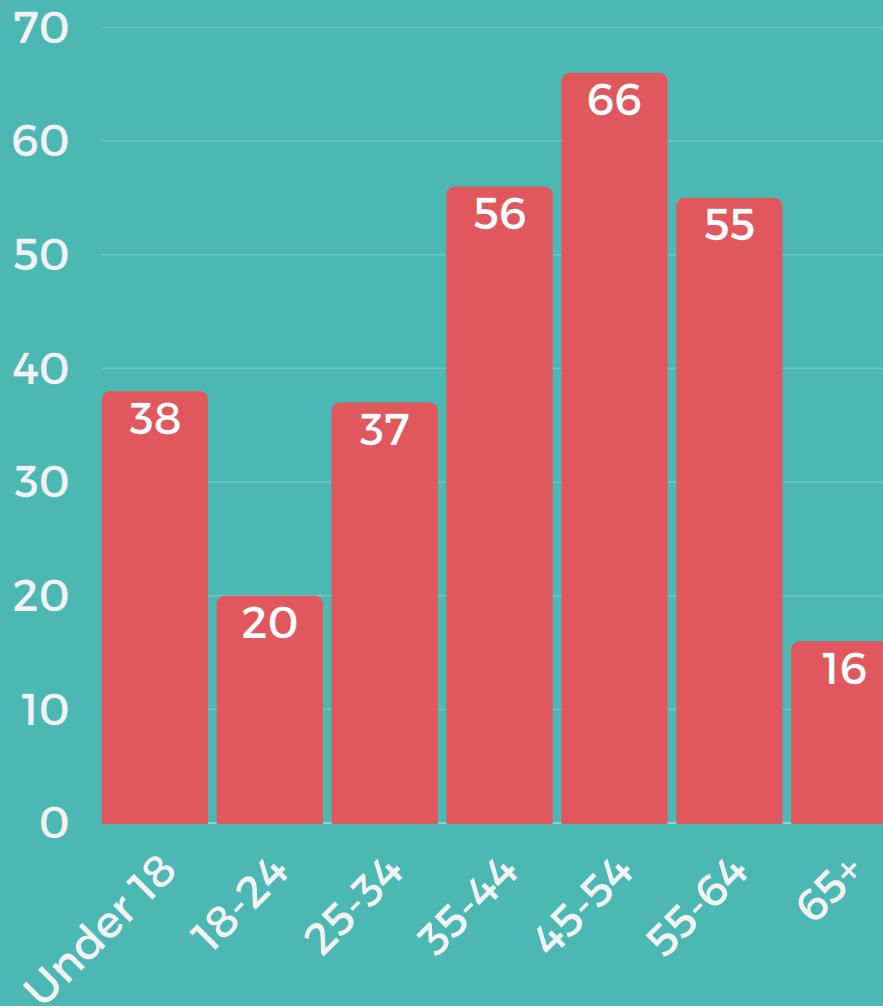
# Gender



48 individuals fleeing  
domestic violence



# Age



14 households  
with children

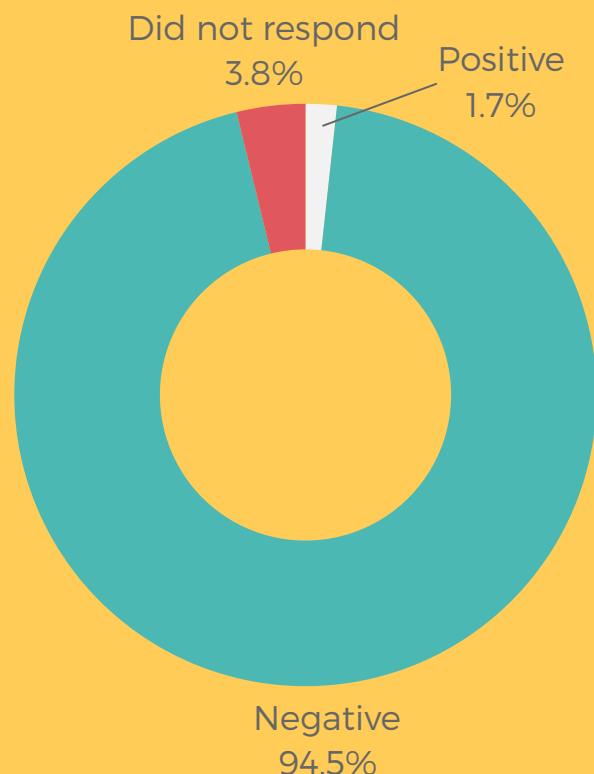


13  
veterans

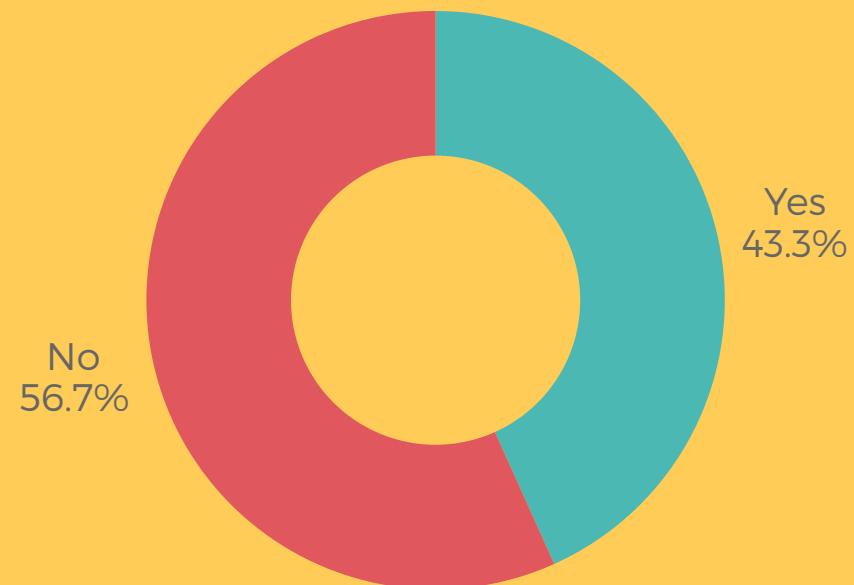


9% LGBTQ+

# Illness and Disability

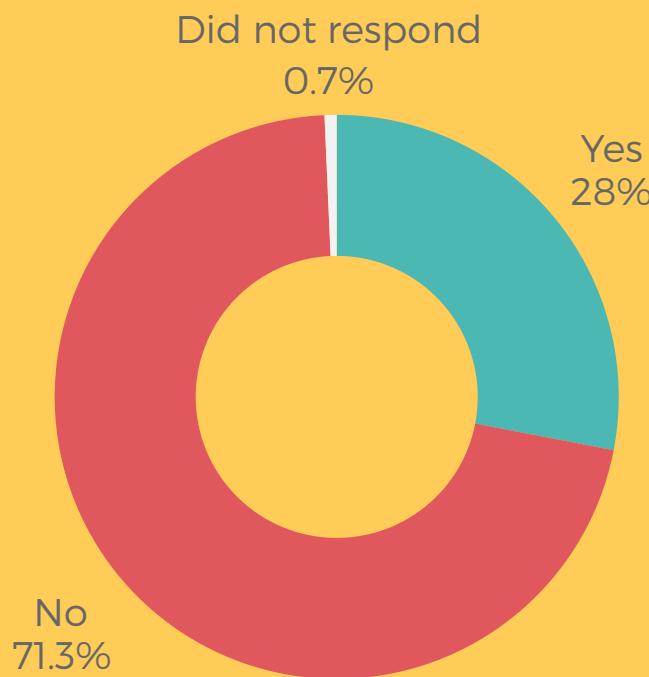


AIDS/HIV  
Status

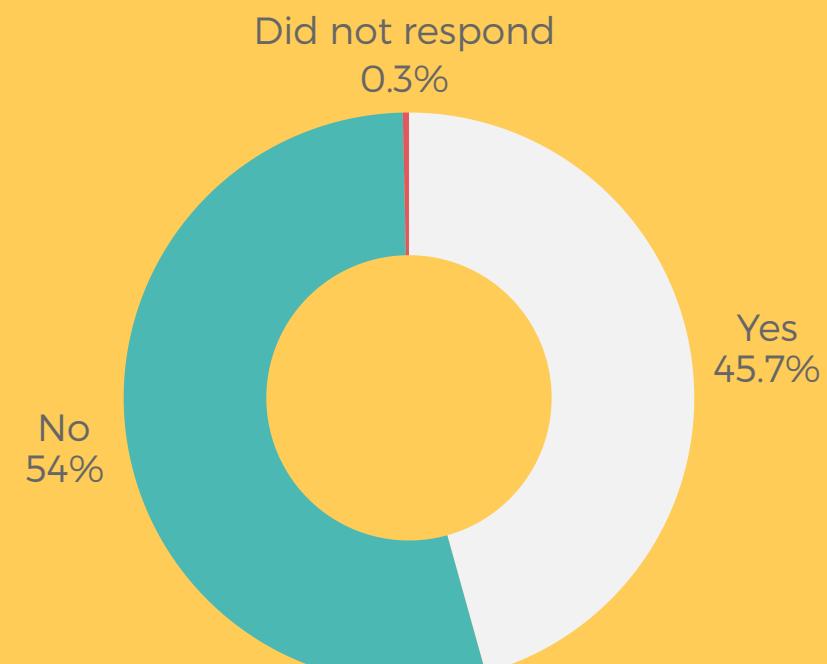


Disabling  
Condition

# Illness and Disability



Substance Use  
Disorder



Mental Illness



unsheltered  
local data



## Location before homelessness

Outside GA  
8%

Metro Atlanta  
4%

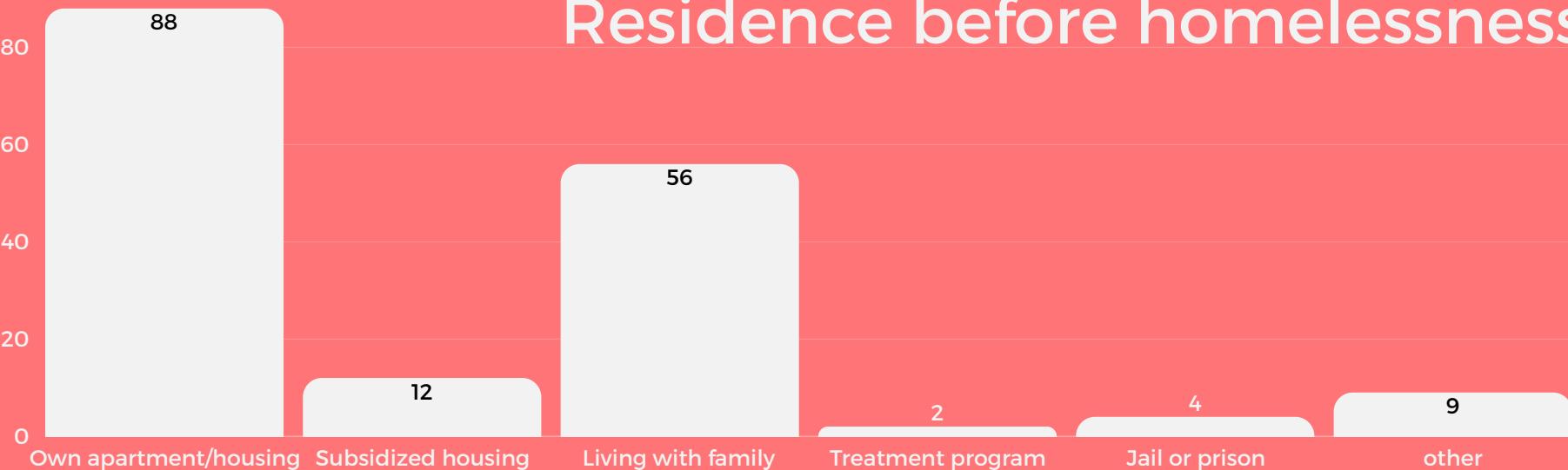
Other GA county  
16%

Northeast GA  
22%

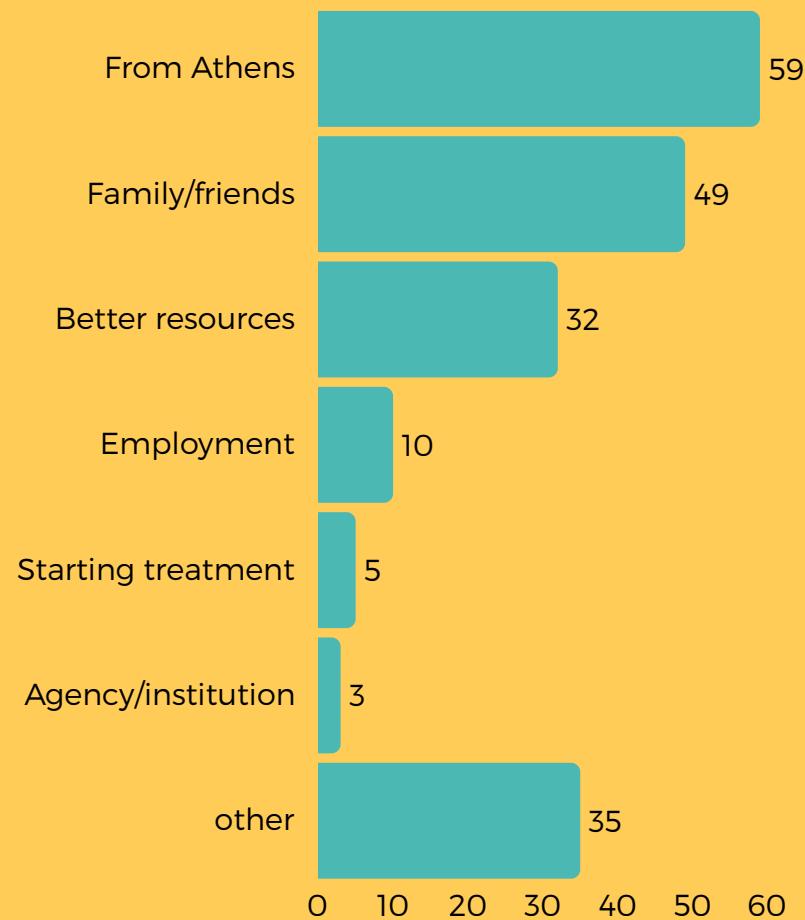
Athens-Clarke  
49%

100

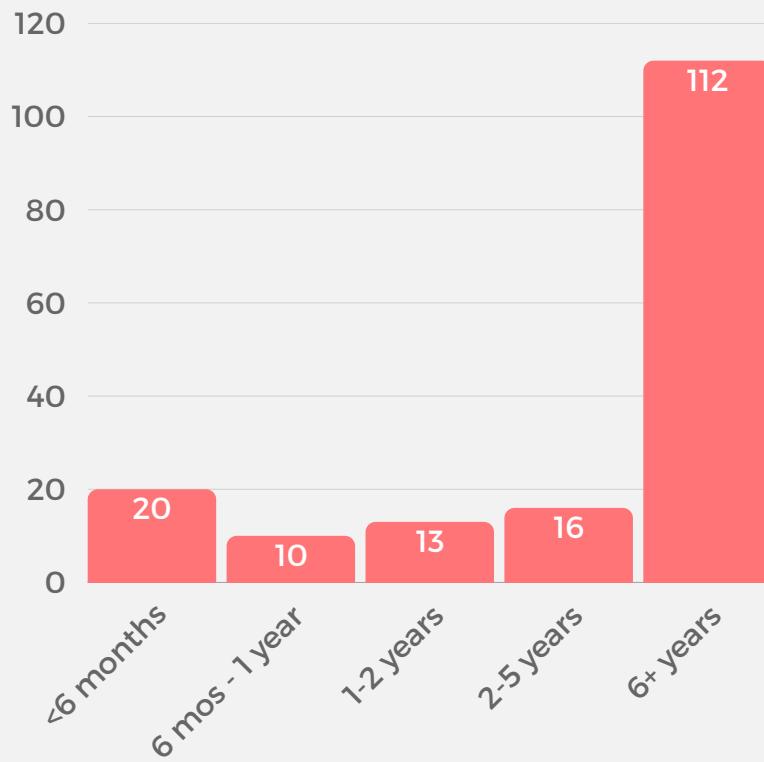
## Residence before homelessness



# 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.*

# Acknowledgements

Special Thanks to the PIT Coordinators, Athens Homeless Coalition, partner agencies, and all the volunteers who helped to make the 2025 Point-in-Time count a success.

## Survey Locations



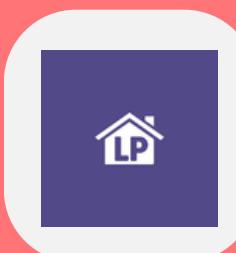
Bigger Vision  
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Advantage  
Behavioral  
Health



Family Promise



Lydia's Place



Live Forward



Athens Area  
Homeless  
Shelter



Project Safe

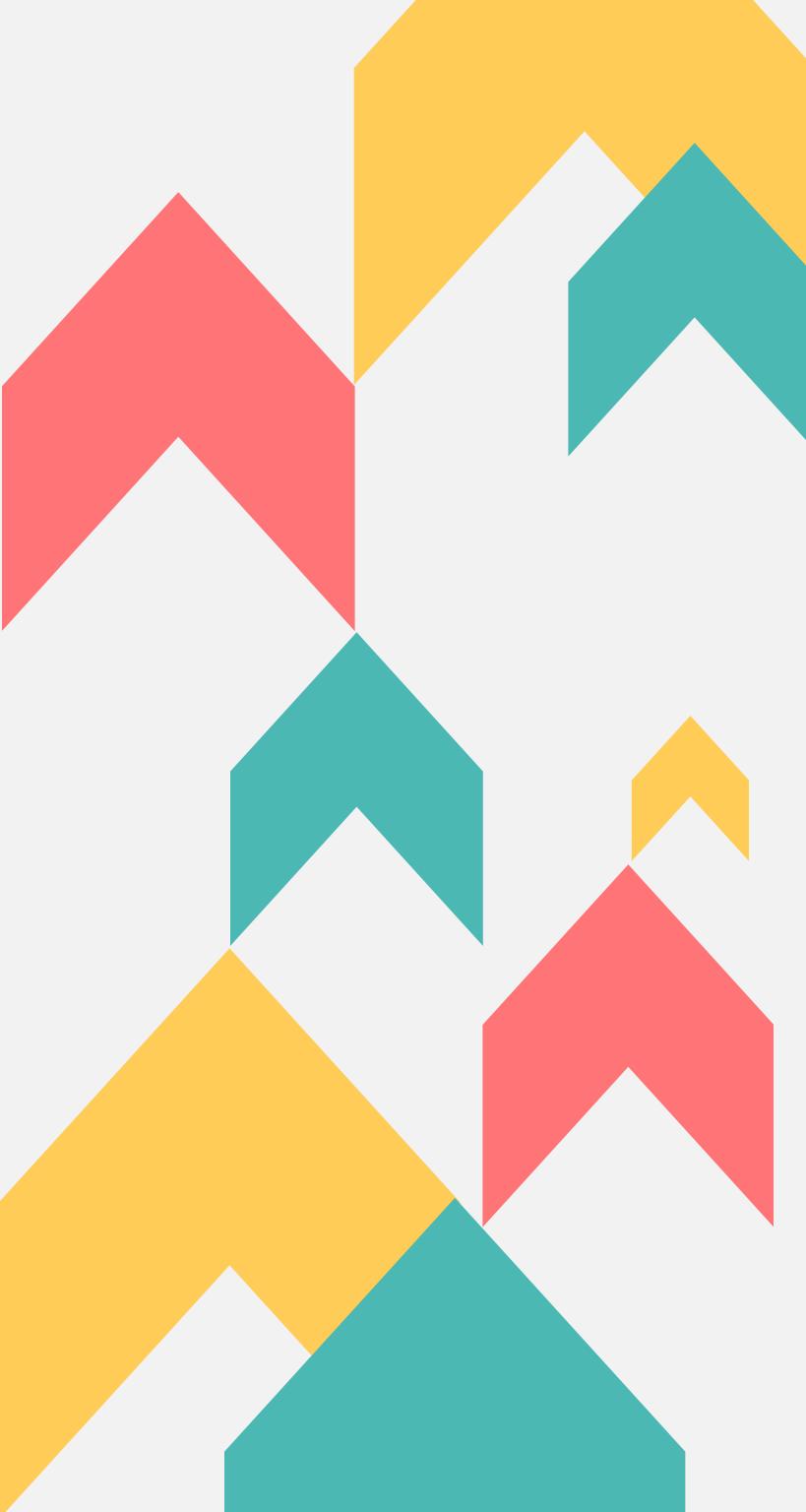


For more information on  
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