

#### WHAT IS THE POINT IN TIME COUNT (PIT COUNT)?

The O'ahu Point In Time (PIT) Count is an annual street and shelter count that determines the number of people experiencing homelessness on O'ahu on a single night in January (O'ahu's 2022 Count was delayed until March due to COVID-19). This project included a brief survey to identify the needs and characteristics of individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Every Continuum of Care in the U.S. is required to submit PIT Count results to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as part of a national effort to identify the extent of homelessness across the country.

#### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

The PIT Count is an important source of data on homelessness. It is reported to Congress and affects the flow of federal funding to the community. Additionally, the PIT Count is a primary source of unsheltered homeless numbers and helps to inform communities on the number of people who do not access services such as Emergency Shelters or Transitional Housing at any given point in time.

#### POINT IN TIME COUNT ON O'AHU

Partners In Care - O'ahu Continuum of Care was the lead organization for the O'ahu 2022 PIT Count. This responsibility included creating a digital survey to collect the data, soliciting volunteers and donations, analysis of the collected information, and ensuring the health and safety of volunteers and community members in regard to COVID-19. The O'ahu Continuum of Care is a membership organization that is made up of more than 70 agencies and other stakeholders that provide services throughout the island of O'ahu to those experiencing homelessness. The Count was split among 7 regions across the island based on outreach territories.

#### IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

The PIT Count is a one-night snapshot of homelessness that is limited by weather conditions, number of volunteers and their training, self-reported survey responses, and other factors. There are more people who experience homelessness over the course of the year than on any given single night. Every year, the Continuum of Care works toward improving the Count's accuracy. The O'ahu Continuum of Care is committed to using data from the PIT Count and the O'ahu Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to understand more about the population experiencing homelessness on O'ahu and to provide solutions that will make homelessness rare, brief, and a one-time experience.

Partners in Care's mission is to eliminate homelessness through open and inclusive participation and the coordination of integrated responses.

#### MAHALO

Mahalo to the 350+ volunteers and organizations who made the 2022 Point In Time Count a success.

This collaborative effort shows that the O'ahu community is committed to helping the most vulnerable in our society. We couldn't have done it without you!

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Justice

Hawai'i Community Action Program (HCAP)

Hawai'i Health & Harm Reduction Center (HHHRC)

Hawai'i Homeless Healthcare Hui (H4) Hawai'i Medical Service Association (HMSA)

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Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Hawaiian Humane Society

Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

Holomua Na 'Ohana

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Honolulu Police Department

The Institute for Human Services (IHS)

Ka Po'e O Kaka'ako Kaiser Permanente Kalihi-Palama Health Center Kealahou West Oʻahu Ko'olauloa Health Center

Kumuhonua Transitional Shelter

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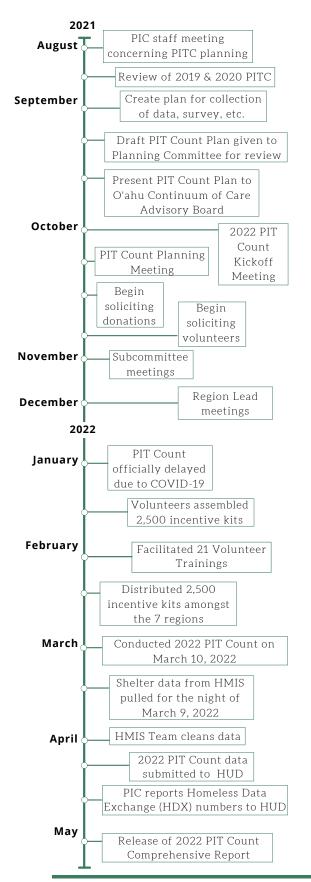
Waikīkī Business Improvement District

Waimānalo Health Center

Waikīkī Health

... and so many more!!

#### METHODOLOGY



The Point In Time Count (PIT Count) was held on March 10, 2022 from 5:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., asking individuals where they slept on the night of March 9, 2022

- The unsheltered count relies on interviews and observations taken by volunteers.
- The sheltered count relies on data exports from the Homeless Management Information System.
- Capturing a snapshot of the O'ahu population in a short period of time requires months of planning and organization with service providers, government partners, outreach workers, and volunteers. Volunteers included previous volunteers, staff from our partner service agencies, and community individuals recruited through news and social media.

#### 2022 Methodology:

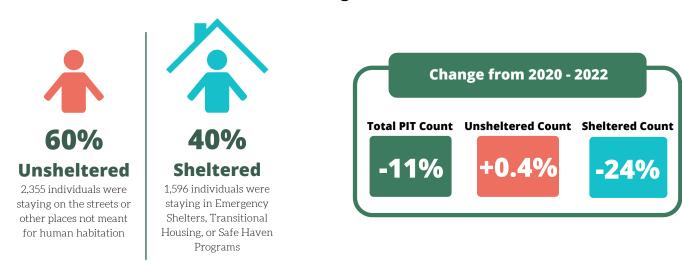
- We utilized a mobile app "Survey123 for ArcGIS" to collect surveys of unsheltered individuals. The app went through several phases of customization, testing, editing, and user feedback.
- An Observational Tool was included on the Survey123 mobile app to capture individuals who refused to be surveyed, were sleeping, or were inaccessible due to safety reasons. The Observational Tool is based on HUD's Observational Tool that captures minimal but highly important demographic information.
- The count took place on one day as opposed to several days over the course of a week as done in previous years. The shortened time-frame and early morning hours align with HUD's best practices and guidelines.

#### MAIN FINDINGS

## 3,951

#### people experiencing homelessness

on O'ahu on the night of March 9, 2022



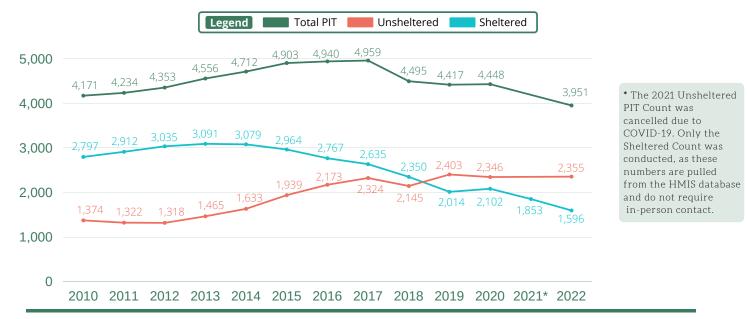
Emergency Shelter: Short-term accommodations providing shelter to individuals and families.

**Transitional Housing:** Mid-term accommodations, designed to provide housing and supportive services to clients to facilitate movement to independent living.

Safe Haven: A form of supportive housing that serves hard-to-reach homeless persons with severe mental illness (there is only one program on O'ahu run by U.S. Veterans Initiative).

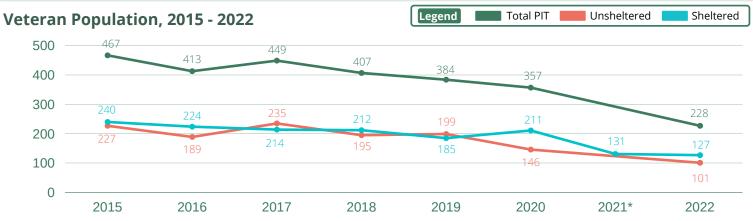
The data suggests that there has been a steady decrease in the number of individuals experiencing homelessness during the PIT Count. While the unsheltered population has remained relatively level, the shelter population has decreased significantly. COVID-19 may have been a factor in this due to social distancing and shelter depopulation.

#### **TOTAL PIT COUNT GROWTH RATE, 2010 - 2022**



#### SUB-POPULATIONS OVER TIME

\* The 2021 Unsheltered PIT Count was cancelled due to COVID-19. Only the Sheltered Count was conducted as these numbers are pulled from the HMIS database and do not require in-person contact, therefore most comparisons will be from 2020 to 2022.



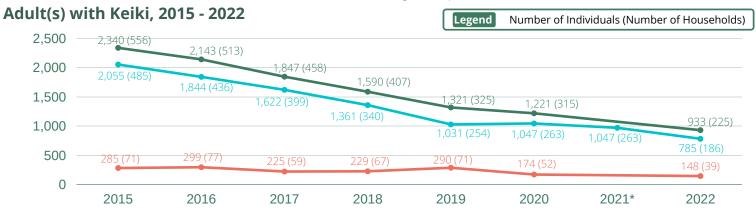
Veteran homelessness has decreased by 57% since 2015 and by 44% since 2020. The large decrease in numbers from 2020 to 2022 may be in part due to increased efforts to house veterans through the Mayor's Challenge and Built for Zero initiatives.

**Veteran:** A person who has served in the United States Armed Forces. For the purposes of this report we do not distinguish between active duty and non-active duty veterans. **Keiki:** Persons under 18 years old.

#### Keiki Population, 2015 - 2022



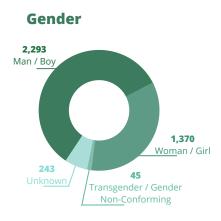
The number of keiki experiencing homelessness on O'ahu has decreased by 59% since 2015 and 26% since 2020. The large decrease in the number of keiki experiencing homelessness may be in part due to increased efforts to house families with keiki over the past 2 years.



The number of individuals in families (Adult(s) with Keiki) has decreased by 60% since 2015 and by 24% since 2020. This decrease is largely due to the number of families in shelters decreasing.

\*All percentages are approximates - for exact number responses to questions please see the appendices.

#### DEMOGRAPHICS



Demographics on all 3,951 individuals are reported here. All percentages are approximated. For exact numbers, please see the appendices.

- The majority of the PIT Count population identified as Men/Boys (58%).
- 35% identified as Women/Girls and 1% identified as Transgender or Gender Non-Conforming.
- 6% of the individuals counted were of unknown gender due to a high number of observations.

Adults: Persons 18 years and older.

Keiki: Persons under 18 years

Youth: Persons aged 18-24

Transgender: A general term used to describe people whose gender identity differs from the sex they were assigned at birth.

Gender Non-Conforming: Refers to people who do not adhere to traditional gender roles or stereotypes about how they should look or act based on the sex they were assigned at birth.



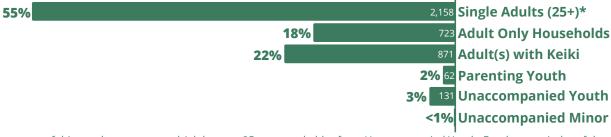
Youth 18-24 208 3,198 Adults 25+

545 keiki were counted in the PIT Count. The majority of these keiki were sheltered (86%).

The vast majority of individuals were adults (86% or 3,406) and Single Adults (25 years and older) account for 55% of the population.

Adult(s) with minor keiki and Adult Only Households account for 22% and 18% of the population, respectively.





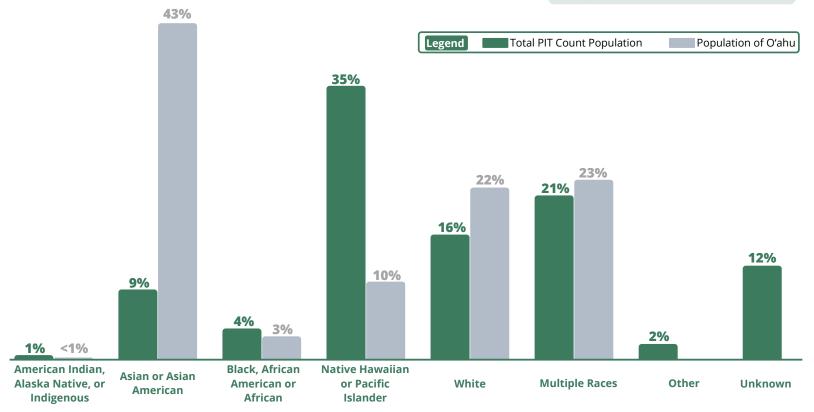
<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this graph, we separated Adults ages 25 years and older from Unaccompanied Youth. For the remainder of the report any reference to Adult will be any persons 18 years old or older

Household: Any group of individuals that presents together for assistance and self-identifies as a family/household. Single Adults: Person living alone who is 25 years old or older. Adult Only Households: Two or more adults living together with no one under the age of 18. Adult(s) with Keiki: One or more adults living with one or more keiki under the age of 18. Parenting Youth (PY): Persons age 24 and under living with one or more keiki under the age of 18. Unaccompanied Youth (UY): Persons age 24 and under who are not accompanied by a parent, guardian, or household member 25 or older and are not a parent. UY can include single youth, youth couples, and groups of youth together as a household. Unaccompanied Minors (UM): Persons under the age of 18 who are not accompanied by a parent, guardian, or household member 25 or older and are not a parent.

#### RACE & RACIAL EQUITY

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders (NHPI) and Multiracial individuals made up the largest percentages of the PIT Count population. 52% of the overall PIT Count identified NHPI as either their only race or part of their multiracial identity. 81% of Multiracial individuals indicated having NHPI racial background.

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI): Person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawai'i, Guam, Samoa, Tonga, Micronesia, or other Pacific Islands.



Comparing the percentage of each of the racial groups on O'ahu to the percentage of each of the racial groups included in the 2022 PIT Count; Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders, American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous (AIANI), and Black, African American, or African individuals were all over-represented in the PIT Count Population.

# Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islanders were 2.65 times (or 265%) more likely to represent individuals in the PIT Count compared to the general population of O'ahu.

Black individuals were 30% more likely to represent individuals in the PIT Count compared to the general population. Conversely, Asian and White individuals were 79% and 26% less likely to represent individuals in the PIT Count compared to the general population, respectively.

#### **Hispanic Ethnicity**



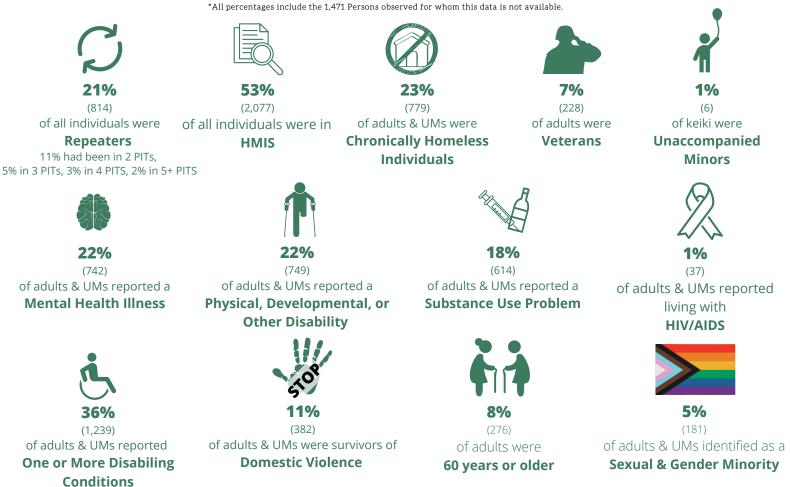
10% (401) of the PIT Count Population identified as Hispanic/Latin(o)(a)(x), this reflects the overall Oʻahu Population which also has 10% of the population identifying as Hispanic/Latin(o)(a)(x).

O'ahu population data obtained from most recent available U.S. Census data (ACS, 2021).

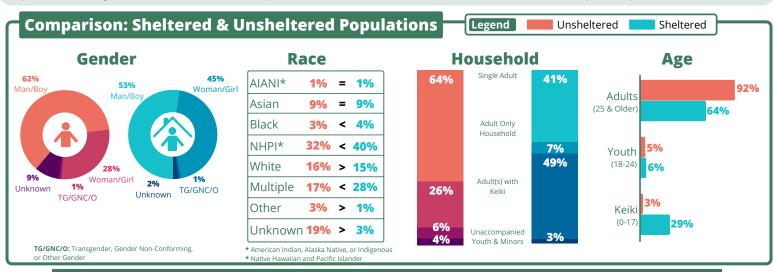
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#### CHARACTERISTICS

This section examines the characteristics of the 3,951 individuals in 2,817 households counted as either sheltered or unsheltered in the 2022 PIT Count, including 3,406 adults, 6 unaccompanied minors, and 539 keiki.

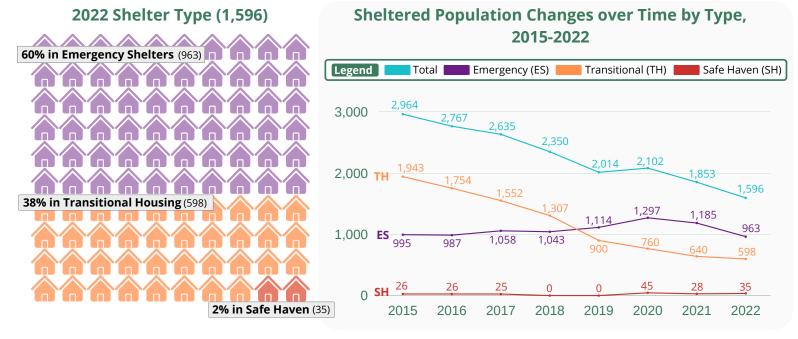


Repeaters: Persons who have been counted in PIT Counts between 2017 and 2022. HMIS: The O'ahu Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a countywide software program that is designed to capture client-level information over time on services used. Chronically Homeless: A person who is homeless and lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter AND has been homeless for a least 1 year continuously or on at least 4 or more occasions over the past 3 years that add up to at least 12 months AND has a disability. Mental Health Illness, Substance Use, and Physical/Developmental or Other Disability are classified as a condition(s) that substantially impairs a persons day to day life.



#### SHELTERED POPULATION

This section examines the characteristics of the 1,596 individuals in 942 households counted in the sheltered 2022 PIT Count, including 1,129 adults, 4 unaccompanied minors, and 463 keiki.



The majority of the individuals (963) in the sheltered count were staying in Emergency Shelters in 2022. The number of individuals in emergency shelters has increased by 30% since 2015, while the number of individuals in transitional shelters has decreased by 61%.

Over half of all adults and UMs in Shelter have one or more disabling conditions (mental health illness, substance use, physical, developmental or other disabilities, and/or HIV); with 40% of individuals reporting a physical, developmental or other disability.

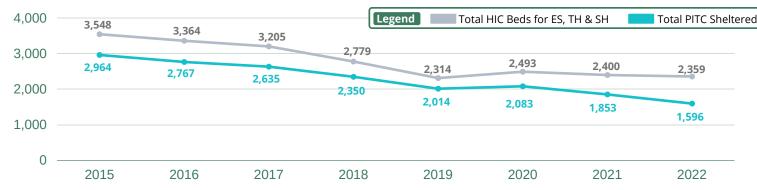


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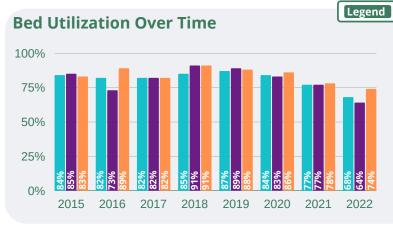
#### SHELTER AVAILABILITY OVER TIME

**Housing Inventory Count (HIC):** The Housing Inventory Count is a count of the number of beds available (in shelter) for individuals on the night of the PIT Count for that given year and the number of individuals served in permanent housing programs on a given day. This number represents the total possible number of individuals that could be staying in each shelter or be housed through permanent housing programs.

#### **Total Shelter HIC Beds vs Total Sheltered Count Over Time**



The total number of beds available across all shelters has decreased by 33.5% since 2015, most notably in Transitional Housing, which had decreased by 66% from 2,354 beds in 2015 to 809 beds in 2022. The number of available beds in Safe Havens and Emergency Shelters have steadily increased during that time period, increasing by 92% and 28%, respectively.

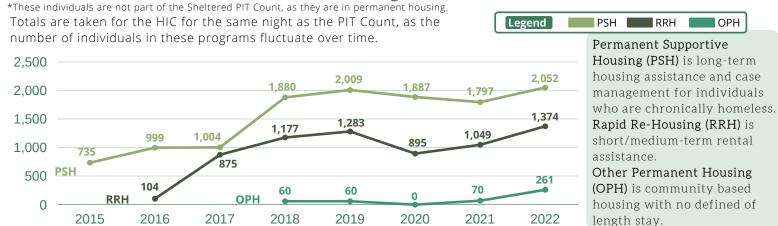


Total bed utilization rates remained steady from 2015 until 2021, at which point there was a sharp decrease in individuals using shelters. This is most likely due to COVID-19, and individuals' social distancing. Given that shelter utilization remained steady until 2021, the decreasing number of individuals in shelters is most likely linked to the decrease in the number of beds over time.

Total ES, TH, & SH Emergency (ES)

\*Bed utilization rates shown here are a snapshot of one night during the PIT Count and may not accurately depict the utilization rates throughout the year by programs. This is meant to show the overall trends of the system over time. Safe Haven alone only utilization was not included as it is only one program but is included in the total bar.

#### **Total Number of Individuals in Permanent Housing Over Time**



While the number of beds in shelters is decreasing, we see the number of individuals in Permanent Housing Programs (Rapid Re-Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, and Other Permanent Housing) increasing over time. This may indicate that despite a lower number of shelter beds available, there has been an increase in permanent housing to meet the population. From 2020-2022 (due to the COVID-19 Pandemic) we have seen new and increasing resources in permanent housing and services.

Transitional (TH)

#### DEEPER DIVE: SHELTERED POPULATION

#### Average Length of Stay in Program by Program Type and Household Structure



The overall average length of stay is 208 days for Emergency Shelter, 290 days for Transitional Housing, and 142 for Safe Haven. In Emergency Shelters and Transitional Housing, Single Adults have the largest number of households with the second-longest average length of stay.

Sexual & Gender Minorities (SGM): An umbrella term that encompasses populations included in the acronym "LGBTI" (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & intersex) and individuals whose sexual orientation or gender identity varies.

#### **Sexual and Gender Minorities**

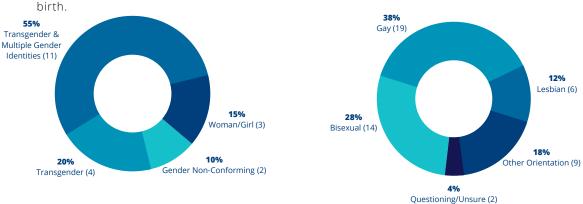
6% of adults and unaccompanied minors (UM) in shelters identify as a Sexual or Gender Minority, through gender, orientation, or being born intersex. This is higher than the general population in Hawai'i, where 4.5% percent of adults (18+) identify as SGM.

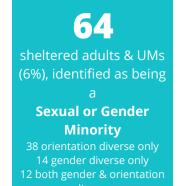
#### **Gender Diverse (20)**

# 2% of adults and UMs in shelters identify as Gender Diverse. This means that the individual identifies as a gender other than the sex they were assigned at birth

#### **Orientation Diverse (50)**

4% of adults and UMs in shelters identify with a sexual orientation other than straight.





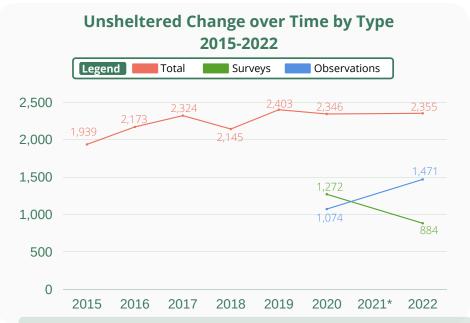
Oʻahu SGM population data obtained from the Gallup/Williams survey 2019

#### UNSHELTERED POPULATION

This section examines the characteristics of the 2,355 individuals in 1,875 households counted in the unsheltered 2022 PIT Count, including 2,277 adults, 2 unaccompanied minors, and 76 keiki.

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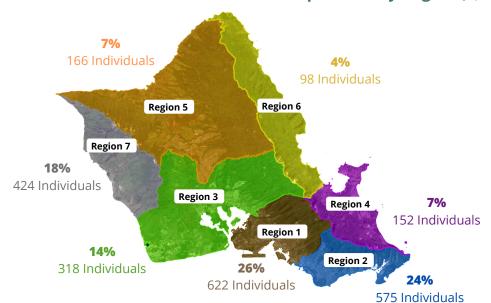


Prior to 2020, the Unsheltered Count was done solely by survey over multiple days, 2020-2022 was done by survey and observation on one day. \* The 2021 Unsheltered PIT Count was canceled due to COVID-19. Only the Sheltered Count was conducted as these numbers are pulled from the HMIS database and do not require in-person contact.

The majority of individuals counted in 2022 were observed (62%) as compared to those surveyed (38%). This is an increase in the number of observations from 2020.

The overall unsheltered population number has plateaued over the past 4 years with a small decrease since 2019.

#### Percent of Total O'ahu Unsheltered Population by Region (2,355)



Region 1 (Downtown Honolulu, Kalihi, Nu'uanu) and Region 2 (East Honolulu) have the largest percentage of the unsheltered population with 26% and 24% respectively.

Region 6 has the smallest portion of the population across the island at 4%; followed by Region 5 and Region 4 at 7%.

\*All percentages are approximates - for exact number responses to questions please see the appendices.

#### REGION 1: DOWNTOWN HONOLULU, KALIHI, NU'UANU

#### 622

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

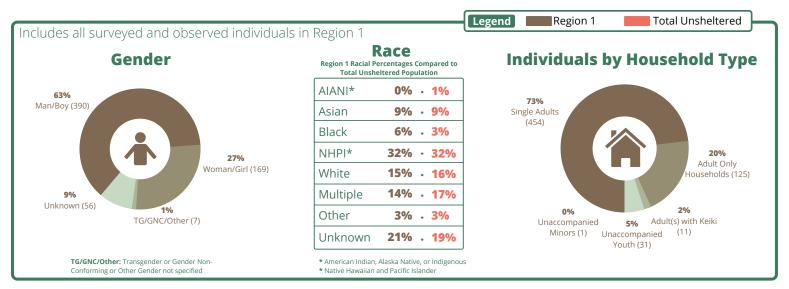
in Downtown Honolulu/Kalihi/Nu'uanu on the night of March 9, 2022

615 adults, 1 unaccompanied minor, and 6 keiki 427 individuals observed, 195 individuals surveyed **190** adults & UMs surveyed

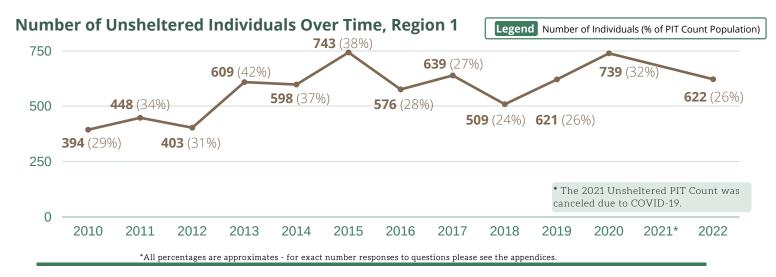
46% (87) of surveyed adults & UMs were Chronically Homeless Individuals 19%
(82)
of all Chronically
Homeless Households in
the unsheltered count
(424) were in Region 1

14% (27) of surveyed adults were **Veterans**  47
was the
Average Age
of surveyed adults

Primary Causes
of homelessness by
surveyed adults & UMs
were Loss of Job &
Substance Use



Region 1 has the largest percentage of the 2022 unsheltered population. This region also has the largest percentage of Veterans and Youth (18-24). This region has the smallest percentage of Adult(s) with Keiki Households. There has been a decrease in the population of Region 1 since 2020 while other Regions have seen an increase, which may indicate the migration of individuals to other parts of the island.



#### REGION 2: EAST HONOLULU



#### **575**

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

in East Honolulu on the night of March 9, 2022 567 adults, 1 unaccompanied minor, and 7 keiki 323 individuals observed, 252 individuals surveyed

64% (158) of surveyed adults and UMs were Chronically Homeless Individuals (151)
of all **Chronically Homeless Households**(424) in the unsheltered count were in Region 2

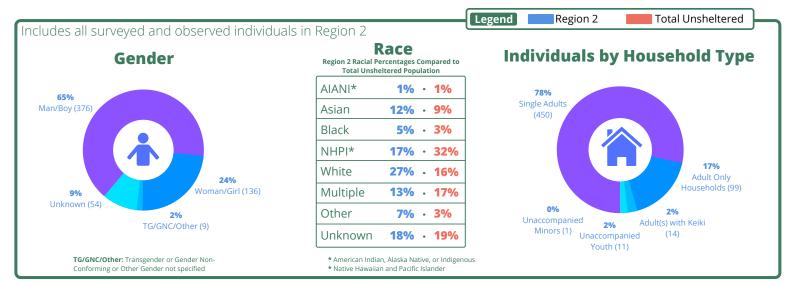
13% (32) of surveyed adults were **Veterans** 

was the **Average Age**of surveyed adults

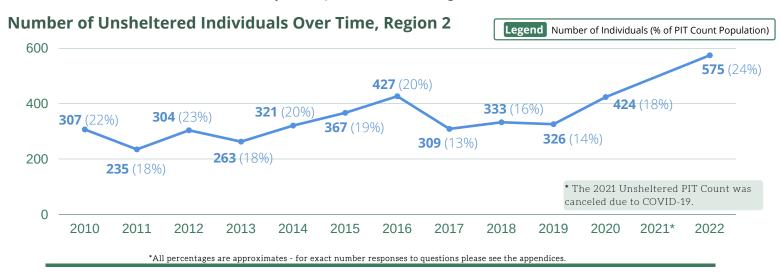
50

**247** adults & UMs surveyed

Primary Causes
of homelessness by
surveyed adults and
UMs were Substance
Use & Loss of Job



Region 2 has the largest percentage of Black and White individuals, as compared to the overall unsheltered population and the smallest percentage of NHPI individuals. Region 2 has the highest percentage of Single Adult households. This region has seen a sharp increase in its share of the unsheltered population in recent years, with a 71% increase since 2019, this may be in part due to the migration of individuals from downtown.



#### REGION 3: EWA, KAPOLEI



#### 318

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

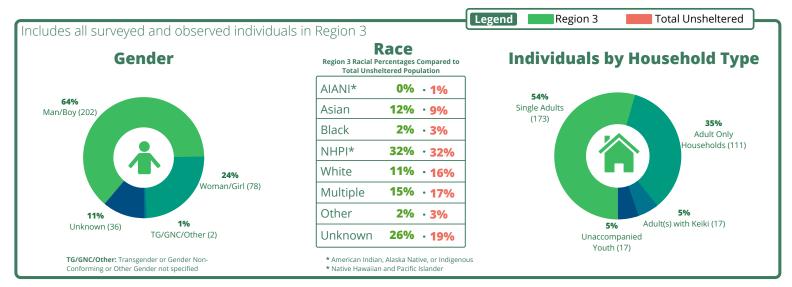
in Ewa/Kapolei on the night of March 9, 2022 313 adults and 5 keiki 230 individuals observed, 88 individuals surveyed **85** adults surveyed

81% (69) of surveyed adults were Chronically Homeless Individuals 7%
(31)
of all Chronically
Homeless Households in
the unsheltered count
(424) were in Region 3

14% (12) of surveyed adults were **Veterans**  was the
Average Age
of surveyed adults

Most common self-reported
Primary Cause
of homelessness by
surveyed adults and
UMs was the Inability
to Pay Rent

**Legend** Number of Individuals (% of PIT Count Population)



Region 3 has the highest percentage of Chronically Homeless individuals as compared to other regions. Region 3 also has the largest percentage of unaccompanied youth of any region, and a slightly higher percentage of Asian and NHPI individuals compared to the overall unsheltered population. Region 3's percent of the unsheltered population has more than doubled since 2010.

\*All percentages are approximates - for exact number responses to questions please see the appendices



**318** (14%) **270** (12%) **250** (12%) **263** (11%) 170 (9%) **231** (10%) **115** (7%) **102** (5%) \* The 2021 Unsheltered PIT Count was **73** (5%) 70 (5%) canceled due to COVID-19. 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021\* 2022

**76** (6%)

2010

400

300

200

100

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### REGION 4: KANE'OHE TO WAIMANALO



#### 152

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

from Kāne'ohe to Waimānalo on the night of March 9, 2022

147 adults and 5 keiki

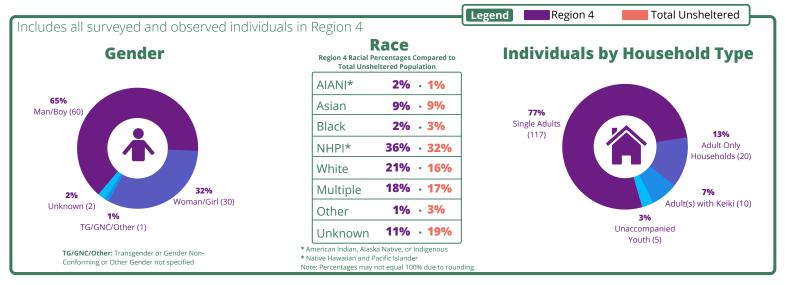
59 individuals observed, 93 individuals surveyed

**88** adults surveyed

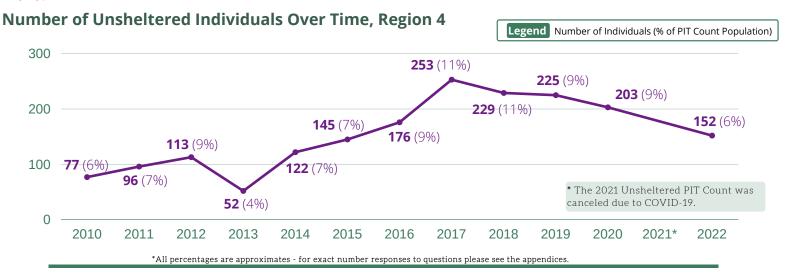
649)
of surveyed adults
were Chronically
Homeless Individuals

11% (45) of all Chronically Homeless Households (424) in the unsheltered count were in Region 4 14% (12) of surveyed adults were **Veterans**  was the
Average Age
of surveyed adults

Primary Causes
of homelessness by
surveyed adults and
UMs were Inability to
Pay Rent & Substance
Use



Region 4 has a higher percentage of AIANI individuals compared to the overall unsheltered population. Single Adult Households account for the largest portion of Household Types at 77%. Region 4's percent of the unsheltered population has been steadily decreasing since its peak in 2018 and is now the same as it was in 2010.



#### REGION 5: WAHIAWA TO NORTH SHORE



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#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

from Wahiawā to the North Shore the night of March 9, 2022 163 adults and 3 keiki

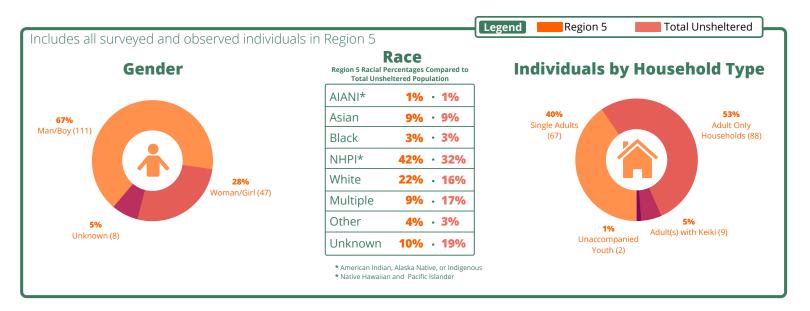
110 individuals observed, 56 individuals surveyed

**55** adults surveyed

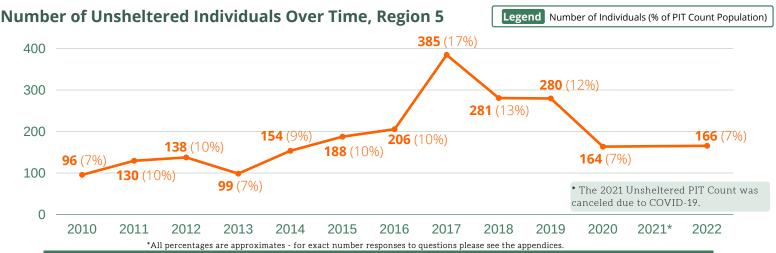
58%
(32)
of surveyed adults were
Chronically Homeless
Individuals

6% (26) of all **Chronically Homeless Households** (424) in the unsheltered count were in Region 5 4% (2) of surveyed adults were **Veterans** 

46 was the Average Age of surveyed adults Most common self-reported
Primary Causes
of homelessness by
surveyed adults and
UMs were Loss of Job &
Loss of Money



Region 5 has seen a sharp decrease in its percent of the unsheltered population since its peak in 2017 and stayed at 7% for the past two counts. This region has the lowest Average Adult Age, as well as the lowest percentage of minors and veterans of any region. Region 5 has highest percentage of Men/Boys, Adults, and Adult Only Households compared to other regions.



#### REGION 6: UPPER WINDWARD



#### 98

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

in Upper Windward on the night of March 9, 2022 77 adults and 21 keiki 61 individuals observed, 37 individuals surveyed

47% (14)of surveyed adults were **Chronically Homeless Individuals** 

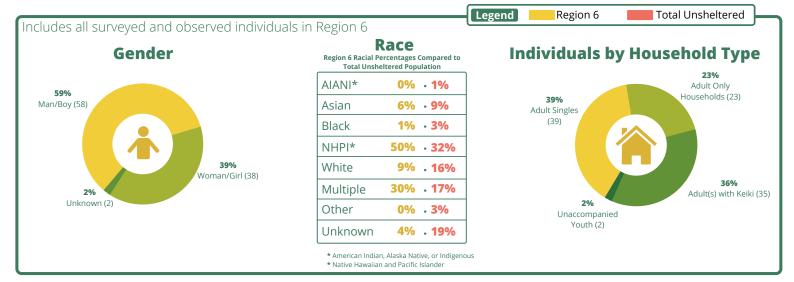
3% (11)of all Chronically **Homeless Households** (424) in the unsheltered count were in Region 6

13% (4) of surveyed adults were Veterans

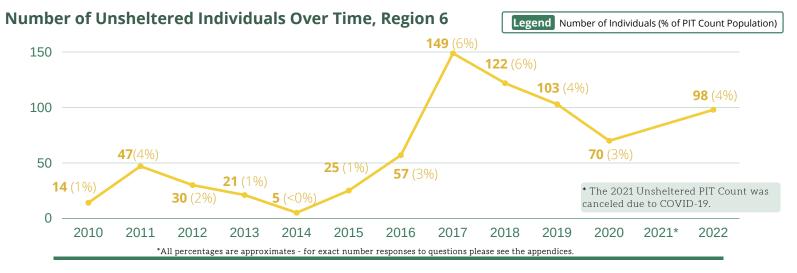
54 was the **Average Age** for surveyed adults

**30** adults surveyed

Most common self-reported **Primary Causes** of homelessness by surveyed adults and UMs were Loss of Job & Inability to Pay Rent



Region 6 has the highest Adult Average Age of all the regions, as well as the lowest percentage of adults in any region. This region has the highest percentages of Minors, Adult(s) with Keiki households, and Women/Girls. Region 6 also has the highest percentages of NHPI and Multiracial individuals. Please note that due to the small number of people in Region 6, percentages can be highly affected by small changes in absolute numbers.



#### REGION 7: WAI'ANAE COAST



#### 424

#### people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

on the Wai'anae Coast on the night of March 9, 2022 395 adults and 29 keiki

261 individuals observed, 163 individuals surveyed

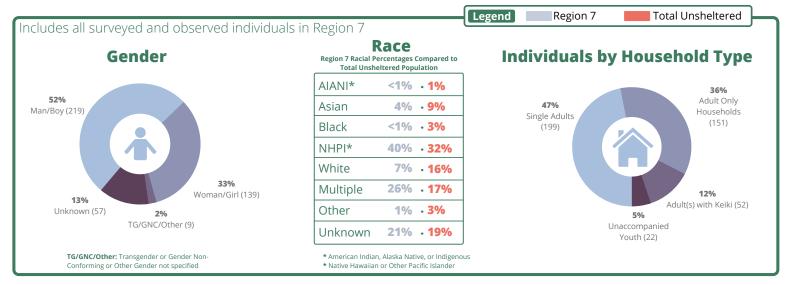
57% (82)of surveyed adults were **Chronically Homeless Individuals** 

18% (78)of all Chronically **Homeless Households** (424) in the unsheltered count were in Region 7

8% (12)of surveyed adults were **Veterans** 

47 was the **Average Age** surveyed adults **145** adults surveyed

Most common self-reported **Primary Causes** of homelessness by surveyed adults and UMs were **Inability to** Pay Rent & Loss of Money



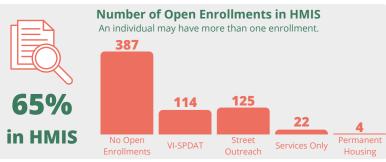
Region 7's percentage of the unsheltered population has decreased by 40% since 2010. This region has the largest percentage of Transgender individuals. NHPI and Multiracial individuals are over-represented in this region. Asian, Black, and White individuals are underrepresented, with Region 7 having the smallest percentage of these individuals compared to the overall unsheltered population,



#### DEEPER DIVE: UNSHELTERED SURVEYED

This section examines data collected on 884 people in 731 households, including 839 adults, 1 unaccompanied minor, and 44 keiki that completed surveys. This data is not available for the 1,471 individuals who were observed. The in-depth surveys offer the chance to examine important individual and system data.

The majority of the unsheltered surveyed individuals (578) had records in the O'ahu HMIS. However, only 33% of individuals had an open enrollment at the time of the PIT Count, suggesting that the majority of individuals are not currently connected to services.





12% of unsheltered surveyed individuals had been in previous PIT Counts from 2017-2022. 6% (149) had been counted in 2 total PIT Counts; 3% (82) had been in three total PIT Counts: 2% (49) had been in 4 total PIT Counts, and <1% (10) had been counted in 5 total PIT Counts.

HMIS: The O'ahu Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a countywide software program that is designed to capture client-level information over time on the characteristics and service needs of individuals at-risk of and experiencing homelessness.



(457)of adults & UMs were **Chronically Homeless Individuals** 



65% (544)of adults & UMs reported One or More Disabiling **Conditions** 



(120)of adults were 60 years or older





12% (101)of adults were **Veterans** 



13% (107)of adults & UMs identified as a **Sexual & Gender Minority** 



38% (322)of adults & UMs reported a **Mental Health Illness** 



of adults & UMs reported a Physical, Developmental, or **Other Disability** 



33% (280)of adults & UMs reported a **Substance Use Problem** 



18% (155)of adults & UMs were survivors of **Domestic Violence** 



(640)of adults & UMs have been **Homeless 1 Year** or Longer

76%



(239)of adults & UMs reported having one or more pets



24% (199)of adults experienced **Homelessness Under** 

the age of 18



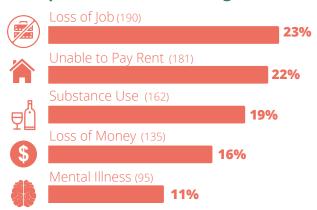
(96)of adults & UMs were

**Employed Full or Part Time** 

<sup>\*</sup>All percentages are approximates - for exact number responses to questions please see the appendices.

#### DEEPER DIVE: UNSHELTERED SURVEYED

#### **Self-Reported Factors Leading to Homelessness (840)**



The most common self-reported causes of homelessness were financial and/or employment factors. These findings are in line with a recent study of unsheltered homeless in Atlanta that found loss of job and financial factors were the most frequently reported causes of homelessness (Barile, Pruitt, & Parker, 2018).

- \* Surveyed individuals may choose multiple reasons for why they are currently experiencing homelessness.
- \* Loss of money can be many factors including, but not limited to, loss of wages, loss of job, theft, loss of benefits, and gambling.

**Hawaiian Homelands Lease:** In order to qualify for a new lease award on Hawaiian Homelands, you must be at least 50% Native Hawaiian and be 18 years of age or older.

#### **Eligible for Hawaiian Homelands**

Percent of Native Hawaiian Adults (358)

# 44%

44% (156) of Native Hawaiian adults indicated that they were eligible for Hawaiian Homelands. However, only 15% (55)of Native Hawaiian adults, or one-third of those eligible, indicated that they were on the waitlist for Hawaiian Homelands.



On the Waitlist for Hawaiian Homelands

Percent of Native Hawaiian Adults (358)

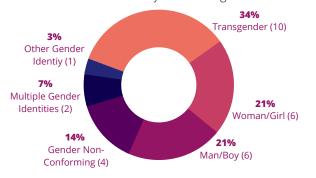
**Sexual & Gender Minorities:** An umbrella term that encompasses populations included in the acronym "LGBTI" (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & intersex) and individuals whose sexual orientation or gender identity varies.

#### **Sexual and Gender Minorities**

13% of unsheltered surveyed adults and unaccompanied minors (UM) identify as a Sexual or Gender Minority, through gender, orientation, or being born intersex. This is higher than the general population in Hawai'i, where 4.5% percent of adults (18+) identify as SGM.

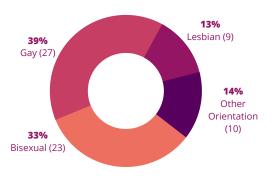
#### **Gender Diverse (29)**

3% of unsheltered surveyed adults and UMs reported identifying as Gender Diverse. This means that the individual identifies as a gender other than the sex they were assigned at birth.



#### **Orientation Diverse (69)**

8% of unsheltered surveyed adults and UMs reported identifying a sexual orientation other than straight.



Oʻahu SGM population data obtained from the Gallup/Williams survey 2019

unsheltered adults & UMs (13%), identified as being a Sexual or Gender Minority

57 orientation diverse only 38 gender diverse only 12 both gender & orientation diverse 31 intersex

#### DEEPER DIVE: COVID-AFFECTED HOUSEHOLDS

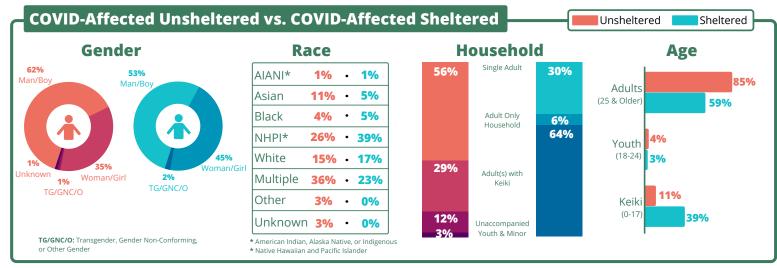
#### 418

#### people experiencing homelessness due to COVID-19

330 adults and 88 keiki in 260 households



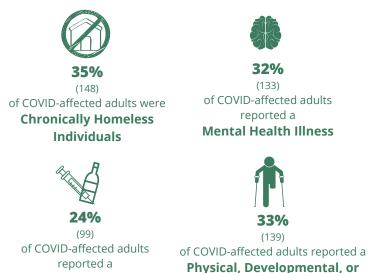
As part of the unsheltered survey, individuals were asked "Are you experiencing homelessness due to loss of income and/or housing due to COVID-19?" and if COVID-19 was a primary factor that led them to become homeless. During intake for Emergency Shelter, Safe Haven, or Transitional Housing, heads of households and all adults were asked "Is the client's current period of homelessness caused by a loss of employment due to COVID-19?". If an individual answered "Yes" to either of these questions we included them and their families in this section. This data is not available for the 1,471 individuals who were observed.



# Individuals in COVID-affected households account for 17% (418 out of 2,480) of all unsheltered surveyed individuals and sheltered individuals.

The COVID-affected shelter population has a higher percentage of women/girls as compared to the COVID-affected unsheltered population. The COVID-affected unsheltered population has a higher percentage of Single Adult Households (56% vs. 30%); while the COVID-affected sheltered population has a much higher percentage of Adult(s) with Keiki (64% vs. 12%). Keiki account for nearly one-third of the COVID-affected shelter population.

The COVID-affected population had a higher percentage of Chronically Homeless individuals (35%) as compared to the overall PIT Count population (23%), and higher rates of disabling conditions (Mental Health Illness, Substance Use, Physical, Developmental or Other Disability).



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**Substance Use Problem** 

Other Disability

#### QUEEN'S MEDICAL CENTER

According to HUD, individuals staying in Hospitals, Substance Use Treatment Centers, and Correctional Facilities cannot be included in the overall PIT numbers. We have partnered with QMC and QMC West to conduct an identical count of individuals in their system during the island-wide PIT Count. These individuals were not reported to HUD and are not included in the overall total. The information below is meant to provide a picture of individuals that would otherwise go uncounted.

48

people experiencing unsheltered homelessness

at Queen's Medical Center & Queen's Medical Center West on the night of March 9, 2022

> 47 adults and 1 keiki 21 individuals observed, 27 individuals surveyed

**26** adults surveyed

69%

(18)

of surveyed adults

were Chronically

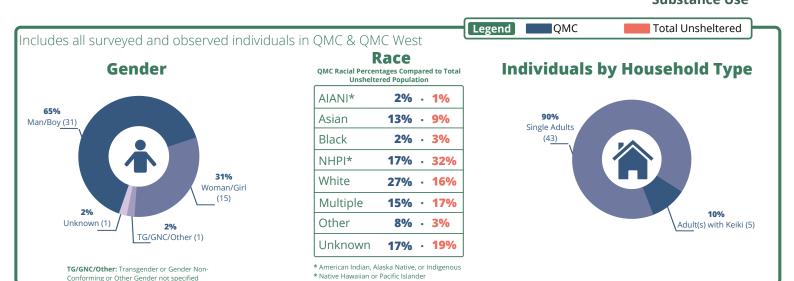
Homeless Individuals

77%
(20)
of surveyed individuals
reported One or More
Disabiling Conditions

12%
(3)
of surveyed adults
were **Veterans** 

was the
Average Age
surveyed adults

Primary Causes
of homelessness by
surveyed adults were
Physical Illness &
Substance Use



#### 89% in HMIS

24 surveyed individuals had records in the HMIS system at the time of the PIT Count.



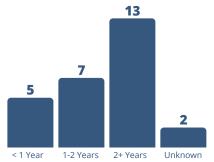
The individuals in QMC were more likely to be Single Adults and identify as a Man/Boy. The population also had a higher percentage of White and Asian individuals as compared to the Unsheltered Surveyed population and fewer NHPI individuals.

Only 8 individuals (out of the 27 surveyed) had an open VI-SPDAT at the time of the PIT Count and 2 had an open Street Outreach Enrollment. This could indicate that while the QMC clients may be in HMIS, they are not connected to services.

The majority of the surveyed adults reported being homeless for more than 2 Years.

#### Length of Current Homelessness This is based on self-report at the time of the

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#### NEXT STEPS

#### **Continued Research**

Partners In Care plans to use the 2022 PIT Count data to explore relevant issues and populations in more depth and to disseminate these findings in a format that will be most useful for service providers and policy makers. These plans include:

- Releasing multiple sub-reports highlighting these findings.
- Developing online dashboards that provide easy access to numbers and breakdowns by region.

Partners In Care also plans to continue using PIT Count data from the past 5 years to help identify PIT Count "repeaters" and connect them to services.

#### **Planned Sub-Reports:**

Native Hawaiians Sexual and Gender Minorities Veterans "Repeaters" Waikiki Chinatown

# Mahalo to all our partners!

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