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POINT-IN-TIME HOMELESS COUNT
AT A GLANCE

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Key Findings

THE PIT COUNT SERVES AS A CRITICAL PART OF YELLOWKNIFES RESPONSE TO HOMELESSNESS. CONDUCTING PIT COUNTS ENABLES THE COMMUNITY TO MEASURE PROGRESS IN ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS.



312

People counted as experiencing homelessness during the 2021 Yellowknife Point-In-Time (PiT) Homeless Count. There has been a decrease of 26 people from the 2018 PIT Count.

NOTABLE FINDINGS

HIGH NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

In total **1 in 5** persons included in the Yellowknife PIT survey were children or dependants.



PEOPLE WANT TO BE HOUSED

Of those enumerated, **94%** said they want permanent housing.



HALF WERE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS

In fact, **51%** of those enumerated were experiencing chronic homelessness according to the federal definition.



RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

62% of those surveyed said 1 or more of their parents attended residential school. **7%** of respondent's Don't Know if their parents attended residential school.

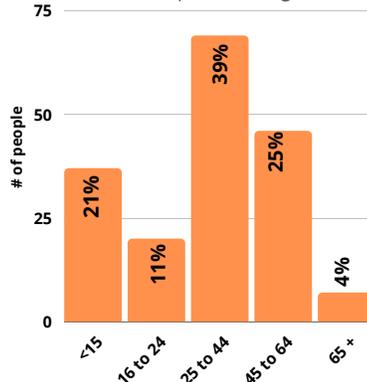


19% of the population surveyed attended residential school themselves.



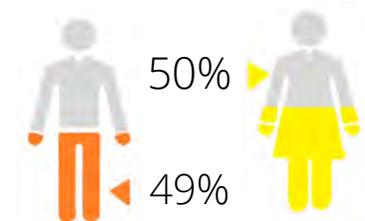
AGE

Of the 312 people surveyed, **133** did not state their age, this table is reflective of the **179** participants that did give their age and/or their dependants age.



GENDER

Females were slightly more prevalent (**50%**), in the homelessness population than males (**49%**), as a result of under 18s being included in the dataset.

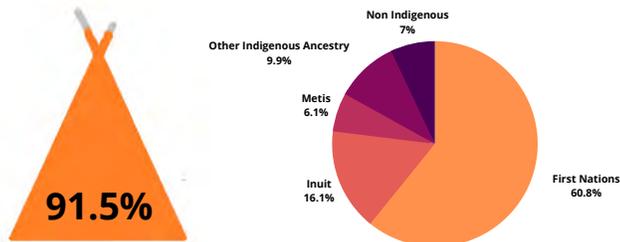


*of those who gave a response to what their gender identity is.

UNAFFORDABLE HOUSING AND LOW INCOME PLAY KEY ROLES. The most common reasons reported for becoming homeless is low income, conflict with spouse for females and substance abuse for males. Affordability was cited as the primary barrier to obtaining housing. This statistic remains unchanged from 2018.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE ARE SIGNIFICANTLY OVERREPRESENTED

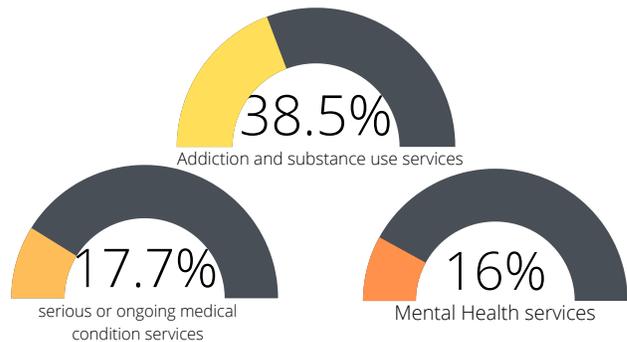
With **91.5%** reporting Indigenous identity in the survey data this is a significant over-representation compared to the overall Yellowknife population at 23%.



91.5%

SERVICES NEEDED BY RESPONDENTS

When respondents were asked what services they need **38.5%** said they require addiction and substance use services. Followed by **17.5%** needing services for a serious or ongoing medical condition, and **16%** stating they require mental health services.



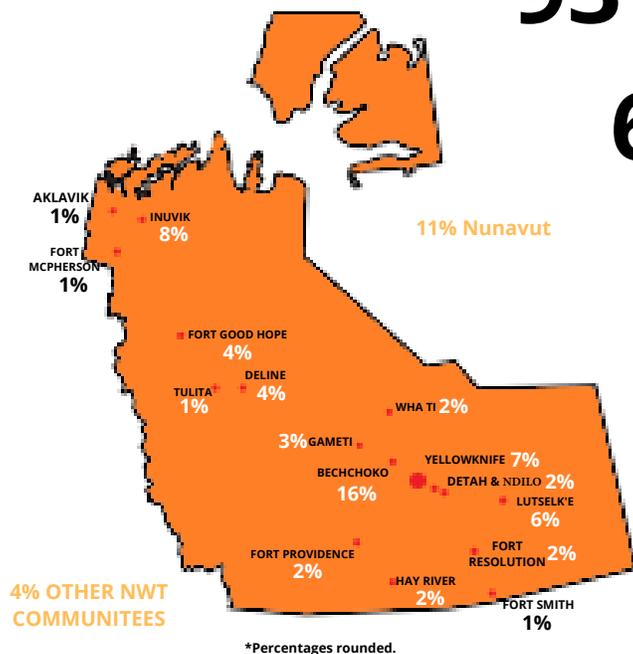
MIGRATION

93% OF RESPONDENTS MIGRATED TO YELLOWKNIFE

66% OF RESPONDENTS HOME COMMUNITY IS IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

Respondents home Province or Territory

Province/Territory	%
Northwest Territories	66%
Nunavut	11%
Alberta	8%
British Columbia	4%
Saskatchewan	3%
Manitoba	3%
British Columbia	2%
Newfound Land	1%
Quebec	1%
Ontario	1%



2018	#	%
Unsheltered in a public space	17	5
Emergency Shelter	93	28
Couchsurfing, Someone else's place	213	63
Respondent unsure	15	4
No Answer	0	0

2021	#	%
unsheltered in a public space	8	3
Emergency Shelter	99	31
Couchsurfing, someone else's place	73	24
Transitional Housing	120	38
Other	12	4

LIMITATIONS

The 2021 Point in Time Count survey interviews were carried out by shelter and non-government staff as well as Indigenous interviewers. Indigenous Counsellors and a small Indigenous consulting working group were integral to the methodology and site selection to ensure the Count was carried out in a culturally appropriate and respectful manner.

Homelessness Defined

The Canadian Definition of Homelessness as defined by the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness (COH) has released a new definition that is based on a typology and a range of housing situations along a homelessness continuum.

As detailed, homelessness describes the situation of an individual, family, or community without stable, safe, permanent, appropriate housing, or the immediate prospect means and ability of acquiring it. Along the continuum there are four main categories of homelessness: unsheltered, emergency sheltered, provisionally accommodated, and at risk of homelessness.

The definition also identifies eight situations which could lead someone to be homeless, such as being precariously employed (part-time, temporary, low-pay); sudden unemployment; supported housing with supports that are about to be discontinued; households facing eviction; severe and persistent mental illness, active addictions, substance use and/or behavioral issues; division of household; violence/abuse (or direct fear of) in current housing situation; or institutional care that is inadequate or unsuited. The goal of ending homelessness includes ensuring housing stability that includes the supports (such as permanent supportive housing or income supports) that are required to remain permanently housed.

1. The participant had not yet completed a PiT Count Survey. Based on this definition, screening questions were used to determine eligibility.
2. The participant indicated that they were without a permanent residence.
3. The participant was defined as homeless, as per the Canadian Definition of Homelessness.

During the data analysis completed surveys that failed to meet all three criteria were removed. For example, individuals who indicated they had previously completed the PiT Count Survey, or declined to answer the first question were removed.

Additionally, individuals who indicated a history of homelessness but were currently staying in a permanent residence were also removed.

Limitations

1. The locations of the PiT surveys were expanded in 2021 from the 2018 locations to include additional shelters predominantly based on recommendations from the Indigenous Counsellors and consultants. The locations included the GNWT temporary day shelter, NWT Native Women's Association, Yellowknife Women's Association Women's Shelter, Bailey House, Spruce Bough, Tree of Peace, Side Door Resource Centre and the YWCA.
2. As this was a one-day count, it is a snap shot of homelessness on the day of the survey.
3. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and the good weather on this particular day, both may have been a deterrent in individuals not participating in the count this year.

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1. Introduction

The third iteration of the Yellowknife Point-In-Time Count (PIT) was conducted on April 18, 2021 by the City of Yellowknife in partnership with the City of Yellowknife Community Advisory Board on Homelessness. The count is used to enumerate the number of people experiencing homelessness during a specified time frame to provide information regarding the nature and extent of homelessness within a community.

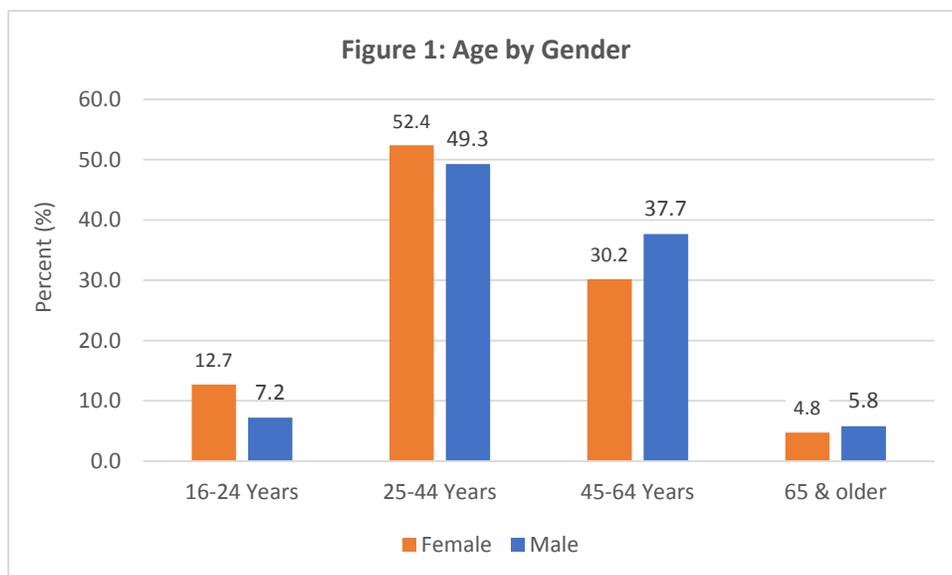
This report provides an insight into factors contributing to homelessness, challenges in getting housing, and service needs of individual or families experiencing homelessness.

A total of 246 surveys were completed. Based on those surveys, the PIT recorded 312 people experiencing homelessness, with 187 individuals living by themselves (60%) and 125 people (40%) in families. In total, one in five persons included in the Yellowknife PIT were children or dependents.

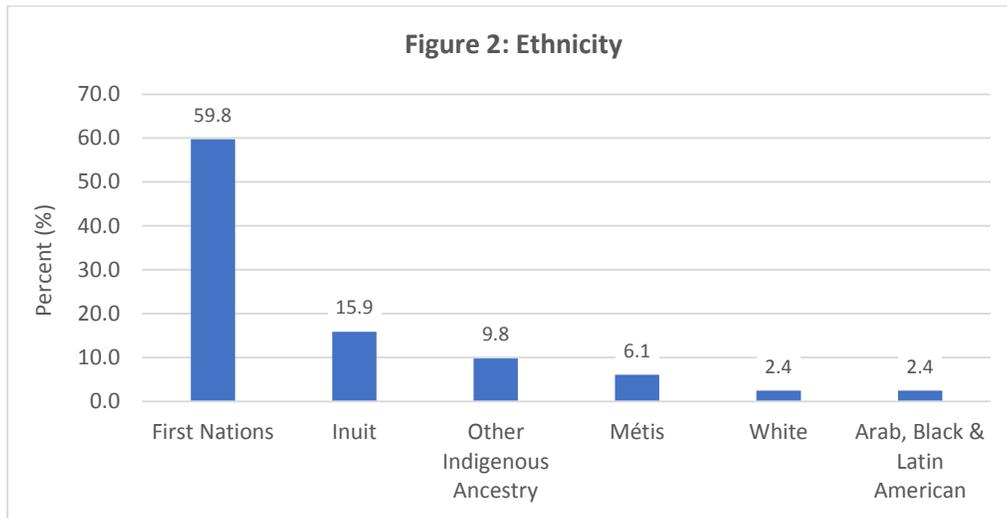
2. Demographic characteristics

Among the 246 respondents, males and females were equally represented. In terms of sexual orientation, 91.5% identified as straight/heterosexual, 3.7% identified as other orientations such as gay, lesbian, bisexual, while 4.9% declined to answer the question.

Respondents' ages ranged from 16 to 80. For both males and female, most respondents were in the age groups 25 to 44 and 45 to 64 years. The median age for females was 32, compared to 38 for males.



Nearly all (91.5%) respondents were Indigenous, with 60% identifying as First Nations, followed by Inuit, and Metis. Of the remaining, 4.8% identified with Non-Indigenous ethnicities.

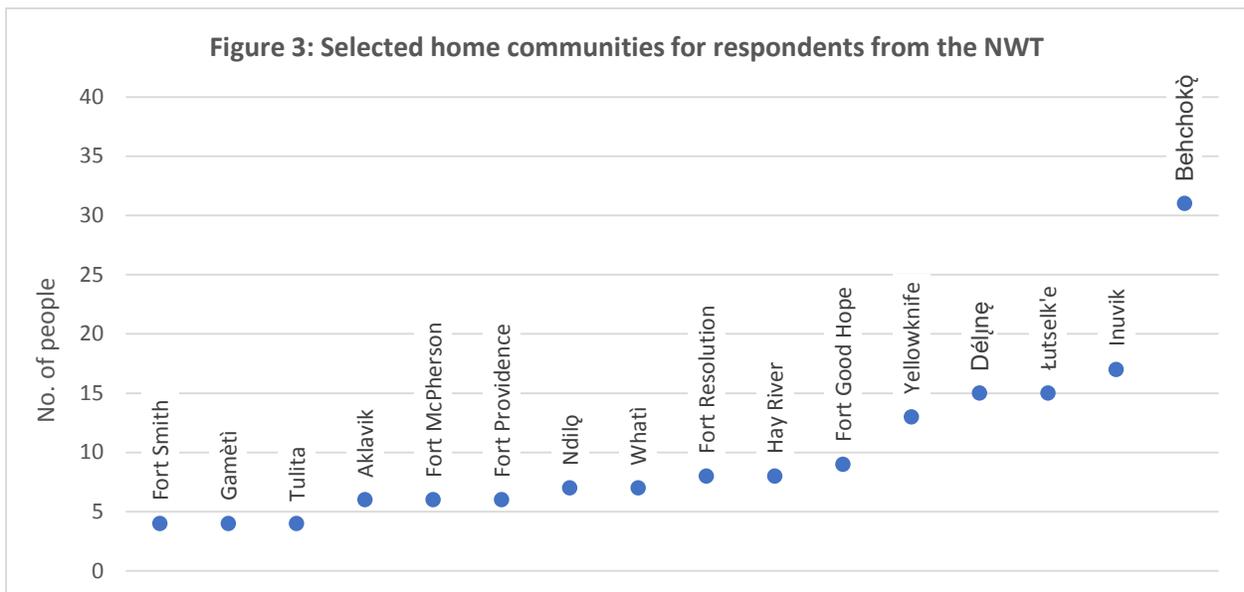


When asked about language preferences, most respondents (89%) reported being able to best express themselves in English. An Indigenous language preference was indicated by 6% of respondents.

Fewer than 10 respondents identified themselves as immigrants or veterans.

3. Home community

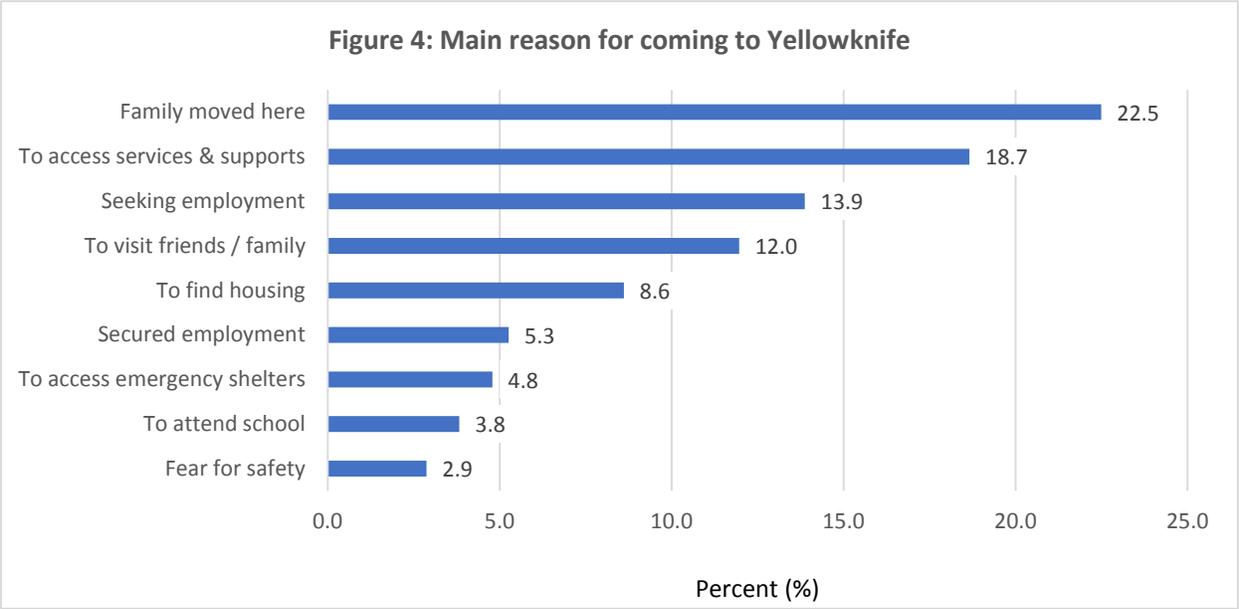
While most of the respondents were from the Northwest Territories (66%), only 8% indicated their home community was Yellowknife. The highest proportion of NWT respondents were from Behchokò (18%), followed by Inuvik (9%). In all, respondents came from 25 different NWT communities.



Communities in Nunavut represented 11% of the respondents. Other jurisdictions with five or more people included Alberta (8%), British Columbia (4%), Saskatchewan (3%) and Manitoba (3%).

About half of respondents not originally from Yellowknife had arrived in the city during the previous five years.

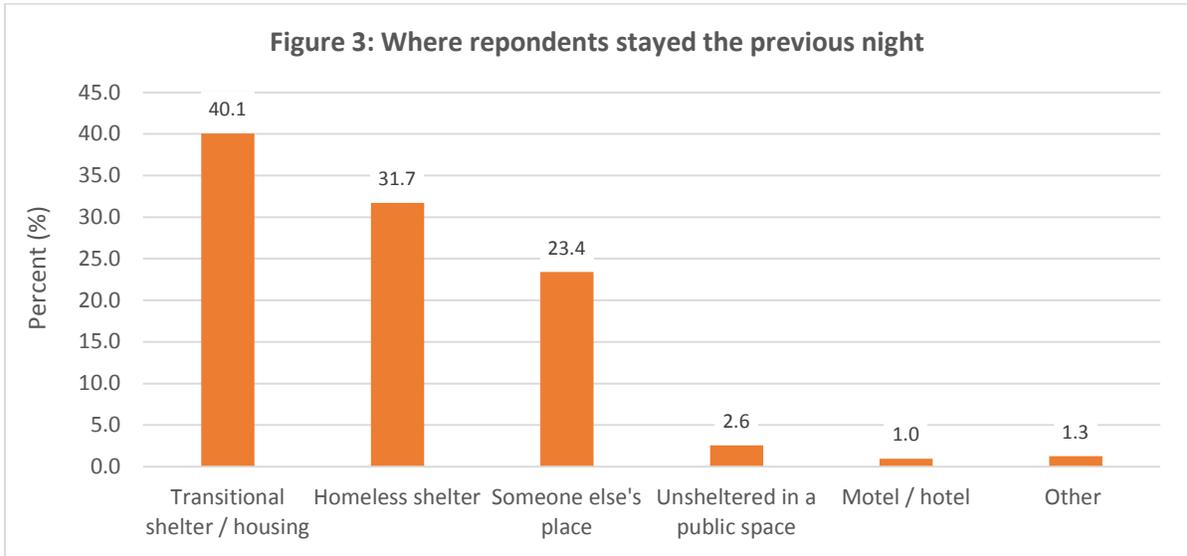
For respondents who indicated Yellowknife was not their home community, their families moving to the city was cited as the main reason for their move (23%). Approximately 1 in 5 respondents moved to Yellowknife to access service and supports, with another 19% citing employment (either seeking it or having secured it) as their main reason for coming to Yellowknife.



Two thirds of respondents (66%) who were not from Yellowknife did not want to return to their home community, with 19% wanting to move back. For those who wanted to return to their home communities, lack of services (20%) and addiction issues (16%) were the most cited barriers to doing so.

4. Experiences of homelessness

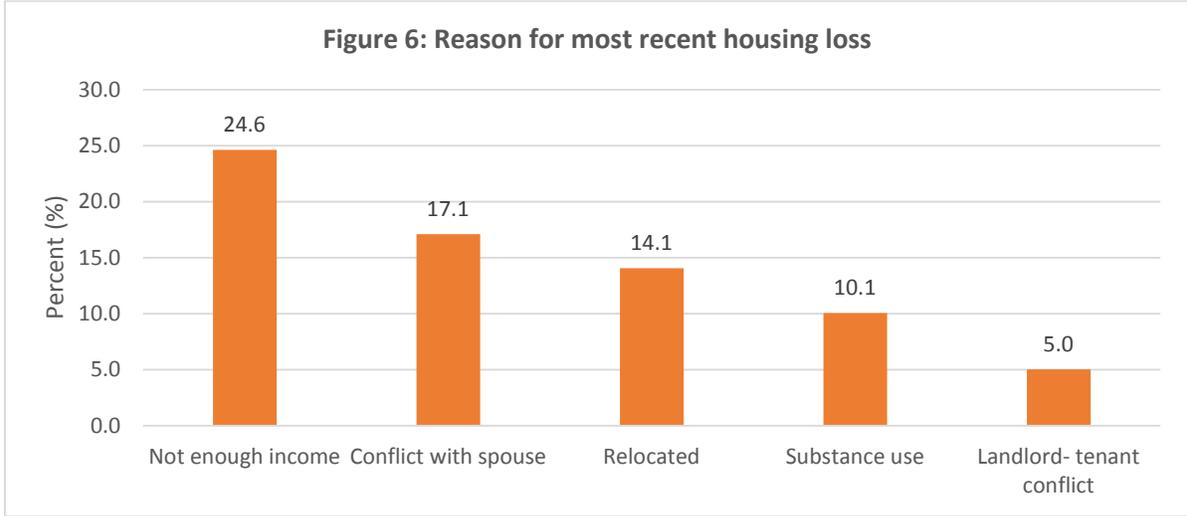
Respondents were asked to indicate where they would be staying that night or where they stayed the previous night. Most had stayed at a transitional shelter/housing (40%) or a homeless shelter (32%). About one quarter (23%) stayed at someone else’s place, while 3% of respondents were unsheltered and living in a public space.



About 66% of respondents had stayed at a homeless shelter in the previous year. For those who did not stay at a shelter, the main reasons were related to having other places to stay, mainly with friends or at a transitional house. None of the respondents reported being turned away from shelters.

5. Reasons for most recent housing loss

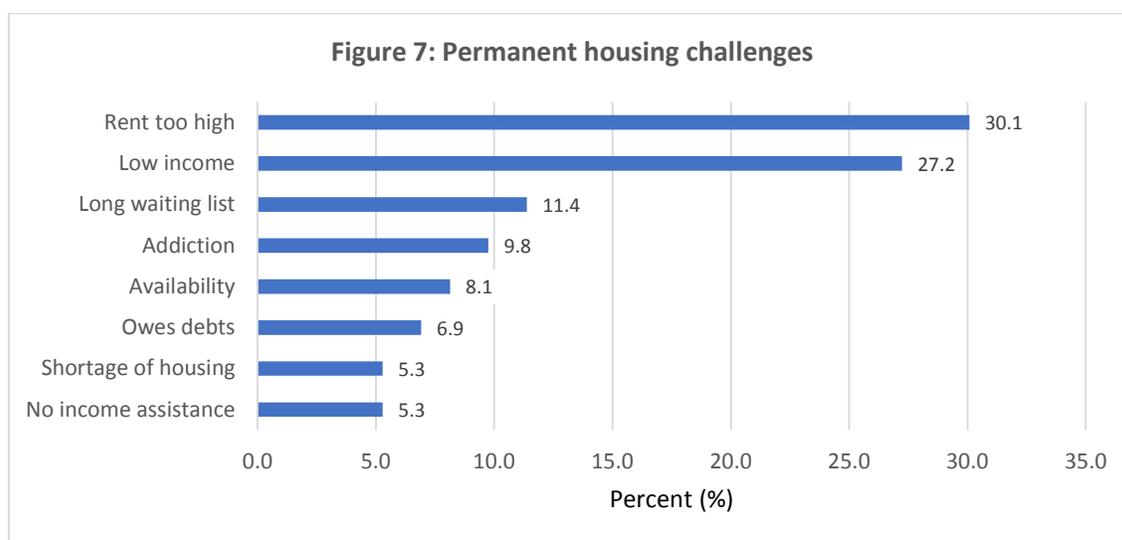
Respondents were asked the reason for their most recent housing loss. Not having enough income to pay for housing (25%), conflict with spouse or partner (17%) and relocation (14%) were the most common reasons. Lack of income was the most common reason across gender, followed by conflict with spouse/partner for females, and substance use for males.



The survey asked specifically if the COVID-19 pandemic was related to the most recent loss of housing. For about 6% of respondents, not having housing was related to COVID-19.

6. Permanent housing challenges

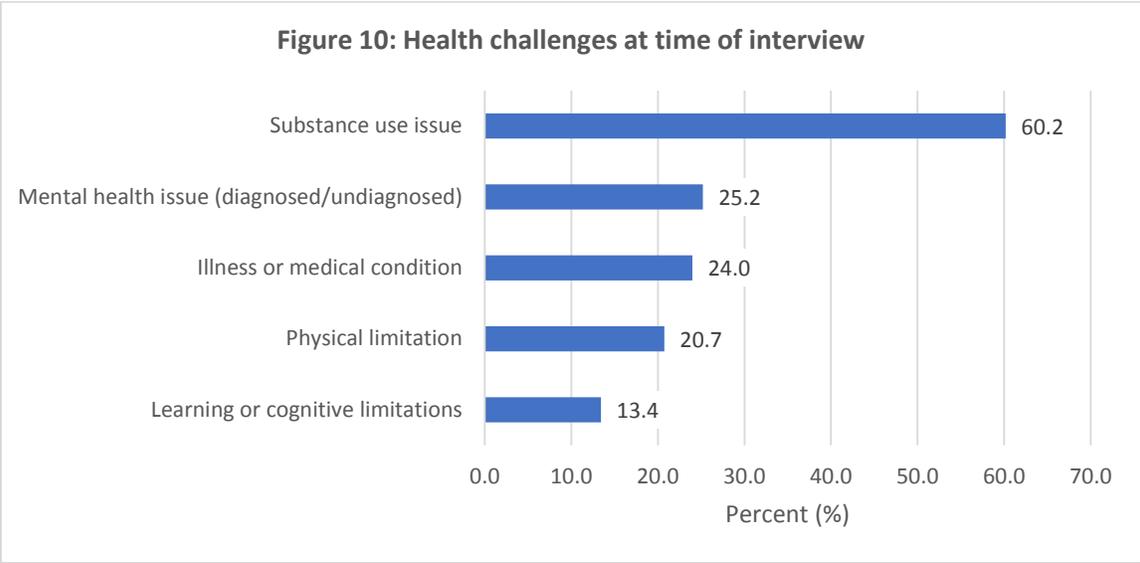
Almost all respondents (94%) said they wanted permanent housing. Affordability was cited as the primary barrier to obtaining permanent housing as indicated by respondents who reported rent being too expensive (30%) and low income (27%). Long housing waiting lists were the next most common barrier (11%), with availability (8%) and a shortage of housing (5%) likely indicating housing shortages as a challenge. About 10% of respondents reported that addictions were a barrier to finding permanent housing. There were minimal differences affecting female or male respondents.



7. Health needs and challenges

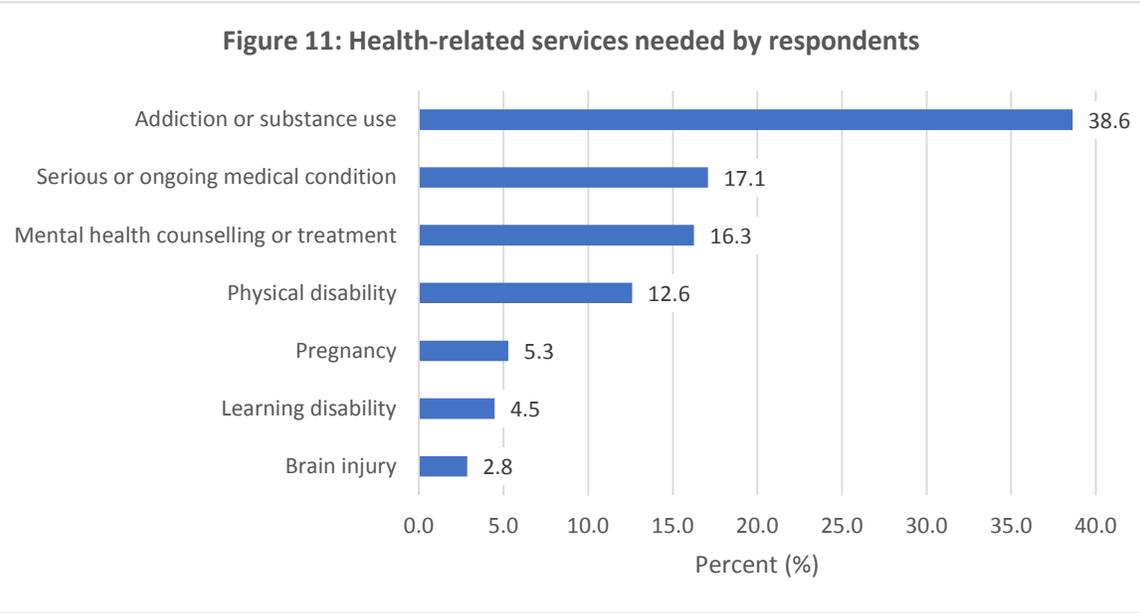
Respondents were asked if they had health challenges at the time of the interview. Approximately 1 in 3 respondents (29%) indicated a single health problem while 44% had multiple health issues. One quarter of respondents (27%) said they had no health issues.

Of those who indicated health challenges, substance abuse was the most prevalent health issue affecting 60% of respondents, followed by mental health (25%) and illness or medical condition (24%). Different health issues were present between males and females. The proportion of males was higher than females among those with physical limitations (77%) and substance use issues (59%). A higher proportion of females than males indicated mental health issues (55%) and learning limitations (52%).

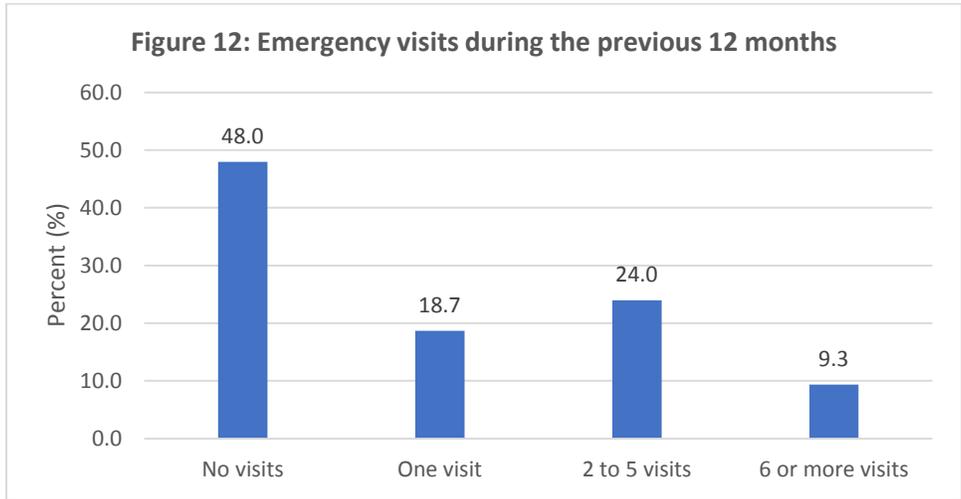


8. Utilizing health services

The need for support reflected the respondent’s health challenges. Support for serious/ongoing medical conditions, as well as mental health counselling and treatment were priorities for respondents when asked about what health services they required.



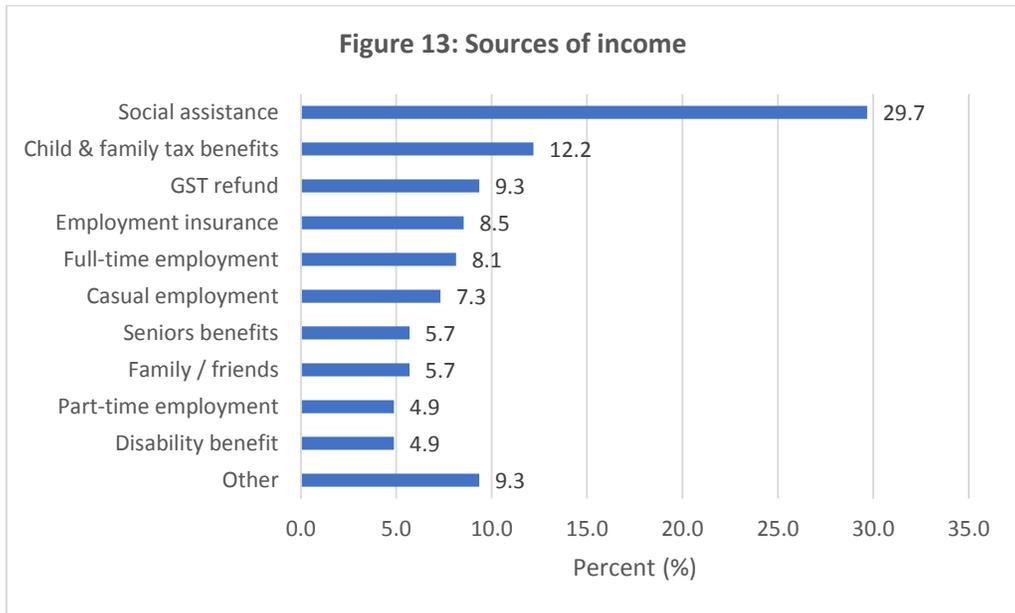
When asked about their use of health services in the previous 12 months, 52% of respondents reported visiting the emergency room at least one time and 36% reported being hospitalized at least once during the same period.



9. Income

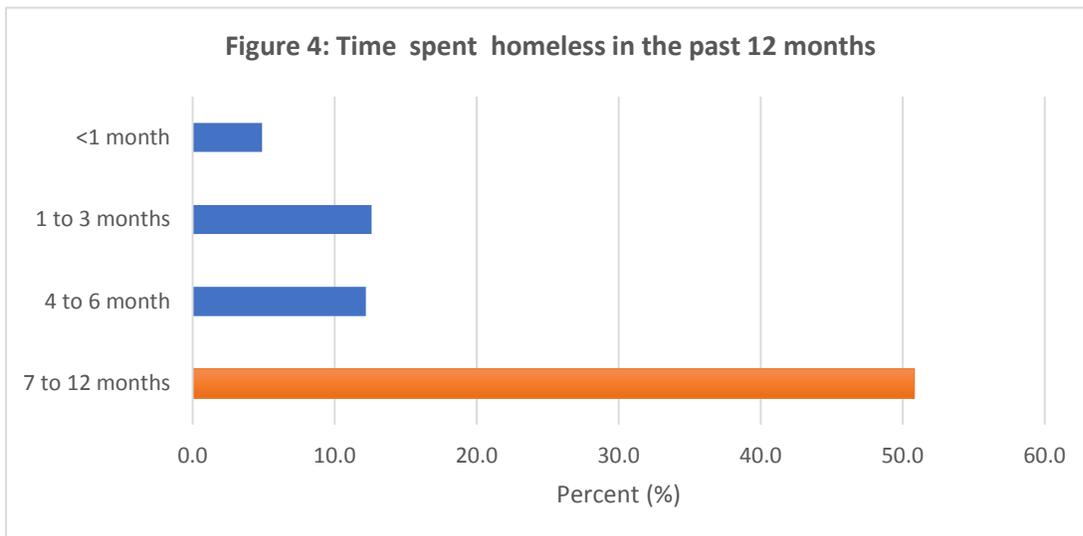
The most common source of income was social assistance, reported by almost a third (30%) of respondents. Child and family tax benefits, GST refund and employment insurance, combined, were cited by 30%, while full-time, part-time, and casual employment as sources of income were reported by 20%. Respondents who indicated income from full-time, part time, or casual work were more likely to be living in transitional housing or at someone’s house than living in homeless shelters.

Income sources most reported by respondents living in families were social assistance, child and family benefits, and full-time employment. Social assistance was cited the most by those with no families.



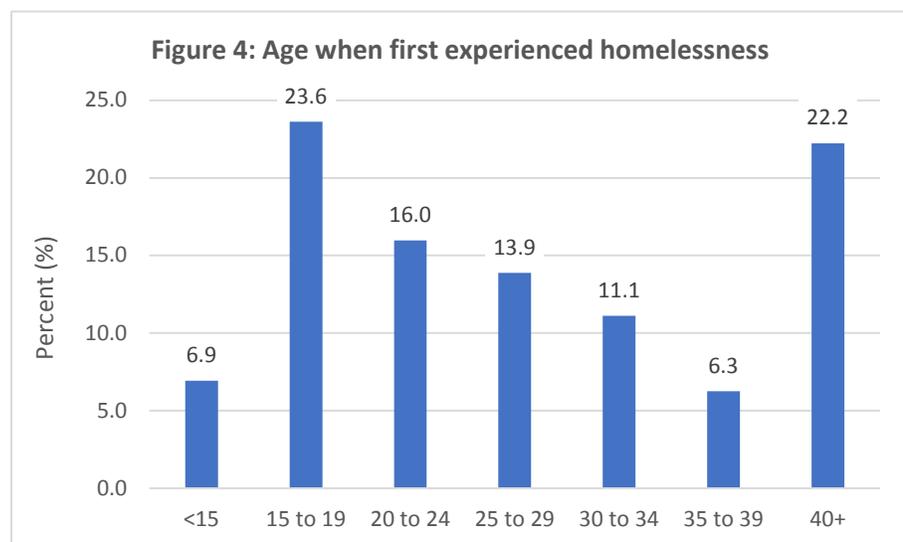
10. Chronic homelessness

Chronic homelessness is generally defined as not having access to a permanent residence where one can safely stay (if one chooses) for at least six of the previous twelve months. Half of respondents (51%) were experiencing chronic homelessness. Levels of chronic homelessness were higher among males (80%) and those 25 years or older (67.5%). About 40% of those with children or dependents were experiencing homelessness.



11. Age when first experienced homelessness

Respondents generally first experienced homelessness between the ages of 15 to 19, or after the age of 40. Patterns of when respondents first experienced homelessness were similar between males and females, with an overall median age of 25 years.



12. History with foster care, group homes and residential schools

Just over 80 respondents (34%) had lived in foster care or in group homes as a child or youth. Of these, only 30% felt that Child Protection Services was helpful in preparing them for life after leaving the system. Time between leaving the childcare system and becoming homeless ranged from a few months to 42 years, with a median time of 2 years.

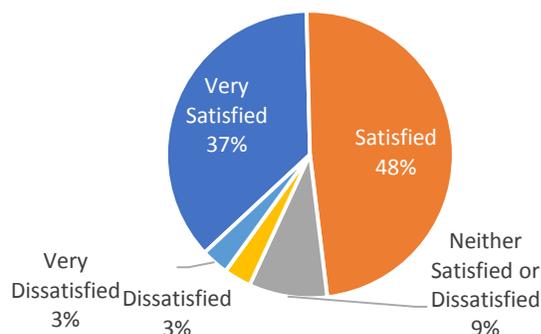
Persons who previously lived in foster care or group homes were more likely to experience homelessness before they turned 16 years of age (29%), compared to 6% among those with no foster care or group home experiences. Out of the 16 respondents aged 16 years or younger who completed the survey, half had experiences of foster care or group homes.

About 62% of respondents reported that they or their parents attended residential school. A comparison with those who did not attend showed minimal differences in the age at which respondents first experienced homelessness. However, those experiencing chronic homelessness were likely to have attended residential school (80%) or had parents or guardians who attended residential school (71%).

13. Satisfaction with services

When asked about satisfaction levels with the treatment they receive from community organizations such as transitional shelters and drop-in centers, the majority (78.5%) were either very satisfied or satisfied. Those who were dissatisfied represented only 6% of the respondents.

Figure 14: Satisfaction with the treatment received from community organizations



14. Conclusions

Being the third iteration of the PiT, findings of the 2021 count provide current information for use towards data driven policies and programs to help address homelessness in the city. The count recorded 312 individuals in Yellowknife experiencing homelessness with 40% of the survey respondents staying at transitional shelters or transitional housing and 32% utilizing homeless shelters. The vast majority want permanent housing with factors related to affordability and availability as the most prominent

challenges to achieving that goal. Not having enough income to pay for housing was the primary reason for respondents' most recent housing loss. In at least 6 of the previous 12 months, half of the respondents did not have access to safe permanent residences, and therefore are classified as chronically homeless.

Less than 1 in 10 of the respondents were from Yellowknife, with family moving to the city, seeking employment, or accessing services and support as the main reasons many of the respondents had moved to Yellowknife. Most of the respondents did not wish to move back to their home communities.

Many respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the treatment they received from community organizations such as transitional shelters and drop-in centers, and no respondents reported being turned away from shelters in the previous year.

Over 90% of respondents identified as Indigenous with 62% of respondents indicating that they or their parents/guardians attended residential school. The average age was 41, with over half of respondents first experiencing homelessness before the age of 24.

Please refer to the following appendices for the methodology, full set of statistical tables, and the survey questionnaire.

Appendix A: Methodology

The 2021 Point in Time Count (PiT) was a shelter count like the previous count in 2018. The methodology and local questions were developed by a PiT committee. Members of this committee included representatives from the City of Yellowknife, NWT Disabilities Council, NWT Housing Corporation, NWT Native Women's Association, RCMP, SideDoor Resource Center, Salvation Army, Yellowknife Women's Society, YWCA and Government of the Northwest Territories departments of Justice, Health and Social Services and the NWT Bureau of Statistics.

The questionnaire included mandatory national PiT questions as well as local questions based on the direction of committee members.

Multiple venues for data collection were used to ensure all potential demographic groups were reached including youth, families, women staying in shelters and men in transitional housing.

The PiT survey was conducted on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at the Bailey House, NWT Women's Association, Sidedoor Resource Centre, Spruce Bough, Temporary Day Shelter, Tree of Peace, and the Women's Shelter. Adjusting to client needs, the YWCA Transition Housing Program conducted the survey from Monday, April 19 to Thursday, April 22, 2021.

Interviews were conducted by staff members at the respective agencies except for the Tree of Peace. The Tree of Peace venue consisted of Indigenous interviewers working exclusively on the PiT survey. Indigenous Counsellors were available during the PiT survey operations at the Side Door, Tree of Peace, Spruce Bough, and the Women's shelter. Information collected was entered directly to tablets and uploaded to a live information management system.

Upon completion of the survey, grocery store gift cards were provided as a token of appreciation with individuals receiving \$25 and families receiving \$50. Food and beverages were also supplied at each location.

Appendix B: Data Tables

Table 1: Demographic characteristics of people experiencing homelessness in Yellowknife

			Female		Male		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
All persons	312	100.0	144	46.2	141	45.2	27	8.7
Survey respondents	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0	8	3.3
Individuals	187	100.0	82	43.9	99	53.0	6	3.3
People in families	125	100.0	62	49.6	42	33.6	21	16.8
Family heads	59	100.0	19	32.2	38	64.4	x	x
Children/ dependents	66	100.0	24	36.4	23	34.9	19	28.8
Age group								
0 to15 years	37	100.0	19	51.4	18	48.6	x	x
16 to 24 years	20	100.0	11	55.0	8	40.0	x	x
25 to 44 years	69	100.0	33	47.8	34	49.3	x	x
45 to 64 years	46	100.0	19	41.3	26	56.5	x	x
65 & older	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Not stated	133	100.0	59	44.4	51	38.3	23	17.3

Notes:

1. The survey was completed with 246 respondents who provided information on accompanying family, children or dependents, for a total count of 312 people experiencing homelessness.
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Table 2: Demographic characteristics of respondents, excluding children/dependents

	Total		Female		Male		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0	8	3.3
Ethnicity								
First Nations	147	100.0	78	53.1	67	45.6	x	x
Inuit	39	100.0	20	51.3	18	46.2	x	x
Métis	15	100.0	x	x	12	80.0	x	x
Other Indigenous Ancestry	24	100.0	12	50.0	12	50.0	x	x
White	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Arab, Latin American, Icelandic	5	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Black African	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sexual orientation								
Bisexual, Lesbian or Pansexual	9	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Straight / Heterosexual	225	100.0	110	48.9	113	50.2	x	x
Not stated	12	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Highest level of schooling								
No Formal Education	5	100.0	0	0.0	5	100.0	0	0.0
Some High School	138	100.0	71	51.4	63	45.7	x	x
High School Graduate/GED	73	100.0	38	52.1	35	47.9	x	x
Graduate Degree	23	100.0	9	39.1	14	60.9	x	x
Not stated	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Language preference								
English	220	100.0	110	50.0	108	49.1	x	x
Indigenous language	16	100.0	8	50.0	7	43.8	x	x
Other	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Not stated	8	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x

Notes:

- x' - suppressed values

Table 3: Potential population groups at risk factors to experiencing homelessness

	Total		Female		Male		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0	8	3.3
Attended residential school	58	100.0	28	48.3	30	51.7	0	0.0
Parents/ guardians attended residential school	168	100.0	84	50.0	83	49.4	x	x
Experience in foster care or group home	83	100.0	37	44.6	45	54.2	x	x
Seniors 65+	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Immigrant	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Veterans	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x

Notes:

1. Categories are derived from different survey questions and are not mutually exclusive, so their sum of may exceed the total
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Figure 4: Age when first experienced homelessness, by Gender

	Total		Female		Male		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0	8	3.3
<15 years	10	100.0	4	40.0	5	50.0	x	x
15 to 19 years	34	100.0	14	41.2	20	58.8	0	0.0
20 to 24 years	23	100.0	13	56.5	10	43.5	0	0.0
25 to 29 years	20	100.0	10	50.0	9	45.0	x	x
30 to 34 years	16	100.0	6	37.5	10	62.5	0	0.0
35 to 39 years	9	100.0	x	x	7	77.8	0	0.0
40+ years	32	100.0	14	43.8	16	50.0	x	x
Not stated	102	100.0	57	55.9	41	40.2	8	7.8

Notes:

- x' - suppressed values

Table 5: Time between leaving foster care or group home and experiencing homelessness

	Total		Female		Male	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	83	100.0	37	100.0	45	100.0
< 1 month	35	42.2	19	51.4	16	35.6
1 month to 1 year	15	18.1	5	13.5	9	20.0
2 to 10 years	17	20.5	6	16.2	11	24.4
11 or more years	16	19.3	7	18.9	9	20.0

Table 6: Length of time experienced homelessness over the previous year, by where they are staying

	Total		1 month or less		2 to 6 months		& to 11 months		12 months		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	24	12.1	49	24.7	31	15.7	94	47.5	48	19.5
Homeless shelter	98	100.0	7	8.8	11	13.8	8	10.0	54	67.5	18	18.4
Transitional shelter / housing	76	100.0	7	13.0	22	40.7	13	24.1	12	22.2	22	28.9
Someone else's place	57	100.0	9	18.0	16	32.0	x	x	19	38.0	7	12.3
Unsheltered in a public space	8	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0.0
Other	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	1	14.3
<i>Not stated</i>	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0.0

Notes:

1. Respondents could select multiple categories, so the sum of the categories may exceed the total

2. 'x' - suppressed values

Table 7: How long ago was the most recent housing loss, by currently place of residence

	Total		<1 year		1 to 2 years		3 to 5 years		6 to 10 years		11 or more		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	35	14.2	59	24.0	21	8.5	18	7.3	17	6.9	96	39.0
Homeless shelter	98	100.0	6	6.1	28	28.6	7	7.1	9	9.2	6	6.1	42	42.9
Transitional shelter / housing	76	100.0	10	13.2	17	22.4	8	10.5	5	6.6	7	9.2	29	38.2
Someone else's place	57	100.0	18	31.6	9	15.8	5	8.8	4	7.0	x	x	19	33.3
Unsheltered in a public space	8	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	5	62.5
<i>Other</i>	7	100.0	x	x	4	57.1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

Notes:

x' - suppressed values

Table 8: What caused you to lose your housing most recently?

	Total		Female		Male	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0
Not enough income for housing	49	100.0	23	46.9	26	53.1
Conflict with: Spouse / Partner	35	100.0	22	62.9	13	37.1
Left the Community / Relocated	28	100.0	16	57.1	12	42.9
Substance Use Issue	20	100.0	5	25.0	15	75.0
Landlord / Tenant Conflict	10	100.0	5	50.0	5	50.0
Never had housing	9	100.0	x	x	x	x
Unfit / unsafe housing condition	9	100.0	x	x	x	x
Alcohol abuse	8	100.0	x	x	x	x
Complaint (e.g. Pets / Noise / Damage)	8	100.0	x	x	x	x
Conflict with: Parent / Guardian	8	100.0	x	x	x	x
Conflict with: Other	7	100.0	x	x	x	x
Experienced Abuse by: Spouse / Partner	6	100.0	x	x	x	x
Physical Health Issue	5	100.0	x	x	x	x
Incarceration (Jail or Prison)	4	100.0	x	x	x	x
Other	19	100.0	14	73.7	5	26.3
COVID-19 related	20	100.0	11	55.0	9	45.0

Notes:

1. Respondents could select multiple categories, so the sum of the categories may exceed the total
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Figure 9: Currently separated from family due to homelessness, by Sex and Age

	Total		Yes		No		stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	153	62.2	80	32.5	13	5.28
Gender								
Female	120	100.0	67	55.8	48	40.0	5	4.17
Male	118	100.0	85	72.0	29	24.6	4	3.4
Not stated	8	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Age group								
16 to 24 years	14	100.0	10	71.4	4	28.6	x	x
25 to 44 years	68	100.0	45	66.2	22	32.4	x	x
45 to 64 years	46	100.0	29	63.0	13	28.3	4	8.7
65 & older	7	100.0	4	57.1	x	x	x	x
Not stated	110	100.0	64	58.2	39	35.5	x	x

Notes:

- x' - suppressed values

Table 10: What challenges or problems have you experienced when trying to find housing?

	Total		Female		Male		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0	8	3.3
Rent is too high	74	100.0	40	54.1	34	45.9	x	x
Low income	67	100.0	32	47.8	35	52.2	x	x
Long waiting list	27	100.0	18	66.7	9	33.3	x	x
Availability	19	100.0	12	63.2	7	36.8	x	x
Addiction	24	100.0	9	37.5	15	62.5	x	x
Shortage of housing	12	100.0	8	66.7	4	33.3	x	x
No income assistance	13	100.0	7	53.8	6	46.2	x	x
Owes debts	17	100.0	6	35.3	11	64.7	x	x
No help	9	100.0	4	44.4	5	55.6	x	x
Discrimination	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mental health issues	7	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Health / disability issues	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Poor housing conditions	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Family breakdown / conflict	5	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Domestic violence	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Don't know how	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Don't want housing	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lack of id	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Partner	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Other</i>	9	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x

Notes:

1. Respondents could select multiple categories, so the sum of the categories may exceed the total
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Table 11: Home community, by whether or not they want to move back

	Total		Yes		No		Not stated	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Home Community	233	100.0	45	19.3	153	65.7	35	15.0
Behchoko	31	100.0	5	16.1	24	77.4	x	x
Inuvik	16	100.0	0	0.0	12	75.0	4	25.0
Déline	15	100.0	4	26.7	10	66.7	x	x
Łutselk'e	15	100.0	6	40.0	7	46.7	x	x
Fort Good Hope	9	100.0	x	x	7	77.8	x	x
Fort Resolution	8	100.0	x	x	7	87.5	x	x
Hay River	8	100.0	x	x	5	62.5	x	x
Cambridge Bay	7	100.0	x	x	4	57.1	x	x
Detah & Ndilq	7	100.0	x	x	4	57.1	x	x
Kugluktuk	7	100.0	x	x	7	100.0	x	x
Whatì	7	100.0	x	x	4	57.1	x	x
Aklavik	6	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Fort McPherson	6	100.0	x	x	5	83.3	x	x
Fort Providence	6	100.0	x	x	4	66.7	x	x
Gjoa Haven	5	100.0	x	x	5	100.0	x	x
Fort Smith	4	100.0	x	x	4	100.0	x	x
Gamètì	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Tulita	4	100.0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Other	28	100.0	5	17.9	20	71.4	x	x
<i>Not stated</i>	40	100.0	6	15.0	27	67.5	7	17.5

Notes:

1. 'x' - suppressed values
2. Total excludes Yellowknife

Table 12: What prevents you from moving back to your community?

	No.	%
Total	45	100.0
Lack of Services	9	20.0
Addictions	7	15.6
Decline to Answer	7	15.6
Family Breakdown/conflict	6	13.3
Rent to high/cost of living	6	13.3
Poor housing conditions	5	11.1
<i>Other</i>	10	22.2

Notes:

Respondents could select multiple categories, so the sum of the categories may exceed the total

Table 13: Services needed by respondents

	Total		Female		Male	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	120	48.8	118	48.0
Addiction Or Substance Use	95	100.0	36	37.9	58	61.1
Serious or Ongoing Medical Condition	42	100.0	12	28.6	30	71.4
Mental Health (Counselling, treatment)	40	100.0	25	62.5	15	37.5
Physical Disability	31	100.0	9	29.0	22	71.0
Mental health	13	100.0	8	61.5	4	30.8
Pregnancy	13	100.0	13	100.0	0	0.0
Learning Disability	11	100.0	x	x	x	x
Mental health	8	100.0	x	x	x	x
Brain Injury	7	100.0	x	x	x	x

Notes:

1. Respondents could select multiple categories, so the sum of the categories may exceed the total
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Table 14: Satisfaction with treatment received from community organizations like transitional shelters and drop-in centers?

	No.	%
Total	246	100.0
Very Satisfied	83	33.7
Satisfied	110	44.7
Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied	20	8.1
Dissatisfied	7	2.8
Very Dissatisfied	7	2.8
Not stated	14	5.7
Decline to Answer	5	2.0

Table 15: Language they feel best able to express themselves

	No.	%
Total	246	100.0
English	220	89.4
Indigenous language	15	6.1
Other	11	4.5

Table 16: Source of income by family status

	Total		Individuals		Families	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total	246	100.0	187	100.0	59	100.0
Social assistance	73	29.7	57	30.5	16	27.1
Child & family tax benefits	30	12.2	12	6.4	18	30.5
GST refund	23	9.3	15	8.0	8	13.6
Employment insurance	21	8.5	15	8.0	6	10.2
Full-time employment	20	8.1	8	4.3	12	20.3
Casual employment	18	7.3	14	7.5	4	6.8
Seniors benefits	14	5.7	14	7.5	0	0.0
Family / friends	14	5.7	13	7.0	x	x
Part-time employment	12	4.9	6	3.2	6	10.2
Disability benefit	12	4.9	x	x	x	x
Other service agency	7	2.8	x	x	x	x
Informal income sources	7	2.8	x	x	x	x
<i>Other</i>	9	3.7	x	x	x	x

Notes:

1. Categories are derived from different survey questions and are not mutually exclusive, so their sum of may exceed the total
2. 'x' - suppressed values

Appendix C: Survey Questionnaire

(Your name and asking them how they are doing should have been done prior to the COVID questions. If not, Hello my name is _____ and I'll conducting a Point-in-Time Survey with you. How are you doing today?)

The results from this Point-in-Survey will contribute to the understanding of homelessness across Canada and will help research to improve services and programs.

The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete.

Participation is voluntary and your name will not be recorded. The information is confidential and will only be used for statistical purposes. You can choose to skip any question or to stop the interview at any time. There are counsellors available if you want to talk to someone after the survey.

Location: _____ (See attached sheet for location codes) Time: _____ AM/PM
 Interviewer: _____ Contact #: _____

Screening Questions: **Where are you staying tonight? / Where did you stay last night?**

a. DECLINE TO ANSWER b. OWN APARTMENT / HOUSE	}	(THANK & END SURVEY)
c. SOMEONE ELSE'S PLACE d. MOTEL/HOTEL (SELF-FUNDED) e. HOSPITAL f. TREATMENT CENTRE g. JAIL, PRISON, REMAND CENTRE	}	C1. Do you have access to a permanent residence where you can safely stay as long as you want? a. Yes (THANK & END) b. No (not permanent AND/OR not safe)([BEGIN SURVEY]) c. Don't Know (BEGIN SURVEY) d. Decline to answer (THANK & END)
h. HOMELESS SHELTER (EMERGENCY, FAMILY OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER) i. HOTEL/MOTEL (FUNDED BY CITY OR HOMELESS PROGRAM) j. TRANSITIONAL SHELTER/HOUSING k. UNSHELTERED IN A PUBLIC SPACE (E.G. STREET, PARK, BUS SHELTER, FOREST OR ABANDONED BUILDING) l. ENCAMPMENT (E.G. GROUP OF TENTS, MAKESHIFT SHELTERS OR OTHER LONG-TERM OUTDOOR SETTLEMENT) m. VEHICLE (CAR, VAN, RV, TRUCK, BOAT) n. UNSURE: INDICATE PROBABLE LOCATION ____ (b. - m.)	}	(BEGIN SURVEY)

BEGIN SURVEY

1. **Do you have family members or anyone else who is staying with you tonight? / Did you have any family members or anyone else who stayed with you last night?** (Indicate survey number for partners. Check all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER ADULT(S) (Can include other family or friends)								
<input type="checkbox"/> PARTNER - Survey #: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER								
<input type="checkbox"/> CHILD(REN)/DEPENDENT(S)									
[indicate gender and age for each]	GENDER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	AGE								

2. **How old are you?** (OR) What year were you born? (If unsure, ask for best estimate.)

<input type="radio"/> AGE _____ OR YEAR BORN _____	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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For this survey, "homelessness" means any time when you have been without a permanent and secure place to live, including sleeping in shelters, on the streets, or living temporarily with others without having your own permanent housing (e.g. couch surfing).

3. **How old were you the first time you experienced homelessness?**

<input type="radio"/> AGE _____	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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4. **In total, for how much time have you experienced homelessness over the PAST YEAR, in the last 12 months?** (Does not need to be exact. Best estimate.)

<input type="radio"/> LENGTH _____ DAYS WEEKS MONTHS	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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4b. **In total, how many different times have you experienced homelessness over the PAST YEAR, in the last 12 months?** (Best estimate.)

<input type="radio"/> NUMBER OF TIMES _____ [Includes this time]	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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5. **Have you stayed in a homeless shelter in the past year?** (Examples: women's shelter, Salvation Army, SideDoor Transitional Housing, Bailey House, Lynn's Place)

<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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5b→ If NO: **What are the main reasons?** (Do not read categories. Select all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> TURNED AWAY (SHELTERS ARE FULL)	<input type="checkbox"/> FEAR FOR SAFETY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> TURNED AWAY (BANNED)	<input type="checkbox"/> BED BUGS & OTHER PESTS	<input type="checkbox"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="checkbox"/> LACK OF TRANSPORTATION	<input type="checkbox"/> CROWDED	<input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

6. **Did you come to Canada as an immigrant, refugee or a refugee claimant?** (i.e. applied for refugee status after coming to Canada)

<input type="radio"/> YES, IMMIGRANT ----->	6b If YES: How long have you been in Canada? <input type="radio"/> LENGTH: _____ DAYS WEEKS MONTHS YEARS OR DATE: ____/____/____ DAY / MONTH / YEAR <input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW <input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
<input type="radio"/> YES, REFUGEE----->	
<input type="radio"/> YES, REFUGEE CLAIMANT ----->	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	
<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER	

6c Are you a Canadian Citizen?

<input type="radio"/> YES	<u>If NO:</u>	<input type="radio"/> PERMANENT RESIDENT	<input type="radio"/> INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
<input type="radio"/> NO ----->		<input type="radio"/> REFUGEE CLAIMANT	<input type="radio"/> OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)
<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW		<input type="radio"/> TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKER	_____
<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER			

7. How long have you been in Yellowknife?

<input type="radio"/> LENGTH _____ DAYS / WEEKS / MONTHS / YEARS	<input type="radio"/> ALWAYS BEEN HERE	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
↳ 7b Where did you live before you came here?	<input type="radio"/> CITY COMMUNITY: _____	PROVINCE/TERRITORY/COUNTRY: _____	
	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER		

7c → What is the main reason you came to Yellowknife? (Do not read categories. Select one.)

<input type="radio"/> TO ACCESS EMERGENCY SHELTER(S)	<input type="radio"/> EMPLOYMENT (SEEKING)	<input type="radio"/> RECREATION/SHOPPING
<input type="radio"/> TO ACCESS SERVICES AND SUPPORTS	<input type="radio"/> EMPLOYMENT (SECURED)	<input type="radio"/> OTHER: _____
<input type="radio"/> FAMILY MOVED HERE	<input type="radio"/> TO ATTEND SCHOOL	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="radio"/> TO VISIT FRIENDS/FAMILY	<input type="radio"/> FEAR FOR SAFETY	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
<input type="radio"/> TO FIND HOUSING		

8a. Do you identify as First Nations (with or without status), Métis, or Inuit, or do you have North American Indigenous ancestry? (If yes, please specify.)

<input type="radio"/> YES, FIRST NATIONS	<input type="radio"/> YES, MÉTIS	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
<input type="radio"/> YES, INUIT	<input type="radio"/> YES, INDIGENOUS ANCESTRY	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	

8b. In addition to your response in the question above, do you identify with any of the racial identities listed below? (See attached sheet. Show or read list. Select all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFY AS INDIGENOUS ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> BLACK-AFRO-CARIBBEAN OR AFRO-LATINX (e.g., Jamaican, Haitian, Afro-Brazilian)
<input type="checkbox"/> ARAB (e.g., Syrian, Egyptian, Yemeni)	<input type="checkbox"/> LATIN AMERICAN (e.g., Brazilian, Mexican, Chilean, Cuban)
<input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN-EAST (e.g., Chinese, Korean, Japanese)	<input type="checkbox"/> WHITE (e.g. European, French, Ukrainian, Euro-Latinx)
<input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN- SOUTH-EAST (e.g., Filipino, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Malaysian, Laotian)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT LISTED (PLEASE SPECIFY): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN-SOUTH OR INDO-CARIBBEAN (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Indo-Guyanese, Indo-Trinidadian)	<input type="checkbox"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN-WEST (e.g., Iranian, Afghan)	<input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
<input type="checkbox"/> BLACK-CANADIAN/AMERICAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> BLACK-AFRICAN (e.g., Ghanaian, Ethiopian, Nigerian)	

8c → Which Indigenous community are you from?

<input type="radio"/> COMMUNITY /RESERVE NAME _____	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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9. **Have you ever served in the Canadian Military or RCMP?**

(Military includes Canadian Navy, Army, or Air Force)

<input type="radio"/> YES, MILITARY	<input type="radio"/> BOTH MILITARY AND RCMP	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="radio"/> YES, RCMP	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

10. **As a child or youth, were you ever in foster care or in a youth group home?** (Note: This question applies specifically to child welfare programs.)

<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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10b → **Approximately how long after leaving foster care/group home did you become homeless?**

<input type="radio"/> LENGTH _____ DAYS / WEEKS / MONTHS / YEARS	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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10c → **Do you feel that Child Protection Services was helpful in transitioning you to independence in helping you live on your own after leaving foster care/group home?**

<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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11. **Do you identify as having any of the following health challenges at this time:**

ILLNESS OR MEDICAL CONDITION [e.g. diabetes, arthritis, TB, HIV]	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
PHYSICAL LIMITATION [e.g. challenges with mobility, physical abilities or dexterity]	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
LEARNING OR COGNITIVE LIMITATIONS [e.g. dyslexia, FASD, autism spectrum disorder, or as a result of ADHD or an acquired brain injury]	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE (diagnosed/undiagnosed) [e.g. depression, Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), bipolar disorder]	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
SUBSTANCE USE ISSUE [e.g. Alcohol, Drugs]	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

12. **What gender do you identify with?** (See attached list. Show or read list.)

<input type="radio"/> MAN	<input type="radio"/> TRANS WOMAN	<input type="radio"/> NOT LISTED: _____
<input type="radio"/> WOMAN	<input type="radio"/> TRANS MAN	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="radio"/> TWO-SPIRIT	<input type="radio"/> NON-BINARY (GENDERQUEER)	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

13. **How do you describe your sexual orientation?** (See attached list. Show or read list.)

<input type="radio"/> STRAIGHT/HETEROSEXUAL	<input type="radio"/> BISEXUAL	<input type="radio"/> ASEXUAL	<input type="radio"/> NOT LISTED: _____
<input type="radio"/> GAY	<input type="radio"/> TWO-SPIRIT	<input type="radio"/> QUESTIONING	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW
<input type="radio"/> LESBIAN	<input type="radio"/> PANSEXUAL	<input type="radio"/> QUEER	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

14a. What happened that caused you to lose your housing most recently? “Housing” does not include temporary arrangements (e.g., couch surfing) or shelter stays. (Do not read the options. Check all that apply.) Follow up for the reason if the respondent says “eviction” or that they “chose to leave”.

A: HOUSING AND FINANCIAL ISSUES	B: INTERPERSONAL AND FAMILY ISSUES	C: HEALTH OR CORRECTIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> NOT ENOUGH INCOME FOR HOUSING (E.G. LOST BENEFIT, INCOME, OR JOB)	<input type="checkbox"/> CONFLICT WITH: SPOUSE / PARTNER	<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL HEALTH ISSUE
<input type="checkbox"/> UNFIT/UNSAFE HOUSING CONDITION	<input type="checkbox"/> CONFLICT WITH: PARENT / GUARDIAN	<input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING SOLD OR RENOVATED	<input type="checkbox"/> CONFLICT WITH: OTHER (_____)	<input type="checkbox"/> SUBSTANCE USE ISSUE
<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER MOVED IN	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPERIENCED ABUSE BY: SPOUSE / PARTNER	<input type="checkbox"/> HOSPITALIZATION OR TREATMENT PROGRAM
<input type="checkbox"/> LANDLORD/TENANT CONFLICT	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPERIENCED ABUSE BY: PARENT / GUARDIAN	<input type="checkbox"/> INCARCERATION (JAIL OR PRISON)
<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLAINT (E.G. PETS/NOISE/DAMAGE)	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPERIENCED ABUSE BY: OTHER (_____)	
<input type="checkbox"/> LEFT THE COMMUNITY/RELOCATED	<input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTURE OF FAMILY MEMBER	
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER REASON: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION	
	<input type="checkbox"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

14b. Was your most recent housing loss related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

<input type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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14c. How long ago did that happen (that you lost your housing most recently)? Thinking about your most recent housing loss, how long ago was that? (Best estimate.)

<input type="radio"/> LENGTH _____ DAYS WEEKS MONTHS YEARS	<input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW	<input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER
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15. What are your sources of income? (Reminder: this survey is anonymous. See attached list. Show or read list and check all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/> FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> CHILD AND FAMILY TAX BENEFITS
<input type="checkbox"/> PART TIME EMPLOYMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DISABILITY BENEFIT [Name of PROV. DISABILITY BENEFIT]	<input type="checkbox"/> GST/HST REFUND
<input type="checkbox"/> CASUAL EMPLOYMENT (E.G. CONTRACT WORK)	<input type="checkbox"/> SENIORS BENEFITS (E.G. CPP/OAS/GIS)	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER MONEY FROM A SERVICE AGENCY
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMAL INCOME SOURCES (E.G. BOTTLE RETURNS, PANHANDLING)	<input type="checkbox"/> WELFARE/SOCIAL ASSISTANCE [Prov. Benefit]	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER SOURCE: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> MONEY FROM FAMILY/FRIENDS	<input type="checkbox"/> VETERAN/VAC BENEFITS	<input type="checkbox"/> NO INCOME
		<input type="checkbox"/> DON'T KNOW
		<input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER

C1. In the past year (12 months) have you: (Ask respondents to give their best estimate.)

BEEN TO AN EMERGENCY ROOM	Y ___ N ___	# _____ Times
BEEN HOSPITALIZED	Y ___ N ___	# _____ Times
→ DAYS YOU HAVE SPENT HOSPITALIZED		_____ Days Total
INTERACTED WITH POLICE (e.g., Tickets, arrests, searches)	Y ___ N ___	# _____ Times
BEEN TO PRISON/JAIL	Y ___ N ___	# _____ Times
→ DAYS YOU HAVE SPENT IN PRISON/JAIL		_____ Days Total

C2. Do you want to get into permanent housing?

- YES NO DON'T KNOW DECLINE TO ANSWER

C3. What challenges or problems have you experienced when trying to find housing? (Select all that apply.)

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> LOW INCOME | <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES | <input type="checkbox"/> DISCRIMINATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NO INCOME ASSISTANCE | <input type="checkbox"/> ADDICTION | <input type="checkbox"/> DON'T WANT HOUSING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RENTS TOO HIGH | <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY BREAKDOWN/CONFLICT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> POOR HOUSING CONDITIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> CRIMINAL HISTORY | <input type="checkbox"/> NO BARRIERS TO HOUSING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DOMESTIC VIOLENCE | <input type="checkbox"/> PETS | <input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HEALTH/DISABILITY ISSUES | <input type="checkbox"/> CHILDREN | |

C4. In what language do you feel best able to express yourself?

- ENGLISH NO PREFERENCE DON'T KNOW
 FRENCH NEITHER Other (please specify) _____ DECLINE TO ANSWER

C5. I am going to read a list of services that you may or may not need. Let me know which of these apply to you. Do you have a need for services related to: (Read categories. Select all that apply.)

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> SERIOUS/ONGOING MEDICAL CONDITION | <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL DISABILITY | <input type="checkbox"/> PREGNANCY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADDICTION OR SUBSTANCE USE | <input type="checkbox"/> LEARNING DISABILITY | <input type="checkbox"/> NONE OF THE ABOVE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL HEALTH (<i>Counselling, treatment, etc.</i>) | <input type="checkbox"/> BRAIN INJURY | <input type="checkbox"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER |

L1. What is the highest level of education you completed?

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> (Less than gr 9) | <input type="radio"/> (some college or university, but not completed) | <input type="radio"/> NO FORMAL EDUCATION |
| <input type="radio"/> SOME HIGH SCHOOL | <input type="radio"/> (college diploma or university degree) | <input type="radio"/> DON'T KNOW |
| <input type="radio"/> HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE/GED | <input type="radio"/> GRADUATE DEGREE (E.G., MASTERS, Ph.D.) | <input type="radio"/> DECLINE TO ANSWER |

L2. Have you ever attended a residential school?

- Yes
 No
 Don't Know
 Decline to answer

L2. Did your parents or guardians ever attend a residential school?

- Yes
 No
 Don't Know
 Decline to answer

L3. Are you currently separated from your family due to homelessness?

- Yes
 No
 Don't Know
 Decline to answer

L4. Do you want to move back to your home community?

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know
- Decline to answer

L4b. (If yes) What prevents you from moving back to your community? (Do not read list. Select all that apply.)

- Don't want to move back
- Lack of services
- Rent too high/cost of living
- Poor housing conditions
- Domestic violence
- Health/disability issues
- Mental health issues
- Addictions
- Family breakdown/conflict
- Criminal history/legal issues
- Lack of employment
- Unwelcome in community
- Other _____
- Don't know
- Decline to answer

L5. How satisfied are you with the treatment you receive from community organizations like transitional shelters and drop-in centres?

- Very Satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very Dissatisfied
- Don't Know
- Decline to Answer

L6. Would you like to share anything about your housing situation or experience of homelessness that might help improve services and programs?

End of Survey.

Thank you for completing the survey. Here is a gift card as an additional thank you for your time.

