

2021 Homelessness Enumeration

County of Lambton

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Key Findings

The following information was reported by individuals experiencing homelessness using the Point in Time Count Survey

236



Were experiencing homelessness



10%

Lost their housing due to COVID-19



89

Additional individuals were observed to be experiencing homelessness using an observation tool



30%

Were in provincial foster care as a child or youth



59,458

Total days of homelessness in the previous year



87%

Stayed in a homeless shelter in the last 24 months



187

Had only one episode of homelessness in the last year



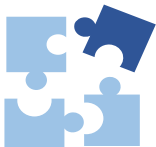
11%

Reported that they were episodically homeless (had 3 or more episodes of homelessness in the last year)



123

Were homeless for the past year



73%

Identified as chronically homeless (experiencing homelessness for 6 or more months within the last year)



11

Families with

26

children and

1

dependent adult



66%

Report high rent as the primary challenge for securing housing

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Where individuals sought shelter

Individuals reported on where they were staying during the enumeration (referred to as the typology of homelessness). Within the typology there are four classifications. Survey results are shown below.



Emergency Shelter
(Homeless shelter, hotel/motel or domestic violence shelter)



Provisionally Accommodated
(In hospital, treatment facility, jail or staying with someone else temporarily {couch surfing}, with no permanent home to return to)



Absolute Homelessness
(public space, street, park, abandoned building, vehicle including car, van, truck, RV)



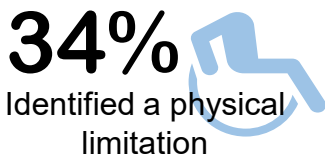
Transitional Housing
(temporary accommodations to bridge people between homelessness & permanent housing)

Risk Factors

The following risk factors were identified by respondents. 79% identified more than one risk factor.



Reported a chronic illness or medical issue



Identified a physical limitation



Reported a learning or cognitive limitation



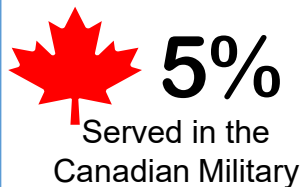
Identified a mental health issue



Reported substance use (includes alcohol, tobacco, opiates, etc.)

Demographics

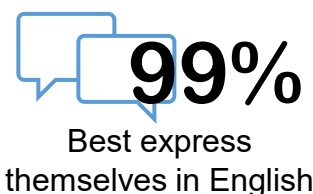
Survey respondents provided socio-demographic information as shown below.



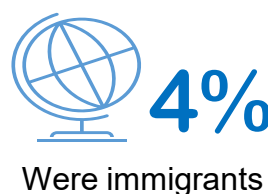
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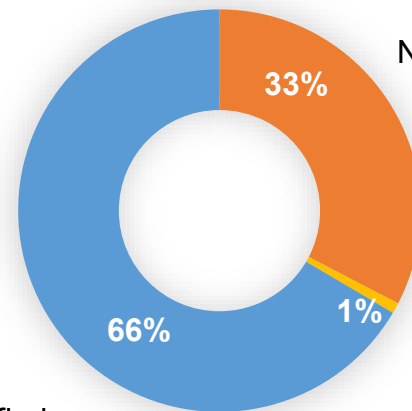
Identified their sexual orientation as Straight



Best express themselves in English



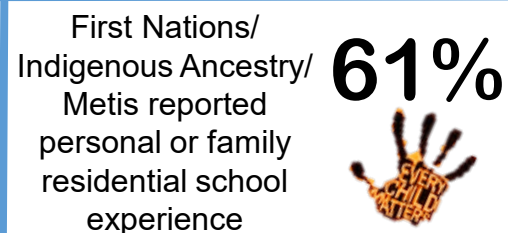
Were immigrants



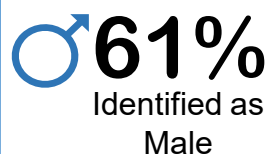
Identified as White

Identified as First Nations/Indigenous Ancestry/Metis

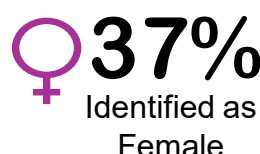
Identified as "Other"



First Nations/Indigenous Ancestry/Metis reported personal or family residential school experience



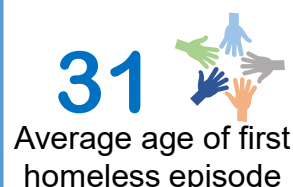
Identified as Male



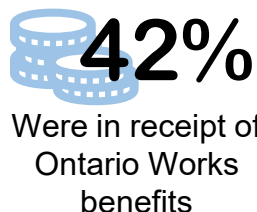
Identified as Female



Average age of individuals



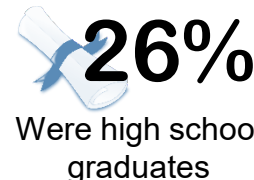
Average age of first homeless episode



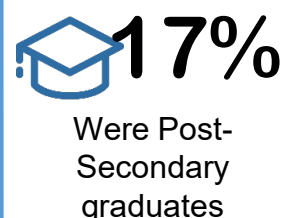
Were in receipt of Ontario Works benefits



Were in receipt of Ontario Disability Support Program benefits



Were high school graduates



Were Post-Secondary graduates