2017 PIT Summary: Boulder County

A Point-in-Time (PIT) count provides a snapshot of homelessness by interviewing those who are homeless at a particular time. The Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) conducted a PIT study of people experiencing homelessness in the seven-county metropolitan area with the help of volunteers, service providers, staff, and outreach workers on Monday January 30, 2017. Of the 4,019 respondents surveyed metro-wide, 480 reported staying in Boulder County on January 30, 2017. Of the 5,116 all homeless reported metro-wide, 600 were reported as staying in Boulder County.

Demographics

Boulder County: Age/Gender (All Homeless)

Age

	Frequency	Percent
Under 18	11	1.8
18-24	60	10.0
25-34	89	14.8
35-44	108	18.0
45-54	123	20.5
55+	89	14.8
Missing	120	20.0
Total	480	100.0
Mean age	41	
Median age	42	

Gender

	Frequency	Percent
Female	192	32.0
Male	400	66.7
Transgender	2	0.3
Don't Identify	1	0.2
Missing	5	0.8
Total	600	100.0

Boulder County: Subpopulations (Respondents)

- Households with children: 52 respondent households (157 total homeless)

- Households without children: 428 respondent households (443 total homeless)

- Newly Homeless: 134 respondent households

- Chronically Homeless: 124 respondent households

- Veterans: 43 respondent households

- Unaccompanied youth: 65 respondent households

A Point-In-Time survey was conducted during the week of January 30th 2017 by MDHI and Metro stakeholders. This overview provides data collected from transitional housing programs in HMIS as well as from the survey itself. *Please note that not all survey questions received responses and chart data may not equal the total numbers for the county.*

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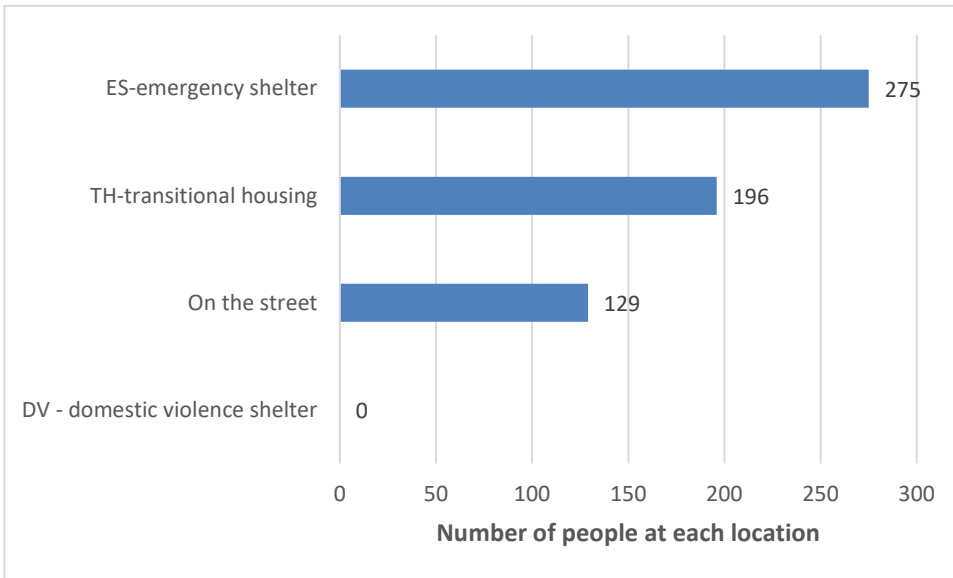
Boulder County: Where they stayed on the night of the PIT (All Homeless)

Boulder County: Episodes/ Duration
(Respondents)
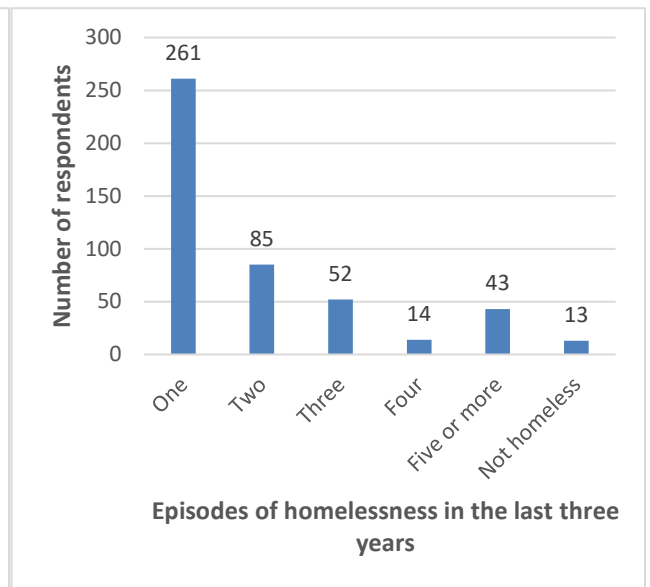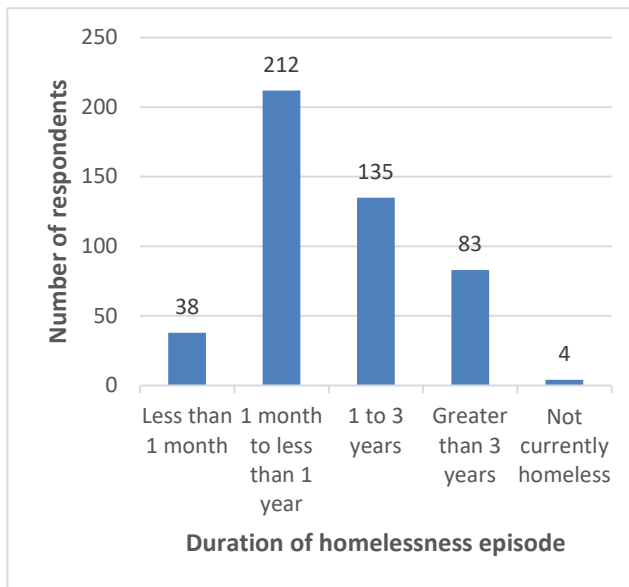
Boulder County – 2017 Point-in-Time County Data

Total Homeless in Boulder County

County spent Monday night	Respondents	All Homeless	% of All Homeless
Boulder	480	600	100.0
Total	480	600	100.0

Gender (All Homeless)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Female	192	32.0	32.3	32.3
	Male	400	66.7	67.2	99.5
	Transgender	2	.3	.3	99.8
	Don't Identify	1	.2	.2	100.0
	Total	595	99.2	100.0	
Missing	System	5	.8		
Total		600	100.0		

Ethnicity (All Homeless)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Non-Hispanic/Latino	421	70.2	75.7	75.7
	Hispanic/Latino	135	22.5	24.3	100.0
	Total	556	92.7	100.0	
Missing	System	44	7.3		
Total		600	100.0		

Race (All Homeless)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	White	408	68.0	78.2	78.2
	Black or African-American	28	4.7	5.4	83.5
	Asian	5	.8	1.0	84.5
	American Indian or Alaska Native	22	3.7	4.2	88.7
	Multiple Races	59	9.8	11.3	100.0
	Total	522	87.0	100.0	
Missing	System	78	13.0		
Total		600	100.0		

Age (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Under 18	11	1.8	2.3	2.3
	18-24	60	10.0	12.5	14.8
	25-34	89	14.8	18.5	33.3
	35-44	108	18.0	22.5	55.8
	45-54	123	20.5	25.6	81.5
	55+	89	14.8	18.5	100.0
	Total	480	80.0	100.0	
Missing	System	120	20.0		
Total		600	100.0		

How long have you been homeless this time? (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Less than 1 month	38	7.9	8.1	8.1
	1 month to less than 1 year	212	44.2	44.9	53.0
	1 to 3 years	135	28.1	28.6	81.6
	Greater than 3 years	83	17.3	17.6	99.2
	I am not currently homeless	4	.8	.8	100.0
	Total	472	98.3	100.0	
Missing	System	8	1.7		
Total		480	100.0		

How many times have you been homeless in the last three years? (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	One	261	54.4	55.8	55.8
	Two	85	17.7	18.2	73.9
	Three	52	10.8	11.1	85.0
	Four	14	2.9	3.0	88.0
	Five or more	43	9.0	9.2	97.2
	Not homeless at any time in the last 3 years	13	2.7	2.8	100.0
	Total	468	97.5	100.0	
Missing	System	12	2.5		
Total		480	100.0		

Where People Stayed on the Night of January 30th (All Homeless)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	ES-emergency shelter	275	45.8	45.8	45.8
	TH-transitional housing	196	32.7	32.7	78.5
	On the street	129	21.5	21.5	100.0
	Total	600	100.0	100.0	

Chronically Homeless (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Not chronically homeless	356	74.2	74.2	74.2
	Chronically homeless	124	25.8	25.8	100.0
	Total	480	100.0	100.0	

Newly Homeless (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Newly Homeless	134	27.9	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	346	72.1		
Total		480	100.0		

In the past month, have you or anyone in your household received money from working? (Respondents)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	307	64.0	67.2	67.2
	No	150	31.2	32.8	100.0
	Total	457	95.2	100.0	
Missing	System	23	4.8		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11.Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Abuse or Violence in the home

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	60	12.5	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	420	87.5		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Alcohol or substance abuse problems

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	94	19.6	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	386	80.4		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Asked to leave

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	93	19.4	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	387	80.6		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Bad Credit

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	70	14.6	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	410	85.4		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Discharged from foster care

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	6	1.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	474	98.8		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11.Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Discharged from jail

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	56	11.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	424	88.3		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Discharged from prison

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	19	4.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	461	96.0		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Family member or personal illness

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	61	12.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	419	87.3		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Legal Problems

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	59	12.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	421	87.7		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Lost job/Couldn't find work

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	129	26.9	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	351	73.1		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Medical Expenses

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	34	7.1	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	446	92.9		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Mental Illness

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	82	17.1	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	398	82.9		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Moved to find work

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	44	9.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	436	90.8		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Problems with Public Benefits

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	42	8.8	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	438	91.3		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Reasons related to my sexual orientation

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	4	.8	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	476	99.2		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Relationship problems or family break-up

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	116	24.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	364	75.8		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Unable to pay utilities

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	50	10.4	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	430	89.6		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Unable to pay rent/mortgage

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	152	31.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	328	68.3		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? – Doesn't apply to me

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Selected	17	3.5	100.0	100.0
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	463	96.5		
Total		480	100.0		

Q11. Reasons/contributing factors for homeless/experiencing housing instability? - Other

		Frequency	Percent
Missing	Not Selected/Missing	480	100.0