

Washington County, Oregon
POINT-IN-TIME HOMELESS COUNT
(January 2011)

Since 2003, HUD has required continuums across our nation to report the number of people who are homeless at a particular time of the year (in the last seven days of January). The annual homeless count facilitates the need for continuums to collect data and report on the number of homeless. The data is used for (1) housing and service planning, (2) demonstrating need, (3) raising public awareness, (4) accurately identifying the needs population, e.g. chronically homeless, and (5) measuring performance in reducing/ending homelessness.

The Washington County homeless count data includes those persons counted at a point-in-time on January 26, 2011, who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence and includes persons who:

- a) are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;*
- b) are living in motel/hotel, emergency shelter, transitional and Safe Haven beds;*
- c) are unsheltered (living in car, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, bus or train stations, or similar settings, etc.);*
- d) are persons temporarily in an institution (e.g. – jail or hospital) and came from or will return to one of the above situations.*

To ensure non-duplication of persons interviewed during the homeless count, a unique identifier code system was developed. Homeless persons interviewed during the January street count and those persons residing in shelter, transitional, and institutional beds were entered into the county's HMIS (Homeless Management Information System). The outcomes demonstrated by this process ensured non-duplication of persons counted, created efficiencies for emergency shelter, transitional and Safe Haven housing providers using existing client data in HMIS, and will provide accuracy of data at the local and state reporting levels.

HEARTH Act and Federal Strategic Plan

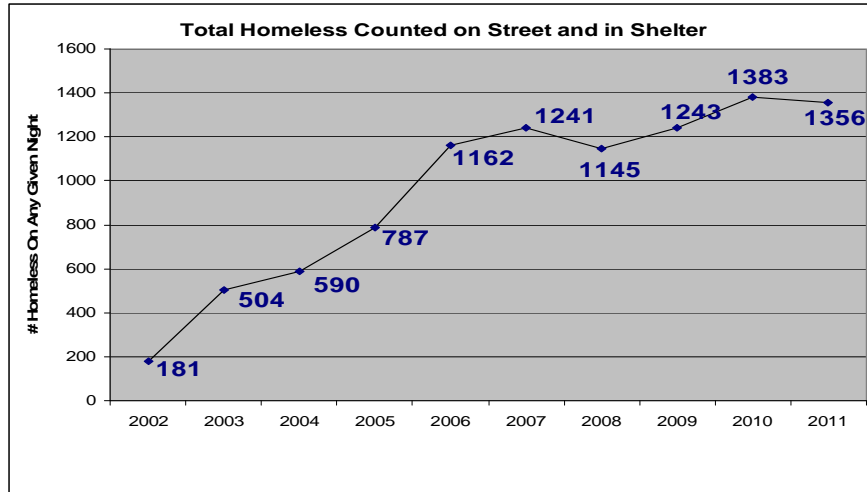
Signed into law on May 20, 2009, the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act reauthorizes the McKinney-Vento Act to:

- Amend the definition of homelessness to broaden the population of persons who can be served by federally funded homeless assistance programs;
- Replace the Emergency Shelter Grant with a new Emergency Solutions Grant that provides flexible funding to include prevention of homelessness;
- Codify the Continuum of Care (CoC) model that has been administered by HUD;
- Legislate high standards of data reporting and performance measures.

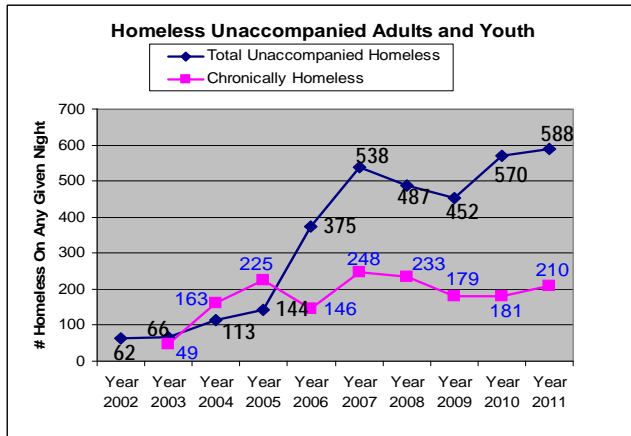
On June 22, 2010, the first-ever federal plan addressing efforts to prevent and end homelessness was released. *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*, aligns with the HEARTH Act and is the roadmap for joint action by the 19-member U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness along with local and state partners in the public and private sectors. It will provide a reference framework for the allocation of resources and the alignment of programs to achieve our goal to prevent and end homelessness in America. To view a copy of the FSP visit http://www.ich.gov/PDF/OpeningDoors_2010_FSPPreventEndHomeless.pdf

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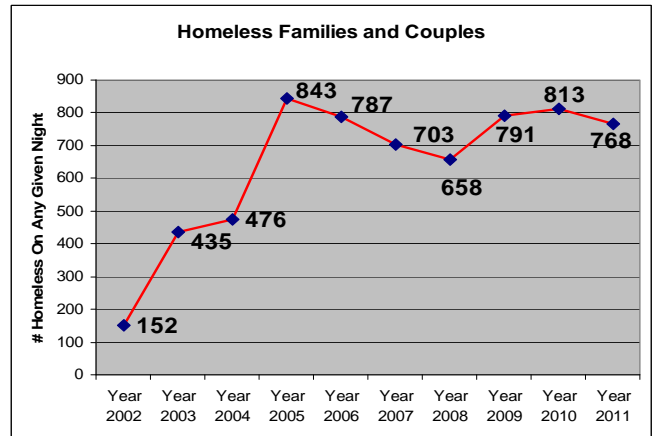
Homeless trends in Washington County, Oregon.



* Total homeless population includes 902 Adults and 454 Children \leq 17 years.



* Chronically homeless comprise 36% of unaccompanied homeless population.



* Persons in family households comprise 57% of the homeless population.

- **Unsheltered Homeless vs. Sheltered Homeless Persons**

- 1,156 persons are unsheltered¹
- 200 persons are in shelter/transitional/safe haven beds

- **Total Homeless Households²: 838 (741 households unsheltered)**

- 250 family households with children and couples without children
- 33 unaccompanied homeless youth \leq 17 years households
- 555 unaccompanied adult 18+ years households

¹ *Unsheltered Persons* include those persons living in places not meant for human habitation.

² *Household* is defined as one or more persons present together.

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Demographics on unsheltered homeless households in Washington County are recorded during street outreach interviews. This data excludes homeless households residing in emergency shelters, transitional and Safe Haven housing programs. Refer to the **Geographic Indicators and Boundaries** document prepared by Community Action for a descriptive narrative of geographic areas.

Overall Unsheltered Households by Geographic Region (Geo-Code 1 to 10)	2011	2010
Total Households:	741	740
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	2	16
Unaccompanied Youth	30	14
Single Adult	513	512
Couple without Children	16	29
One Parent Family with Children	123	124
Two Parent Family with Children	57	45

Demographics of Unsheltered Homeless Households by Geographic Region.

North Beaverton (Geo-Code 1)	2011	2010
Total Households:	96	59
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	3
Unaccompanied Youth	5	2
Single Adult	65	38
Couple without Children	1	1
One Parent Family with Children	17	9
Two Parent Family with Children	8	6

South Beaverton (Geo-Code 2)	2011	2010
Total Households:	102	85
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	1	2
Unaccompanied Youth	11	2
Single Adult	63	56
Couple without Children	2	4
One Parent Family with Children	18	12
Two Parent Family with Children	7	9

Demographics of Unsheltered Homeless Households – Continued.

Hillsboro (Geo-Code 3)	2011	2010
Total Households:	264	352
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	1	10
Unaccompanied Youth	8	3
Single Adult	202	242
Couple without Children	6	11
One Parent Family with Children	34	68
Two Parent Family with Children	13	18

Forest Grove/Cornelius (Geo-Code 4)	2011	2010
Total Households:	52	51
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	2	2
Single Adult	27	35
Couple without Children	2	5
One Parent Family with Children	14	7
Two Parent Family with Children	7	2

Tigard (Geo-Code 5)	2011	2010
Total Households:	50	40
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	45	38
Couple without Children	2	1
One Parent Family with Children	3	1
Two Parent Family with Children	0	0

Tualatin/Sherwood (Geo-Code 6)	2011	2010
Total Households:	65	51
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	2
Single Adult	24	21
Couple without Children	0	4
One Parent Family with Children	26	15
Two Parent Family with Children	15	9

Rural Areas South of Hillsboro, Cornelius, Forest Grove (Geo-Code 7)	2011	2010
Total Households:	7	8
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	7	3
Couple without Children	0	0
One Parent Family with Children	0	4
Two Parent Family with Children	0	1

Demographics of Unsheltered Homeless Households – Continued.

NW Rural Area near Hagg Lake (Geo-Code 8)	2011	2010
Total Households:	5	29
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	4	27
Couple without Children	0	1
One Parent Family with Children	1	1
Two Parent Family with Children	0	0

NW Rural Area - Glenwood/Timber (Geo-Code 9)	2011	2010
Total Households:	2	0
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	1	0
Couple without Children	0	0
One Parent Family with Children	0	0
Two Parent Family with Children	1	0

N Rural Area - Banks/North Plains/Helvetia (Geo-Code 10)	2011	2010
Total Households:	9	0
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	1	0
Single Adult	6	0
Couple without Children	0	0
One Parent Family with Children	1	0
Two Parent Family with Children	1	0

Unknown/Not Reported Geo-Code³	2011	2010
Total Households:	89	65
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	1
Unaccompanied Youth	3	3
Single Adult	69	52
Couple without Children	3	2
One Parent Family with Children	9	7
Two Parent Family with Children	5	0

³ **Unknown/Not Reported Geo-Code** indicates the person completing the homeless interview form did not identify the location in which the interview occurred.

The following homeless households are reported in the Geo-Code data referenced above:

Veterans	2011	2010
Total Households:	69	94
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	63	72
Couple without Children	3	10
One Parent Family with Children	2	10
Two Parent Family with Children	1	2

Community Corrections Center	2011	2010
Total Households:	17	14
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	17	11
Couple without Children	0	1
One Parent Family with Children	0	2
Two Parent Family with Children	0	0

Washington County Jail	2011	2010
Total Households:	88	65
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0
Single Adult	87	60
Couple without Children	0	4
One Parent Family with Children	1	1
Two Parent Family with Children	0	0

One Night Shelter Count Geographic Incidators & Boundries

- **Area # 1 Beaverton-North**

North Boundry-West Union/Springville Rd (including rural area north to WashCo boundry)

South Boundry-Farmington Rd./Beaverton-Hillsdale

East Boundry-Scholls Ferry & Beaverton Hillsdale, north to Barnes Rd.

West Boundry-Cornelius Pass Rd-TV Highway, north to top of Cornelius Pass. 209th Avenue, TV Hwy, south to Farmington Rd.

- **Area # 2 Beaverton-South**

North Boundry- Farmington Rd./Beaverton-Hillsdale

South Boundry- Scolls Ferry Rd, East from Tile Flat Rd to Hwy 217 intersection. 217 south to I-5

East Boundry-62 and Avenue, north from 217/I-5 intersection, to Beaverton-Hillsdale

West Boundry-Grabhorn Rd, from Farmington Rd, south to become Tile Flat Rd, south to Scholl's Ferry Rd.

- **Area # 3 Hillsboro**

North Boundry-Entire Area between Cornelius Pass Rd. & Glencoe Rd. ---Including North Plains---Peak Ridge of West Hills from Dixie Mountain Rd, to top of Cornelius Pass

South Boundry-Farmington Rd, between Hwy 219 in the west, to 209th in the east

East Boundry-209th/Cornelius Pass Rd

West Boundry-Hwy 219 from Farmington Rd, north to Dairy Creek crossing, then Dairy Creek north to Evergreen Rd & Glencoe Rd intersection, then Glencoe Rd.

- **Area # 4 Forest Grove/Cornelius**

Any areas between Dairy Creek, and west to the rural area west of Forest Grove. Area # 4 includes town of Banks & town of Buxton.

- **Area # 5 Tigard**

North Boundry- Scolls Ferry Rd to 217 & I-5

South Boundry-Tualatin-Sherwood Rd

East Boundry-I-5

West Boundry-Roy Rogers Rd

- **Area # 6 Tualatin-Sherwood**

All area south of Tualatin-Sherwood Rd.

- **Area # 7 Rural Areas south of Hillsboro, Cornelius, and Forest Grove**

- **Area # 8 Rural Area around Hagg Lake**

- **Area # 9 Glenwood-Timber**

- **Area # 10 Buxton, Banks, North Plains, and Helvetia**

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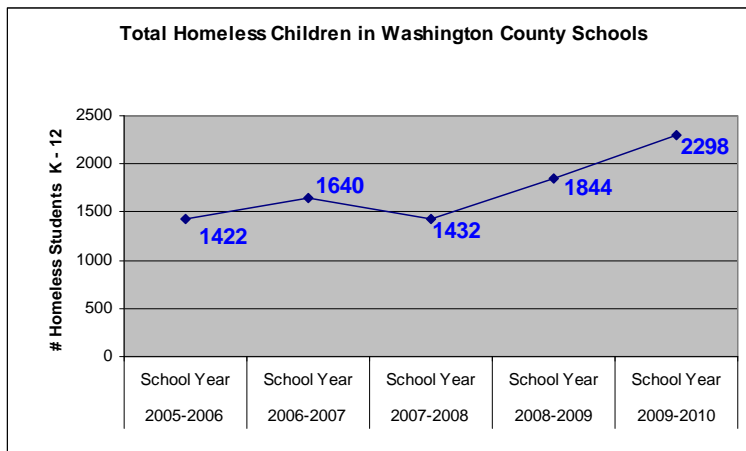
HOMELESS STUDENTS IN GRADES K - 12

(Oregon Department of Education)

The Education for Homeless Children and Youth (EHCY) program is part of the No Child Left Behind Act and is more commonly called “the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program”. Each school district is required to have a McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison to assist children and youth experiencing homelessness to enroll in, attend, and succeed in school. Liaisons ensure students are enrolled in school, have the supplies they need and provide referrals to the community services for shelter, health care and counseling. This effort includes data reporting to state and federal officials.

As provided by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Student Liaison, the data below reflects those homeless children and youth (Kindergarten through 12 grade) who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, and includes children and youth who:

- a) are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason*
- b) are living in a motel*
- c) are living in a shelter*
- d) are unsheltered (living in car, tent, etc.)*
- e) are inadequately housed (lacking heat, water, electricity; overcrowded)*
- f) are unaccompanied youth (homeless and not in custody of legal guardian)*



* Source: Oregon Department of Education, September 2010

School District	2006-2007 School Year	2007-2008 School Year	2008-2009 School Year	2009-2010 School Year	% Increase 4 Year Period
	1,640	1,432	1,844	2,298	
Banks	2	0	5	2	0%
Beaverton	1,093	973	1,114	1,580	45%
Forest Grove	75	66	104	146	95%
Gaston	7	8	13	14	100%
Hillsboro	387	310	403	403	4%
Sherwood	18	34	35	60	233%
Tigard-Tualatin	58	41	170	93	60%

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I. Homelessness as a % of District total Student Enrollment

School District	2008-2009 School Year – Total Enrollment	2008-2009 School Year (Homeless)	% Homeless	2009-2010 School Year – Total Enrollment	2009-2010 School Year (Homeless)	% Homeless
	83,085	1,844		83,961	2,298	
Banks	1,189	5	.4%	1,190	2	.17%
Beaverton	37,567	1,114	3.0%	37,950	1,580	4.16%
Forest Grove	5,857	104	1.8%	6,195	146	2.36%
Gaston	462	13	2.8%	478	14	2.93%
Hillsboro	20,000	403	2.0%	20,714	403	1.95%
Sherwood	5,415	35	.6%	4,748	60	1.26%
Tigard-Tualatin	12,595	170	1.3%	12,686	93	.73%

II. Tri-County Comparison

County	2008-2009 School Year	2009-2010 School Year	% Increase or Decrease
Clackamas	1,072	1,283	20%
Washington	1,844	2,298	25%
Multnomah	3,137	2,897	-8%

III. Top Five School Districts in Oregon Reporting Largest Number of Homeless Students

School District Highest Homeless Student Counts	2009 - 2010 Homeless Student Count: Hi to Low
1. Beaverton	1,580
2. Medford	1,139
3. Portland	1,043
4. Salem-Keizer	822
5. Bend-LaPine	799

IV. Number of Homeless Students in Oregon by School Year

2003-04	8,143
2004-05	11,294
2005-06	13,159
2006-07	15,517
2007-08	15,859
2008-09	18,051
2009-10	19,040

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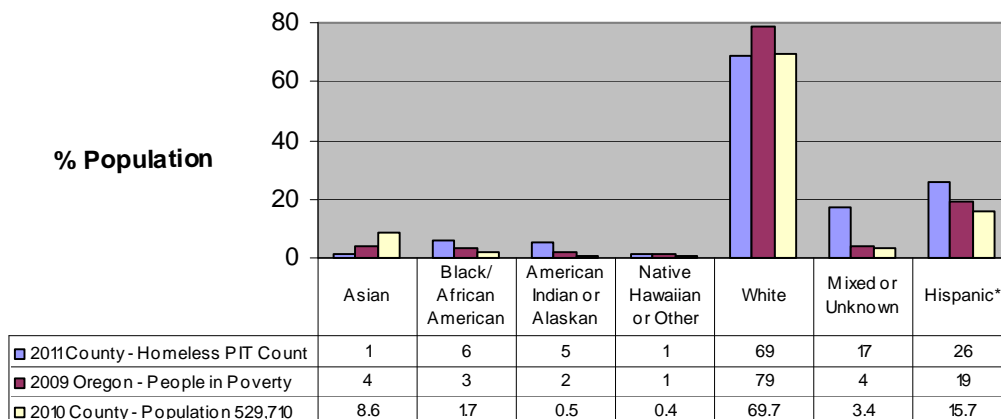
HOMELESS POPULATION ETHNICITY

(January)

The diversity of Washington County is reflected in the diversity of our homeless population. The reasons for homelessness include many socioeconomic factors relating to poverty and the economic recession to include inability to pay rent/mortgage, unemployed and under-employed, domestic violence, drug and alcohol addictions, mental health, criminal history, etc.

The primary reasons for homelessness reported in the 2011 homeless count include 54% *Couldn't Afford Rent* (455 households as compared to 340 households in 2010), and 52% *Unemployed/Under-employed* (433 households as compared to 412 households in 2010).⁴

Washington County Diversity Race and Ethnicity



* Sources: Washington County Point-In-Time Homeless Count, January 2011
 2010 Profiles of Hunger and Poverty in Oregon published by the Oregon Food Bank, 2009 ACS Data
 U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census Data

Profile of Washington County's Low-Income Community

- The 2011 poverty level for a family of three is \$18,530 annually, yet a single parent working full time earning minimum wage has an annual income of \$17,680.
- For a family of three to be self-sufficient, they must have an annual income of \$67,788, which is 273% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).
- For a family of three to afford a 2 bedroom apartment in Washington County at the 2011 Fair Market Rate, the household must have an annual income of \$43,344 which is 195% of the FPL.
- In 2009, more than 1 in 4 households (29%) living below the FPL had at least one working member.
- In 2010, 46% of households accessing emergency assistance from Community Action had at least one working member at the time of assistance.
- Entry into poverty often follows an event such as loss of employment, onset of a disability, incarceration, change from a two adult household to a single-head of household or entry of a child under the age of six into the household.

"2011 Washington County Issues of Poverty" by Community Action www.communityaction4u.org

⁴ *Causes of Homelessness- Households can report more than one reason for cause of homelessness.*