The 2023 Homeless Point-in-Time (PIT) Count identified a 4% increase in the total number of people observed experiencing homelessness on a given night in Contra Costa County since 2020. This is a modest increase given California’s ongoing housing crisis, the impact COVID-19 had on housing stability and resources, and the continued economic challenges.

Contra Costa is dedicated to increasing capacity for interim and permanent housing with new grants directed at increasing prevention programming and housing opportunities.

2,372 people experiencing homelessness on a given night in Contra Costa County

- 1,911 households
- 4% increase from 2020 to 2023

### SHELTERED AND UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS

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#### 2023 SHELTER STATUS:

- **70%** Unsheltered (n=1,653)
- **30%** Sheltered (n=719)

### AGE

- **7%** Under 18
- **5%** 18 to 24
- **59%** 25 to 54
- **29%** 55 and older

### RACE

- **51%** White
- **30%** Black/African American
- **9%** American Indian/Alaskan Native
- **<6%** All other Races made-up 5% or less

### ETHNICITY

- **24%** Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(e)(x)

2023 HUD data standards require that race and ethnicity data is captured separately.

### GENDER

- **63%** Male
- **36%** Female
- **<1%** Transgender or Non-Binary

### HOUSEHOLD BREAKDOWN

- **67%** chronically homeless
- **4%** veterans

#### Adult-only Households

- made up 95% of households
- 4% decrease since 2020

#### Households with Children

- made up 5% of households
- 12% increase since 2020

### 2023 UNSHELTERED OBSERVATIONS

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Cities with fewer than 5 observed unsheltered individuals are not included in this table.
The following data represent self-reported personal circumstances that contributed to homelessness and do not address the social and community conditions that are strongly correlated to homelessness.

**AGE FIRST EXPERIENCED HOMELESSNESS***

- Under 18: 27%
- 18-24: 47%
- 25-49: 12%
- 50 or older: 13%

13% of adults had been in foster care

12% of adults had spent 1+ nights in jail/prison in the past year

12% of adults had spent less than a year in jail/prison in the past year

**LEGAL SYSTEM INVOLVED**

- Eviction/foreclosure: 31%

**FOSTER CARE**

- 13%

**SLEEP SETTINGS ON THE NIGHT OF THE COUNT**

- Emergency or transitional housing: 30%
- Sheltered: 43%
- Unsheltered: 12%
- Outdoors/tent: 11%
- Recreational vehicle: 1%
- Car: 4%
- Van: 4%

**SELF-REPORTED HEALTH CONDITIONS +**

- 83% of households had at least one member with a disabling condition

- Chronic health condition (51%)
- Substance use disorder (51%)
- Mental health condition (49%)
- Physical disability (42%)
- Fleeing domestic violence (19%)
- HIV/AIDS related illness (2%)

**SELF-REPORTED CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED TO HOMELESSNESS Δ + +**

- 41% Substance use disorder
- 27% Employment loss
- 25% Eviction/foreclosure
- 24% Mental health condition
- 22% Unable to stay with family/friends
- 16% Divorce or separation

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY***

- Less than a year: 3%
- 1 to 4 years: 9%
- 5 to 9 years: 11%
- 10 years or more: 77%

**METHODOLOGY**

- The 2023 PIT Count methodology followed the Housing and Urban Development's guidelines for a "night of" observational count followed by a random sample survey to gather demographic data and homeless experience.
- A household falls under chronic homelessness if the head-of-household has a disabling condition and has been homeless for 12 months or more in the last year or 12 months or more over four or more episodes during the last three years.
- Unaccompanied youth (<18), and unaccompanied young adults (18 to 24) are youth who do not live with a parent or guardian.

Δ Only display top responses
* Responses represent only unsheltered respondents
+ Multiple response question, results do not add up to 100%

For more information about Contra Costa County's Homeless Continuum of Care, please visit cchealth.org/h3/coc.