

# NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY POINT-IN-TIME COUNT 2022



The Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is an annual one-night count of people experiencing literal homelessness, specifically as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This total count includes:



Persons in **sheltered situations** (emergency shelters, transitional housing and Safe Haven beds that are dedicated to serving persons experiencing homelessness).



Persons in **unsheltered situations** (staying on the street, in encampments, in cars, etc.).

*This count does not include people who are doubled up with friends or family, couch surfing, living in motels or people staying in institutions such as jails or hospitals on the night of the Count but were experiencing homelessness prior to entry or admission.*

## 1,916 PEOPLE

were identified as **experiencing homelessness** in Nashville on the night of Jan. 27, 2022:

- **634** unsheltered persons
- **1,282** sheltered persons

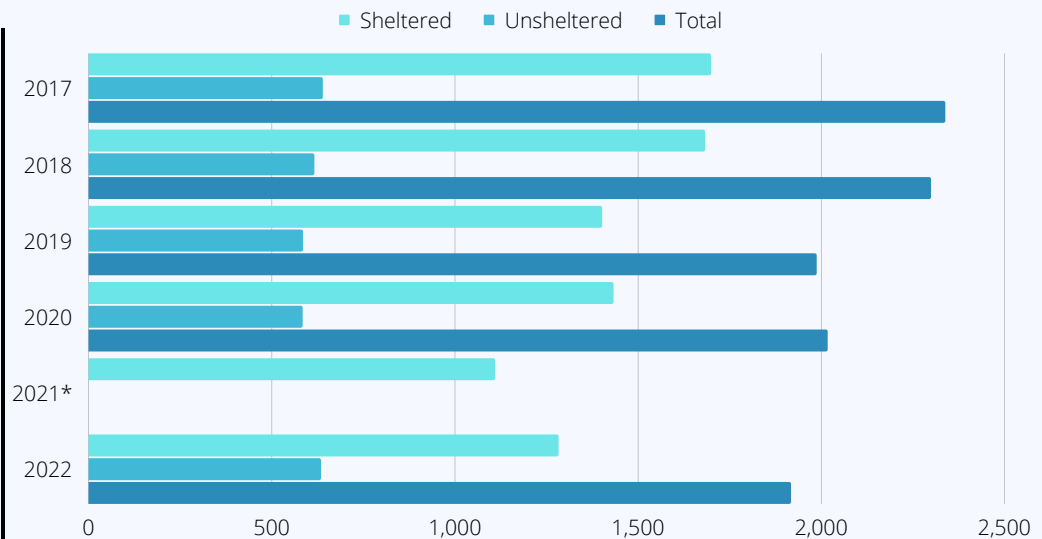
**50**

more  
unsheltered  
people

**150**

fewer  
sheltered  
people

than in 2020 - a **5%** decrease in the total PIT Count since January 2020.



\* The unsheltered count was not conducted in January 2021 due to ongoing public health concerns due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Shelter capacity was down in 2021 due to social distancing protocols.

## 96% of households

(1,543 households/1,693 people) identified on the night of the Count were single individuals or adult-only households. Sixty-five households (224 people) were households with at least one adult and one child.



Most unsheltered people (57%) were staying in encampments, followed by people staying on streets, sidewalks, benches or doorways (21%).



16% of people surveyed living unsheltered reported having pets with them.



12% of unsheltered people surveyed identified the COVID-19 pandemic as the primary cause of this episode of homelessness.



48% of unsheltered people surveyed reported serious mental illness, and 39% reported substance use disorder.



12% of unsheltered people surveyed reported fleeing domestic or interpersonal violence.



52% of unsheltered people surveyed are experiencing chronic homelessness.

## Of the total Count:



**71%**

are men



**42%**

are Black or African American



**5%**

are Hispanic