

Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity

2014 Emergency Shelter One-Night Count

The Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity conducts an annual survey of Vermont's homeless shelters and services providers. Known as the one-night shelter count, the survey provides a snapshot into shelter utilization and the demographics of persons who are homeless in Vermont. Data are reported by all emergency shelters and transitional living programs receiving funding through the Emergency Shelter/Solutions Grant (ESG) program.

The following tables provide summary demographic information on persons who stayed in Emergency or Transitional Housing on that evening.

The final page provides trends from the One Night Census Count over the past five years.

Emergency Shelter

On December 3, 2014 there were **425** persons staying in ESG-funded homeless shelters.

Gender*		Ages	
Female	Male	Adults (18+)	Children
210	215	322	103

Age Breakdown				
0 - 5 years	6 - 17	18 - 24	25-61	62 or older
56	47	50	260	12

Household Type				
Single Person	1 Parent (Female)	1 Parent (Male)	2 Parent Household	Couple (No Children)
229	46	5	15	5

- **Almost half (44%) of all people staying in a homeless shelter were families with children**
 - 60% of these families received income from Reach-Up
 - 35% of these families were staying in a domestic violence shelter
- **9% (37)** of those in shelter were unaccompanied youth (24 years & younger)
- **1 in 4 (25.4%)** of shelter residents were identified as having a disability; 58 (19%) of households received disability income.
- **85% (232)** of those age 25 years or older had only a high school degree or less.
- **77 (26%)** had income from employment.
- **18** identified themselves as veterans (6% of adults).
- **58 (13.6%)** were without health insurance.
- The average length of stay of persons in shelter is: **36 Days***
- **45** had stayed at another shelter this year.

*Average length of stay data is taken from the 2014 Emergency Solutions Grant program annual report.

Transitional Housing

On December 3, 2014, there were **212** persons living in transitional programs run by OEO grantees.

Gender

Female	Male
95	115

Ages

Adults	Children
138	74

Age Breakdown

0 - 5 years	6 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 61	62 or older
38	36	28	100	10

Household Type

Single Person	1 Parent (Female)	1 Parent (Male)	2 Parent Household	Couple (No Children)
83	32	1	9	2

- **30% (65)** transitional housing participants were identified as having a disability.
- **10% (31)** identified themselves as veterans.
- **44% of households (56)** had income from employment.
- **57% (25) of families** with children received income from Reach Up.
- **91% (100)** of adults age 25 years or older had only a high school degree or less.
- **4** people were without health insurance.
- **34** people had previously stayed at shelter this year.

Vermont One Night Emergency Shelter Counts - Five Year Trends

OEO One-Night Counts - Emergency Shelter

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total	382	438	344	368	425
Children	121	129	93	97	103
% children	31.7%	29.5%	27.0%	26.4%	24.2%
ages 0-5	59	70	52	50	56
ages 6-17	62	59	41	44	47
Adults	261	309	251	271	322
Male	204	228	159	186	215
Female	178	210	185	179	210

OEO One-Night Counts - Transitional Housing

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total	146	202	233	265	212
Children	54	58	49	102	74
% children	37.0%	28.7%	21.0%	38.5%	34.9%
ages 0-5	20	28	23	47	38
ages 6-17	34	30	26	55	36
Adults	92	144	184	163	138
Male	78	114	122	141	115
Female	68	88	111	124	95

OEO One-Night Counts - Data Combined

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total	528	640	577	633	637
Children	175	187	142	199	177
% children	33.1%	29.2%	24.6%	31.4%	27.8%
ages 0-5	79	98	75	97	94
ages 6-17	96	89	67	99	83
Adults	353	453	435	434	460
Male	282	342	281	327	330
Female	246	298	296	303	305

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