

2019 Butte County Point in Time Data Summary: Chico

>> DEMOGRAPHICS



- 59% Male, 40% Female, 1% Don't Know, >0% Trans or Gender Non-Conforming
- 93% Straight, 4% Bisexual, 1% Lesbian or Gay, 1% Other, 1% Don't Know

| Household Type | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Single Adults No Children | 87% |
| Adults With Children | 11% |
| Children Without Adults | 2% |

- 864 individuals experiencing homelessness
- 16% are chronically homeless

| Age Range | |
|-----------|-----|
| Under 5 | 4% |
| 5 to 12 | 2% |
| 13-17 | 2% |
| 18-24 | 7% |
| 25-34 | 21% |
| 35-44 | 21% |
| 45-54 | 21% |
| 55-61 | 13% |
| 62+ | 9% |

| Ethnicity | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Hispanic/Latino | 13% |
| Non-Hispanic/Latino | 81% |
| Don't Know | 6% |

| Race | |
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| American Indian or Alaskan Native | 10% |
| Asian | 1% |
| Black/African American | 4% |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 2% |
| White | 74% |
| Other | 6% |
| Don't Know | 3% |

>> NIGHTTIME HABITATION

| If sheltered, by which organization? | |
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| Torres Shelter | 51% |
| Jesus Center | 22% |
| CAA - Community Action | 21% |
| Catalyst | 4% |
| Youth for Change | 1% |

| If unsheltered, where do you sleep? | |
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| Street or sidewalk | 43% |
| With a friend or family in their house/apartment | 16% |
| Park | 15% |
| Under bridge/overpass | 10% |
| Outdoor encampment | 8% |
| Other | 5% |
| Bus, train station, airport | 2% |
| Motel/hotel - paid for with my own funds | 1% |

66%
unsheltered



- 571 unsheltered, 293 sheltered
- 48% reported this was their first time they've experienced homelessness
- 84% lived in Butte County when they lost their housing

>> HEALTH

- 47% reported having a chronic health disability
- 15% reported having a developmental disability
- 44% reported having a mental health disability
- 39% reported having a physical disability
- 45% reported substance abuse
- 54% reported being vaccinated against Hep A
- 85% reported having health insurance
- 32% reported having disability benefits
- 1% reported living with HIV/AIDS

In the last year how many total days have you spent in the hospital?

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| 0 | 56% |
| 1 to 2 | 13% |
| 3 to 6 | 12% |
| 7 to 11 | 7% |
| 12+ | 12% |

In the last year how many times have you gone to the emergency room?

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| 0 | 37% |
| 1 to 2 | 33% |
| 3 to 6 | 22% |
| 7 to 11 | 4% |
| 12+ | 4% |

>> SPECIAL POPULATIONS

> HOMELESS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS



- 12% reported being a survivor of domestic violence
- 49% of survivors reported being unsheltered
- 30% of survivors are chronically homeless
- 78% of survivors are women

> HOMELESS VETERANS

- 8% reported being a Veteran
- 78% of veterans reported being unsheltered
- 22% of veterans are chronically homeless
- 56% of veterans reported a chronic health disability
- 42% of veterans reported being Camp Fire survivors

> HOMELESS YOUTH

- 50% of youth from 0 to 24 years old are unsheltered
- 9% of youth from 0 to 24 years old identify as LGBT

Breakout Data

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| Unaccompanied Youth (younger than 18) | 13 |
| Transitional Age Youth (18-24) | 52 |
| Parenting Transitional Age Youth (18-24) | 5 |
| Children of Parenting Youth | 6 |

>> LOCAL ISSUES



- 47% of survey participants have been approached by law enforcement because of laws about sitting, lying, camping, storing property, and other public actions which impact people who are experiencing homelessness. The result of those interactions were 43% warned, 30% asked to move along, 10% ticketed, 6% arrested, 5% nothing, 2% property seized, 2% incarcerated, and 2% other. When those who were approached by law enforcement were asked to identify the agency, 82% reported city or town police, 10% county sheriff, 5% park ranger, 1% parole officer, and 2% other.

- 31% of all people experiencing homelessness in Chico reported being survivors of the Camp Fire and lived in Camp Fire affected areas. 80% of Camp Fire survivors experiencing homelessness in Chico are unsheltered—38% of those report sleeping with a friend or family in their house or apartment, 30% on the street or sidewalk, 14% in the park, 8% in an outdoor encampment, 5% under a bridge/ overpass, and 5% other. Data shared with the CoC from FEMA indicated 993 survivors of the Camp Fire living in temporary FEMA housing on the day of the PIT count. The specific location of the temporary housing was not available to include in city summary level data.

What is your biggest challenge in ending your homeless situation? (choose all that apply)

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| Finding affordable housing | 23% |
| No money for rent | 13% |
| Finding a job | 13% |
| No money for deposit | 11% |
| Poor/No credit | 9% |
| Rental history | 7% |
| Substance use | 4% |
| Managing my mental health | 3% |
| Finding services to help me | 3% |
| Criminal history | 2% |
| Other | 3% |
| Transportation to services | 2% |
| Lack of an ID Card | 2% |
| Pets | 1% |
| Age discrimination | 1% |
| Nothing, I prefer to be homeless | 1% |
| Racial Discrimination | 1% |
| Sexual orientation or gender identity discrimination | 0% |

How often do you find yourself without access to a bathroom to relieve yourself?

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| Daily, During both day and night hours | 39% |
| Daily, Only during night hours | 7% |
| Weekly | 4% |
| Monthly | 1% |
| Rarely | 14% |
| Never | 34% |

Which one of these services would you find most useful for you to use in the next year?

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| Safe Personal Storage | 32% |
| Mobile Shower (available weekly) | 22% |
| Life Coach/Case Manager/Mentor | 19% |
| Other: (Varied write in responses) | 13% |
| Mobile Medical Van | 9% |
| Detox Center | 4% |
| Safe Medicine Storage | 1% |

How long have you lived in Butte County?

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|--|-----|
| Less than one month | 1% |
| More than a month but less than a year | 11% |
| 1-2 years | 9% |
| 3-5 years | 15% |
| 6-9 years | 7% |
| 10- 19 years | 18% |
| 20+ years | 39% |