

2019 Butte County Point in Time Data Tables: Oroville

The primary quantitative data source on homelessness is the CoC Point-in-Time Survey (PIT) that was most recently conducted in March 2019. The survey included questions about demographics, sleeping location, residency, length of time homeless and certain disabling conditions. It is recognized nationally that PIT efforts and the resulting data generally undercounts the number of individuals experiencing homelessness, simply due to the challenges of having enough community volunteers, finding those who are unsheltered on any given day, and their willingness to participate. In addition, not every question was necessarily answered by those who were counted. Sometimes, volunteers only complete a “tally” sheet when they observe someone who appears to be homeless, but do not engage the individual in the completion of a survey. Also, not all individuals necessarily feel comfortable answering all the questions, or the volunteer may be unable to finish a survey for a variety of reasons. Where such data gaps exist, in some cases, the preponderance of responses provide a fair picture of homelessness, given the community’s demographics. Missing or refused responses were omitted from final tables, and for some questions, respondents were able to check more than one answer, thus denominators on each table are not consistent. These data act as a general representation of the population when statistical significance is found.

The data set was audited to ensure data integrity and remove anomalies. Individual survey responses were removed if the participant indicated that they had completed the survey already or if they indicated they were living in permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing, as they don’t meet the definition of homeless for the survey tool used.

>>SURVEY TYPES

Survey Type by Sheltering Status	Total	Percent
Unsheltered Homeless Survey	333	80%
Sheltered Homeless Survey	6	1%
Homeless Observation Tally	76	18%
Total	415	100%

Survey Type by Household Makeup	Total	Percent
Individual Only	338	81%
Households With More Than One Person	77	19%
Total	415	100%

Household Type	Total	Percent
Single Adults No Children	387	97%
Adults With Children	14	3%
Children Without Adults	0	0%
Total	401*	100%

*Visual tallies were used in data collection and are responsible for the lack of data on household types.

>>DEMOGRAPHICS

What age range do you fall into?	Total	Percent
Under 5	5	1%
5 to 12	0	0%
13-17	2	0%
18-24	20	5%
25-34	79	20%
35-44	99	25%
45-54	117	29%
55-61	53	13%
62+	28	7%
	403	100%

What is your gender?	Total	Percent
Female	131	35%
Male	229	61%
Trans Female (M2F)	0	0%
Trans Male (F2M)	1	0%
Gender Non-Conforming	1	0%
Don't Know	13	3%
Total	375	100%

Which best represents your sexual orientation? (Check all that apply)	Total	Percent
Straight	293	93.9%
Bisexual	11	3.5%
Lesbian or Gay	4	1.3%
Other	2	0.6%
Don't Know	2	0.6%
Total	312	100%

What is your race? (select all that apply)	Total	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	46	12%
Asian	2	1%
Black/African American	30	8%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	0%
White	274	70%
Other	24	6%
Don't Know	16	4%
Total	393	100%

Are you Hispanic/Latino?	Total	Percent
Hispanic/Latino	42	12%
Non-Hispanic/Latino	281	78%
Don't Know	36	10%
Total	359	100%

What was the last grade level you completed in school?	Total	Percent
High school grad/GED	103	34%
Some college/AA	76	25%
More than 8th but less than 12th grade	92	30%
College degree	15	5%
Less than 8th grade	17	6%
Don't know	0	0%
Total	303	100%

Are you a veteran? (served in the US Armed Forces OR been called into active duty as a member of the National Guard or as a Reservist)	Total	Percent
Yes	30	10%
No	258	90%
Don't Know	3	1%
Total	288	100%

>>NIGHTTIME HABITATION

Sheltering Status	Total	Percent
Unsheltered	409	99%
Sheltered	6	1%
Total	415	100%

If sheltered, by which organization?	Total	Percent
Oroville Rescue Mission	6	100%
Total	6	100%

Shelter or Transitional Housing Project Name	Total	Percent
Oroville Rescue Mission	6	100%
Total	6	100%

Projects by Shelter or Housing Model Type	Total	Percent
Emergency Shelter	6	100%
Total	6	100%

If unsheltered, where did you sleep last night?	Total	Percent
Street or Sidewalk	91	37%
With a friend or family in their house/apartment	33	13%
Park	18	7%
Under bridge/overpass	20	8%
Outdoor encampment	58	24%
Other	17	7%
Bus, train station, airport	3	1%
Motel / Hotel - Paid for with your own funds	5	2%
Total	245	100%

>>CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS, FREQUENCY, & DURATION OF HOMELESSNESS

Chronically Homeless	Total	Percent
Yes	102	25%
No	313	75%
Total	415	100%

Is this the first time you've been homeless?	Total	Percent
Yes	151	47%
No	168	53%
Total	319	100%

How many months did you stay in shelters or on the streets during the past 3 years?	Total	Percent
0-5	20	34%
6 to 11	10	17%
12 to 23	16	28%
24 to 35	2	3%
36 +	10	17%
Total	58	100%

How many months have you been homeless this time?	Total	Percent
0-5	66	38%
6 to 11	23	13%
12 to 23	31	18%
24 to 35	3	2%
36 +	52	30%
Total	175	100%

>>CAMP FIRE IMPACTS

Do you consider yourself a Camp Fire survivor?	Total	Percent
Yes	46	15%
No	265	85%
Total	311	100%

Camp Fire survivor sheltering status	Total	Percent
Unsheltered Camp Fire Survivors	46	100%
Sheltered Camp Fire Survivors	0	0%
Total	46	100%

Where unsheltered Camp Fire survivors are sleeping	Total	Percent
With a friend or family in their house/apartment	12	43%
Street or Sidewalk	6	21%
Park	3	11%
Outdoor encampment	2	7%
Under bridge/overpass	2	7%
Other	2	7%
Motel / Hotel - Paid for with your own funds	1	4%
Bus, train station, airport	0	0%
Total	28	100%

>>HEALTH & DISABILITIES

Are you vaccinated against Hep A?	Total	Percent
Yes	148	52%
No	71	25%
Don't Know	67	23%
Total	286	100%

Do you have a chronic health condition?	Total	Percent
Yes	131	43%
No	169	55%
Don't Know	8	3%
Total	308	100%

Do you have a developmental disability?	Total	Percent
Yes	47	16%
No	237	80%
Don't know	11	4%
Total	295	100%

Do you have a mental health condition?	Total	Percent
Yes	133	43%
No	165	53%
Don't know	13	4%
Total	311	100%

Do you have a physical disability?	Total	Percent
Yes	124	41%
No	177	58%
Don't know	5	2%
Total	306	100%

Do you have AIDS or an HIV related illness?	Total	Percent
Yes	7	2%
No	261	92%
Don't know	16	6%
Total	284	100%

Do you have any substance abuse issues?	Total	Percent
Alcohol Abuse	20	7%
Drug Abuse	57	19%
Both Alcohol and Drug	34	11%
No	185	61%
Don't Know	8	3%
Total	304	100%

Do you have health insurance?	Total	Percent
Yes	238	78%
No	67	22%
Don't know	5	2%
Total	305	100%

If you do not have insurance, did you try and apply?	Total	Percent
Yes	30	48%
No	31	49%
Don't know	2	3%
Total	63	100%

Do you receive disability benefits?	Total	Percent
Yes	84	28%
No	207	70%
Don't Know	5	2%
Total	296	100%

In the last year, how many times have you gone to the Emergency Room?	Total	Percent
0	121	41%
1 to 2	114	38%
3 to 6	40	13%
7 to 11	16	5%
12+	7	2%
Total	298	100%

In the last year, how many total days have you spent in the hospital?	Total	Percent
0	170	57%
1 to 2	38	13%
3 to 6	41	14%
7 to 11	17	6%
12+	31	10%
Total	297	100%

When did you last see a doctor other than in the hospital?	Total	Percent
Less than a year ago	162	57%
1-2 years ago	49	17%
2-3 years ago	15	5%
3+ years ago	59	21%
Total	285	100%

Where do you go most often to access health care services for yourself and your family?	Total	Percent
Hospital	115	40%
Clinics/ Health Centers	110	38%
Doctor's Office	30	10%
Other	24	8%
Street Doctor/Self-Medicare	4	1%
Veterans Affairs	4	1%
Health Fair	1	0%
Mobile Medical Health / Dental Vans	1	0%
School/ University Health Center	0	0%
Alcohol/ Drug Dependency Programs	0	0%
Total	289	100%

>>CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS & BARRIERS TO HOUSING

Are you currently experiencing homelessness because you are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking?	Total	Percent
Yes	33	12%
No	249	88%
Don't Know	2	>0%
Total	284	100%

How do you get money?	Total	Percent
SSI	44	24%
Recycling	33	18%
Other	23	13%
General Assistance	16	9%
Job / Paid Internship	12	7%
Do not know	11	6%
SSDI	9	5%
Panhandling	9	5%
Temporary Employment	7	4%
Social Security	5	3%
Friends/ Family	4	2%
TANF	3	2%
Unemployment	3	2%
Veteran's Benefits	2	1%
Retirement / Pension	1	1%
Student Aid / Grants	0	0%
Total	182	100%

What is your approximate monthly income?	Total	Percent
\$1 - \$250	52	19%
\$251- \$500	20	7%
\$501 - \$1000	60	21%
\$1001 - \$1500	16	6%
\$1500 - \$2000	3	1%
\$2000 +	6	2%
No income	123	44%
Total	280	100%

What is your biggest challenge in ending your homeless situation? (Check all that apply)	Total	Percent
Finding affordable housing	37	31%
Finding a job	30	25%
Other	24	20%
No money for rent	7	6%
No money for deposit	5	4%
Managing my mental health	4	3%
Criminal History	4	3%
Transportation to services	3	2%
Poor/No credit	2	2%
Finding services to help me	2	2%
Pets	2	2%
Racial Discrimination	1	1%
Rental history	0	0%
Substance use	0	0%
Lack of an ID Card	0	0%
Age discrimination	0	0%
Nothing, I prefer to be homeless	0	0%
Sexual orientation or gender identity discrimination	0	0%
Total	121	100%

What do you think led to your homelessness? (Check all that apply)	Total	Percent
Employment/Financial Reasons	43	20%
Family Crisis such as death, serious illness in the family, divorce, family conflict or other family problem	42	19%
Other	32	15%
Fire/Flood or Other Natural disasters	24	11%
Kicked Out / Pushed Out / Runaway	23	11%
Incarceration	13	6%
Evicted	11	5%
Alcohol or substance use/abuse	9	4%
Domestic violence/partner abuse	8	4%
Mental illness	5	2%
Medical/disability problems	3	1%
Personal choice to be homeless	3	1%
Age out of foster/group home	2	1%
Parent/foster parent abuse	0	0%
Substandard Housing	0	0%
Total	218	100%

>>LOCAL ISSUES & SERVICES

How often do you find yourself without access to a bathroom to relieve yourself?	Total	Percent
Daily, Only during night hours	20	7%
Daily, During both day and night hours	179	59%
Weekly	11	4%
Monthly	2	1%
Rarely	30	10%
Never	59	20%
Total	301	100%

How long have you lived in Butte County?	Total	Percent
Less than one month	4	1%
More than a month but less than a year	25	8%
1-2 years	30	9%
3-5 years	37	12%
6-9 years	28	9%
10- 19 years	48	15%
20+ years	149	46%
Total	321	100%

Were in living in Butte County when you became homeless?	Total	Percent
Yes	264	85%
No	48	15%
Total	312	100%

Have you been approached by law enforcement because of laws about sitting, laying, camping, storing property, and other public actions which impact people who are homeless?	Total	Percent
Yes	172	59%
No	122	41%
Don't Know	0	0%
Total	294	100%

If yes, what was the result of that interaction?	Total	Percent
Warned	43	43%
Asked to Move Along	26	26%
Arrested	10	10%
Nothing	10	10%
Ticketed	4	4%
Other	4	4%
Property Seized	2	2%
Incarcerated	0	0%
Total	99	100%

What type of law enforcement official?	Total	Percent
City/Town Police	121	71%
County Sheriff	30	18%
Other	19	11%
Park Ranger	1	1%
Parole	0	0%
Total	171	100%

Approximately, how many times have you been in contact with law enforcement this past year?	Total	Percent
0	73	47%
1 to 3	37	24%
4 to 6	10	6%
7 to 9	0	0%
10+	34	22%
Daily	1	1%
Several	0	0%
Weekly	0	0%
Monthly	0	0%
Total	155	100%

Which services do you use, check all that apply:	Total	Percent
Butte 211	54	54%
Homeless Disaster Evacuation System	24	13%
Resource Connect Butte	23	13%
For your Minor Children: First Five Program/ Services for those under 5	8	8%
For your Minor Children: School Services / Benefits for Homeless Kids	9	7%
For your Minor Children: After School Programs	7	5%
Total	403	100%

Which one of these services would you find most useful for you to use in the next year?	Total	Percent
Mobile Shower (available weekly)	145	22%
Safe Medicine Storage	7	1%
Life Coach/Case Manager/Mentor	47	19%
Other:	16	13%
Safe Personal Storage	37	32%
Detox Center	8	4%
Mobile Medical Van	23	9%
Total		

Would you use any of these options, should they be provided to you in your local town? (Check all that apply)	Total	Percent
Small House/Tiny House Village	250	25%
Shared Room in House/Apartment	180	18%
Large Room Shelter (Pets Allowed)	144	14%
Dorm Style Housing	135	13%
Authorized Encampments	116	11%
Large Room Shelter (No Pets)	101	10%
Designated and monitored parking spaces	94	9%
Total	1020	100%