

El Dorado Homeless Count

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Winter Count 2008

January 29th

- Point in time count of people who were homeless and unsheltered.
- Point in time count of people staying at emergency shelters and transitional housing.

January 28th- February 1st

- Survey of homeless people conducted at 21 housing and services sites throughout the county.

Summer Count 2008

June 16th

- Point in time count of people who were homeless and unsheltered.
- Point in time count of people staying at emergency shelters and transitional housing programs.

June 15th-21st

- Survey of homeless people conducted at 23 housing and services sites throughout the County.

Definition of Homelessness

HUD Definition

- Homeless, staying in emergency shelters, transitional housing programs or living unsheltered in places not meant for human habitation, including cars, parks, abandoned buildings and the streets.

El Dorado Definition

- Includes HUD definition and additionally people in jail, substance abuse treatment programs and other residential or custodial facilities who have no home to go to upon release; people staying in a motel/hotel paid for by themselves, but who self-declare as homeless; and people who are doubled up, temporarily living with friends or family.

Chronic Homelessness

HUD Definition

- An unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition who has been continuously homeless for a year or more, OR an unaccompanied individual with a disabling condition who has had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years.

El Dorado Definition

- Includes HUD definition and additionally those who were experiencing extended or repeated homelessness but were staying in jail, transitional housing, or temporarily staying with friends; did not self-declare a disability; and/or were living as part of a couple with or without children.

Shelter Definitions

Unsheltered

- Unsheltered, living on the street, under a bridge, in an abandoned or public building, in a car, in an encampment, etc.

Sheltered

- Homeless persons living in emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Combined Results

HUD definition

- On any given night, between **108** and **164** people are homeless
- Each year, an estimated **301** to **344** people experience homelessness
- Between **17%** and **27%** of those surveyed were chronically homeless

El Dorado Definition

- On any given night, between **186** and **231** people are homeless
- Each year, an estimated **451** to **724** people experience homelessness or are without stable housing
- Between **37%** and **39%** of those surveyed were chronically homeless

Unsheltered Winter Count by Region

Region	Men	Women	Unknown	16-24	Total
1. Placerville/West County	20	3	4	2	29
2. South Lake Tahoe	20	0	0	4	24
3. Sheriffs Encampment Count	22				22
TOTALS	62	3	4	6	75

Unsheltered Summer Count by Region

Region	Men	Women	Unknown	Under 16	16-24	Total
1. Placerville/ West County	10	2	8	0	5	25
2. South lake Tahoe	10	0	0	0	0	10
3. Sheriff's Encampment Count	20	3	0	2	0	25
TOTALS	40	5	8	2	5	60

*** Most people who are homeless are not newcomers; they have been living in El Dorado County for extended time periods. A significant percentage have been living here for more than 10 years.**

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