

Number of Persons Counted as Chronically Homeless, as Chronic Substance Users, as Severely Mentally Ill Continues to Increase Significantly for the Entire State of California and Within Each of the Largest Regions

A Homeless Count Comparison of Each Subpopulation for the Entire State, Northern California, Central California, and Southern California is Detailed Below

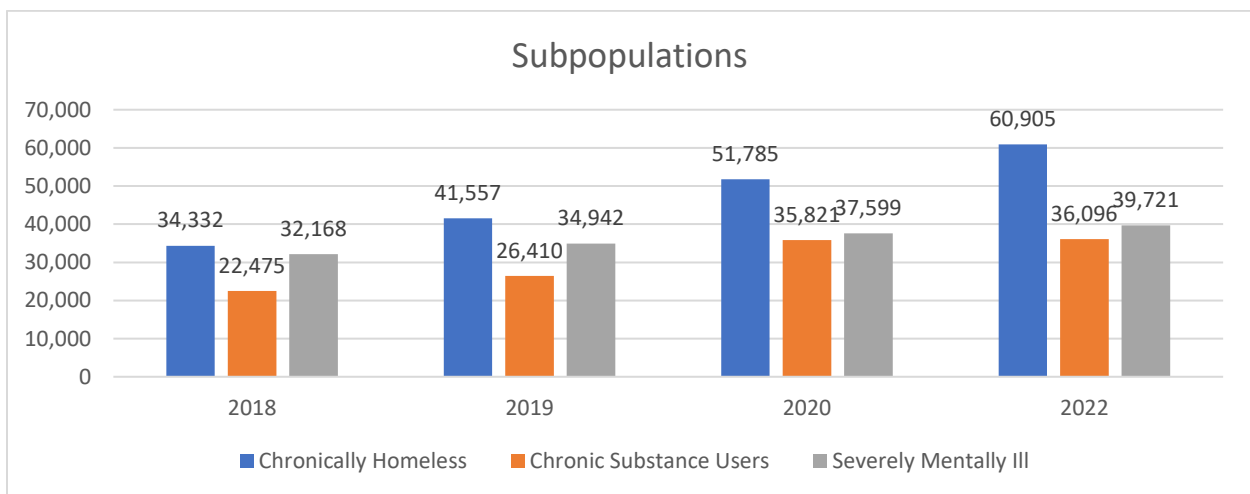
HUD recently released the [2022 homeless count data](#)

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Chart 1 shows the following findings for the entire State of California

- The number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless was 34,332 in 2018 and 60,905 in 2022 representing an increase of 26,573 persons or 77.4%.
- The number of adults counted as chronic substance users was 22,475 in 2018 and 36,096 in 2022 representing an increase of 13,621 persons or 60.6%.
- The number of adults counted as severely mentally ill was 32,168 in 2018 and 39,721 in 2022 representing an increase of 7,553 persons or 23.5%.

Chart 1



Significant Increase of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless in Each Region

Table 1 shows that the number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless was significantly higher for each region in 2022 when compared to 2018.

Table 1. Number of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless

Region	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference	
			#	%
Northern California	12,516	20,358	+7,842	+62.7
Central California	2,542	3,792	+1,250	+49.2
Southern California	19,274	36,755	+17,481	+90.7
California	34,332	60,905	+26,573	+77.4

Northern California

The number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless was 12,516 in 2018 and 20,358 in 2022 representing an increase of 7,842 persons or 62.7%.

Central California

The number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless was 2,542 in 2018 and 3,792 in 2022 representing an increase of 1,250 persons or 49.2%.

Southern California

The number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless was 19,274 in 2018 and 36,755 in 2022 representing an increase of 17,481 persons or 90.7%.

See Appendix A, which compares the total number of adults and children counted as chronically homeless in 2018 to the total of adults and children counted as chronically homeless in 2022 and notes the difference for each Continuum of Care in each region.

Significant Increase of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Users in Each Region

Table 2 shows that the number of adults counted as chronic substance users was significantly higher for each region in 2022 when compared to 2018.

Table 2. Number of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Users

Region	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference	
			#	%
Northern California	9,944	11,737	+1,793	+18.0
Central California	1,819	2,315	+496	+27.3
Southern California	10,712	22,044	+11,332	+106
California	22,475	36,096	+13,621	+60.6%

Northern California

The number of adults counted as chronic substance users was 9,944 in 2018 and 11,737 in 2022 representing an increase of 1,793 persons or 18.0%.

Central California

The number of adults counted as chronic substance users was 1,819 in 2018 and 2,315 in 2022 representing an increase of 496 persons or 27.3%.

Southern California

The number of adults counted as chronic substance users was 10,712 in 2018 and 22,044 in 2022 representing an increase of 11,332 persons or 106%.

See Appendix B, which compares the total number of adults counted as chronic substance users in 2018 to the total of adults counted as chronic substance users in 2022 and notes the difference for each Continuum of Care in each region.

Significant Increase of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill in Each Region

Table 3 shows that the number of adults counted as severely mentally ill was significantly higher for each region in 2022 when compared to 2018.

Table 3. Number of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill

Region	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference	
			#	%
Northern California	13,894	15,327	+1,433	+10.3
Central California	1,880	3,184	+1,304	+69.4
Southern California	16,394	21,210	+4,816	+29.4
California	32,168	39,721	+7,553	+23.5%

Northern California

The number of adults counted as severely mentally ill was 13,894 in 2018 and 15,327 in 2022 representing an increase of 1,433 persons or 10.3%.

Central California

The number of adults counted as severely mentally ill was 1,880 in 2018 and 3,184 in 2022 representing an increase of 1,304 persons or 69.4%.

Southern California

The number of adults counted as severely mentally ill was 16,394 in 2018 and 21,210 in 2022 representing an increase of 4,816 persons or 29.4%.

See Appendix C, which compares the total number of adults counted as severely mentally ill in 2018 to the total of adults counted as severely mentally ill in 2022 and notes the difference for each Continuum of Care in each region.

This report is the second of three reports that Urban Initiatives will post concerning California’s 2022 homeless count results.

To see the [first report](#), which focused on a comparison of the total number of adults and children counted as homeless for the entire state and each major region, [click here](#).

The findings in this report help explain the latest increase in the total number of adults and children counted as homeless as described in the [first report](#) that noted a recent statewide increase of 6.2% and a comparison by major region—Northern California had a recent increase of 14.2% and Southern California 3.1%. Central California had a recent decrease of 2.9%.

Appendix A
Total Number of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless by Region

Table 4. Northern California: Comparison of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless Counts

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-500	San Jose/Santa Clara City & County CoC	2,139	2,838	+699	+32.7
CA-501	San Francisco CoC	1,757	2,691	+934	+53.2
CA-502	Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County CoC	1,742	2,728	+986	+56.6
CA-503	Sacramento City & County CoC	1,192	4,314	+3,122	+262
CA-504	Santa Rosa, Petaluma/Sonoma County CoC	747	725	-22	-2.9
CA-505	Richmond/Contra Costa County CoC	555	1,567	+1,012	+183
CA-507	Marin County CoC	399	284	-115	-28.8
CA-508	Watsonville/Santa Cruz City & County CoC	634	921	+287	+45.3
CA-509	Mendocino County CoC	96	177	+81	+84.4
CA-512	Daly City/San Mateo County CoC	238	705	+467	+196
CA-515	Roseville, Rocklin/Placer County CoC	327	256	-71	-21.7
CA-516	Redding/Shasta County CoC	431	574	+143	+33.2
CA-517	Napa City & County CoC	158	132	-26	-16.4
CA-518	Vallejo/Solano County CoC	461	195	-266	-57.7
CA-519	Chico, Paradise/Butte County CoC	506	326	-180	-35.6
CA-521	Davis, Woodland/Yolo County CoC	157	341	+184	+117
CA-522	Humboldt County CoC	363	746	+383	+105
CA-523	Colusa, Glenn, Trinity Counties CoC	94	57	-37	-39.4
CA-524	Yuba City/Sutter County CoC	172	297	+125	+72.7
CA-525	El Dorado County CoC	211	100	-111	-52.6

CA-527	Tehama County CoC	55	116	+61	+111
CA-529	Lake County CoC	82	65	-17	-20.7
CA-531	Nevada County CoC	_*	203	-	-
	Total:	12,516	20,358	+7,842	+62.7

*Was part of CA-515 Roseville, Rocklin/Placer County CoC until 2019

Table 5. Central California: Comparison of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless Counts

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2020 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-506	Salinas/Monterey, San Benito Counties CoC	942	745	-197	-20.9
CA-510	Turlock, Modesto/Stanislaus County CoC	241	493	+252	+104
CA-511	Stockton/San Joaquin County CoC	262	809	+547	+209
CA-513	Visalia/Kings, Tulare Counties CoC	288	317	+29	+10.0
CA-514	Fresno City & County/Madera County CoC	524	938	+414	+79.0
CA-520	Merced City & County CoC	148	217	+69	+46.6
CA-526	Tuolumne, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa Counties CoC	72	238	+166	+230
CA-530	Alpine, Inyo, Mono Counties CoC	65	35	-30	-46.1
	Total:	2,542	3,792	+1,250	+49.2

Table 6. Southern California: Comparison of Adults and Children Counted as Chronically Homeless Counts

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-600	Los Angeles City & County CoC	13,275	26,985	+13,710	+103
CA-601	San Diego City and County CoC	2,171	1,414	-757	-34.9
CA-602	Santa Ana, Anaheim/Orange County CoC	1,066	2,463	+1,397	+131
CA-603	Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County CoC	307	565	+258	+84.0
CA-604	Bakersfield/Kern County CoC	133	345	+212	+159
CA-606	Long Beach CoC	587	1,290	+703	+120
CA-607	Pasadena CoC	164	270	+106	+64.6
CA-608	Riverside City & County CoC	474	816	+342	+72.1
CA-609	San Bernardino City & County CoC	423	1,115	+692	+163
CA-611	Oxnard, San Buenaventura/Ventura County CoC	280	638	+358	+128
CA-612	Glendale CoC	49	31	-18	-36.7
CA-613	Imperial County CoC	44	541	+497	+1129
CA-614	San Luis Obispo County	301	282	-19	-6.3
	Total:	19,274	36,755	+17,481	+90.7

Appendix B
Total Number of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Users by Region

Table 7. Northern California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Abusers

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-500	San Jose/Santa Clara City & County CoC	1,722	1,548	-174	-10.1
CA-501	San Francisco CoC	2,910	2,051	-859	-29.5
CA-502	Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County CoC	862	1,251	+389	+45.1
CA-503	Sacramento City & County CoC	550	1,281	+731	+133
CA-504	Santa Rosa, Petaluma/Sonoma County CoC	854	480	-374	-43.8
CA-505	Richmond/Contra Costa County CoC	329	1,107	+778	+236
CA-507	Marin County CoC	264	277	+13	+5.9
CA-508	Watsonville/Santa Cruz City & County CoC	433	1,075	+642	+148
CA-509	Mendocino County CoC	19	42	+23	+121
CA-512	Daly City/San Mateo County CoC	128	341	+213	+166
CA-515	Roseville, Rocklin/Placer County CoC	176	275	+99	+56.2
CA-516	Redding/Shasta County CoC	273	287	+14	+5.1
CA-517	Napa City & County CoC	146	98	-48	-32.9
CA-518	Vallejo/Solano County CoC	402	100	-302	-75.1
CA-519	Chico, Paradise/Butte County CoC	241	172	-69	-28.6
CA-521	Davis, Woodland/Yolo County CoC	91	152	+61	+67.0
CA-522	Humboldt County CoC	290	786	+496	+171
CA-523	Colusa, Glenn, Trinity Counties CoC	45	13	-32	-71.1
CA-524	Yuba City/Sutter County CoC	84	21	-63	-75.0
CA-525	El Dorado County CoC	0	49	+49	-
CA-527	Tehama County CoC	35	20	-15	-42.8

CA-529	Lake County CoC	90	54	-36	-40.0
CA-531	Nevada County CoC	.*	257	-	-
	Total:	9,944	11,737	+1,793	+18.0

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Table 8. Central California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Abusers

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2020 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-506	Salinas/Monterey, San Benito Counties CoC	587	503	-84	-14.3
CA-510	Turlock, Modesto/Stanslaus County CoC	125	211	+86	+68.8
CA-511	Stockton/San Joaquin County CoC	403	602	+199	+49.4
CA-513	Visalia/Kings, Tulare Counties CoC	139	237	+98	+70.5
CA-514	Fresno City & County/Madera County CoC	384	475	+91	+23.7
CA-520	Merced City & County CoC	106	165	+59	+55.7
CA-526	Tuolumne, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa Counties CoC	33	103	+70	+212
CA-530	Alpine, Inyo, Mono Counties CoC	42	19	-23	-54.8
	Total:	1,819	2,315	+496	+27.3

Table 9. Southern California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Chronic Substance Abusers

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-600	Los Angeles City & County CoC	6,677	15,353	+8,676	+130
CA-601	San Diego City and County CoC	1,044	778	-266	-25.5
CA-602	Santa Ana, Anaheim/Orange County CoC	483	1,633	+1,150	+238
CA-603	Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County CoC	294	203	-91	-30.9
CA-604	Bakersfield/Kern County CoC	264	501	+237	+89.8
CA-606	Long Beach CoC	329	951	+622	+189
CA-607	Pasadena CoC	83	121	+38	+45.8
CA-608	Riverside City & County CoC	700	473	-227	-32.4
CA-609	San Bernardino City & County CoC	379	948	+569	+150
CA-611	Oxnard, San Buenaventura/Ventura County CoC	277	613	+336	+121
CA-612	Glendale CoC	29	6	-23	-79.3
CA-613	Imperial County CoC	61	360	+299	+490
CA-614	San Luis Obispo County	92	104	+12	+13.0
	Total:	10,712	22,044	+11,332	+106

Appendix C
Total Number of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill by Region

Table 10. Northern California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-500	San Jose/Santa Clara City & County CoC	1,524	1,777	+253	+16.6
CA-501	San Francisco CoC	4,836	2,162	-2,674	-55.3
CA-502	Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County CoC	1,499	2,348	+849	+56.6
CA-503	Sacramento City & County CoC	1,062	2,716	+1,654	+156
CA-504	Santa Rosa, Petaluma/Sonoma County CoC	1,104	565	-539	-48.8
CA-505	Richmond/Contra Costa County CoC	407	1,287	+880	+216
CA-507	Marin County CoC	375	362	-13	-3.5
CA-508	Watsonville/Santa Cruz City & County CoC	649	819	+170	+26.2
CA-509	Mendocino County CoC	42	80	+38	+90.5
CA-512	Daly City/San Mateo County CoC	231	507	+276	+119
CA-515	Roseville, Rocklin/Placer County CoC	237	369	+132	+55.7
CA-516	Redding/Shasta County CoC	267	394	+127	+47.6
CA-517	Napa City & County CoC	126	128	+2	+1.6
CA-518	Vallejo/Solano County CoC	490	158	-332	-67.7
CA-519	Chico, Paradise/Butte County CoC	354	257	-97	-27.4
CA-521	Davis, Woodland/Yolo County CoC	105	123	+18	+17.1
CA-522	Humboldt County CoC	324	767	+443	+137
CA-523	Colusa, Glenn, Trinity Counties CoC	51	16	-35	-68.6
CA-524	Yuba City/Sutter County CoC	73	87	+14	+19.2
CA-525	El Dorado County CoC	9	75	+66	+733

CA-527	Tehama County CoC	41	40	-1	-2.4
CA-529	Lake County CoC	88	90	+2	+2.2
CA-531	Nevada County CoC	_*	200	-	-
	Total:	13,894	15,327	+1,433	+10.3

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Table 11. Central California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2020 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-506	Salinas/Monterey, San Benito Counties CoC	513	728	+215	+41.9
CA-510	Turlock, Modesto/Stanislaus County CoC	142	331	+189	+133
CA-511	Stockton/San Joaquin County CoC	264	567	+303	+115
CA-513	Visalia/Kings, Tulare Counties CoC	256	277	+21	+8.2
CA-514	Fresno City & County/Madera County CoC	476	803	+327	+68.7
CA-520	Merced City & County CoC	137	169	+32	+23.3
CA-526	Tuolumne, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa Counties CoC	44	295	+251	+570
CA-530	Alpine, Inyo, Mono Counties CoC	48	14	-34	-70.8
	Total:	1,880	3,184	+1,304	+69.4

Table 12. Southern California: Comparison of Adults Counted as Severely Mentally Ill

CoC #	Continuums of Care	2018 Total Count	2022 Total Count	Difference (+/-)	
				#	%
CA-600	Los Angeles City & County CoC	12,103	14,067	+1,964	+16.2
CA-601	San Diego City and County CoC	1,181	1,093	-88	-7.4
CA-602	Santa Ana, Anaheim/Orange County CoC	600	1,445	+845	+141
CA-603	Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County CoC	219	359	+140	+63.9
CA-604	Bakersfield/Kern County CoC	199	360	+161	+80.9
CA-606	Long Beach CoC	495	1,216	+721	+147
CA-607	Pasadena CoC	121	182	+61	+50.4
CA-608	Riverside City & County CoC	467	477	+10	+2.1
CA-609	San Bernardino City & County CoC	288	839	+551	+191
CA-611	Oxnard, San Buenaventura/Ventura County CoC	314	555	+241	+76.7
CA-612	Glendale CoC	41	34	-7	-17.1
CA-613	Imperial County CoC	152	330	+178	+117
CA-614	San Luis Obispo County	214	253	+39	+18.2
	Total:	16,394	21,210	+4,816	+29.4