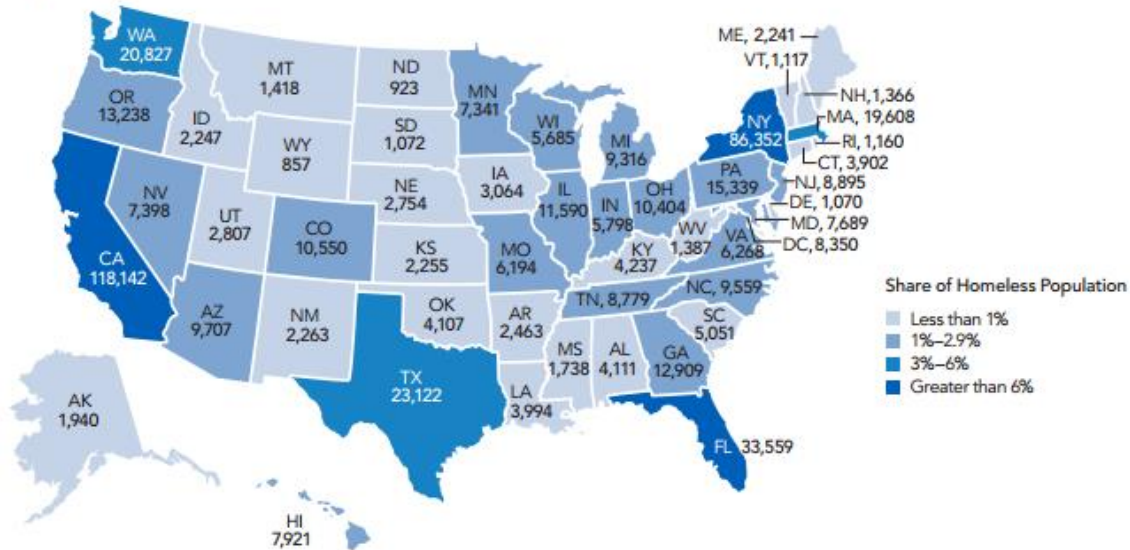


# Fact Sheet: Homelessness in California<sup>1</sup>

**EXHIBIT 1.7: Estimates of Homeless People By State, 2016**



## Total Homeless People on a Single Night in January 2016:

- California had 118,142 homeless people, which accounted for 22% of the nation's homeless population. California also had the highest rate of unsheltered people at 66.4% (78,390 were unsheltered).
- California experienced a 2.1% increase in the number of people experiencing homelessness from 2015, but saw a 15% decrease (or 20,844) since 2007.
- Nearly one in five homeless people were located in New York City and Los Angeles, however 96% in New York City were sheltered compared with 25% in Los Angeles. The top five major city continuums of care (CoCs)<sup>2</sup> with the highest rates of unsheltered homelessness were located in California.

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Homeless	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
Fresno/Madera County, CA	1,883	76.0
Los Angeles City & County, CA	43,854	74.8
San Jose/Santa Clara City & County, CA	6,524	70.9
Long Beach, CA	2,250	67.2
San Francisco, CA	6,996	62.3

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Individuals	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
Fresno/Madera County, CA	1,684	83.6
Los Angeles City & County, CA	37,726	82.0
San Jose/Santa Clara City & County, CA	5,585	81.7
Long Beach, CA	1,908	71.3
San Francisco, CA	6,309	68.6

## Total Homeless Individuals on a Single Night in January 2016:

- California had 97,660 homeless individuals, which accounted for 28% of the nation's population, an increase of 3% from 2015. California had the highest rate of unsheltered homeless individuals at 76% (73,940 were unsheltered).
- California experienced a decline of 12% (13,292) homeless individuals since 2007.
- California possesses 5 of the top 5 major city CoC's with the highest rate of unsheltered homeless individuals.

<sup>1</sup> 2016 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. November 2016.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/2016-AHAR-Part-1.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Continuums of Care (CoC) are local planning bodies responsible for coordinating the full range of homelessness services in a geographic area, which may cover a city, county, metropolitan area, or an entire state.

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Homeless People in Families	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
Long Beach, CA	342	44.4
Los Angeles City & County, CA	6,128	29.9
Oakland/Alameda County, CA	997	24.5
Portland-Gresham-Multnomah County, OR	705	22.4
San Diego City and County, CA	1,714	16.5

**Total Homeless Families on a Single Night in January 2016:**

- California had 20,482 families with children experiencing homelessness, which accounts for 17% of the state’s homeless family population.
- California experienced the largest decrease in homeless families with children from 2015 (9.3% or 2,100), as well as the largest decrease since 2007 (26.9% or 7,552).
- California possesses 4 of the top 5 major city CoC’s with the highest rate of unsheltered homeless families with children.

**Total Homeless Unaccompanied Children and Youth on a Single Night in January 2016:**

- California reported the largest numbers of unaccompanied homeless children and youth, at 11,222 people or 31% of the national total. It also had the second highest rate of unsheltered homeless children at 77.5% (8,691 were unsheltered).
- California also had the largest number of unaccompanied homeless youth who were 18 to 24, and very high rates of unsheltered homeless youth at 78%.
- California possesses the 4 of the top 5 major city CoC’s with the highest rate of unaccompanied homeless youth.

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Unaccompanied Children & Youth	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
San Francisco, CA	1,488	91.6
San Jose/Santa Clara City & County, CA	885	88.1
Las Vegas/Clark County, NV	1,531	86.0
Los Angeles City & County, CA	3,086	73.6
Long Beach, CA	69	72.5

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Homeless Veterans	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
San Jose/Santa Clara City & County, CA	701	63.6%
Fresno/Madera County, CA	228	63.2%
San Francisco, CA	580	60.7%
Oakland/Alameda County, CA	401	57.6%
Las Vegas/Clark County, NV	730	55.1%

**Total Homeless Veterans on a Single Night in January 2016:**

- California had the largest number of veterans experiencing homelessness at 9,612. Homeless veterans in California represented 24% of the national homeless veteran population. California also had the third highest rate of unsheltered veterans at 58.3% (5,600 were unsheltered).
- Homelessness among veterans had declined most dramatically in California, where the number fell by 1,699 people (15%) since 2015 and 46.5% since 2009.
- California possesses the 4 of the top 5 major city CoC’s with the highest rate of veterans homeless.

**Total Chronically Homeless on a Single Night in January 2016:**

- Thirty-nine percent of the nation’s chronically homeless population was located in California, at 29,802. California also had the second highest rate of unsheltered chronically homeless, at 86.9% (25,892 were unsheltered).
- California had the largest increase from 2015 by 624 individuals (2.1%), however California had the largest decrease since 2007 with 10,539 fewer chronically homeless individuals (26.1%) since 2007.

Major City CoCs		
CoC	Total Chronically Homeless Individuals	% Unsheltered
<b>Highest Rates</b>		
Fresno/Madera County, CA	529	96.6%
Los Angeles City & County, CA	12,970	95.3%
San Jose/Santa Clara City & County, CA	2,095	94.7%
Long Beach, CA	800	89.3%
Las Vegas/Clark County, NV	285	88.8%