

LOUISVILLE METRO CONTINUUM OF CARE 2015 HOMELESS CENSUS

NUMBER OF HOMELESS PEOPLE

The homeless service providers in Jefferson County, Kentucky, counted 6,737 unduplicated homeless people who were served between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015. This represents an 12.4% decrease in the number of homeless people last year over the year prior, including people who were sheltered (who stayed in emergency or transitional shelter) and unsheltered (who lived only on the streets or in camps). As with each year, the count of the unsheltered homeless is likely an undercount due to the difficulty in counting these individuals.

Sheltered homeless	6,129	13.5% decrease from 2014
Unsheltered homeless	608	0.4% decrease from 2014
Total	6,737	12.4% decrease from 2014

HOMELESS SUBPOPULATION COUNTS

The below numbers apply to all 6,737 homeless people counted in Jefferson County last year. Please note that these subpopulations are not mutually exclusive—e.g., someone could have a disability and be a veteran.

Number of single individuals	5,002	10% decrease from 2014	
Number of homeless families	429	4% decrease from 2014	
Number of people in families	1,317	1% increase from 2014	
Number of children (age less than 18, including	1,257	8% decrease from 2014	
unaccompanied youth)	1,237	6% decrease from 2014	
Number of unaccompanied youth	418	16% decrease from 2014	
People with disabilities	3,471	1% increase from 2014	
Victims of domestic violence	1,042	19% increase from 2014	
Chronically homeless	904	**	
Veterans	791	13% decrease from 2014	

^{**} The chronic homeless total is again an estimate. Chronic data is skewed because new questions were introduced by HUD yet again in October 2015 (after the first set of new questions in October 2014). These questions should provide a more focused answer regarding chronic homelessness in the future.

SUCCESS IN REDUCING HOMELESSNESS

Each year, the homeless providers in Jefferson County, KY, manage to stabilize and move many of the homeless people out of homelessness. This table shows our community's success doing so during 2015.

People exiting shelters to permanent housing in 2015	
Percent of total homeless people entering permanent housing in 2015	20%