



# EVERYONE COUNTS

## 2026 POINT IN TIME SUMMARY







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## A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CARE COORDINATION



Every two years, Orange County comes together as one community to conduct the federally required Point In Time Count. The County of Orange (County) and the Orange County Continuum of Care lead this effort in partnership with all 34 Orange County cities, homeless service providers, law enforcement agencies, and community volunteers in a coordinated effort to better understand and measure homelessness across the county. Conducted simultaneously across the country during the last ten days of January, with results most often released in Spring, the Point In Time Count results serve as a moment of reflection, as communities consider the progress being made to address homelessness and the work that remains.



The 2026 Orange County Point In Time Count shows a 13.7% reduction in overall homelessness compared to 2024, including a 26.6% reduction in unsheltered homelessness. While no single factor can fully explain fluctuations in a community's homeless population or conditions, these results reflect the impact of thousands of individuals who found stable housing or avoided homelessness through the robust support, services, and housing provided by the Orange County System of Care.

Over the past decade, the County, cities, service providers, and community partners have built a comprehensive and coordinated homeless response system designed to meet the diverse needs of individuals and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness. These results reinforce the importance of continuing to invest in proven, evidence-based solutions that help hundreds of individuals and families find stable, permanent housing or avoid homelessness altogether.

For the first time in Orange County's history, more people experiencing homelessness were staying in emergency shelters and transitional housing than were living unsheltered on the streets and places not meant for human habitation. This milestone reflects both the community's commitment to expanding access to temporary housing and services, and the willingness of people experiencing homelessness to connect with available support.

It also reinforces what many homeless service providers and street outreach workers working closely with the population see every day: when people have access to resources like shelter and services, they are willing to engage and work towards improving their situation.

While these results demonstrate meaningful progress, more than 6,000 people in Orange County continue to experience homelessness and remain in need of stable housing and supportive services. Changes in funding, policy and program development directly affect both people experiencing homelessness and the Orange County System of Care's ability to effectively serve this vulnerable population. Therefore, it is essential that Orange County remains informed and engaged in the critical decisions being made today that will shape future outcomes. Those decisions should be guided by the knowledge and expertise our community has gained through building a comprehensive and successful homeless service system that has helped many people exit homelessness while improving the overall quality of life throughout Orange County.



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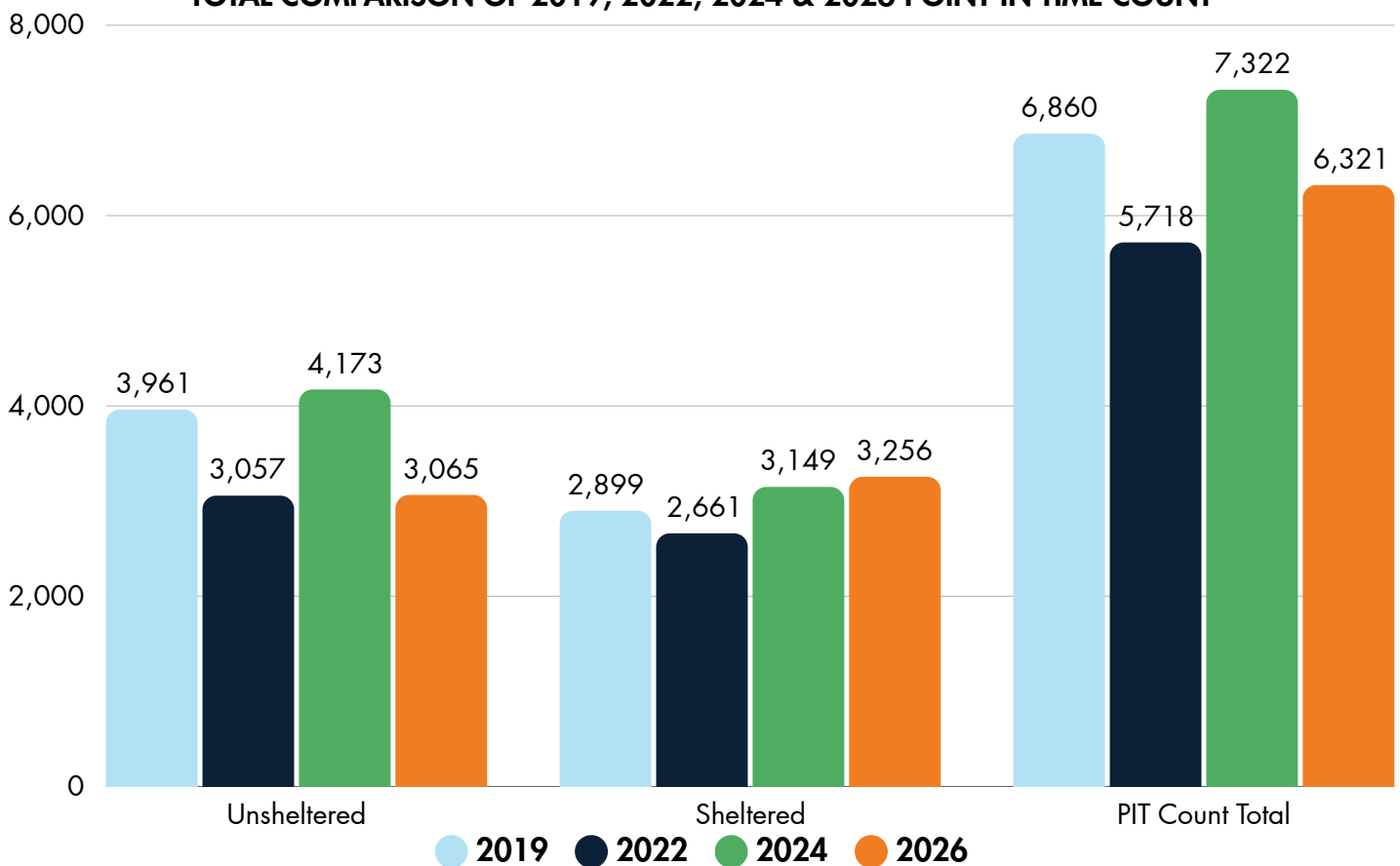


## METHODOLOGY

The Orange County Point In Time (PIT) Count is in compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidelines. These guidelines provide specific data points to be collected, including but not limited to, information regarding chronic homelessness, disabling conditions, and demographic information such as single adults, families, and specific subpopulations, including veterans, survivors of domestic violence and transitional aged youth. The 2026 PIT Count utilizes the same methodology as the 2019, 2022, and 2024 PIT Counts. By keeping the methodology consistent, parallel comparisons can be made between the four counts.

The methodology for the unsheltered population is a simple canvassing of the entire county by volunteers equipped with ArcGIS maps and a mobile survey application. This methodology identifies people experiencing unsheltered homelessness through surveying people encountered on the street during the count. The survey included questions required by HUD, as well as additional local questions in order to deepen Orange County's understanding of people experiencing homelessness. Once complete, the County of Orange's Office of Care Coordination, in partnership with City Net and the Institute for Urban Initiatives, reviews and investigates any discrepancies and redundancies in the data to ensure the final count is accurate. Survey results are then compiled and analyzed for the PIT Count report.

**TOTAL COMPARISON OF 2019, 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT**





## 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT BY THE NUMBERS

**6,321**  
Persons

**North: 2,894** Persons  
**Central: 2,919** Persons  
**South: 508** Persons

**206**

**VETERANS**

Persons who served in the  
U.S. Armed Forces, National  
Guard or Reserves

**245**

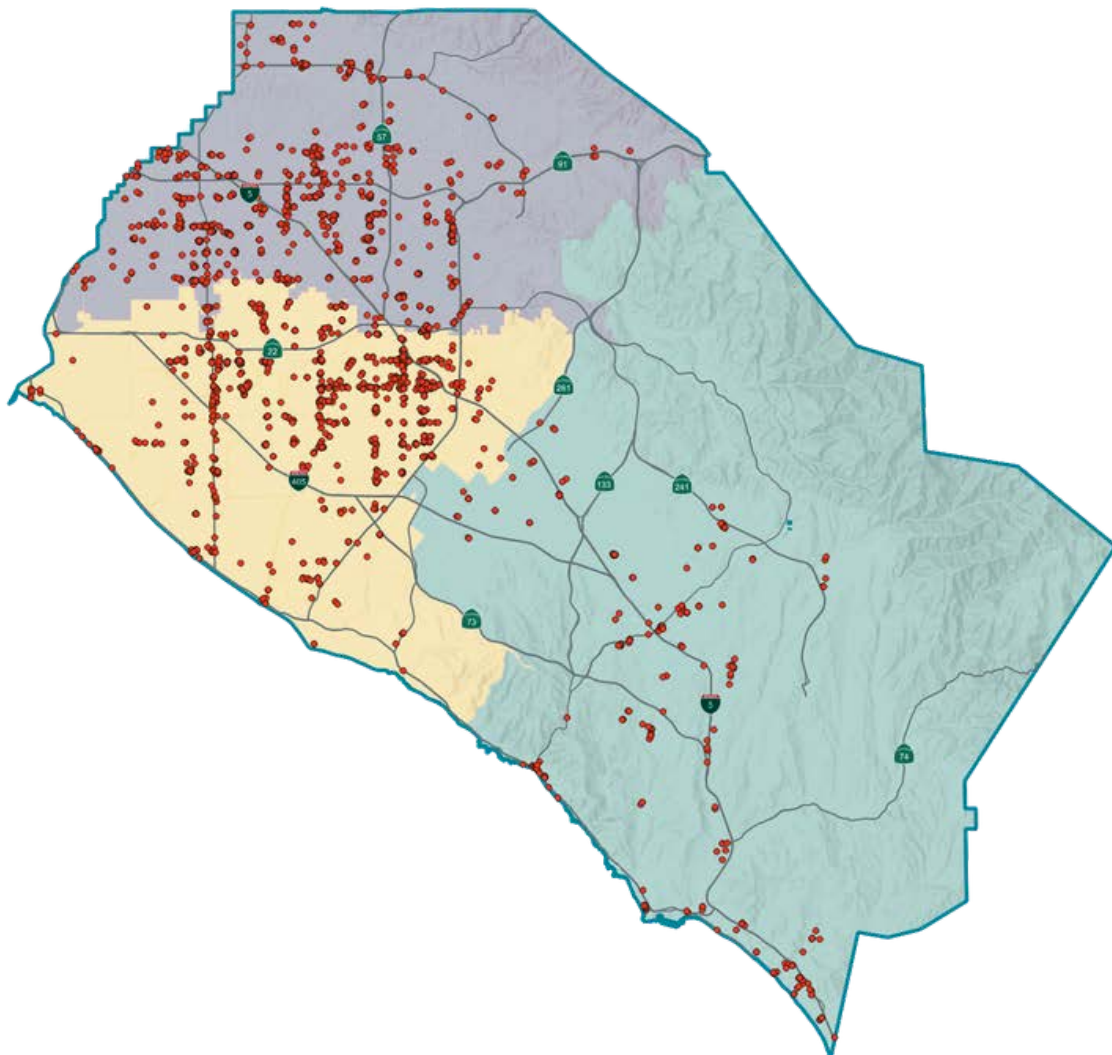
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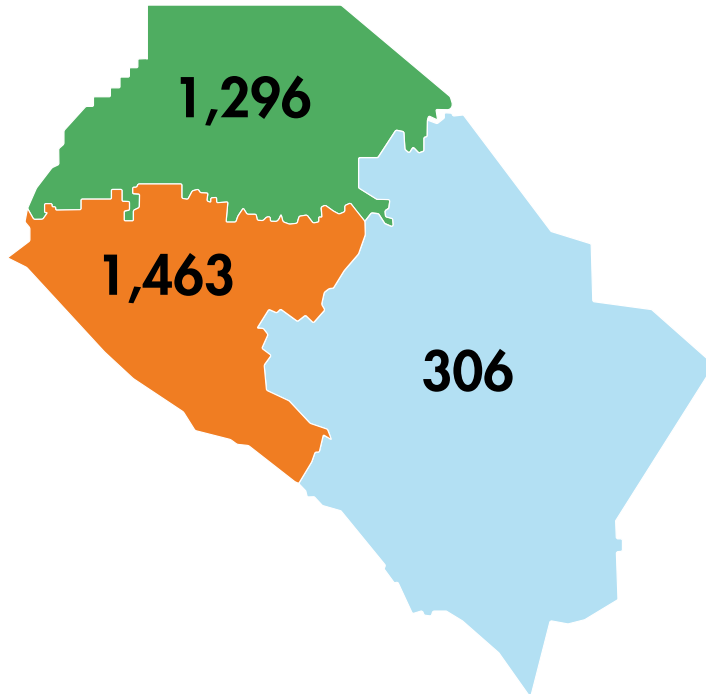
Persons ages 18 to 24

**882**

**SENIORS**

Persons ages 62 and older





**3,065**  
**UNSHELTERED TOTAL**

**140**

**VETERANS**

Persons who served in  
the U.S. Armed Forces,  
National Guard or  
Reserves

**93**

**TRANSITIONAL  
AGED YOUTH**

Persons ages 18 to 24

**361**

**SENIORS**

Persons ages 62 and older

**FIELD TEAMS & MAPS**

**306**

Field teams of volunteers deployed into the community to  
canvas maps and survey people experiencing  
unsheltered homelessness.

**479**

Maps were canvassed at least twice during each morning  
and evening shift of the 2026 Point In Time Count effort.





**66**  
**VETERANS**

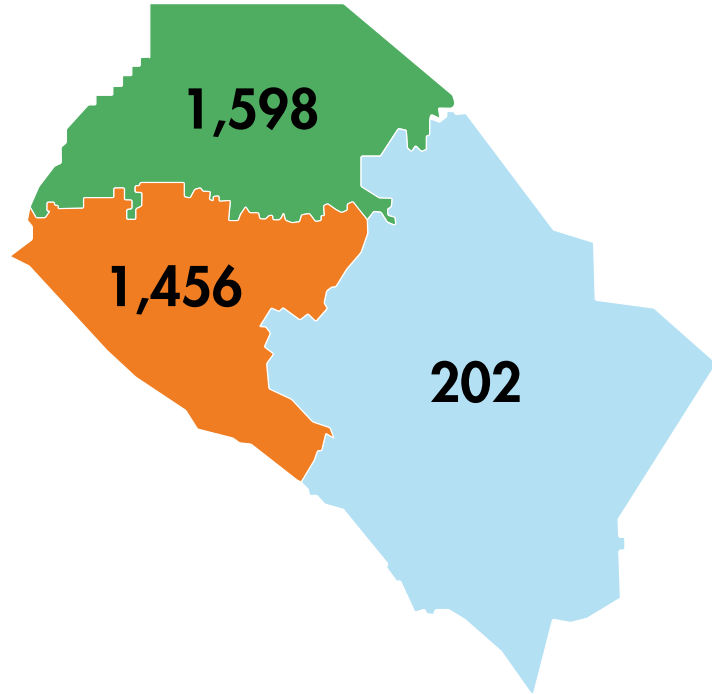
Persons who served in  
the U.S. Armed Forces,  
National Guard or  
Reserves

**152**  
**TRANSITIONAL  
AGED YOUTH**

Persons ages 18 to 24

**521**  
**SENIORS**

Persons ages 62 and older



**3,256**  
**SHELTERED TOTAL**

## **VOLUNTEER DEPLOYMENT**

**1,367**

Volunteer shifts completed over the course of the three-day event, including early morning and late evening, across Orange County.

**894**

Volunteers - including nonprofit and faith-based service providers, County and City government, and representatives from law enforcement - canvassed all 34 cities and County unincorporated areas.





## DEMOGRAPHICS

| Age      | Unsheltered<br>3,065 Persons | Sheltered<br>3,256 Persons |
|----------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Under 18 | 1.99%<br>61 Persons          | 15.54%<br>506 Persons      |
| 18-24    | 3.03%<br>93 Persons          | 4.67%<br>152 Persons       |
| 25-34    | 16.25%<br>498 Persons        | 12.41%<br>404 Persons      |
| 35-44    | 28.58%<br>876 Persons        | 17.87%<br>582 Persons      |
| 45-54    | 23.00%<br>705 Persons        | 17.94%<br>584 Persons      |
| 55-61    | 15.37%<br>471 Persons        | 15.57%<br>507 Persons      |
| 62-64    | 4.54%<br>139 Persons         | 6.05%<br>197 Persons       |
| 65+      | 7.24%<br>222 Persons         | 9.95%<br>324 Persons       |

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| Sex    | Unsheltered<br>3,065 Persons | Sheltered<br>3,256 Persons |
|--------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Female | 28.91%<br>886 Persons        | 45.55%<br>1,483 Persons    |
| Male   | 71.09%<br>2,179 Persons      | 54.45%<br>1,773 Persons    |

**Notes:**

The sex data table replaces previous gender data in alignment with HUD guidance. Sex and gender data collection was not required by HUD for the 2026 Point In Time Count.



## DEMOGRAPHICS

| Race and Ethnicity                                                | Unsheltered<br>3,065 Persons | Sheltered<br>3,256 Persons |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous                     | 1.37%<br>42 Persons          | 1.11%<br>36 Persons        |
| American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous & Hispanic/Latino/a | 0.39%<br>12 Persons          | 1.87%<br>61 Persons        |
| Asian or Asian American                                           | 5.12%<br>157 Persons         | 4.58%<br>149 Persons       |
| Asian or Asian American & Hispanic/Latino/a                       | 0.13%<br>4 Persons           | 0.18%<br>6 Persons         |
| Black, African American, or African                               | 7.50%<br>230 Persons         | 9.98%<br>325 Persons       |
| Black, African American, or African & Hispanic/Latino/a           | 0.33%<br>10 Persons          | 0.37%<br>12 Persons        |
| Hispanic/Latino/a                                                 | 38.56%<br>1,182 Persons      | 20.58%<br>670 Persons      |
| Middle Eastern or North African                                   | 0.55%<br>17 Persons          | 1.07%<br>35 Persons        |
| Middle Eastern or North African & Hispanic/Latino/a               | 0.07%<br>2 Persons           | 0.00%<br>0 Persons         |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander                               | 0.78%<br>24 Persons          | 0.92%<br>30 Persons        |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander & Hispanic/Latino/a           | 0.16%<br>5 Persons           | 0.34%<br>11 Persons        |
| White                                                             | 40.00%<br>1,226 Persons      | 34.28%<br>1,116 Persons    |
| White & Hispanic/Latino/a                                         | 2.38%<br>73 Persons          | 21.59%<br>703 Persons      |
| Multi-Racial & not Hispanic/Latino/a                              | 2.45%<br>75 Persons          | 1.69%<br>55 Persons        |
| Multi-Racial & Hispanic/Latino/a                                  | 0.20%<br>6 Persons           | 1.44%<br>47 Persons        |

**Notes:** Race and ethnicity categories have been combined and expanded to align with HUD guidance for race and ethnicity reporting.



**ADULTS**

**UNSHELTERED**

**SHELTERED**

**3,004**

**2,750**

**CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS**

**41.11%**

**53.78%**

1,235 Adults

1,479 Adults

**SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER**

**45.04%**

**26.04%**

1,353 Adults

716 Adults

**PHYSICAL DISABILITY**

**34.82%**

**28.62%**

1,046 Adults

787 Adults

**SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS**

**32.89%**

**37.85%**

988 Adults

1,041 Adults

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY**

**19.74%**

**0.40%**

593 Adults

11 Adults

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**11.35%**

**8.44%**

341 Adults

232 Adults

**HIV/AIDS**

**1.76%**

**2.22%**

53 Adults

61 Adults

**Notes:**

Data only includes adults ages 18 and older. Some adults may identify with more than one subpopulation and/or report more than one disabling condition.

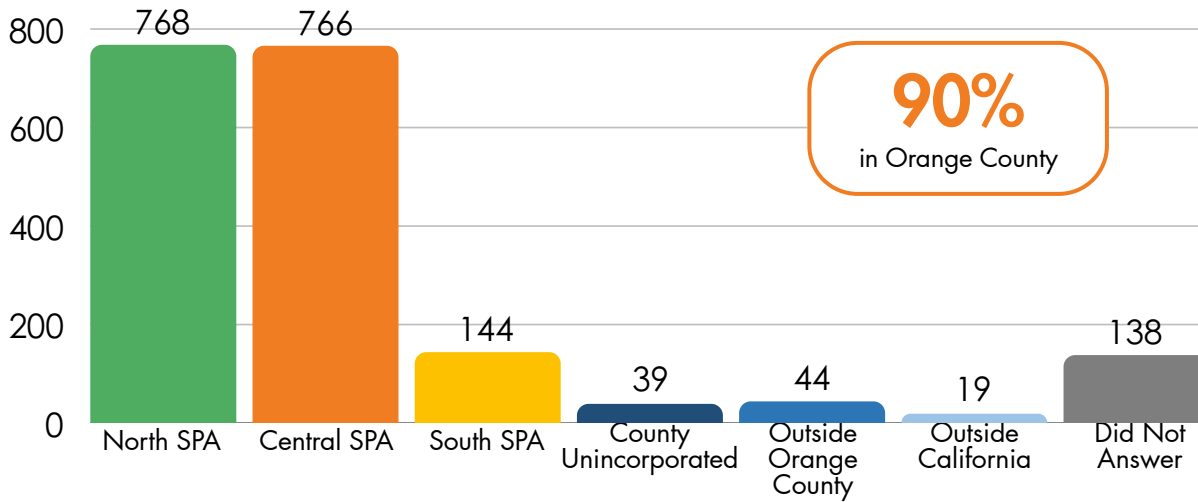


## 2026 HOUSEHOLD STATUS

| Population           | Description                                                                 | Unsheltered (2,805)<br>Households                                     | Sheltered (2,667)<br>Households                                          | Total (5,472)<br>Households                                              |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Individuals          | Households with only adults age 18 and older                                | 2,767 Households<br>2,952 Adults                                      | 2,384 Households<br>2,413 Adults                                         | 5,151 Households<br>5,365 Adults                                         |
| Families             | Households with at least one adult 18 and older and one child 17 or younger | 37 Families<br>112 persons in households:<br>52 Adults<br>60 Children | 270 Families<br>829 persons in households:<br>337 Adults<br>492 Children | 307 Families<br>941 persons in households:<br>389 Adults<br>552 Children |
| Unaccompanied Minors | Minors, 17 and younger not accompanied by an adult                          | 1 Household<br>1 Minor                                                | 13 Households<br>14 Minors                                               | 14 Households<br>15 Minors                                               |



## REPORTED CITY WHERE MOST SPENT TIME WHILE HOMELESS



**City in North SPA**  
768 Adults, 40.04%

**City in Central SPA**  
766 Adults, 39.94%

**City in South SPA**  
144 Adults, 7.51%

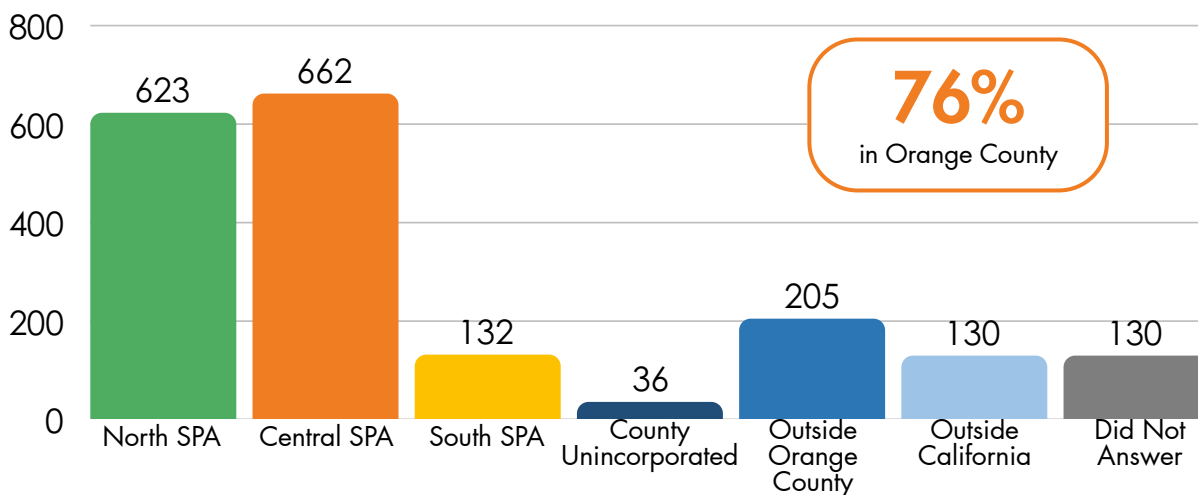
**County Unincorporated**  
39 Adults, 2.03%

**Outside Orange County**  
44 Adults, 2.29%

**Outside California**  
19 Adults, 0.99%

**Did Not Answer**  
138 Adults, 7.19%

## REPORTED CITY OF LAST PERMANENT ADDRESS



**City in North SPA**  
623 Adults, 32.48%

**City in Central SPA**  
662 Adults, 34.52%

**City in South SPA**  
132 Adults, 6.88%

**County Unincorporated**  
36 Adults, 1.88%

**Outside Orange County**  
205 Adults, 10.69%

**Outside California**  
130 Adults, 6.78%

**Did Not Answer**  
130 Adults, 6.78%

### Notes:

SPA refers to Service Planning Area.

This data is based off the 1,918 unsheltered Adults surveyed.



**38.89%**

746 Adults  
Attending or have  
attended school  
in Orange County



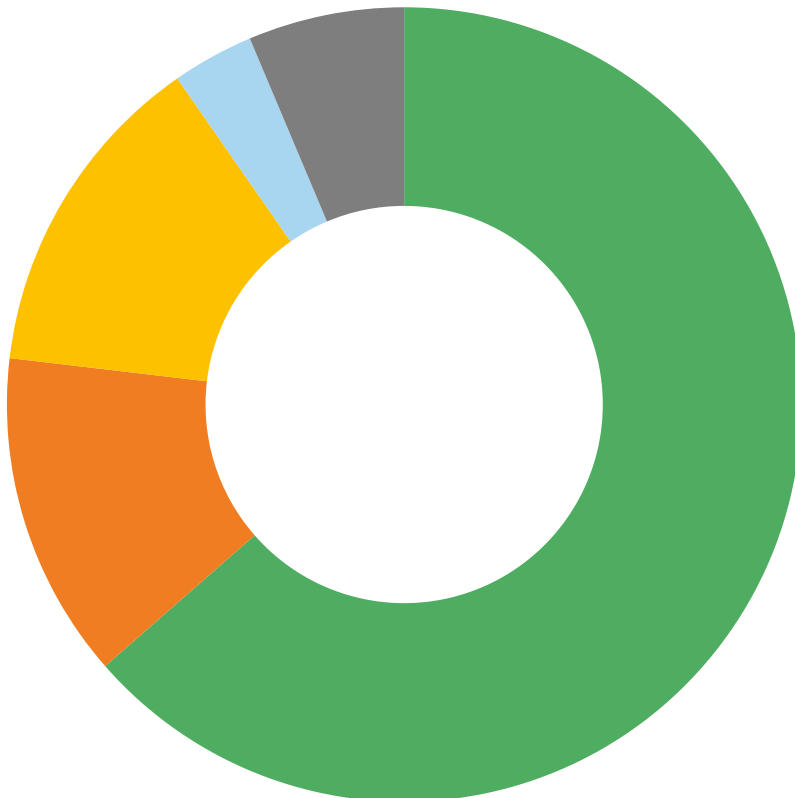
**53.49%**

1,026 Adults  
Have family in  
Orange County



**58.50%**

1,122 Adults  
Currently working or  
have ever worked  
in Orange County



**CURRENT  
EMPLOYMENT  
STATUS**

**Unemployed**

1,261 Adults, 63.56%

**Full-Time, Part-Time,  
Seasonally Employed**

264 Adults, 13.31%

**Retired, Disabled**

267 Adults 13.46%

**Other**

66 Adults, 3.33%

**Did Not Answer**

126 Adults, 6.35%

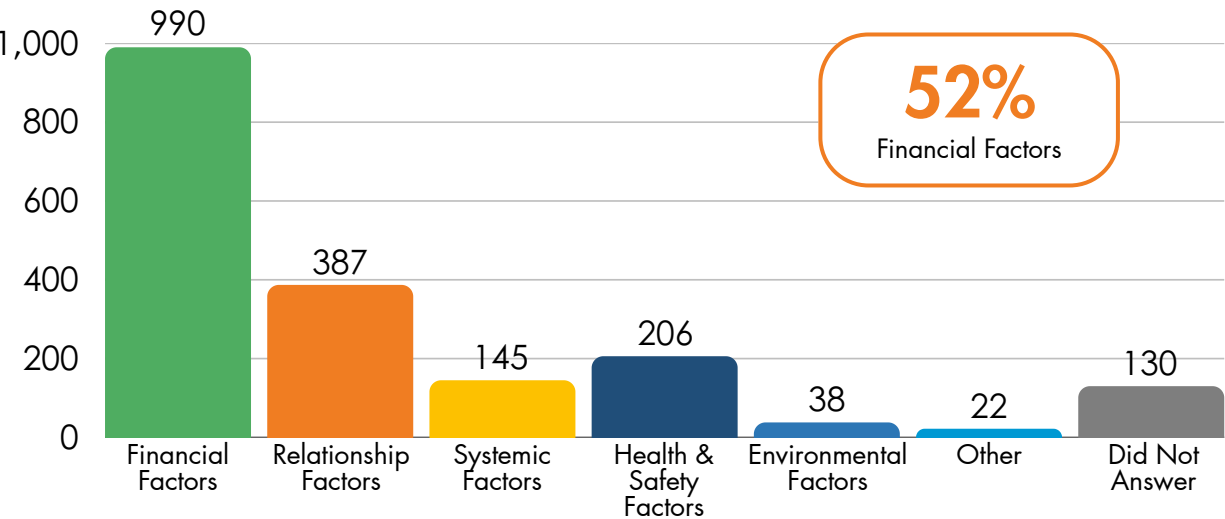
**Notes:**

Community Ties data is based off the 1,918 unsheltered Adults surveyed. For Current Employment Status, respondents were able to select multiple responses. A total of 1,984 responses were received.



**EXPERIENCE OF  
HOMELESSNESS**

**REPORTED MAJOR FACTORS THAT WERE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
IN CONTRIBUTING TO HOMELESSNESS**



**Financial Factors**  
990 Adults, 51.62%

**Relationship Factors**  
387 Adults, 20.18%

**Systemic Factors**  
145 Adults, 7.56%

**Health & Safety Factors**  
206 Adults, 10.74%

**Environmental Factors**  
38 Adults, 1.98%

**Other**  
22 Adults, 1.15%

**Did Not Answer**  
130 Adults, 6.78%



**Definitions**

**Financial Factors** can include loss of job, reduced income, high living costs, lack of affordable housing, insufficient public benefits.

**Relationship Factors** can include an argument with family and/or friends, divorce or breakup, unsafe conditions like domestic violence, changes in household composition.

**Systemic Factors** can include racial or gender discrimination, landlord problems, lack of tenant rights, discharge from jail, hospital, or rehabilitation program without a housing plan.

**Health and Safety Factors** can include medical crisis, physical health condition, mental health conditions, or substance use.

**Environmental Factors** can include natural disasters like fires or floods, air pollution, climate-related displacement.

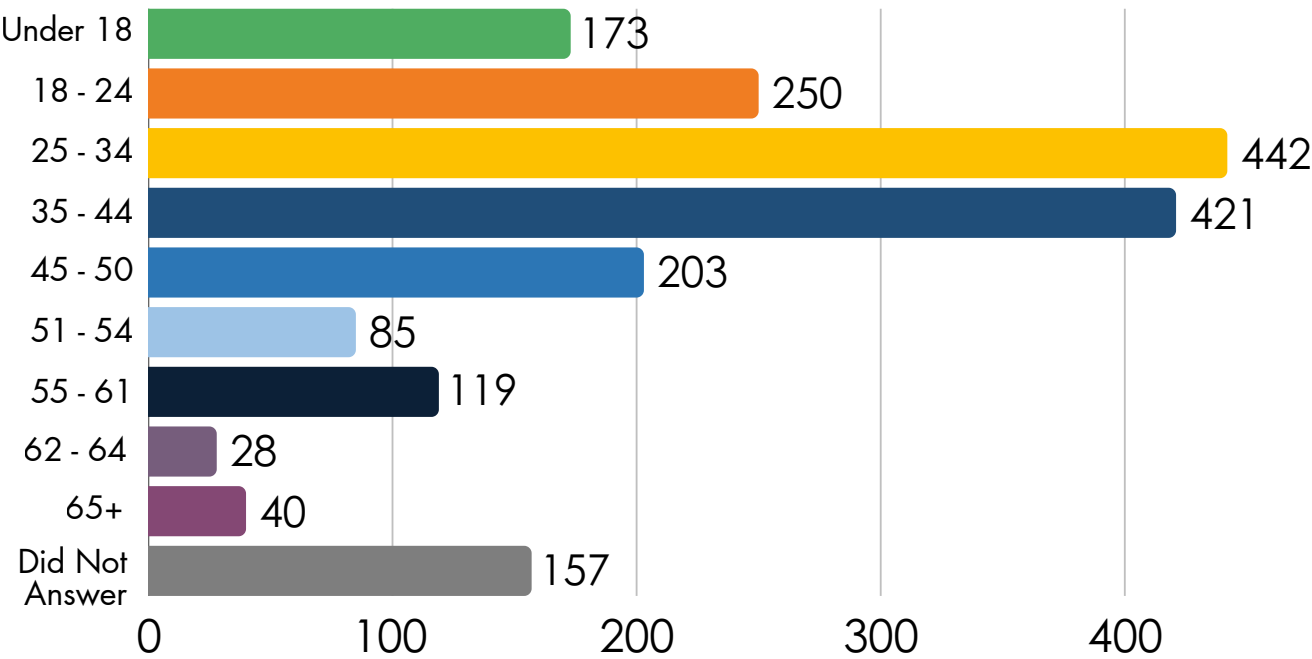
**Notes:**  
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39.73%  
762 Adults

Experiencing homelessness for  
the first time in the past 12 months

AGE WHEN FIRST HOMELESSNESS EXPERIENCE BEGAN



|                                       |                                       |                                       |                                       |                                             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>Under 18</b><br>173 Persons, 9.02% | <b>18 - 24</b><br>250 Persons, 13.03% | <b>25 - 34</b><br>442 Persons, 23.04% | <b>35 - 44</b><br>421 Persons, 21.95% | <b>45 - 50</b><br>203 Persons, 10.58%       |
| <b>51 - 54</b><br>85 Persons, 4.43%   | <b>55 - 61</b><br>119 Persons, 6.20%  | <b>62 - 64</b><br>28 Persons, 1.46%   | <b>65+</b><br>40 Persons, 2.09%       | <b>Did Not Answer</b><br>157 Persons, 8.19% |

Notes:

This data is based off the 1,918 unsheltered Adults surveyed.



## CITY BY CITY

| City                               | Unsheltered  | Sheltered    | Total        |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Anaheim                            | 541          | 891          | 1,432        |
| Brea                               | 41           | 0            | 41           |
| Buena Park                         | 128          | 210          | 338          |
| Cypress                            | 23           | 10           | 33           |
| Fullerton                          | 162          | 143          | 305          |
| La Habra                           | 35           | 0            | 35           |
| La Palma                           | 21           | 0            | 21           |
| Los Alamitos                       | 7            | 10           | 17           |
| Orange                             | 215          | 140          | 355          |
| Placentia                          | 27           | 145          | 172          |
| Stanton                            | 81           | 18           | 99           |
| Villa Park                         | 1            | 0            | 1            |
| Yorba Linda                        | 5            | 0            | 5            |
| County Unincorporated              | 9            | 0            | 9            |
| Domestic Violence Program          | N/A          | 31           | 31           |
| <b>North Service Planning Area</b> | <b>1,296</b> | <b>1,598</b> | <b>2,894</b> |

| City                                 | Unsheltered  | Sheltered    | Total        |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Costa Mesa                           | 63           | 73           | 136          |
| Fountain Valley                      | 44           | 12           | 56           |
| Garden Grove                         | 218          | 116          | 334          |
| Huntington Beach                     | 143          | 154          | 297          |
| Newport Beach                        | 8            | 15           | 23           |
| Santa Ana                            | 714          | 601          | 1,315        |
| Seal Beach                           | 10           | 0            | 10           |
| Tustin                               | 32           | 346          | 378          |
| Westminster                          | 175          | 21           | 196          |
| County Unincorporated                | 56           | 18           | 74           |
| Domestic Violence Program            | N/A          | 100          | 100          |
| <b>Central Service Planning Area</b> | <b>1,463</b> | <b>1,456</b> | <b>2,919</b> |

| City                               | Unsheltered | Sheltered  | Total      |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Aliso Viejo                        | 6           | 0          | 6          |
| Dana Point                         | 15          | 0          | 15         |
| Irvine                             | 49          | 0          | 49         |
| Laguna Beach                       | 29          | 57         | 86         |
| Laguna Hills                       | 6           | 0          | 6          |
| Laguna Niguel                      | 20          | 0          | 20         |
| Laguna Woods                       | 17          | 0          | 17         |
| Lake Forest                        | 50          | 18         | 68         |
| Mission Viejo                      | 15          | 0          | 15         |
| Rancho Santa Margarita             | 6           | 0          | 6          |
| San Clemente                       | 74          | 39         | 113        |
| San Juan Capistrano                | 10          | 0          | 10         |
| County Unincorporated              | 9           | 39         | 48         |
| Domestic Violence Program          | N/A         | 49         | 49         |
| <b>South Service Planning Area</b> | <b>306</b>  | <b>202</b> | <b>508</b> |



**TOTAL COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT**

| Service Planning Area | 2022 Total   |        | 2024 Total   |        | 2026 Total   |        |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
|                       | #            | %      | #            | %      | #            | %      |
| North                 | 2,419        | 42.31% | 3,227        | 44.07% | 2,894        | 45.78% |
| Central               | 2,714        | 47.46% | 3,454        | 47.17% | 2,919        | 46.18% |
| South                 | 585          | 10.23% | 641          | 8.75%  | 508          | 8.04%  |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>5,718</b> |        | <b>7,322</b> |        | <b>6,321</b> |        |

**COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 UNSHELTERED COUNTS BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA**

| Service Planning Area | 2022 Unsheltered |        | 2024 Unsheltered |        | 2026 Unsheltered |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|
|                       | #                | %      | #                | %      | #                | %      |
| North                 | 1,113            | 36.41% | 1,646            | 39.44% | 1,296            | 42.28% |
| Central               | 1,522            | 49.79% | 2,036            | 48.79% | 1,463            | 47.73% |
| South                 | 422              | 13.80% | 491              | 11.77% | 306              | 9.98%  |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>3,057</b>     |        | <b>4,173</b>     |        | <b>3,065</b>     |        |

**COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 SHELTERED COUNTS BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA**

| Service Planning Area | 2022 Sheltered |        | 2024 Sheltered |        | 2026 Sheltered |        |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|
|                       | #              | %      | #              | %      | #              | %      |
| North                 | 1,306          | 49.08% | 1,581          | 50.21% | 1,598          | 49.08% |
| Central               | 1,192          | 44.80% | 1,418          | 45.03% | 1,456          | 44.72% |
| South                 | 163            | 6.13%  | 150            | 4.76%  | 202            | 6.20%  |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>2,661</b>   |        | <b>3,149</b>   |        | <b>3,256</b>   |        |



### UNSHELTERED COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - SUBPOPULATIONS & DISABLING CONDITIONS

| Subpopulations & Disabling Conditions | 2022 Unsheltered<br>2,936 Adults | 2024 Unsheltered<br>4,074 Adults | 2026 Unsheltered<br>3,004 Adults |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Chronic Homelessness                  | 55.07%<br>1,617 Adults           | 38.44%<br>1,566 Adults           | 41.11%<br>1,235 Adults           |
| Substance Use Disorder                | 41.45%<br>1,217 Adults           | 49.85%<br>2,031 Adults           | 45.04%<br>1,353 Adults           |
| Physical Disability                   | 32.19%<br>945 Adults             | 31.42%<br>1,280 Adults           | 34.82%<br>1,046 Adults           |
| Serious Mental Illness                | 29.53%<br>867 Adults             | 30.68%<br>1,250 Adults           | 32.89%<br>988 Adults             |
| Developmental Disability              | 14.27%<br>419 Adults             | 17.43%<br>710 Adults             | 19.74%<br>593 Adults             |
| Domestic Violence                     | 9.84%<br>289 Adults              | 10.01%<br>408 Adults             | 11.35%<br>341 Adults             |
| HIV/AIDS                              | 1.77%<br>52 Adults               | 2.26%<br>92 Adults               | 1.76%<br>53 Adults               |

### SHELTERED COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - SUBPOPULATIONS & DISABLING CONDITIONS

| Subpopulations & Disabling Conditions | 2022 Sheltered<br>2,060 Adults | 2024 Sheltered<br>2,557 Adults | 2026 Sheltered<br>2,750 Adults |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Chronic Homelessness                  | 38.40%<br>791 Adults           | 34.30%<br>877 Adults           | 53.78%<br>1,479 Adults         |
| Substance Use Disorder                | 20.19%<br>416 Adults           | 23.46%<br>600 Adults           | 26.04%<br>716 Adults           |
| Physical Disability                   | 24.85%<br>512 Adults           | 29.88%<br>764 Adults           | 28.62%<br>787 Adults           |
| Serious Mental Illness                | 28.06%<br>578 Adults           | 35.31%<br>903 Adults           | 37.85%<br>1,041 Adults         |
| Developmental Disability              | 1.89%<br>39 Adults             | 0.20%<br>5 Adults              | 0.40%<br>11 Adults             |
| Domestic Violence                     | 10.97%<br>226 Adults           | 10.40%<br>266 Adults           | 8.44%<br>232 Adults            |
| HIV/AIDS                              | 3.74%<br>77 Adults             | 6.84%<br>175 Adults            | 2.22%<br>61 Adults             |

**Notes:** Data only includes adults 18 and older. Some adults may identify with more than one subpopulation and/or report more than one disabling condition.



### TOTAL COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - HOUSEHOLD STATUS

| Population           | 2022 Total                                                                 | 2024 Total                                                                 | 2026 Total                                                               |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Individuals          | 4,478 Households<br>4,510 Adults                                           | 5,906 Households<br>6,188 Adults                                           | 5,151 Households<br>5365 Adults                                          |
| Families             | 389 Families<br>1,201 persons in households:<br>486 Adults<br>715 Children | 347 Families<br>1,128 persons in households:<br>443 Adults<br>685 Children | 307 Families<br>941 persons in households:<br>389 Adults<br>552 Children |
| Unaccompanied Minors | 7 Households<br>7 Minors                                                   | 6 Households<br>6 Minors                                                   | 14 Households<br>15 Minors                                               |

### UNSHeltered COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - HOUSEHOLD STATUS

| Population           | 2022 Unsheltered                                                        | 2024 Unsheltered                                                      | 2026 Unsheltered                                                      |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Individuals          | 2,806 Households<br>2,806 Adults                                        | 3,747 Households<br>3,993 Adults                                      | 2,767 Households<br>2,952 Adults                                      |
| Families             | 94 Families<br>251 persons in households:<br>130 Adults<br>121 Children | 56 Families<br>180 persons in households:<br>81 Adults<br>99 Children | 37 Families<br>112 persons in households:<br>52 Adults<br>60 Children |
| Unaccompanied Minors | 0 Households                                                            | 0 Households                                                          | 1 Household<br>1 Minor                                                |

### SHELTERED COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 & 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - HOUSEHOLD STATUS

| Population           | 2022 Sheltered                                                           | 2024 Sheltered                                                           | 2026 Sheltered                                                           |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Individuals          | 1,672 Households<br>1,704 Adults                                         | 2,159 Households<br>2,195 Adults                                         | 2,384 Households<br>2,413 Adults                                         |
| Families             | 295 Families<br>950 persons in households:<br>356 Adults<br>594 Children | 291 Families<br>948 persons in households:<br>362 Adults<br>586 Children | 270 Families<br>829 persons in households:<br>337 Adults<br>492 Children |
| Unaccompanied Minors | 7 Households<br>7 Minors                                                 | 6 Households<br>6 Minors                                                 | 13 Households<br>14 Minors                                               |

**Notes:**

For Household Descriptions refer to page 11.

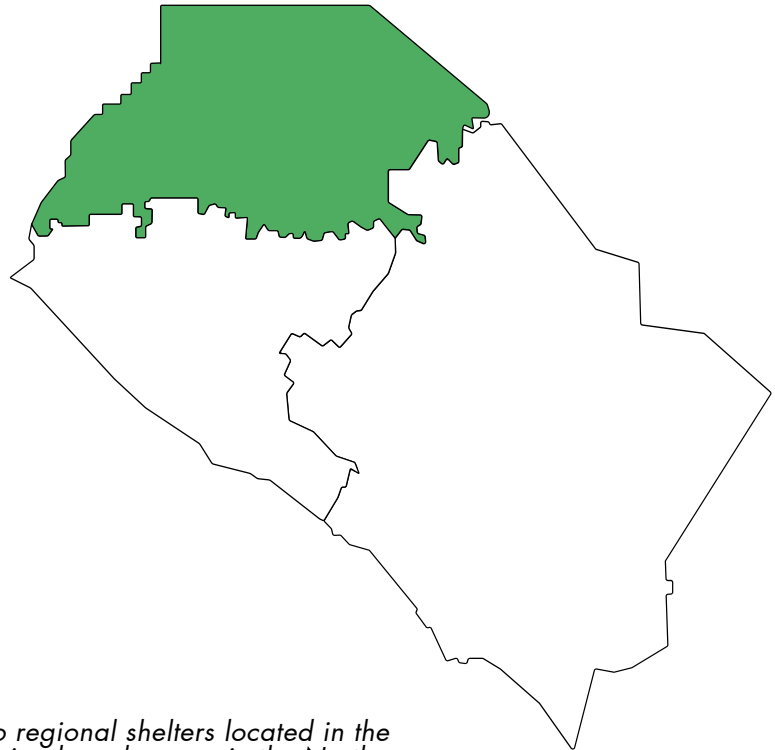


### North Service Planning Area

COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 AND 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - CITY BY CITY

| City                      | 2022 Unsheltered | 2024 Unsheltered | 2026 Unsheltered | 2022 Sheltered | 2024 Sheltered | 2026 Sheltered |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Anaheim                   | 485              | 601              | 541              | 589            | 816            | 891            |
| Brea                      | 24               | 82               | 41               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Buena Park*               | 85               | 186              | 128              | 181            | 193            | 210            |
| Cypress                   | 28               | 46               | 23               | 0              | 6              | 10             |
| Fullerton                 | 202              | 208              | 162              | 70             | 226            | 143            |
| La Habra                  | 45               | 76               | 35               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| La Palma                  | 8                | 17               | 21               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Los Alamitos              | 4                | 1                | 7                | 9              | 3              | 10             |
| Orange                    | 134              | 214              | 215              | 116            | 155            | 140            |
| Placentia*                | 31               | 37               | 27               | 167            | 145            | 145            |
| Stanton                   | 62               | 169              | 81               | 148            | 37             | 18             |
| Villa Park                | 0                | 0                | 1                | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Yorba Linda               | 4                | 3                | 5                | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| County Unincorporated     | 1                | 6                | 9                | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Domestic Violence Program | N/A              | N/A              | N/A              | 26             | 0              | 31             |
| <b>North SPA Total</b>    | <b>1,113</b>     | <b>1,646</b>     | <b>1,296</b>     | <b>1,306</b>   | <b>1,581</b>   | <b>1,598</b>   |

| City                      | 2022 Total   | 2024 Total   | 2026 Total   |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Anaheim                   | 1,074        | 1,417        | 1,432        |
| Brea                      | 24           | 82           | 41           |
| Buena Park*               | 266          | 379          | 338          |
| Cypress                   | 28           | 52           | 33           |
| Fullerton                 | 272          | 434          | 305          |
| La Habra                  | 45           | 76           | 35           |
| La Palma                  | 8            | 17           | 21           |
| Los Alamitos              | 13           | 4            | 17           |
| Orange                    | 250          | 369          | 355          |
| Placentia*                | 198          | 182          | 172          |
| Stanton                   | 210          | 206          | 99           |
| Villa Park                | 0            | 0            | 1            |
| Yorba Linda               | 4            | 3            | 5            |
| County Unincorporated     | 1            | 6            | 9            |
| Domestic Violence Program | 26           | 0            | 31           |
| <b>North SPA Total</b>    | <b>2,419</b> | <b>3,227</b> | <b>2,894</b> |



**\*Notes:**

Twelve cities in the North Service Planning Area jointly fund two regional shelters located in the cities of Buena Park and Placentia to serve individuals experiencing homelessness in the North Service Planning Area.

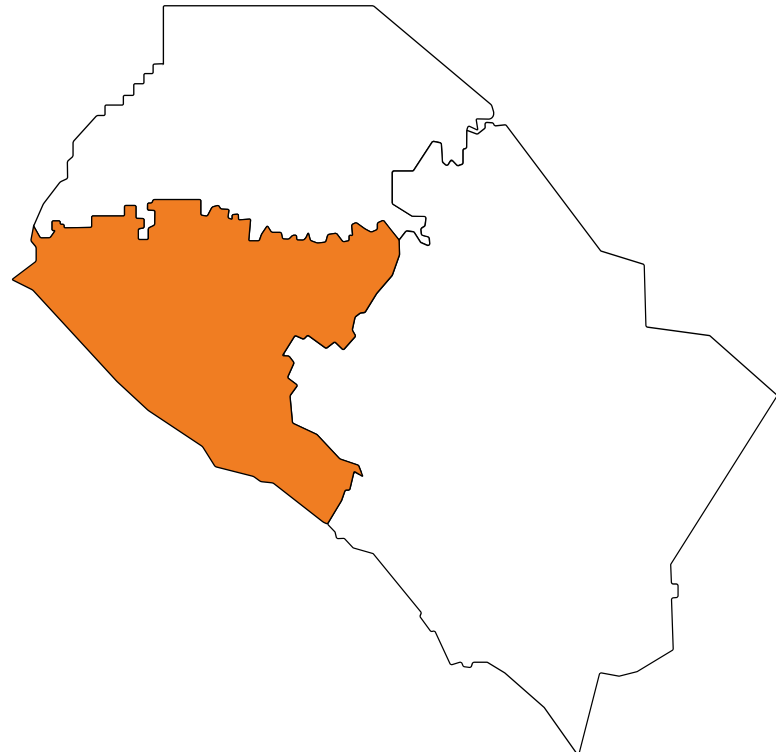


### Central Service Planning Area

COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 AND 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - CITY BY CITY

| City                      | 2022 Unsheltered | 2024 Unsheltered | 2026 Unsheltered | 2022 Sheltered | 2024 Sheltered | 2026 Sheltered |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Costa Mesa*               | 150              | 218              | 63               | 58             | 79             | 73             |
| Fountain Valley*          | 38               | 114              | 44               | 0              | 0              | 12             |
| Garden Grove*             | 278              | 163              | 218              | 113            | 76             | 116            |
| Huntington Beach          | 188              | 173              | 143              | 142            | 260            | 154            |
| Newport Beach*            | 96               | 71               | 8                | 0              | 0              | 15             |
| Santa Ana                 | 508              | 871              | 714              | 482            | 557            | 601            |
| Seal Beach                | 8                | 29               | 10               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Tustin                    | 86               | 88               | 32               | 232            | 335            | 346            |
| Westminster*              | 159              | 288              | 175              | 0              | 0              | 21             |
| County Unincorporated     | 11               | 21               | 56               | 36             | 14             | 18             |
| Domestic Violence Program | N/A              | N/A              | N/A              | 129            | 97             | 100            |
| <b>Central SPA Total</b>  | <b>1,522</b>     | <b>2,036</b>     | <b>1,463</b>     | <b>1,192</b>   | <b>1,418</b>   | <b>1,456</b>   |

| City                      | 2022 Total   | 2024 Total   | 2026 Total   |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Costa Mesa*               | 208          | 297          | 136          |
| Fountain Valley*          | 38           | 114          | 56           |
| Garden Grove*             | 391          | 239          | 334          |
| Huntington Beach          | 330          | 433          | 297          |
| Newport Beach*            | 96           | 71           | 23           |
| Santa Ana                 | 990          | 1,428        | 1,315        |
| Seal Beach                | 8            | 29           | 10           |
| Tustin                    | 318          | 423          | 378          |
| Westminster*              | 159          | 288          | 196          |
| County Unincorporated     | 47           | 35           | 74           |
| Domestic Violence Program | 129          | 97           | 100          |
| <b>Central SPA Total</b>  | <b>2,714</b> | <b>3,454</b> | <b>2,919</b> |



#### \*Notes:

The cities of Newport Beach and Costa Mesa jointly fund a shelter in Costa Mesa to serve those experiencing homelessness in their cities. The shelter beds funded by Newport Beach are reflected in their sheltered count.

The cities of Fountain Valley, Garden Grove and Westminster jointly fund a shelter located in the City of Garden Grove to serve individuals experiencing homelessness in their cities. Shelter beds funded by Fountain Valley and Westminster are reflected in their sheltered count.

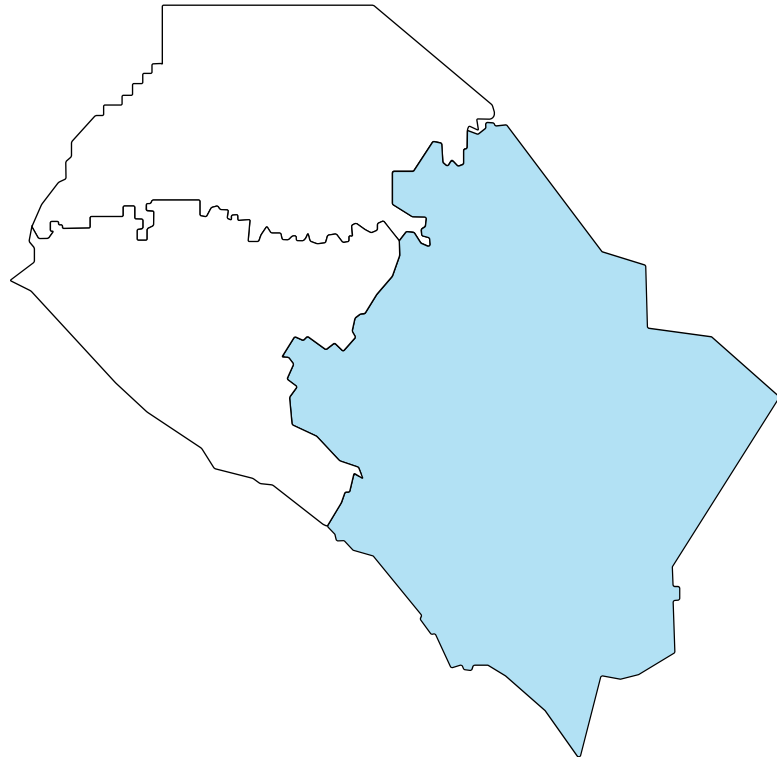


## South Service Planning Area

COMPARISON OF 2022, 2024 AND 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT - CITY BY CITY

| City                      | 2022 Unsheltered | 2024 Unsheltered | 2026 Unsheltered | 2022 Sheltered | 2024 Sheltered | 2026 Sheltered |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Aliso Viejo               | 13               | 6                | 6                | 4              | 5              | 0              |
| Dana Point                | 27               | 24               | 15               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Irvine                    | 60               | 50               | 49               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Laguna Beach              | 28               | 46               | 29               | 55             | 54             | 57             |
| Laguna Hills              | 12               | 36               | 6                | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Laguna Niguel             | 29               | 48               | 20               | 0              | 5              | 0              |
| Laguna Woods              | 7                | 22               | 17               | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| Lake Forest               | 65               | 104              | 50               | 11             | 0              | 18             |
| Mission Viejo             | 26               | 34               | 15               | 2              | 1              | 0              |
| Rancho Santa Margarita    | 7                | 6                | 6                | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| San Clemente              | 81               | 65               | 74               | 50             | 36             | 39             |
| San Juan Capistrano       | 65               | 47               | 10               | 0              | 3              | 0              |
| County Unincorporated     | 2                | 3                | 9                | 0              | 0              | 39             |
| Domestic Violence Program | N/A              | N/A              | N/A              | 41             | 46             | 49             |
| <b>South SPA Total</b>    | <b>422</b>       | <b>491</b>       | <b>306</b>       | <b>163</b>     | <b>150</b>     | <b>202</b>     |

| City                      | 2022 Total | 2024 Total | 2026 Total |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Aliso Viejo               | 17         | 11         | 6          |
| Dana Point                | 27         | 24         | 15         |
| Irvine                    | 60         | 50         | 49         |
| Laguna Beach              | 83         | 100        | 86         |
| Laguna Hills              | 12         | 36         | 6          |
| Laguna Niguel             | 29         | 53         | 20         |
| Laguna Woods              | 7          | 22         | 17         |
| Lake Forest               | 76         | 104        | 68         |
| Mission Viejo             | 28         | 35         | 15         |
| Rancho Santa Margarita    | 7          | 6          | 6          |
| San Clemente              | 131        | 101        | 113        |
| San Juan Capistrano       | 65         | 50         | 10         |
| County Unincorporated     | 2          | 3          | 48         |
| Domestic Violence Program | 41         | 46         | 49         |
| <b>South SPA Total</b>    | <b>585</b> | <b>641</b> | <b>508</b> |





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Completing the Point In Time Count is a complex and highly coordinated logistical effort that relies on strong collaboration across the community. Street outreach providers, community-based organizations, city law enforcement agencies and the Orange County Sheriff's Department played a critical role by sharing information on known hotspot locations and areas to be canvased to help ensure everyone experiencing homelessness was counted. Faith-based leaders, community-based organizations and local stakeholders donated gift cards, hygiene kits, and snack kits to be used by volunteers when conducting surveys during the count. Volunteers from across Orange County dedicated their time and energy over the course of three days, participating in early morning and late evening shifts to support this important effort. Participants included members from the Orange County Board of Supervisors, Commission to Address Homelessness, the Orange County Continuum of Care Board, executive directors and leadership staff from homeless service providers, city elected officials, community partners, and CalOptima Health leaders, whose participation further demonstrates their commitment to addressing homelessness in Orange County. Additionally, over 90 emergency shelter and transitional housing programs collected client-level information and local questions that contribute to this dataset.

This effort is not only time intensive, but also a costly endeavor that was made possible with the financial support provided by CalOptima Health's Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program grant to the Office of Care Coordination. CalOptima Health has continually demonstrated a commitment to addressing homelessness in Orange County through innovative partnerships, active community engagement, and strategic investments. The results of the 2026 Point In Time Count will help the community evaluate the progress to date and inform future efforts across the region.

*Thank you to the entire Orange County community for coming together  
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