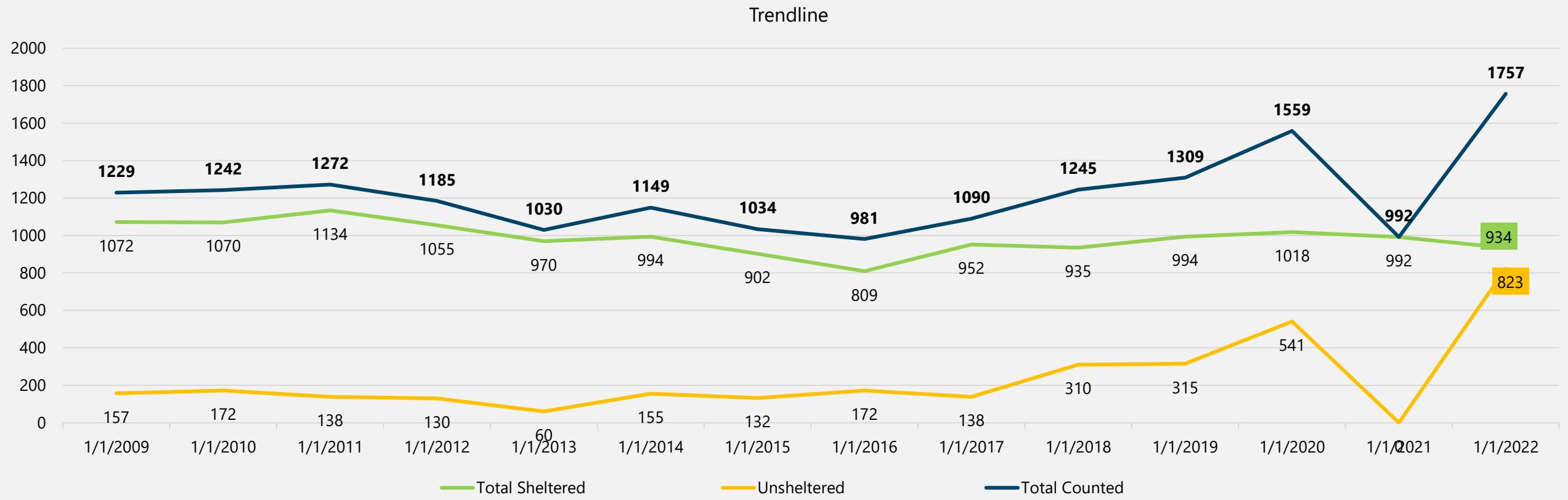
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Point-in-Time : Preliminary Status Report

Count Date: 2/24/2022

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Top Line Counts



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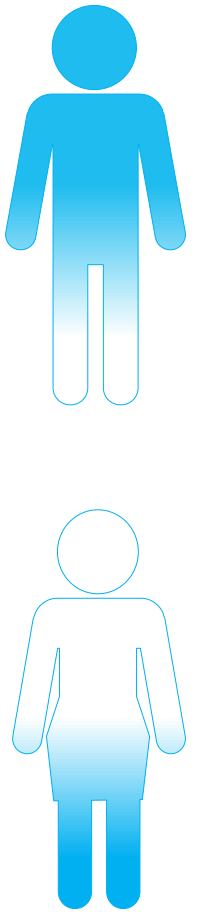
Date	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Total Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total Counted
2/24/2022	725	209	934	823	1757
1/28/2021	778	214	992	0	992
1/23/2020	799	219	1018	541	1559
1/24/2019	780	214	994	315	1309
1/25/2018	735	200	935	310	1245
1/26/2017	696	256	952	138	1090
1/28/2016	526	283	809	172	981
1/29/2015	579	323	902	132	1034
1/23/2014	561	433	994	155	1149
1/24/2013	508	462	970	60	1030
1/26/2012	516	539	1055	130	1185
1/23/2011	510	624	1134	138	1272
1/28/2010	536	534	1070	172	1242
1/29/2009	645	427	1072	157	1229

Demographics

Total Households and Persons	Sheltered			Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency	Transitional	Safe Haven[a]		
Total Number Of Households	628	112	0	773	1,513
Total Number of Persons	725	209	0	823	1,757
Number of Children (under age 18)	88	85	0	9	182
Number of Persons (18 to 24)	57	28	0	45	130
Number of Persons (over age 24)	580	96	0	769	1,445

Gender	Sheltered			Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency	Transitional	Safe Haven[a]		
Female	261	112	0	248	621
Male	454	95	0	563	1,112
Gender that is not singularly 'Female' or 'Male' (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	5	2	0	7	14
Questioning	0	0	0	1	1
Transgender	5	0	0	4	9

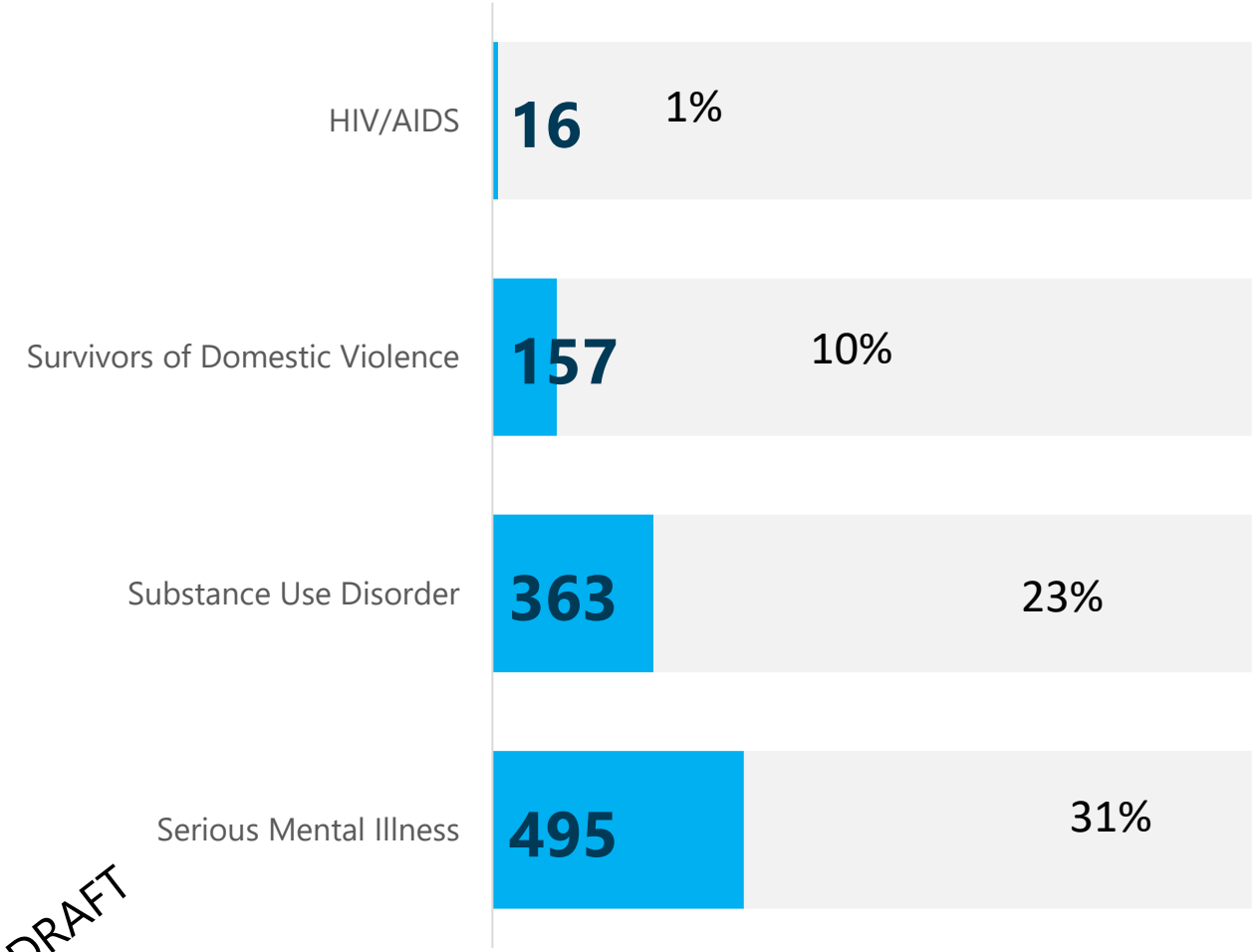
Race	Sheltered			Unsheltered	Total
	Emergency	Transitional	Safe Haven		
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	41	5	0	61	107
Asian or Asian American	6	1	0	3	10
Black, African American, or African	43	33	0	41	117
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	13	10	0	16	39
White	568	124	0	665	1,357
Multiple Races	54	36	0	37	127



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Vulnerabilities

All Adults Counted (1575)



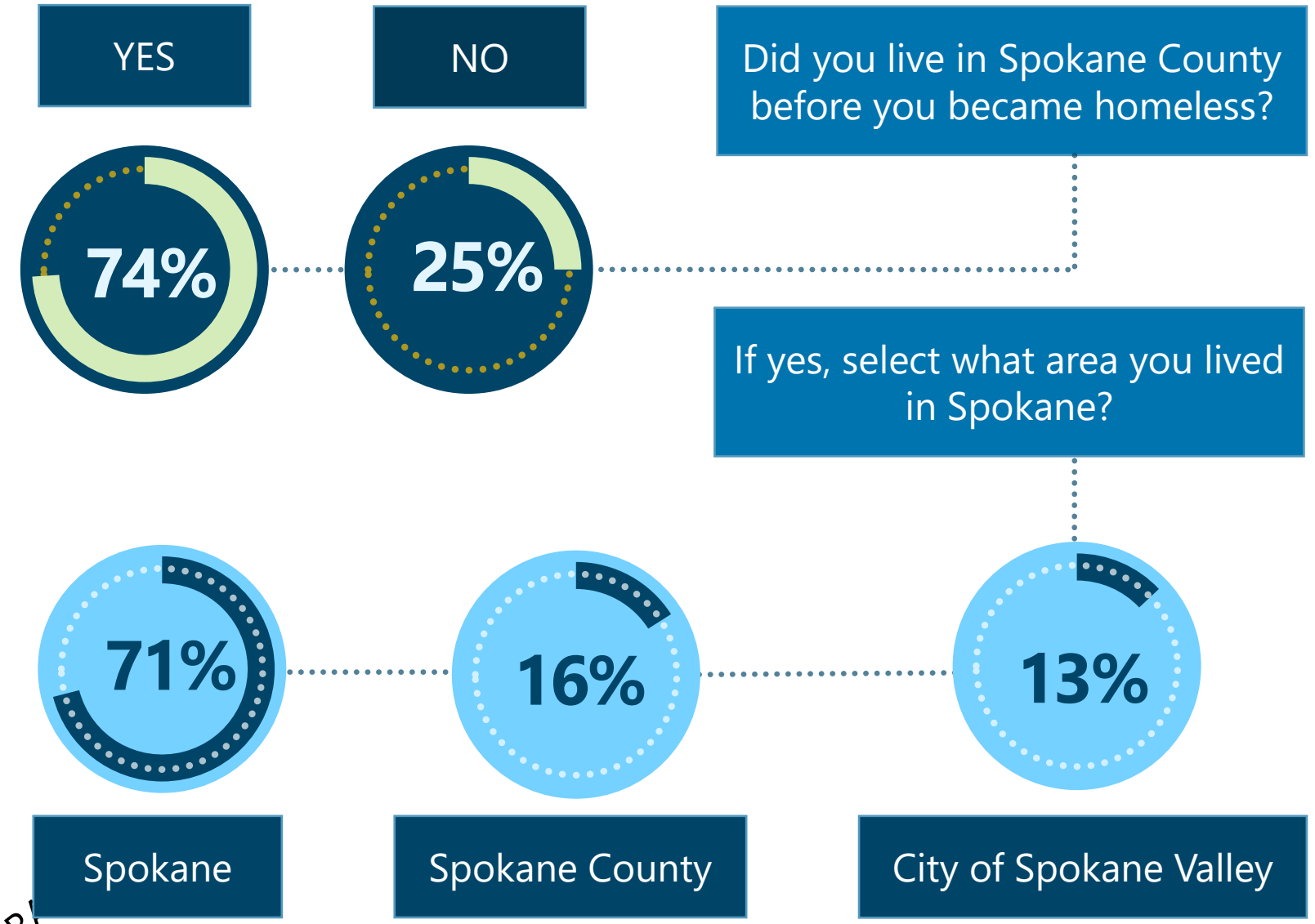
Take Away: Unhoused on the night of the count

- 31% of adults reported serious mental illness on the night of the count versus 4% of Spokane County in 2020.
- 23% of adults reported a substance use disorder, disproportionate to an average 9% in Washington state from 2014-2017.
- The unhoused during this year's PIT were more likely to be victims of domestic violence compared to Spokane County in 2020: 10% vs 1%.
- Veteran population among the unhoused is proportionally less than county: 6% vs 11%

Vulnerabilities	Unsheltered Only (814)	
Serious Mental Illness	193	24%
Substance Use Disorder	167	21%
HIV/AIDS	8	1%
Survivors of Domestic Violence	60	7%

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Unsheltered 2022



Point-of-Origin

Question 1: 530 Respondents
Question 2: 320 Respondents

Have long have you been in Spokane?

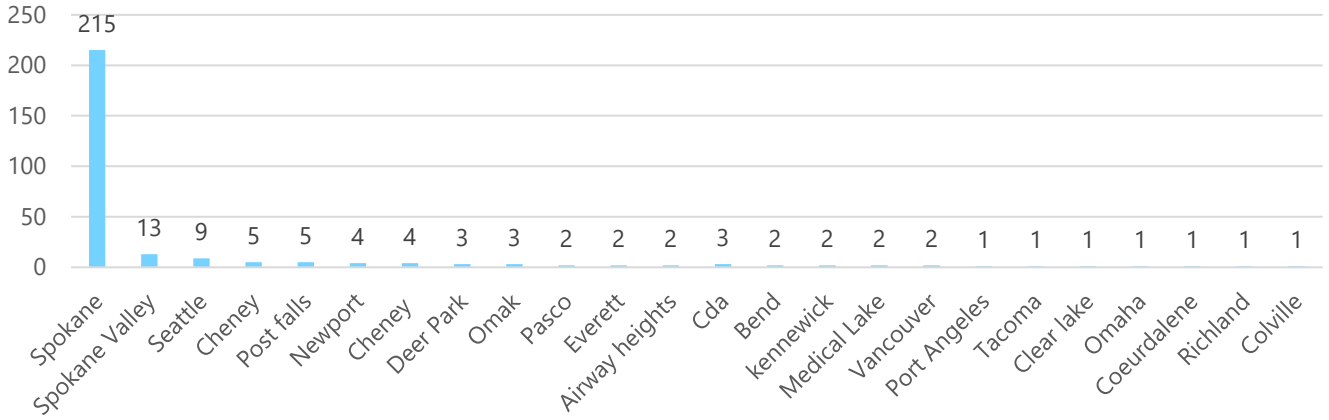
1-3 Years	120	23%
4-6 Years	59	11%
7-9 Years	39	8%
10+ Years	299	58%

Sleeping Locations

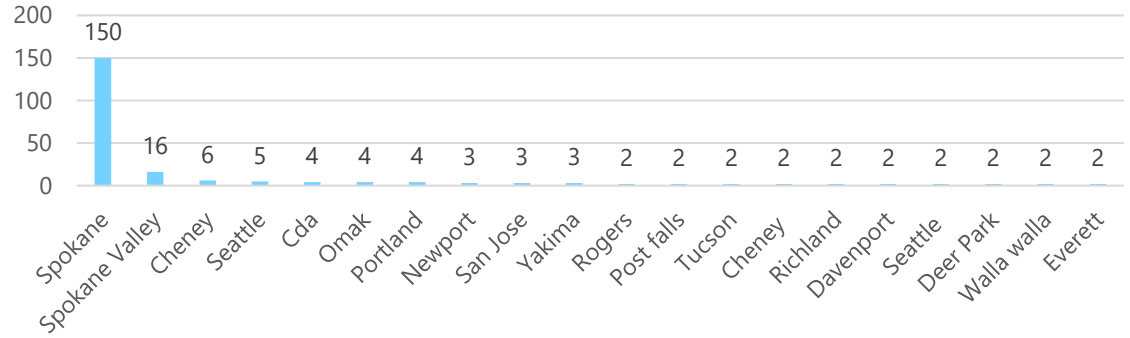
Outdoor encampment	260	32%
Street or Sidewalk	213	26%
Vehicle / Boat / RV	155	19%
Under bridge/overpass	93	11%
Other	55	7%
Park	33	4%
Abandoned Building	9	1%
Bus, train station, airport	5	1%

Unsheltered: Point of Origin Survey

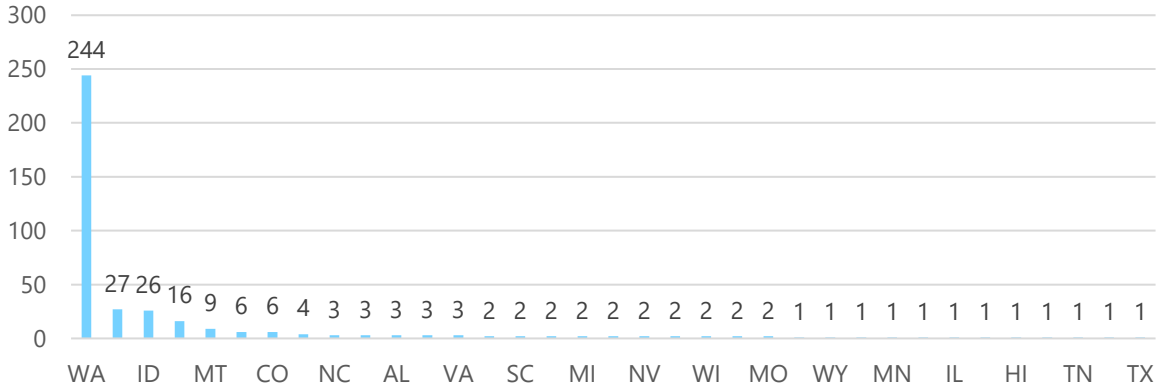
City of nearest family member? (389 Respondents)
Top 25



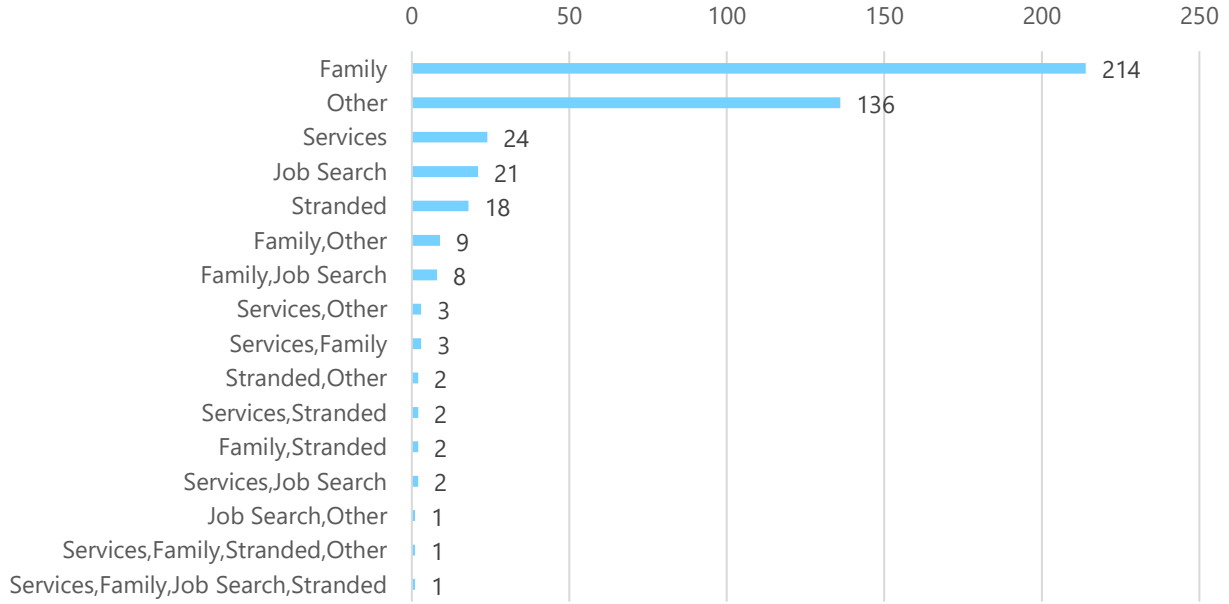
What city did you go to high school?
Top 25 (395 Respondents)



What state did you go to high school? (385 Respondents)



What brought you to Spokane? (447 Respondents)



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Change Drivers

12. Looking at the change in your unsheltered count from last year's count, please choose up to three reasons that best explains these changes from the drop down list below. Please also provide a brief description of these specific factors (500 word limit).

- [x] Change in PIT count methodology
- [ ] Change in participation of programs serving general homeless populations (e.g., singles, families)
- [ ] Change in participation of programs serving subpopulations (e.g., veterans, youth)
- [ ] Increased or improved PIT count training
- [ ] More volunteers for PIT count
- [ ] Change in awareness of PIT count and relevant resources
- [ ] Change in CoC geographic coverage area
- [ ] Change in emergency shelter capacity
- [ ] Change in transitional housing capacity
- [x] Change in rapid re-housing capacity
- [ ] Change in homelessness prevention capacity
- [ ] Change in permanent supportive housing capacity
- [ ] Change in other supportive housing subsidy capacity
- [ ] Change in landlord partnerships
- [ ] Impact of coordinated entry;
- [ ] Impact of Housing First practices
- [x] Change in availability of affordable housing
- [ ] Change in economic conditions (employment rate, etc.)
- [ ] Weather
- [ ] Other (specify):

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Top 3 Change Reasons – as seen through survey process:

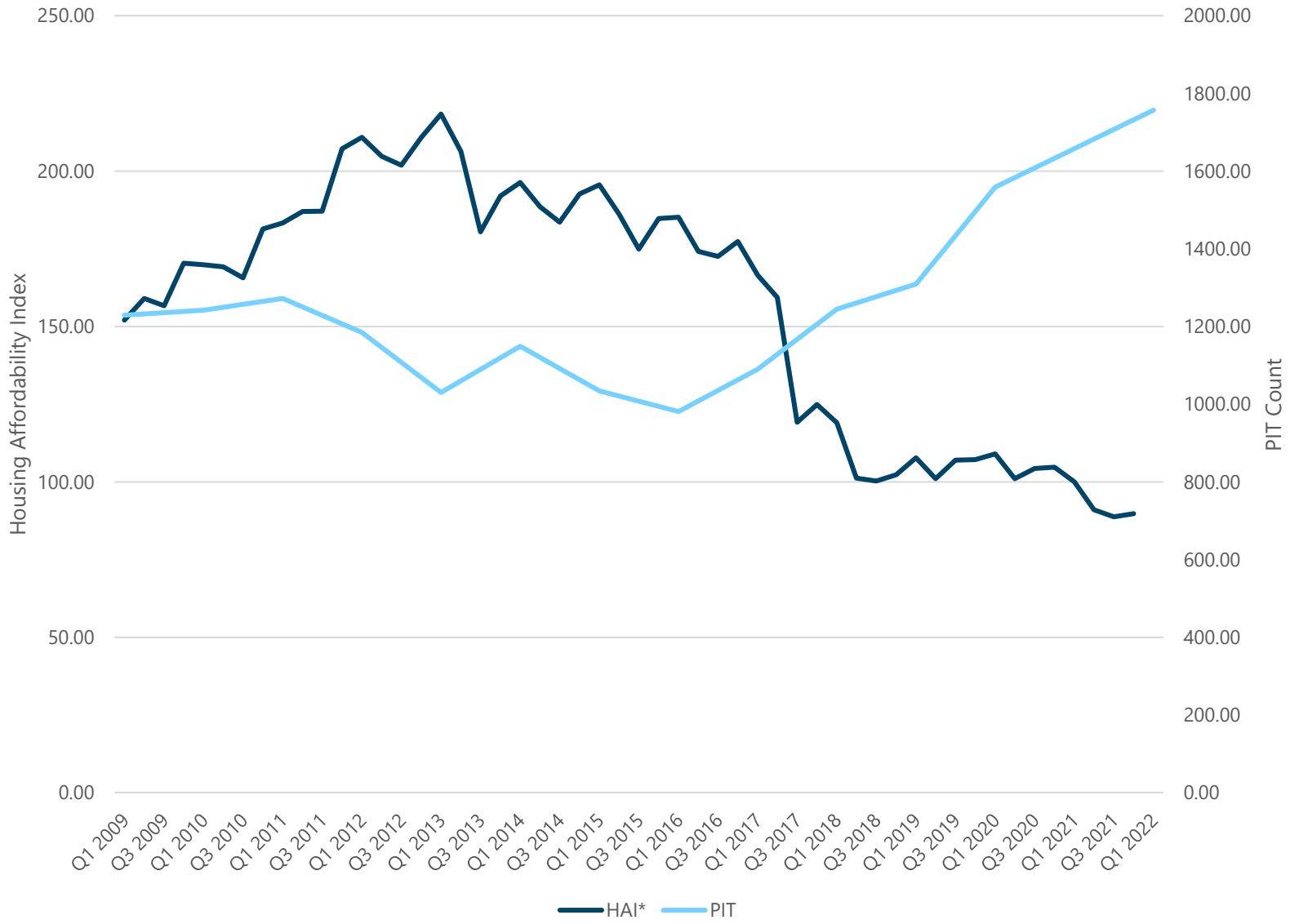
Unsheltered:

- Change in PIT count methodology – more thorough and more volunteers
- Change in rapid re-housing capacity – significantly less available
- Change in availability of affordable housing – significantly less available

Sheltered:

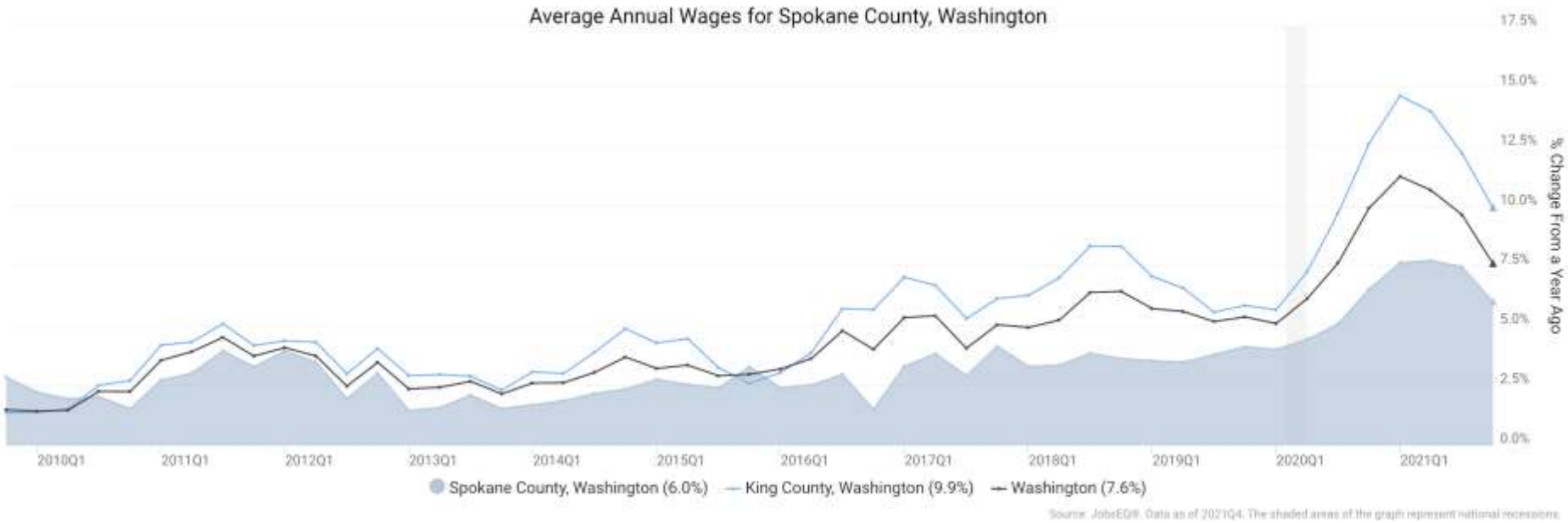
- Change in participation of programs serving general homeless populations (e.g., singles, families) – changes in providers and shelters
- Change in capacity due to COVID-19
- Change in participation of programs due to COVID-19

Housing Affordability Index & Point-in-Time



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Average Wage Changes & Cost of Living



Cost of Living

	Annual Average Salary	Cost of Living Index (Base US)	US Purchasing Power	Cost of Living Index (Base Spokane County, Washington)	Spokane County, Washington Purchasing Power
Spokane County, Washington	$55,680	106.4	$52,311	100.0	$55,680
King County, Washington	$112,764	154.3	$73,059	145.0	$77,764
Washington	$80,388	127.4	$63,109	119.7	$67,174
USA	$65,055	100.0	$65,055	93.9	$69,244

Source: JobsEQ®
Cost of Living per COLI, data as of 2021Q3, imputed by Chmura where necessary.

“The unfortunate thing has been that wages in Spokane have always been lower than the nation on average, by a significant margin, but now with the cost of living increasing dramatically, people are getting squeezed much harder in the current environment.”
Mike McBride, Business Industry Analyst Spokane Workforce Council

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Emergency Shelter Inventory

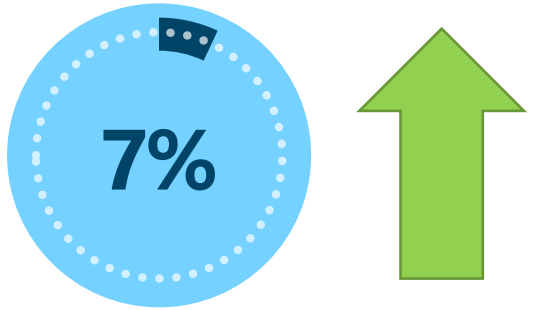
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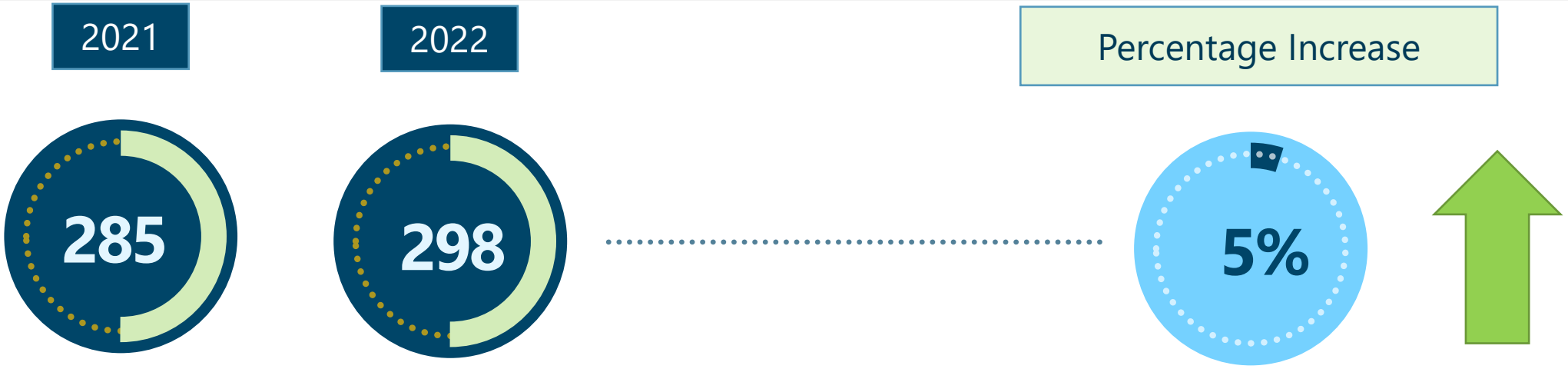


Percentage Increase



Emergency Shelter	2021	2022	Difference from 2021 to 2022	Notes
CC--ES--HOC Medical Respite	33	33	0	No Difference
CC--ES--HOC Shelter	135	105	-30	Loss of Overflow Beds Due to COVID
CC--ES--SMS Shelter	27	27	0	No Difference
FPS--ES--Open Doors	60	79	19	Increased capacity
GA--ES--Cannon Street		82	82	New Inventory
GA--ES--Cannon Street Warming Center	80		-80	Closed Inventory from 2021
GA--ES--Hotels		40	40	New Inventory
GI--ES--SSVF Emergency Housing Assistance	10		-10	Closed Inventory from 2021
HCHV--ES--CRS	12	12	0	No Difference
JHH--ES--Madison Center Shelter	30		-30	Closed Inventory from 2021
Truth Ministries--ES--Shelter	50	66	16	Increased capacity
TSA--ES--Family Shelter	60	60	0	No Difference
TSA--ES--The Way Out Center		30	30	New Inventory
TSA--ES--The Way Out Shelter	102		-102	Closed Inventory from 2021
UGM--ES--Men's Shelter	163	200	37	Increased capacity
UGM--ES--Women's Crisis Shelter	100	84	-16	Reduced capacity to better account for inventory
VOA--ES--Crosswalk Youth Shelter	13	18	5	Returned to full capacity after COVID
VOA--ES--Hope House Medical Respite	8	11	3	Increased capacity
VOA--ES--Hope House Shelter	51	84	33	New location allowed for increased Capacity
VOA--ES--YAS		44	44	New Inventory
YFA--ES--Crisis Residential Center	2	3	1	Same capacity, just a shift from sister project
YFA--ES--HOPE Project	4	3	-1	Same capacity, just a shift from sister project
YWCA--ES--Domestic Violence Shelter	27	49	22	Increased capacity
Grand Total	**967**	**1030**	**63**	**Overall and increase in beds from 2021**

Transitional Housing Inventory



Transitional Housing	2021	2022	Difference from 2021 to 2022	Notes
CC--TH--WA0109--SMS	24	24	0	No Difference
SNAP--TH--YAHP	8		-8	Closed Inventory from 2021
Transitions--TH--Miryams House	6	6	0	No Difference
Transitions--TH--Private Fund--Miryam's House	3	3	0	No Difference
Transitions--TH--Private Fund--TLC	18	20	2	Flucuation based on use
Transitions--TH--TLC	24	20	-4	Closed Inventory from 2021
TSA--TH--Stepping Stones	90	90	0	No Difference
TSA--TH--The Way Out Center		30	30	New Inventory
UGM--TH--Anna Ogden Hall	44	44	0	No Difference
VOA--TH--ACI YAHP	13	8	-5	Flucuation based on use
VOA--TH--Aston-Bleck	10	10	0	No Difference
VOA--TH--Bridge Housing	6	6	0	No Difference
VOA--TH--Expansion Project (THE)	5	3	-2	Flucuation based on use
VOA--TH--Service Intensive	9	16	7	Same capacity, just a shift from sister project
VOA--TH--Service Intensive 19	7		-7	Same capacity, just a shift from sister project
VOA--TH--SOCIR	2	2	0	No Difference
VOA--TH--WA0126--Alexandria's House	10	10	0	No Difference
VOA--TH--YAHP	6	6	0	No Difference
Grand Total	**285**	**298**	**13**	**Overall and increase in beds from 2021**

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Supporting Detailed Slides

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Point of Origin Tables

Which state did go to high school?	Count	%
WA	244	63%
CA	27	7%
ID	26	7%
OR	16	4%
MT	9	2%
AZ	6	2%
CO	6	2%
FL	4	1%
NC	3	1%
UT	3	1%
AL	3	1%
AK	3	1%
VA	3	1%
GA	2	1%
SC	2	1%
PA	2	1%
MI	2	1%
AR	2	1%
NV	2	1%
LA	2	1%
WI	2	1%
MA	2	1%
MO	2	1%
ND	1	0.26%
WY	1	0.26%
CT	1	0.26%
MN	1	0.26%
IA	1	0.26%
IL	1	0.26%
NE	1	0.26%
HI	1	0.26%
WV	1	0.26%
TN	1	0.26%
NY	1	0.26%
TX	1	0.26%
Grand Total	385	100.00%

What city did you go to highschool?	Count of Top 25 Cities	%
Spokane	150	69%
Spokane Valley	16	7%
Cheney	6	3%
Seattle	5	2%
Cda	4	2%
Omak	4	2%
Portland	4	2%
Newport	3	1%
San Jose	3	1%
Yakima	3	1%
Rogers	2	1%
Post falls	2	1%
Tucson	2	1%
Cheney	2	1%
Richland	2	1%
Davenport	2	1%
Seattle	2	1%
Deer Park	2	1%
Walla walla	2	1%
Everett	2	1%
Grand Total	218	100 %

City of nearest family member?	Count of Top 25	%
Spokane	215	55%
Spokane Valley	13	3%
Seattle	9	2%
Cheney	5	1%
Post falls	5	1%
Newport	4	1%
Cheney	4	1%
Deer Park	3	1%
Omak	3	1%
Pasco	2	1%
Everett	2	1%
Airway heights	2	1%
Cda	3	1%
Bend	2	1%
kennewick	2	1%
Medical Lake	2	1%
Vancouver	2	1%
Port Angeles	1	0%
Tacoma	1	0%
Clear lake	1	0%
Omaha	1	0%
Coeurdalene	1	0%
Richland	1	0%
Colville	1	0%

What brought you to Spokane?	Count	%
Family	214	48%
Other	136	30%
Services	24	5%
Job Search	21	5%
Stranded	18	4%
Family,Other	9	2%
Family,Job Search	8	2%
Services,Other	3	1%
Services,Family	3	1%
Stranded,Other	2	0.45%
Services,Stranded	2	0.45%
Family,Stranded	2	0.45%
Services,Job Search	2	0.45%
Job Search,Other	1	0.22%
Services,Family,Stranded,Other	1	0.22%
Services,Family,Job Search,Stranded	1	0.22%
Grand Total	447	100.00%

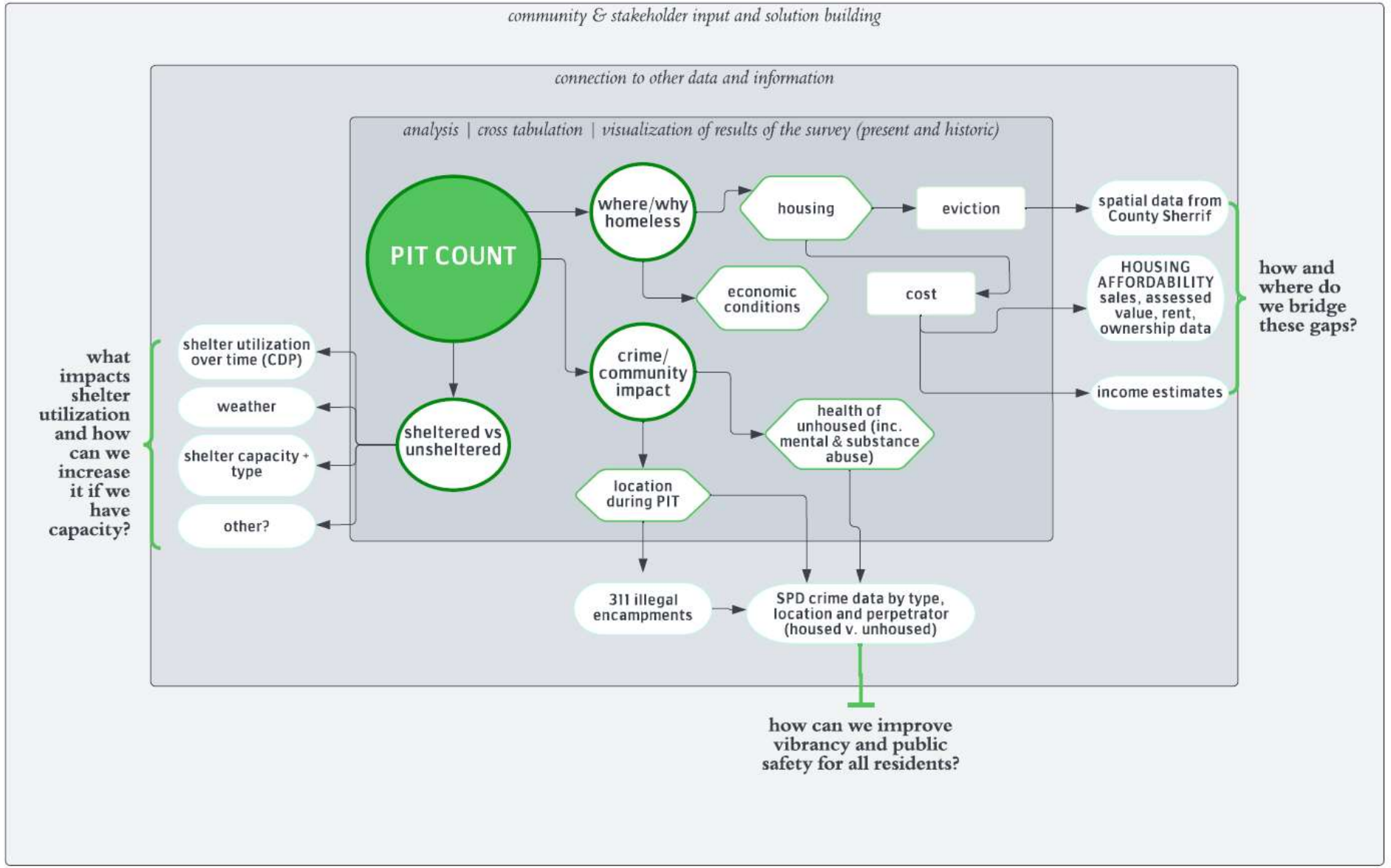
Change in PIT Count details

- **Change in PIT count methodology**
  a. Successful Effort
     i. This year the PIT effort included 140 volunteers with volunteers at the Homeless Connect event.
  b. Successful Outreach and Operations:
     i. The entire county of Spokane was systematically canvassed over six days, using GIS, a technological improvement to past years.
     ii. Staged a point-in-time count headquarters at the center of downtown which has never been done.
     iii. There was a robust regional coordination with targeting high density and rural areas with Spokane County and the City of Spokane Valley
     iv. The sum of these efforts allowed for real time deployment of survey teams based on information gathered on new and emergent encampments.
- **Change in rapid re-housing capacity**
  a. Operators of deposit and rental assistance programs were unsuccessful at spending their budgets because of housing affordability and constraints of the local housing market and vacancy rates.

- **Change in availability of affordable housing**
  a. In Q4 of 2019 (right before the last PIT count), the Housing Affordability Index was **107.2**. This value has steadily declined to **89.8** in Q4 of 2021. This index is calculated based on the ability of a middle-income household to carry the mortgage on a median priced home. An index of **100 suggests balance**, whereas an index above **100 suggests higher affordability**. (Source University of Washington Center for Real Estate)
     - For comparison, the affordability index was right around 120 in 2017 and 2018, suggesting high levels of affordability for middle income households.
  b. The affordability index is even more dire for first time homebuyers. In Q4 of 2019 the Index in Spokane for first time buyers was 78.5 and in Q4 of 2021 it had dropped to 65.7 suggesting a complete lack of affordability.
     - In fact, at the end of the fourth quarter in 2021, only 5% of houses for sale cost less than $250,000 and none of those were below $160,000
  c. The median home price in Spokane has jumped from **$276,600 in 2019** to **$390,200 in 2021**
  d. In the Fall of 2021, the average rent cost was $1043 for a one-bedroom apartment with a vacancy rate of 1.1% (anything under 5% is considered a tight market for renters) 2021FallApartmentMarketReport.pdf (uw.edu). In the Fall of 2019, the average cost for a one-bedroom apartment was $832 with a 1.4% vacancy rate. 2019FallApartmentMarketReport-1.pdf (uw.edu)
  e. Change in economic conditions
     - Wages have not kept up with increases in housing costs. According to JobsEQ, the **cost of living in Spokane is 6.4% higher than national averages and annual average salaries are about $10,000 less than national averages** ($55,680 compared to $65,055 nationally, see below Figure 1). Wages have always been lower than national averages in Spokane (see Figure 2), but 5 years ago in 2017, the cost of living was also about 1% lower than national averages (rather than higher).
     - Keep in mind that a person working full-time for a minimum wage of $15/hr will earn about $2600 a month and can afford to pay $867/month on housing

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Next Steps



- PIT Report Submission
- Internal Discussions
- Storymap format with public comment period (geo spatial, ArcGIS)
- June 2nd Presentation
- Ongoing collaboration with researchers at EWU, library and experts at COS

Questions?

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