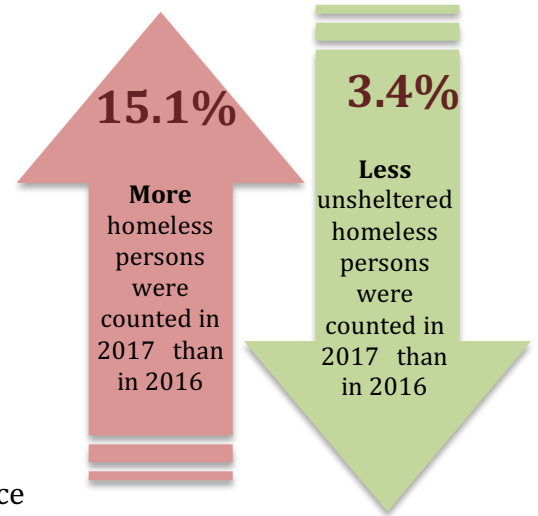


# 2017 Essex County Point-In-Time Count Fact Sheet

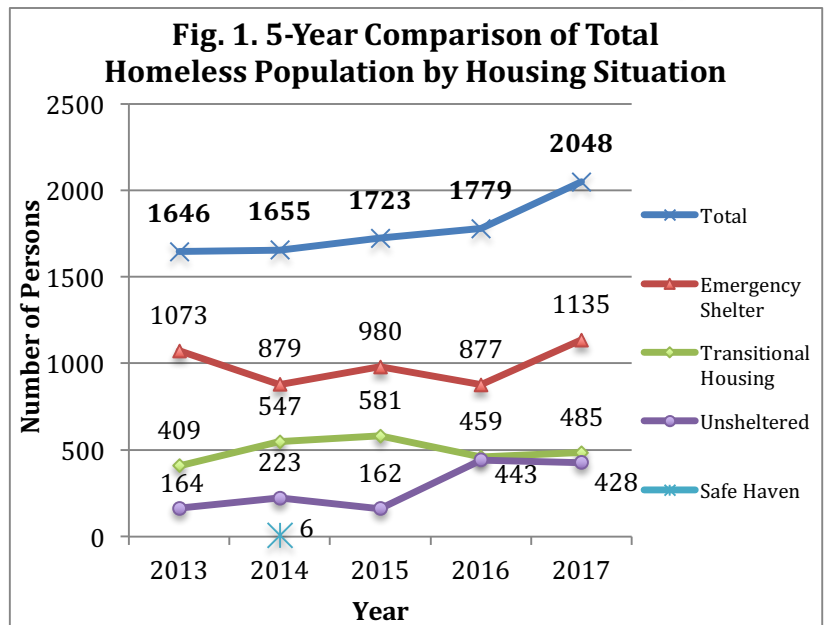
## Essex County 2017 Overall Results

- 2,048 men, women and children were homeless on the night of January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, representing 24% of New Jersey's statewide homeless population.
- This represents an increase of 269 persons (15.1%) as compared to the 2016 count.
- 182 persons were identified as chronically homeless, representing 8.8% of the total homeless population.
- 428 persons were unsheltered on the night of the count, a 3.4% decrease in the unsheltered homeless population since the count in 2016.



## NJ Counts Key Findings

- There was a 29.4% increase in the emergency shelter population, a 5.7% increase in the transitional housing population, and a 3.4% decrease in the unsheltered population.
- 273 of the 1,507 homeless households (18.1%) were families with children under the age of 18. There were 477 children under 18 (23.3%) who were homeless on the night of the count. Adult only households accounted for 81.2% of the homeless households.
- 52 veterans were identified as homeless, consistent with 2016.
- Among homeless adults, 41.4% identified a disabling condition. The predominant conditions identified were mental health issues and substance abuse disorders.
- 42.9% of homeless households reported no source of income and 20.4% of homeless households reported that they did not receive any non-cash benefits.
- 23.5% of the homeless households were homeless for more than one year.



This data comes from Monarch Housing Associates' NJ Counts 2017 report based on the Essex County Point-In-Time Count of the Homeless available at <http://monarchhousing.org>. For more information, contact Monarch Housing Associates: Jay Everett - [jeverett@monarchhousing.org](mailto:jeverett@monarchhousing.org) - 908-272-5363 x232

