



# Point-in-Time Count

**2025 CALGARY REPORT**

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# What is the PiT Count?

The Point-in-Time (PiT) Count provides a snapshot of homelessness in Calgary on a single night. Conducted annually as part of the Government of Canada's 'Reaching Home' program, the count is one of the many data points that helps track trends over time and informs system planning and resource allocation in Calgary's fight against homelessness.

Calgary has conducted PiT Counts since 1992. The count brings together data from shelters, transitional housing, healthcare

and correctional systems with street-level enumeration of people living unsheltered or in encampments.

Every three years, the PiT Count includes a longer survey that gives people the opportunity to share more about their experiences and how they came to be homeless. In 2025, the focus was on counting how many people are experiencing homelessness and where they stayed that night. The next full survey is planned for 2027.

The enumeration occurred on

## Oct. 9, 2025

Time: 8:30 am – 12:00 am

Temperature: High of 16° C, Low of -1° C



35 Facilities & Programs



21 Agencies



48 Outreach Teams



108+ Volunteers

## Methodology

Calgary's 2025 PiT Count took place on October 9, 2025. Outreach teams and trained volunteers conducted street counts across the city — counting people in encampments during the daytime between 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, and unsheltered individuals not residing in encampments during nighttime hours between 8:30 pm to 12:00 am. Information was collected from facilities and programs across agencies, including emergency shelters, domestic violence shelters, transitional housing, treatment and detox facilities, Alberta Health Services, and Alberta Justice.

Outreach teams used MAGE, an app that maps encampments across the city and directs teams to known locations where they can connect people to housing and recovery supports while reducing duplicative outreach. During the daytime count, teams updated MAGE in real time, strengthening the accuracy of encampment data and improving overall coverage of the city.

Indigenous partners, including G4 (Stoney Nakoda - Tsuut'ina Tribal Council), supported the daytime encampment count, as well as the nighttime street count, helping outreach teams engage community members in culturally informed, responsive ways. Several Indigenous partner agencies contributed to the facility count and helped prepare outreach supplies and kits.

## Findings Analysis

**Calgary maintains stable homelessness rate despite population growth.**

On the night of the count, 3,314 individuals were identified as experiencing homelessness in Calgary, compared to 3,121 in 2024. Despite this increase, the rate of homelessness remained steady at 2 people per 1,000 Calgarians – demonstrating how strategic resource allocation and coordinated system responses are keeping pace with a rapidly growing city.

Of those counted, 75% were sheltered and 25% were unsheltered. Sheltered individuals reside in an emergency shelter, corrections facility, transitional housing or healthcare facility, while unsheltered individuals are without any form of structured shelter, residing in public places such as streets,

parks, vacant buildings, cars, and encampments. These findings remain relatively consistent with the 2024 enumeration.

Over the long term, Calgary's homelessness response has made measurable progress. Since 2008, the population has grown by more than 53%, while the rate of homelessness has fallen by 40% — from 3.3 to 2.0 per 1,000 Calgarians. This stability reflects coordinated efforts across the homeless response system.

Despite this progress, there is still work ahead to address system gaps and respond to growing demand. Now more than ever, as housing markets tighten and the population grows, moving people from homelessness to housing will require every part of the system working together.

# 3,314

people counted

While this year's count increased by ~6% compared to 2024's enumeration of 3,121 individuals, the fraction of Calgarians experiencing homeless has remained consistent.

# 2 / 1,000

Calgarians are experiencing homelessness

The rate of homelessness remains unchanged since 2022, despite significant population growth—a testament to Calgary's effective system response.

SINCE 2008,  
CALGARY HAS HAD A...

## 53%

increase in overall population

## 8%

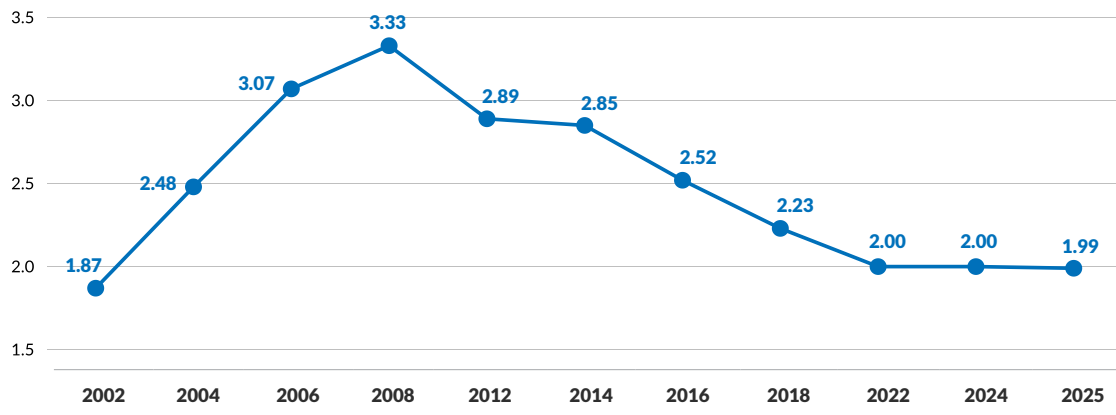
decrease in homeless population

## 40%

decrease in the rate of homelessness

## Rate of homelessness over the years

(per 1000 Calgarians)

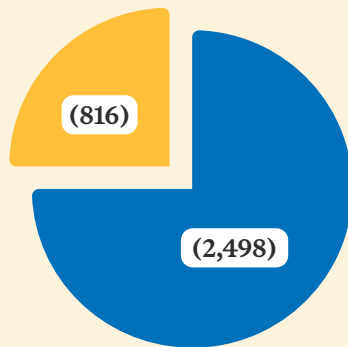


## Calgary PiT Count & Population Over the Years

Year	2002	2004	2006	2008	2012	2014	2016	2018	2022	2024	2025
PiT Count	1,737	2,397	3,157	3,601	3,383	3,544	3,222	2,911	2,782	3,121	3,314
Population	929,118	966,449	1,027,816	1,079,960	1,171,192	1,242,004	1,278,70	1,306,586	1,388,702	1,562,600	1,658,544

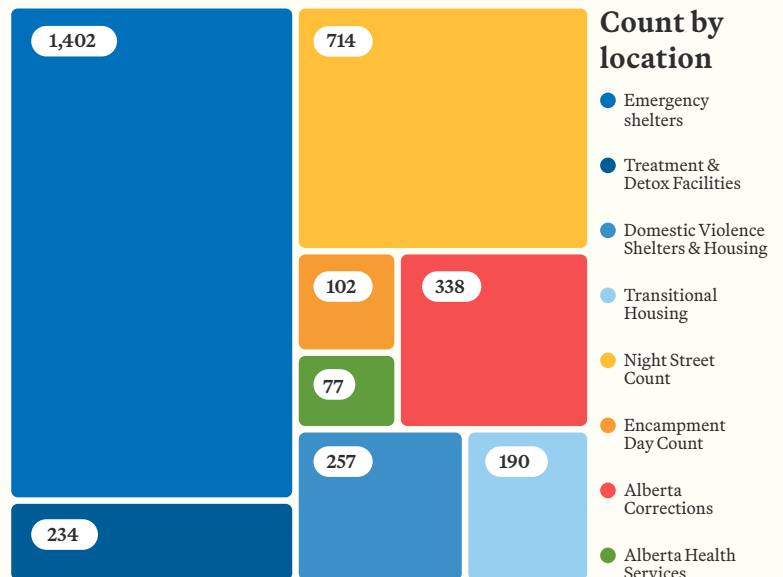
25% unsheltered

75% sheltered



Of the total 3,314 individuals enumerated, 816 (~25%) were unsheltered while 2,498 (~75%) were sheltered. This shows minimal change from the 2024 count data.

## Count by location





## RECOGNITION

Calgary Homeless Foundation (CHF) would like to express our appreciation to the individuals currently experiencing homelessness who provided the essential information that made this project possible.

We would also like to extend our sincere gratitude to the many volunteers and partners who offered their time and expertise in conducting the Point-in-Time Count. Thank you to our partners at the Government of Canada, Government of Alberta, and The City of Calgary for their support in fighting homelessness in Alberta and their critical role in this effort. Thank you as well to G4 (Stoney Nakoda - Tsuut'ina Tribal Council) for your ongoing collaboration. We also would like to thank our shelter partners, Alberta Health Services, and Alberta Justice for their role in sharing data.

CHF's appreciation also extends to the researchers and data analysts who ensured the accuracy and integrity of the data collected.

Together our efforts strengthen our shared responsibility to maximize our collective impact in the fight against homelessness.