

Point in Time Homeless Counts- 2005-2013

Cape Cod and Islands Regional Network To Address Homelessness

Annual Homeless Counts Conducted in January*

Year	Total Homeless Persons**
2005	1,071
2006	1,008
2007	715
2008	741
2009	617
2010	514
2011	493
2012	445
2013	514

* The “Point in Time” count of the homeless is a snapshot of the number of homeless persons on Cape Cod & Islands. It is impossible to get a complete and accurate number of how many people are actually homeless on the Cape by counting for just one day. The HUD definition of homelessness does not include all the people who are doubled-up living with family and friends due to the high cost of housing and low wages here on the Cape & Islands.

** Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) for formerly homeless individuals and families was allowed by HUD to be included in the 2005- 2009 counts but not included in the 2010-2013 counts. The chart above deducts PSH totals from 2005-2009 so that the same criteria are used for each year. The number of individuals and persons in families housed in PSH has increased from 157 in 2005 to 265 in 2013.

The tables on the following page provide a breakdown of the housing situations of individuals and families in the Point in Time counts. Please note that the 2013 information only detailed those in shelter, transitional housing, or on the streets; it did not catalogue motels or evictions. Also note that the 2013 count included the first comprehensive and systematic effort on Martha’s Vineyard to count the homeless. As a result of this effort, 119 individuals were identified as homeless and on the street on the Vineyard. That total explains the difference from 2012 to 2013 both in the numbers of total homeless as well as the total of those unsheltered individuals on the street.

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Individuals

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Eviction	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motel	317	330	191	112	97	87	47	49	0
Shelter	92	91	103	97	108	86	95	83	92
Street	78	40	65	64	47	60	64	43	186
Transitional Housing	118	163	67	80	90	58	79	95	79
Totals	613	624	426	353	342	291	285	270	357

Families

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Eviction	3	2	2	4	7	0	0	0	0
Motel	39	34	27	23	15	18	7	9	0
Shelter	73	70	69	72	66	62	64	55	59
Street	13	9	4	13	0	0	1	2	3
Transitional Housing	34	36	17	19	12	4	5	0	0
Totals	162	151	119	131	100	84	77	66	62

Persons in Families

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Eviction	7	6	7	8	12	0	0	0	0
Motel	119	97	73	92	48	54	23	32	0
Shelter	202	166	155	177	179	155	172	138	150
Street	42	25	11	43	0	0	3	5	7
Transitional Housing	88	90	43	68	41	14	10	0	0
Totals	458	384	289	388	280	223	208	175	157