

2026 THURSTON COUNTY POINT-IN-TIME COUNT HOMELESSNESS CENSUS SNAPSHOT

1058

TOTAL PEOPLE COUNTED

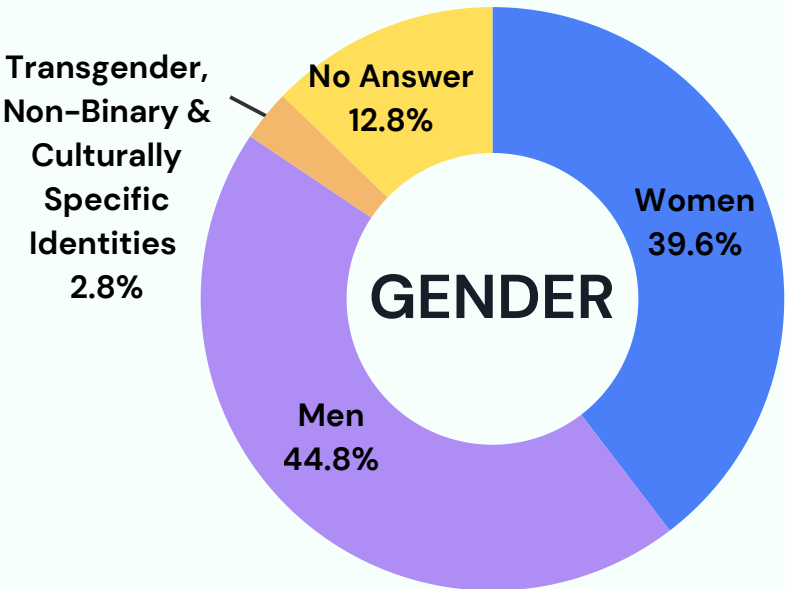
That’s about **1 in every 300** people in Thurston County

	CATEGORY	TOTAL	EXPLANATION
	UNSHELTERED	520	This includes people sleeping outside or in any structure or vehicle not meant for long-term habitation. It also includes people actively fleeing domestic violence.
	EMERGENCY SHELTER	445	This includes shelters with one large sleeping space (congregate) and shelters with individual rooms (non-congregate).
	TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	93	Transitional housing is a time-limited (typically 2-year) program often experienced as a step between shelter and stable, permanent housing.
	COUCH SURFING	90	Includes those sleeping indoors without a consistent, legally protected residence. While HUD excludes couch surfing from PIT, many local, state, and federal programs consider it eligible for homeless services. Couch-surfers were counted in Thurston County but are not included in totals or in our state's HUD report.

AGE	TOTAL	% OF ALL
0-17	195	18.43%
18-24	102	9.64%
25-64	726	68.62%
65+	35	3.31%

28%

More than a quarter of people counted during the 2026 Point-in-Time Census were youth under the age of 25



SUBPOPULATIONS

VETERANS OF US ARMED FORCES	45
PEOPLE FLEEING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	341
PEOPLE EXPERIENCING CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS*	547

* To be considered “Chronically homeless,” a person must have at least 12 total months of homelessness in the past 3 years, as well as a disabling condition.