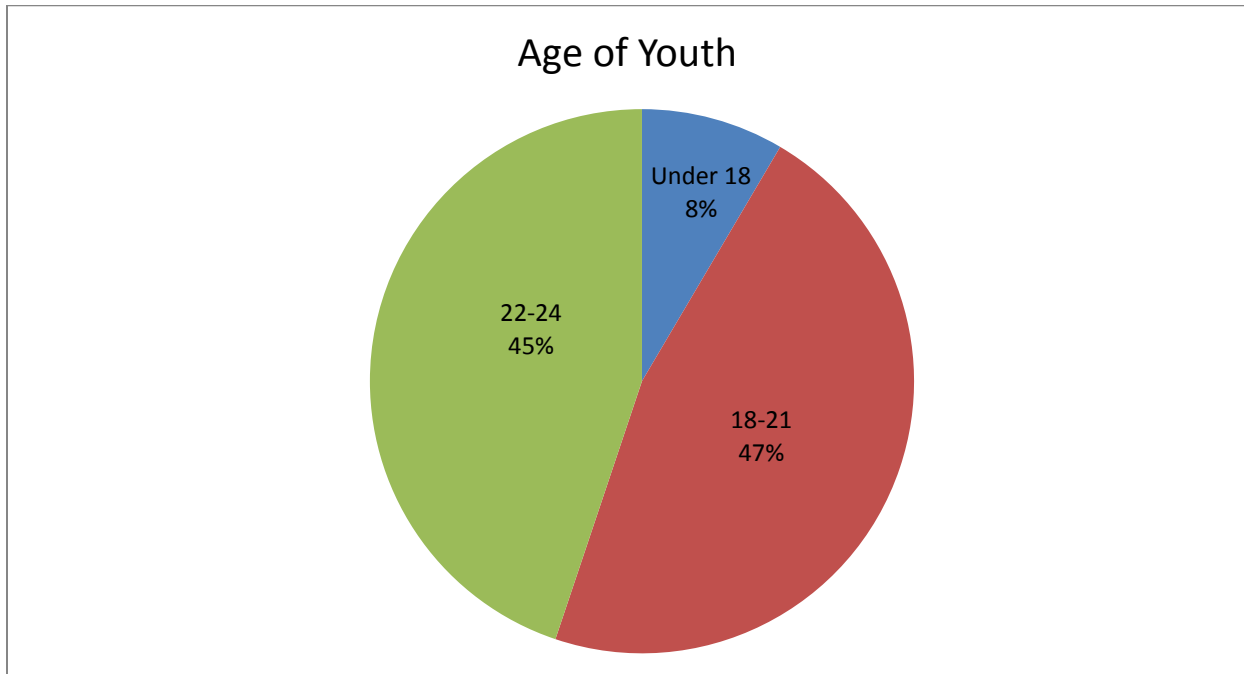


UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH, UNDER 25 YEARS OLD

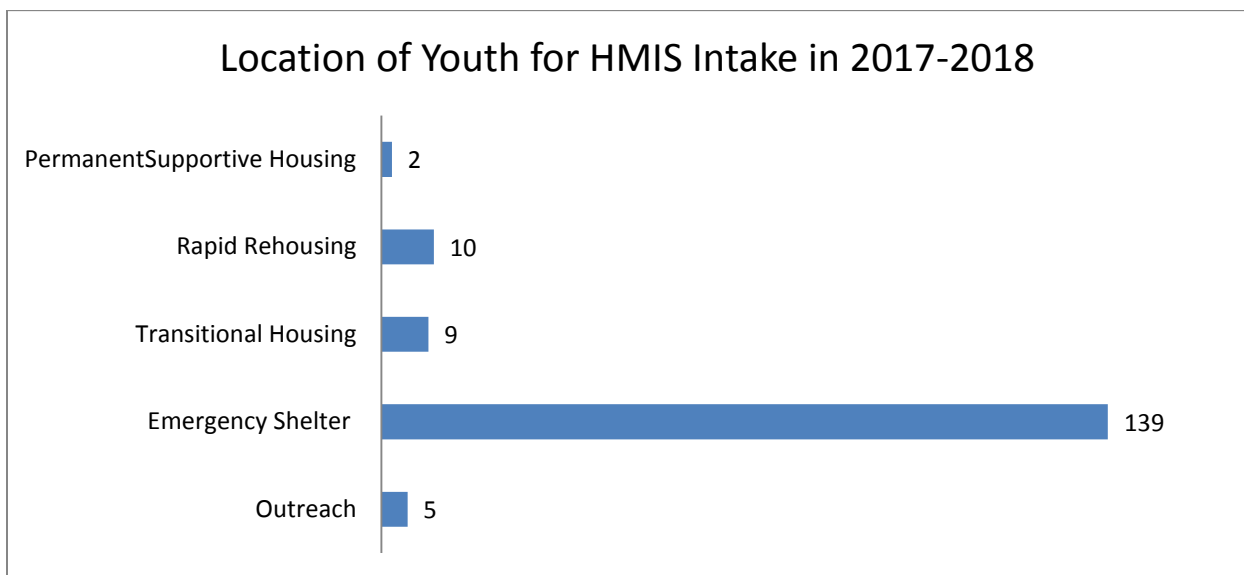
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Number and Characteristics

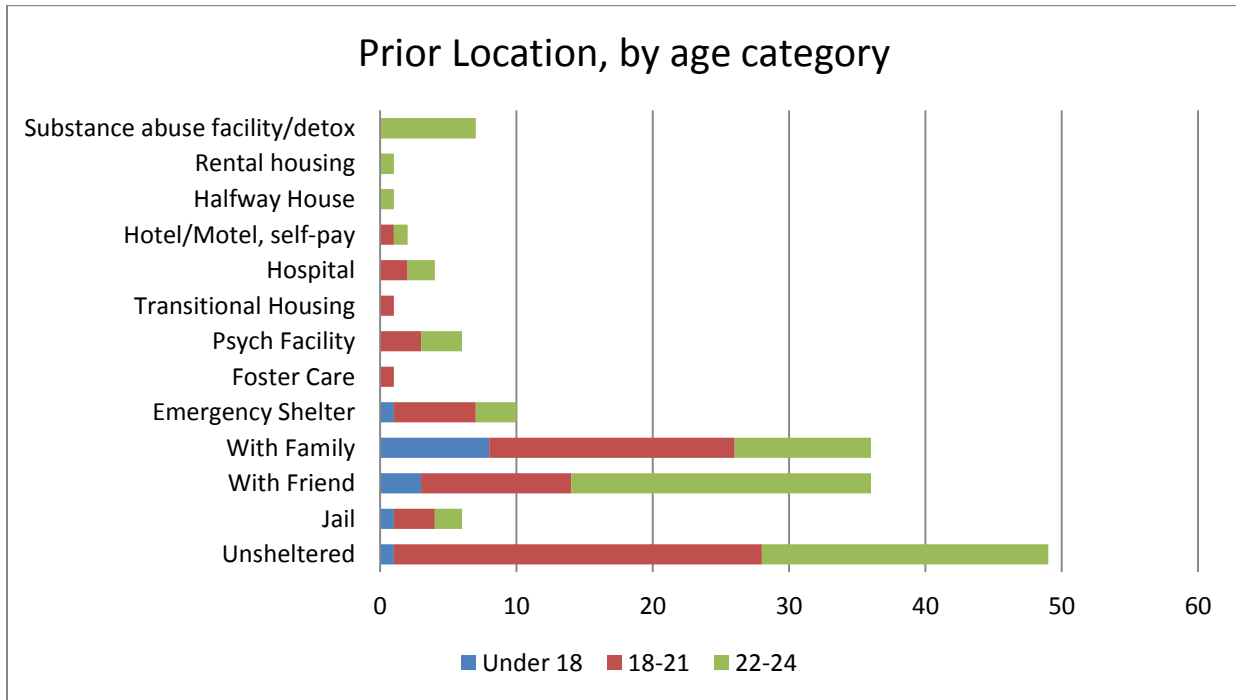
There were a total of 165 unduplicated youth who accessed CoC homeless resources in 2017-2018. The resources include outreach services, emergency shelter, transitional housing, rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing. 8% of these youth were under 18.



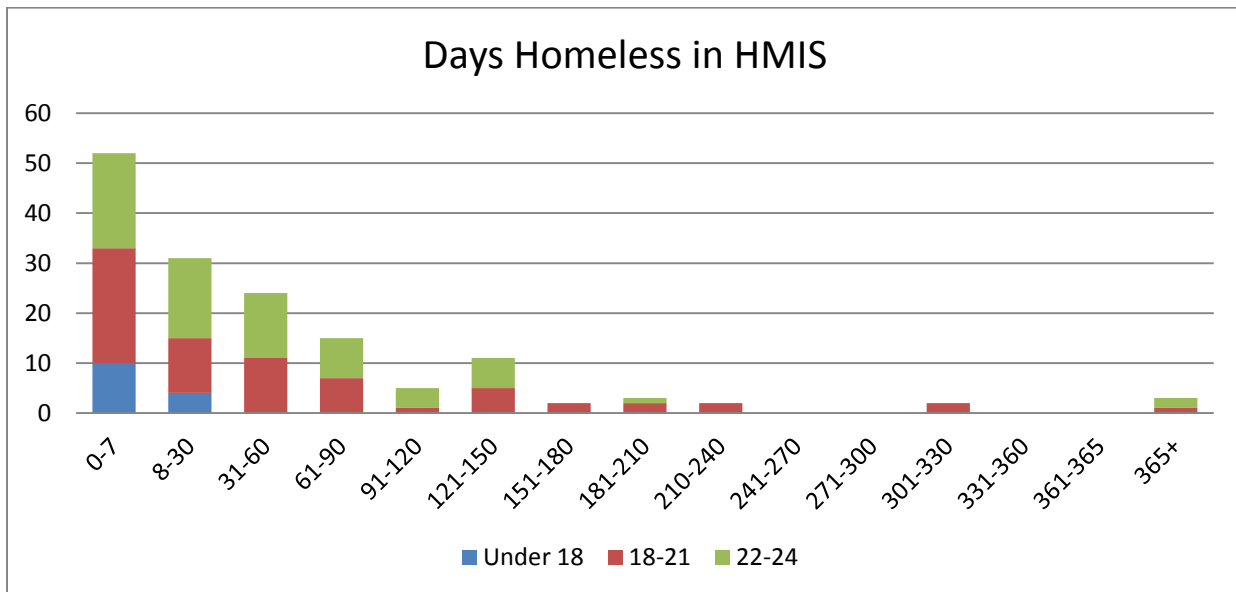
84% of youth encountered by our system used emergency shelter.



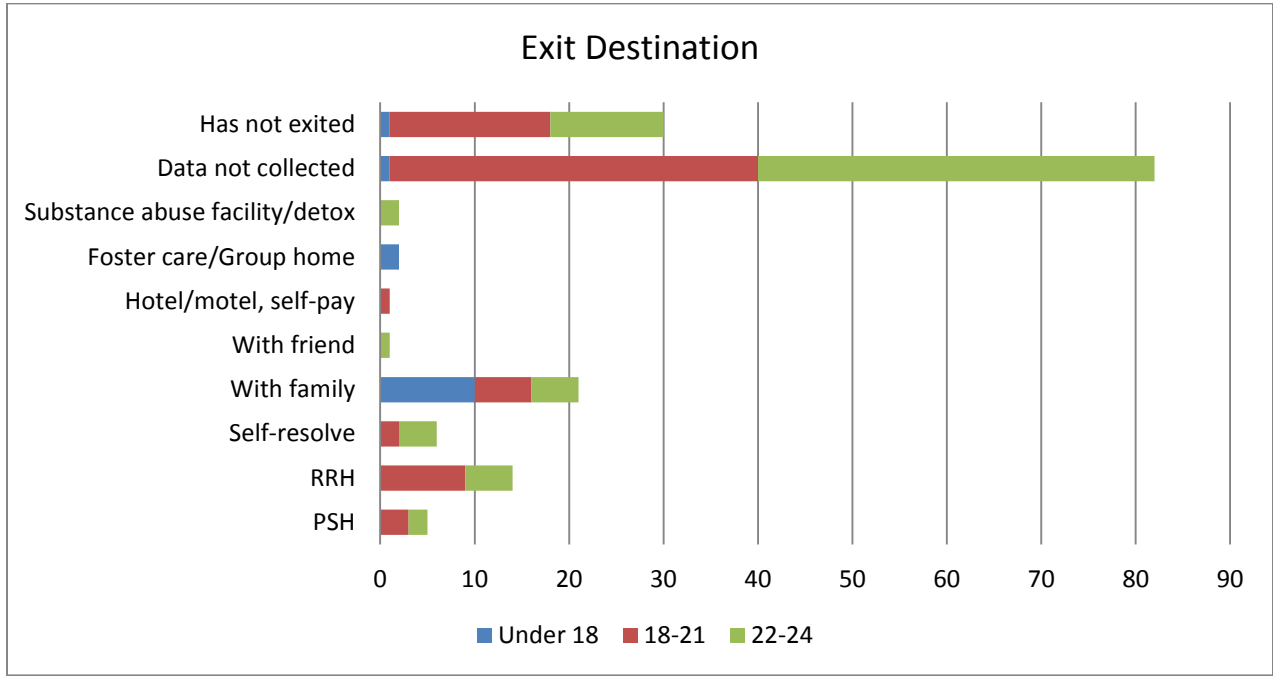
Most youth are unsheltered before entering homeless services. The two next largest prior location categories are staying with family and staying with friends. Three youth came into unaccompanied homelessness after leaving the family shelter system where they were staying with family.



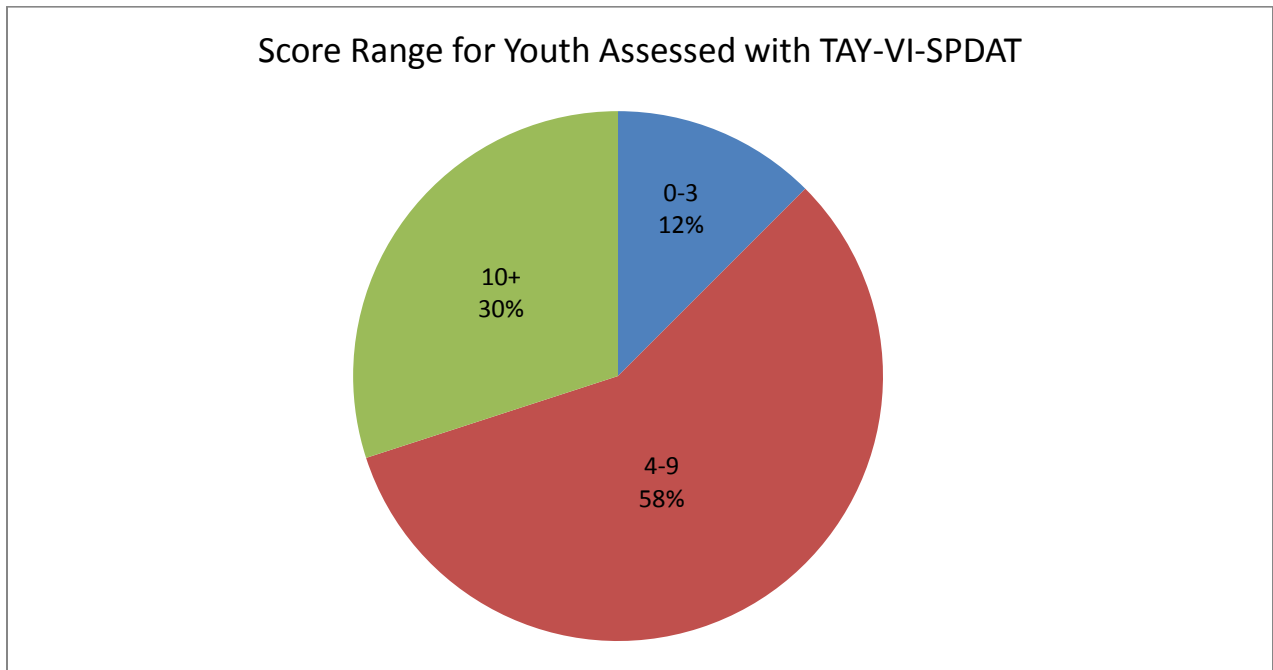
Most youth who access outreach, emergency shelter, and transitional housing exit the system within 30 days—34% exit within 7 days, and another 21% exit after stays of between 8 and 30 days. All youth under 18 exit within 30 days. Overall, by 90 days, 71% of all youth have exited. Fifteen percent of youth are homeless six months or more.



The CoC does not collect exit destination data for most youth who exit the system. For the 134 youth who left during the year 2017-2018, the CoC has the exit destination for only 39%. For the 52 for which the CoC has exit destination data, 40% exited to live with family, 27% received rapid rehousing, 12% self-resolved, and 10% exited to permanent supportive housing.



As part of coordinated entry, the CoC completed assessments for 40 youth during this program year. The majority, 58%, fell in the range that is recommended for rapid rehousing. Thirty percent of youth score high enough to need permanent supportive housing.



Winter Shelter Use

During the winter months (November through April) there is an average of 16 youth per night staying at CSO/Friend of the Homeless or the Samaritan Inn. The highest number for winter 2017-2018 was 21 sheltered youth. The City does not have data for the Springfield Rescue Mission, but finds low numbers (1-2) of youth at that location each year during the point-in-time count.

