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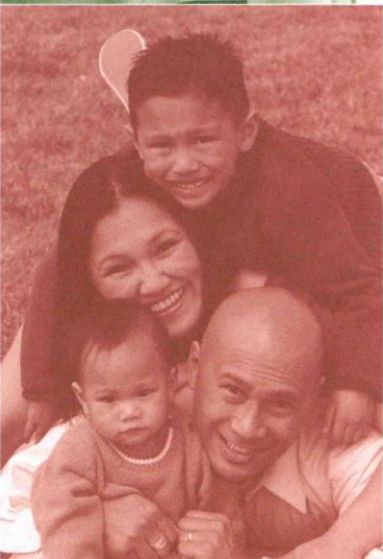


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Introduction

This report summarizes information about the guests served at the Minneapolis/Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect event held on December 13, 2010 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. This was the tenth Project Homeless Connect to be held in Minneapolis. The event was organized by the Minneapolis/Hennepin County Office to End Homelessness in partnership with the Family Housing Fund, and a steering committee made up of community members, service providers, and persons who have experienced homelessness.¹

Overall, Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect served:

- 1,411 households²
- 1,710 individuals
- 299 children age 17 or younger
- 81 unaccompanied youth age 14-21

After a discussion of data collection methods this report presents a brief comparison to the population of guests served at the previous Minneapolis/Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect events, along with events held in St. Paul/Ramsey County. This report also includes a series of tables summarizing characteristics of guests served at Project Homeless Connect, including: basic demographics, living situation, income and sources of assistance, services sought, and a de-duplication of guests served at Project Homeless Connect with records of persons known to be previously served by agencies in Minnesota who serve those experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

¹ For further information on the event, see www.homelessconnectminneapolis.org

² Households include couples with and without children, single parents with children, single adults, unaccompanied youth, and guests identifying as an “other” household type.

Methods

The data reported below were collected on paper by volunteer intake workers on the day of the event, using the form found in the Appendix.³ The data were later entered into Minnesota's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) by a team of trained data entry volunteers. Minnesota's HMIS is a statewide database that includes client-level data from many agencies that serve people experiencing homelessness or at risk of experiencing homelessness.⁴

Project Homeless Connect guests received consent forms and were recorded as "anonymous" if they preferred to not have personally identifiable information entered into the HMIS. As a result, 132 of the 1,411 households served (9%) were entered without the ability to run matches in the HMIS database to see whether they have prior service records, or to see whether they were served by providers participating in HMIS after the event.

Guests who agreed to be entered with identifiable information were entered as "unnamed clients." That is, their names were only held temporarily by the database. Upon entering the client name in the initial data entry screen, the database automatically generated a unique identifier comprised of parts of the name, date of birth, gender, and race. The database then discarded the name. The creation of the unique identifier enabled Wilder Research to assess whether Project Homeless Connect guests were served by other programs participating in Minnesota's HMIS either before or immediately after the event.

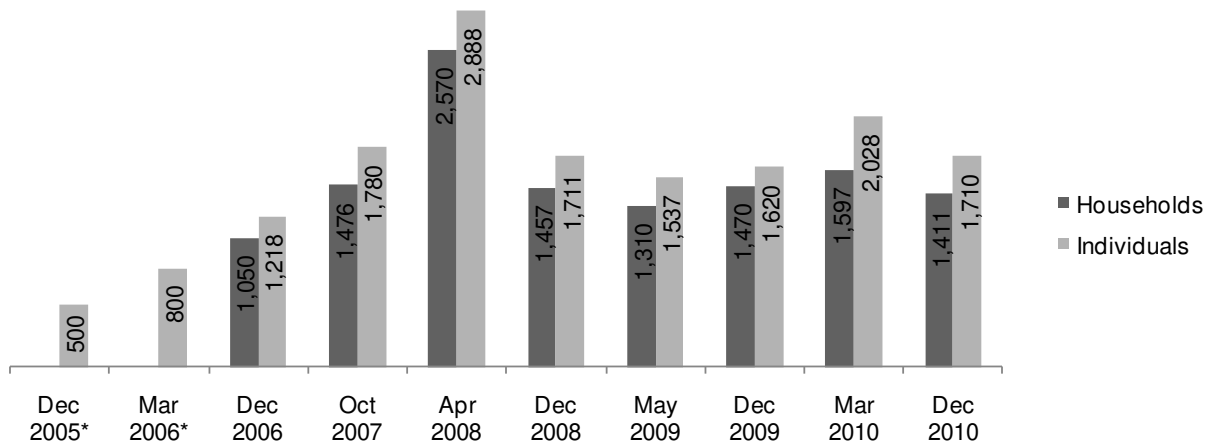
³ Two questions included on the intake form that relate to wages and hours worked are not included in this report due to the fact that only a small proportion of event guests provided answers to them.

⁴ For more information, see www.hmismn.org

Comparison with previous Hennepin Project Homeless Connect events

The Minneapolis/Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect held on December 13, 2010 served 1,710 individuals, a 16 percent decrease from the March 2010 event that served 2,028 individuals.⁵

1. Households and individuals served at event – comparison to previous events



* HMIS was not used for reporting for the first two events.

Breakdowns of demographic characteristics such as race, age, veteran status, and disability status were similar to previous events. Compared to the March 2010 event, more clients reported being homeless, especially long-term homeless.

Roughly one-quarter of all guests reported living in “doubled-up” situations with family or friends the night prior to the event. Traditionally, more guests report living in doubled-up situations at spring Project Homeless Connect events than at fall and winter events. Although the proportion of doubled-up clients was smaller than that of the March 2010 event, it nonetheless represents a record high for Project Homeless Connect events held in the fall and winter.

As in previous years, most guests had stayed in Minneapolis or Saint Paul the night before the event. Sixty-two percent of guests staying in Minneapolis and 52 percent of guests staying in Saint Paul identified as homeless.

⁵ The previous Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect event reports can be found at <http://www.hmismn.org/reports/>

Compared to previous events, a greater proportion of adults with children at the December 2010 event reported having a disability of long duration. Additionally, a greater proportion of women without children and youth reported having attended a Project Homeless Connect event in the past.

Guests at the December 2010 event reported receiving public benefits such as MFIP, Medical Assistance, and food stamps. More clients reported receiving General Assistance than at previous events. A larger proportion of households with children and youth reported having no sources of income. The five services most commonly sought by guests were housing, dental care, eye care, employment, and help obtaining a state ID.

The remainder of this report presents information on the guests served at the December 2010 Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect, including demographic characteristics, living situation, income and sources of assistance, and services sought by event guests. The report concludes with a section showing how many guests of the event had been served at previous events or had prior contact with agencies participating in Minnesota's HMIS. The report looks at guests receiving services within four weeks after the event by looking at their contact with providers participating in HMIS. In addition, the report examines outcomes from guests served at the event based on services found in HMIS.

Demographic characteristics

2. Households served, as presenting at event, by head of household

	Male	Female	Gender Unknown*	Total
In households without children				
Adults 22+	665	274	23	962
Unaccompanied Youth (14-21)	26	28	2	56
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>691</i>	<i>302</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>1,018</i>
In families with children				
Adults 22+	127	234	7	368
Unaccompanied Youth (14-21)	3	22	0	25
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>393</i>
TOTAL	821	558	32	1,411

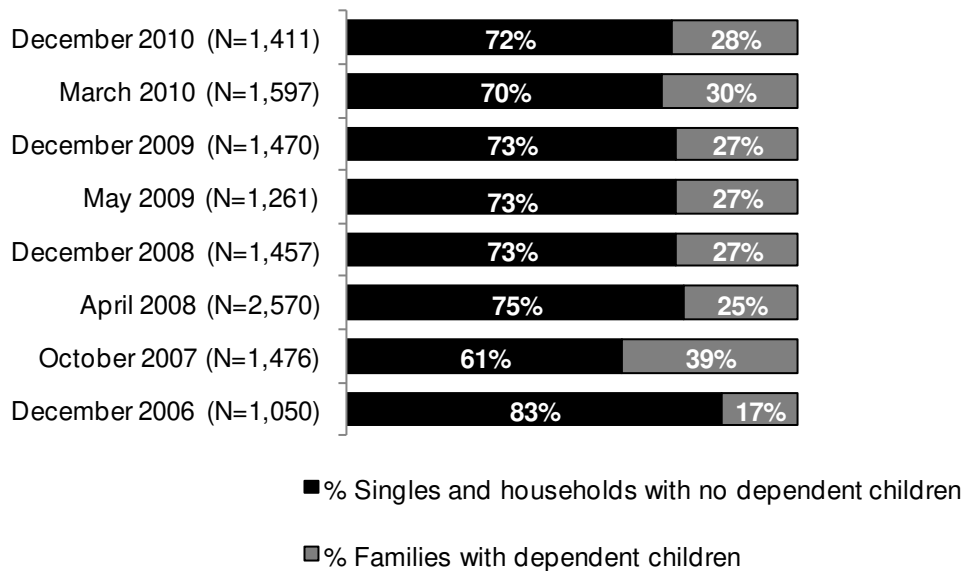
* Gender recorded as "Don't know" or left blank by intake volunteer.

3. Individuals served at event, by household type

	Number	Percentage
In households without children		
Adult singles 22+ (no dependent children)	883	87%
Adults in couples 22+ (no dependent children)	47	5%
Adults – unknown status 22+ (no dependent children)	37	3%
Unaccompanied youth, age 14-21*	51	5%
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>1,018</i>	<i>100%</i>
In families with children		
Parents or guardians	393	57%
Children, age 13-17	53	8%
Children, age 6-12	121	17%
Children, age 0-5	125	18%
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>692</i>	<i>100%</i>
TOTAL	1,710	

* Includes 25 unaccompanied youth who attended the event with dependent children.

4. Household types served, comparison to previous events



5. Age of heads of households served at event

	Male	Female	Gender Unknown*	Total
14-17	0	6	0	0%
18-21	34	54	3	6%
22-24	49	53	5	8%
25-34	124	107	3	17%
35-44	197	153	5	25%
45-54	286	111	5	28%
55-64	92	44	4	10%
65-79	10	8	1	1%
80+	0	1	0	0%
Missing age	29	21	6	4%
TOTAL	821	558	32	100%
Average age (mean)	43	38	39	41

6. Race and ethnicity of guests served at event

	Number	Percentage
American Indian/Alaskan Native	184	13%
Asian	9	1%
Black/African American	739	52%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	8	1%
White	301	21%
Other	83	6%
Missing	87	6%
TOTAL	1,411	100%
Hispanic/Latino (any race)	91	6%

* Up to two categories were recorded for each guest. The answers are reported here in a manner consistent with reporting used by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

7. Disability, veterans status, and previous experience with Project Homeless Connect*

	Adults 22+				Youth**	ALL
	Men without children n=665	Women without children n=274	Gender unknown Without children N=23	Adults with children n=368	N=81	n=1,411
Has a disability of long duration	45%	50%	35%	36%	14%	42%
Served in US military	12%	2%	0%	3%	1%	7%
Has been to a Project Homeless Connect event like this one before*	40%	37%	48%	28%	21%	35%

* Previous experience according to self-report (not through de-duplicating with prior events).

** Includes 25 unaccompanied youth with dependent children.

Living situation

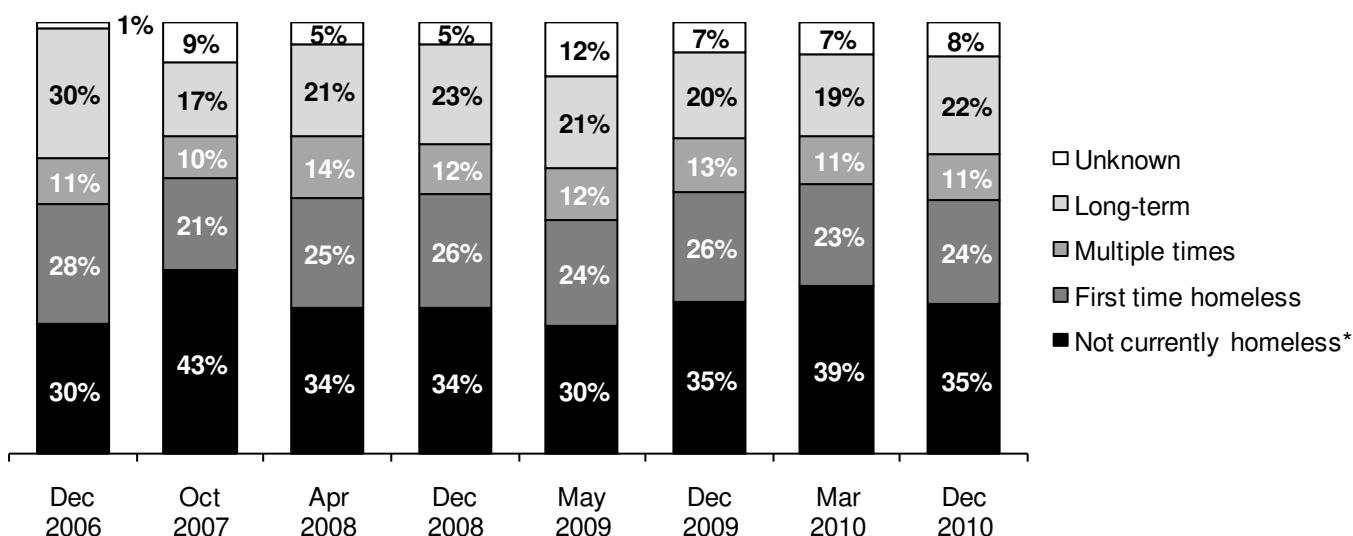
8a. Homeless status of guests served at event, comparison to previous events

	Dec 2006	October 2007	April 2008	Dec 2008	May 2009	Dec 2009	March 2010	Dec 2010
Not currently homeless*	30%	43%	34%	34%	30%	35%	39%	35%
1st time homeless and less than 1 year without home	28%	21%	25%	26%	24%	26%	23%	24%
Multiple times homeless, but NOT meeting LTH definition**	11%	10%	14%	12%	12%	13%	11%	11%
Long term: At least 1 year OR at least 4 times in past 3 years**	30%	17%	21%	23%	21%	20%	19%	22%
Unknown/Missing	1%	9%	5%	5%	12%	7%	7%	8%
TOTAL	1,050	1,476	2,570	1,457	1,310	1,470	1,597	1,411

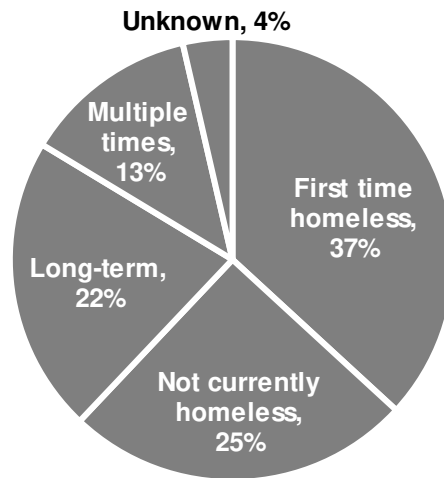
* Includes the 3-5% of guests each year who indicated staying the previous night in situations typically considered homeless (emergency shelters, living on the streets/squatting, and transitional housing programs for the homeless).

** The state of Minnesota defines an individual, unaccompanied youth or family as "Long-Term Homeless" if they are without a home for a year or more OR have had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years. Any period of institutionalization or incarceration (including transitional housing, prison/jail, treatment, hospitals, foster care, or refugee camps) is excluded when determining the length of time the household has been homeless.

8b. Homeless status of guests served at event, comparison to previous events

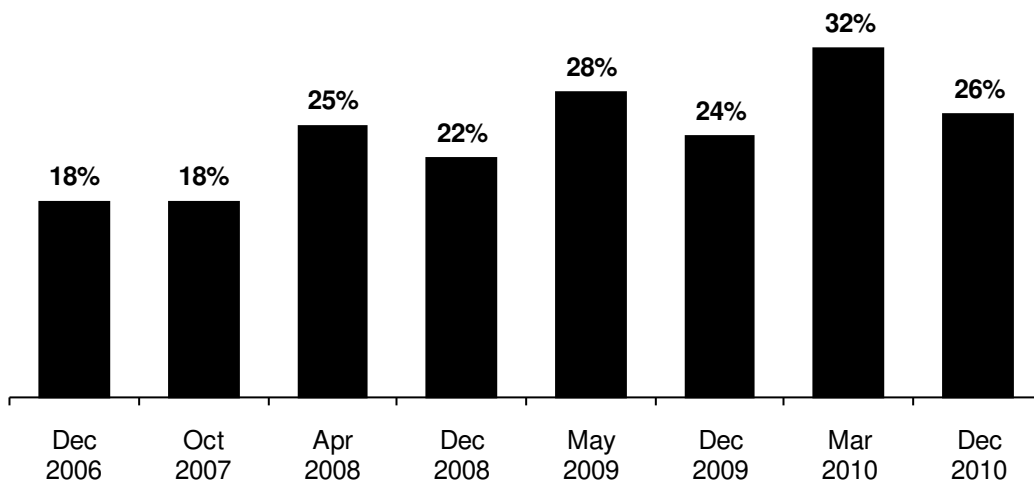


9a. Homeless status of clients “doubled up” with friends or family the night prior to the event*



According to the State of Minnesota's definition of homelessness, doubling-up is considered homeless if that arrangement has persisted less than 1 year.

9b. Proportion of “doubled-up” clients, comparison to previous events



10. Living situation last night

	Number	Percentage
Emergency shelter	328	23%
Rental house or apartment	233	17%
Living with friends	198	14%
Living with family	163	12%
Transitional housing for homeless	128	9%
Substance abuse treatment center	126	9%
Owned house or apartment	30	2%
Place not meant for habitation	19	1%
Permanent housing for formerly homeless	21	1%
Foster care/group home	6	0%
Hotel or motel (without an emergency voucher)	14	1%
Safe Haven	1	0%
Jail, prison, or juvenile facility	0	0%
Psychiatric hospital or facility	3	0%
Other (unspecified)	72	5%
Missing/don't know/refused	69	5%
TOTAL	1,411	100%

11. City where guest stayed last night

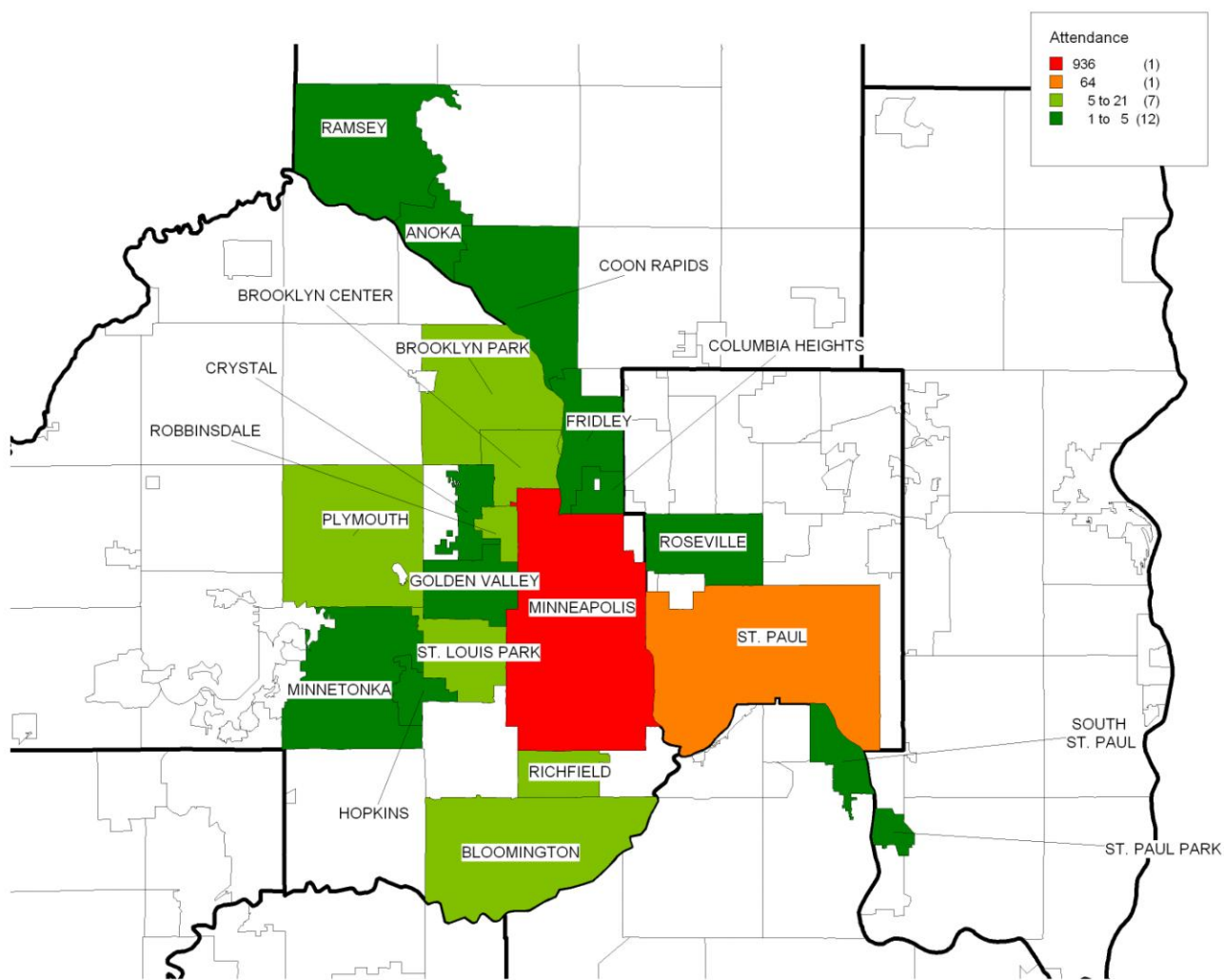
	Adults 22+				Youth*	ALL
	Men without children n=665	Women without children n=274	Gender unknown Without children n=23	Adults with children n=368	N=81	n=1,411
Minneapolis	68%	65%	70%	66%	59%	66%
St. Paul	7%	8%	0%	7%	12%	5%
Other suburb	5%	3%	0%	5%	7%	7%
Missing	21%	23%	30%	23%	21%	22%

* Includes 25 unaccompanied youth with dependent children.

12. City where guest stayed last night, comparison to previous events

	Dec 2006	October 2007	April 2008	Dec 2008	April 2009	Dec 2009	Dec 2010
Minneapolis	819 (78%)	972 (66%)	1,989 (77%)	1,039 (71%)	820 (62%)	1068 (67%)	936 (66%)
St. Paul	55 (5%)	52 (4%)	83 (3%)	63 (4%)	35 (3%)	49 (3%)	63 (5%)
Other town/suburb	49 (5%)	110 (7%)	166 (6%)	104 (7%)	76 (6%)	126 (8%)	104 (7%)
Unknown/Missing	127 (12%)	342 (23%)	332 (13%)	251 (18%)	379 (29%)	354 (22%)	308 (22%)
TOTAL	1,050	1,476	2,570	1,457	1,310	1,470	1,411

13. City where guest stayed last night



Income and sources of assistance

14. Household income sources last 30 days*

	Adults 22+				Youth ^b N=81	ALL n=1,411
	Men without children n=665	Women without children n=274	Gender unknown without children n=23	Adults with children n=368		
General Assistance	52%	49%	30%	39%	26%	46%
No income	15%	12%	22%	17%	22%	15%
SSDI	12%	16%	9%	13%	1%	13%
Social Security (other)	9%	18%	13%	13%	6%	12%
Employment ^a	9%	11%	17%	11%	14%	10%
MFIP	1%	3%	4%	29%	17%	9%
Contributions from others	5%	5%	4%	7%	9%	6%
Other income sources	4%	5%	9%	7%	1%	5%

7* Intake staff were encouraged to report all sources received by the household, from the list above. They also recorded other income sources, reported by the guest. The "other" sources reported included pensions, child support payments, donating plasma, unemployment benefits, tribal payments, and other miscellaneous sources.

^a Includes temporary employment and day labor.

^b Includes 25 unaccompanied youth with dependent children.

15. Other assistance currently received by household*

	Adults 22+				Youth** N=81	ALL n=1,411
	Men without children n=665	Women without children n=274	Gender unknown without children n=23	Adults with children n=368		
Medical assistance	55%	65%	43%	70%	53%	60%
Food stamps	54%	62%	35%	70%	53%	59%
Public housing	9%	6%	13%	6%	5%	7%
Other rent assistance	6%	5%	0%	7%	0%	6%
Section 8	4%	8%	0%	8%	4%	6%
Veterans medical or other veterans benefits & services	3%	0%	4%	1%	0%	2%

* Intake volunteers were encouraged to report all sources received by the household, from the list above.

** Includes 25 unaccompanied youth with dependent children.

Services sought

16. Main types of service sought by household*

	Adults 22+				Youth** N=81	ALL n=1,411
	Men without children n=665	Women without children n=274	Gender unknown without children n=23	Guests with children n=368		
Housing	54%	55%	30%	63%	68%	57%
Dental Care	39%	37%	26%	44%	40%	40%
Eye care	40%	43%	30%	38%	30%	40%
Employment	34%	28%	26%	47%	65%	38%
Wants help obtaining ID	28%	28%	30%	35%	48%	31%
Wants help obtaining a birth certificate	21%	32%	26%	31%	37%	27%
Haircut	29%	25%	13%	28%	15%	27%
Education	17%	19%	13%	31%	33%	22%
Legal assistance	18%	21%	13%	18%	12%	18%
Medical care (other)	18%	22%	13%	17%	21%	18%
Public Assistance	15%	14%	0%	17%	20%	15%
Social Security benefits	14%	10%	9%	13%	7%	13%
Mental health	13%	14%	9%	12%	6%	12%
Voicemail or cell phone	10%	7%	13%	10%	9%	10%
Other: shoes or shoe vouchers	11%	7%	9%	8%	1%	9%
Emergency shelter	8%	5%	0%	6%	6%	6%
Veterans benefits	5%	0%	4%	2%	1%	3%
Chemical health	4%	3%	9%	3%	4%	3%
Other: clothing	2%	1%	4%	1%	0%	3%
Domestic violence services	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%	2%
Other: miscellaneous***	1%	4%	0%	5%	4%	2%
Other: mammogram	0%	2%	4%	2%	0%	1%
Other: chiropractic	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Other: transportation assistance (includes bus cards)	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%

* Guests were asked what their top three services were from the list provided above. Some indicated more than three.

** Includes 25 unaccompanied youth with dependent children.

*** Miscellaneous services requested included child care supplies and resources, furniture, tax assistance, email /printer access, and others.

Matching with data in Minnesota's HMIS

One of the reasons Project Homeless Connect organizers wanted to enter data from the event into Minnesota's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) was to get a sense of how many of those served at the event were already involved with social service providers, particularly providers whose mission is to serve people experiencing homelessness. While Minnesota's HMIS remains imperfect for the task, an increasing number of organizations whose mission is to serve those experiencing homelessness participate in HMIS.

As of November 2010, Minnesota's HMIS included 69 percent of shelter beds, 78 percent of transitional housing program beds, and 64 percent of permanent supportive housing beds in Hennepin County. The HMIS also includes the County's large homeless prevention program, as well as some other "services only" programs not associated with beds. Further, entering the data into HMIS enabled us to run matches against people served in other parts of the state, as well as earlier Project Homeless Connect events held in Hennepin and Ramsey counties.

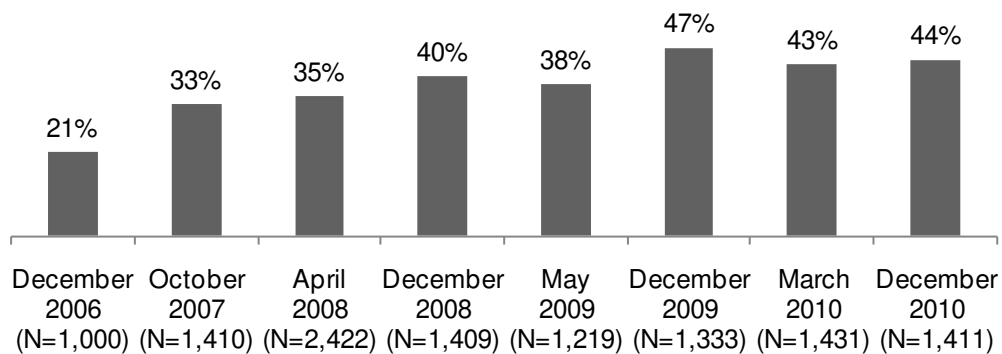
As discussed in the introduction, all guests who signed a consent form at Project Homeless Connect were entered as "unnamed clients" in the HMIS database. This means that while elements of the clients' names were used in creating a unique identifier, the name was not permanently stored. This procedure allows Wilder to match clients served in Project Homeless Connect with other records in the database without permanently storing their names. The unique identifier is created using parts of the name, date of birth, and gender.

While using the unique identifier to find matching records is the most reliable method available, it does present some limitations. Data entry errors and use of nicknames will cause different unique identifiers to be issued that will prevent matching. For example, if a guest is entered as "Bob Smith" at one event and then seeks services at a participating provider as "Robert Smith," this discrepancy will result in his records not being matched to identify him as the same person, using the method employed here. Further, around 8 percent of all clients entered into Minnesota's HMIS are entered as anonymous, many of whom are clients of domestic violence or legal service providers. As a result, the matching conducted for this report is most likely under-representative of the number of guests who have been served before or after the event by a provider participating in HMIS. For the same reason, the matching process most likely also under-counts the number of guests who have attended previous Project Homeless Connect events.

Known contact with homeless service providers prior to event

The 132 guests who indicated a preference not to provide their name or other potentially identifying information at the event were entered anonymously, and it is not possible to match their records with others existing in the database. Forty-four percent of identifiable guests served at the December 2010 event had been previously served by an organization participating in HMIS prior to the event.

17. Percent of identifiable guests served by an organization participating in HMIS prior to the event



The 562 guests found to have been previously served by an organization participating in HMIS received a variety of services from programs located mostly in Hennepin County, including emergency shelter, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, and homeless prevention and re-housing services through the state's Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP) and through HUD's Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP). Other services received include emergency services such as food and clothing.

Compared to the March 2010 event, a slightly higher proportion of guests reported being both first-time and long-term homeless. The proportion of guests who were homeless multiple times decreased slightly, and the proportion of guests who were not currently homeless also decreased. The proportion of previously-served guests who were single heads of household with dependent children decreased from 25 percent in March 2010 to 20 percent in December 2010.

18. Homeless status of event guests with records in HMIS prior to event compared with those without records in HMIS prior to event

	In HMIS prior to event	Not in HMIS prior to event
Not currently homeless*	184 (33%)	306 (36%)
1st time homeless and less than 1 year without home	120 (21%)	222 (26%)
Multiple times homeless, but NOT meeting LTH definition	73 (13%)	79 (9%)
Long term: At least 1 year OR at least 4 times in past 3 years	148 (26%)	167 (20%)
Unknown/Missing	37 (7%)	75 (9%)
TOTAL	562	849

* Includes guests who indicated staying the previous night in situations typically considered homeless (emergency shelters, living on the streets/squatting, and transitional housing programs for the homeless).

19. Household status of event guests with records in HMIS prior to event compared with those without records in HMIS prior to event

	In HMIS prior to event	Not in HMIS prior to event
Single head of household with dependent children	111 (20%)	150 (18%)
Single with no dependent children	351 (62%)	532 (63%)
Unaccompanied youth	26 (5%)	50 (6%)
Married/domestic partner with dependent children	41 (7%)	63 (7%)
Married/domestic partner with no dependent children	21 (4%)	26 (3%)
Other household with dependent children	2 (0%)	1 (0%)
Other household with no dependent children	10 (2%)	27 (3%)
TOTAL	562	849

Known contact with homeless service providers after the event

Of the 1,279 identifiable guests served at the December 2010 event, 183 (14%) of guests were served by organizations participating in Minnesota's HMIS (and entered with identifiable records into the HMIS) within four weeks after the event. Of those 183 guests, 17 guests had not been served by a participating provider prior to the December event. The services that these guests received by participating providers included emergency shelter, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, rent payment assistance, housing search and placement, and basic services such as clothing, personal care products, and transportation vouchers. However, as many housing providers initially

collect information from clients on paper and then transfer it to HMIS, it is likely that more Project Homeless Connect guests were served than are represented here.

Known involvement with previous Project Homeless Connect events

As mentioned above, Minnesota's HMIS was also used to gather data on seven of the nine previous Minneapolis/Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect events. Using HMIS data collected at those previous events, we examined the number of people who had attended more than one event. Setting aside the guests who were entered anonymously at each event:

- 108 (8%) of identifiable individuals served at the Hennepin County event in December 2010 had attended the previous event held in Hennepin County in March 2010. These individuals represent 13 percent of the 562 clients who were previously served by an organization participating in HMIS.
- 302 (24%) of identifiable individuals served at the Hennepin County event in December 2010 had attended at least one previous event in held in Hennepin County. These individuals represent 39 percent of the 562 clients who were previously served by an organization participating in HMIS.

These results are likely to under-represent the number of people who have attended more than one Project Homeless Connect event. In fact, when asked, "Have you ever been to a Project Homeless Connect event like this one before today?" 494 guests, or 35 percent, responded "yes." This discrepancy could be due to many factors: data entry errors that prevent the correct matching of their records, missing or incomplete intake forms from guests, or because guests may confuse previous Project Homeless Connect events with other similar events held in the Twin Cities, such as the Stand Down events for veterans, Project Youth Connect, and other homeless prevention and service efforts.

Conclusion

The December 2010 Minneapolis/Hennepin County Project Homeless Connect event served approximately 1,400 households. Attendance decreased by 16 percent from the March 2010 event, but was comparable to the majority of previous Minneapolis/Hennepin County events recorded in HMIS.

Compared to the March 2010 event, more clients reported being homeless, especially long-term homeless. Roughly one-quarter of all guests reported living in “doubled-up” situations with family or friends the night prior to the event.

Traditionally, more guests report living in doubled-up situations at spring Project Homeless Connect events than at fall and winter events. Looking at the spring and fall/winter events separately, the proportion of “doubled up” guests has steadily increased. Continuing this trend, the 26 percent of doubled-up guests at the December 2010 event represents a record high for Project Homeless Connect events held in the fall and winter.

A slightly larger proportion of guests attending the event were found to have been previously served by an organization participating in HMIS. Finally, a larger proportion of youth and women without children reported that they had previously attended other Project Homeless Connect events in Minneapolis/Hennepin County.

Appendix

Project Homeless Connect Intake Form

Project Homeless Connect Intake Form

Hi, My name is _____. Thanks for taking a few minutes to help us gather information for this event. This also gives me a chance to tell you about the services available today. We hope that your answers will help us to better understand what services are needed in the community and also to help us direct you to the services that you want today. This should take about 10 minutes. Also, please take a few minutes before you leave to fill out an exit survey.

Now, I am going to ask a few questions about you (and your family). We hope that by answering these questions we will be able to better serve you today and in the future. You do not have to answer any of these questions if you do not want to.

What is your full Name?: _____				
FIRST	MI	LAST	SUFFIX	
BIRTH DATE: ____/____/____				
MO	DAY	YEAR		
GENDER: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown				
Do you consider yourself ... (PRIMARY RACE)		(SECONDARY RACE (OPTIONAL/ IF OFFERED))		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native		<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native		
<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		
<input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American		<input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American		
<input type="checkbox"/> White		<input type="checkbox"/> White		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino				
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian		<input type="checkbox"/> Asian		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Multi-Racial <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		<input type="checkbox"/> Other Multi-Racial <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Refused		<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Refused		
Household Type:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Single with NO dependent children		<input type="checkbox"/> Couple with dependent children		
<input type="checkbox"/> Couple with NO dependent children		<input type="checkbox"/> Single head of household with dependent children		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Refused		
How many children are you here with <u>today</u>?				
Teens (13 -17): ____		Children, 5-12yrs: ____		Children, 0-4yrs: ____
EVER SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES <i>*NOTE If yes, please direct to veterans services area</i>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes * <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <input type="checkbox"/> Refused				
Do you have any type of mental or physical disability that keeps you from working, shopping or other daily activities?				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <input type="checkbox"/> Refused				
During the last month did you receive any income from....				
Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
IF YES: How many hours do you work in <u>an average week</u>?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-10 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/> 11-20 hours	<input type="checkbox"/> 21-30 hours	<input type="checkbox"/> 31 or more hours
What is your hourly wage in <u>an average week</u>?	<input type="checkbox"/> \$6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> \$9-11	<input type="checkbox"/> \$12-14	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 or more
General Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Social Security Retirement, Survivors, Disability Insurance (RSDI/SSDI)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
SSI (Supplemental Security Income)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
MFIP (MN Family Investment Program)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Contributions from other people	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
No income	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Any other source?				

Do you currently receive....				
Food stamps?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
A Section 8 Housing Voucher (for rent)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Public housing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Any other type of rental assistance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Medical Assistance (or Medicaid or MA)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Medicare?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
Veterans Medical assistance or services?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused
WHERE DID YOU STAY LAST NIGHT?				
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency shelter	<input type="checkbox"/> Jail, prison, or juvenile facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Hotel/motel (without voucher)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Transitional housing for homeless	<input type="checkbox"/> Living with family	<input type="checkbox"/> Foster care/group home		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent housing for formerly homeless	<input type="checkbox"/> Living with friends	<input type="checkbox"/> Living on the street/outside/squatting		
<input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric hospital or facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Rental house/apartment	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know		
<input type="checkbox"/> Substance abuse treatment center, incl detox	<input type="checkbox"/> house/condo/apartment that you own	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital		<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
HOW LONG HAVE YOU STAYED THERE?				
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 week or less	<input type="checkbox"/> More than 3 months but less than 1 year			
<input type="checkbox"/> More than 1 week but less than 1 month	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 year or longer			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 to 3 months				
WHAT CITY WAS THAT IN? _____ CHECK BOX IF Outside of Minnesota <input type="checkbox"/>				
Are you currently Homeless?				
<input type="checkbox"/> NO Not currently homeless				
<input type="checkbox"/> YES → First time homeless AND less than 1 year without home				
<input type="checkbox"/> YES → Several times homeless, but for less than 1 year and NOT more than 4 times in 3 years				
<input type="checkbox"/> YES → Long term: at least 1 year OR at least 4 times in the past 3 years				
Have you ever been to a Project Homeless Connect event like this one before today?				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know <input type="checkbox"/> Refused				
Now I have a few questions about how we can help you. What would you like help with today?				
Employment <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Social Security Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Dental Care <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Education <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Eye Care <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Legal assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Public Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Medical Care <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Haircut <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Emergency Shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Chemical Health <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Voice Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Domestic Violence <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Other? (fill in)			
Would you like help getting a Minnesota picture ID?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Would you like help getting a birth certificate?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

We would like you to feel free to visit as many resources and providers as you choose today. I am happy to walk around with you, show you where things are, and help you find the service and resources you want. Would that be okay? [IF NOT, LET CLIENT/FAMILY WALK AROUND ON THEIR OWN. IF THEY WANT TO WALK AROUND ON THEIR OWN, REMIND THEM TO PLEASE FILL OUT AN EXIT SURVEY]