SEXUAL & GENDER MINORITIES 2023 SUB-REPORT

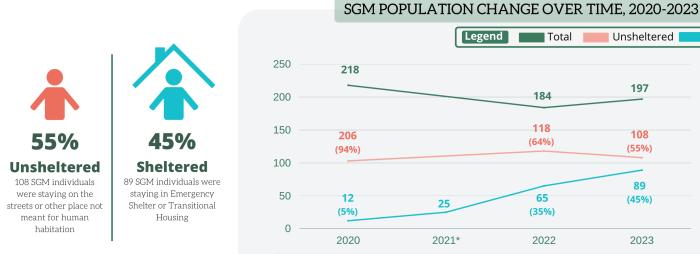
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adults and unaccompanied minors experiencing homelessness identified as Sexual & Gender Minorities

on O'ahu on the night of January 22, 2023

Sexual & Gender Minorities (SGM): An umbrella term that encompasses populations included in the acronym "LGBTI" (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & intersex) and individuals whose sexual orientation or gender identity varies.

This report looks at adults and unaccompanied minors who were sheltered (89) or surveyed unsheltered (108) and reported a gender identity different from the sex they were assigned at birth, a gender identity other than man/woman, indicated a sexual orientation other than straight, or indicated they were intersex during the count. This is the third year that these questions were asked from the surveyed unsheltered population and the second time these questions were systematically asked of our sheltered population. When comparing to the overall PIT Count population, this report uses sheltered and surveyed unsheltered adults and unaccompanied minors (2,304).



* The 2021 Unsheltered PIT Count was canceled due to COVID-19. Only the Sheltered Count was conducted as these numbers are pulled from the HMIS database and do not require inperson contact.

Sheltered

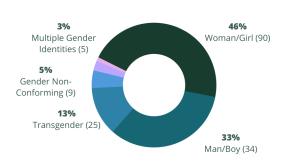
While there has been an overall decrease in the SGM population from 2020 to 2023, this is actually due in part to better understanding of SGM questions by the volunteers. In 2020, many individuals were Observed as "Other Gender" if the surveyor could not determine a gender; starting in 2022 surveyors were more likely to mark "Unknown" if gender could not be determined. This year, the proportion of the SGM population staying in shelters was higher than in past years. The proportion of the overall PIT Count population with an SGM identity increased from 7% to 9% from 2022 to 2023.

Methodology: Four questions are asked to determine if an individual falls under the definition of SGM.

- "What is your sex assigned at birth?"
 - o Single answer options: Male, Female, Unknown, Refused
- "What is your current gender identity?"
 - o Multiple-choice answer options: Man/Boy, Woman/Girl, Transgender, A Gender that is not singularly "Male" or "Female"/Gender Non-Conforming, Other Gender, Unknown, Refused
- "Do you identify as intersex?"
 - o Single answer options: Yes, No, Unknown, Refused
- "Do you think of yourself as:"
 - o Single answer options: Straight, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Other Sexuality, Questioning/Unsure, Unknown, Refused

SGM: DEMOGRAPHICS

GENDER



41 individuals (21%) identified as gender diverse, meaning the individual identifies as a gender other than the sex they were assigned at birth. Within the overall PIT Count population (2,304), they account for 1.7%.

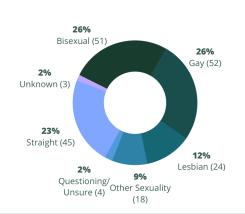
Women/Girls (46%) account for the largest percentage of SGM

OTHER DATA SOURCES SHOW:

individuals, followed by Men/Boys, (33%).

TRANSGENDER AND GENDER NON-CONFORMING INDIVIDUALS ACCOUNT FOR 01.1% OF THE ENTIRE U.S. 2022 PIT COUNT POPULATION².

SEXUAL ORIENTATION



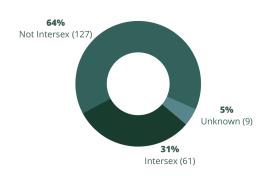
152 (77%) of SGM adults identified as an orientation other than straight. They account for 7% of the overall PIT Count population (2,304). Little data has been collected on SGM adults experiencing homelessness across the U.S. or in Hawai'i. 2021 was the first year sexual orientation was required for all adults and heads of household across all O'ahu HMIS program intake forms.

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IN HAWAI'I 4.6% OF ADULTS IDENTIFY AS SGM³.

IN THE U.S. 4.5% OF ADULTS IDENTIFY AS SGM³.

INTERSEX



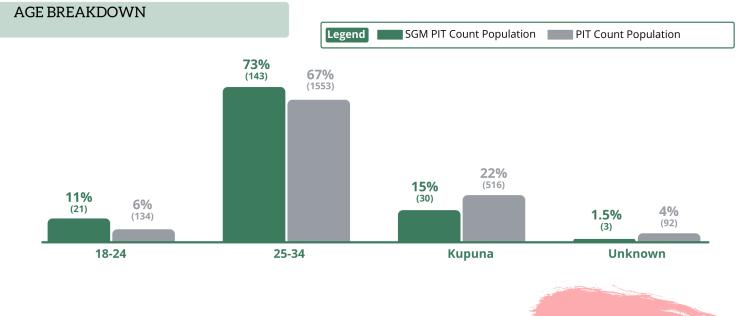
61 (31%) adults identified as intersex. They account for 2.6% of the overall PIT Count population (2,304). Little data has been collected on intersex

individuals within the SGM or homeless community. 2021 was the first year intersex status was required for all adults and heads of household across all O'ahu HMIS program intake forms.

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AN ESTIMATED 1 IN
2.000 BABIES IS BORN
INTERSEX⁵.

Transgender: A general term used to describe a person whose gender identity differs from the sex they were assigned at birth. Gender Non-Conforming: Refers to a person who does not adhere to traditional gender roles or stereotypes about how they should look or act based on the sex they were assigned at birth. Intersex: An umbrella term used to describe a person with a range of natural bodily variations in reproductive, genetic and /or sexual anatomy that does not fit the typical definitions of female or male.

SGM: AGE & HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHICS



When compared with the overall PIT Count population, SGM adults are slightly younger, accounting for a higher percentage of youth (aged 18-24). The average age of an SGM adults is 43 years compared to 48 for adults in the larger PIT Count population.

OTHER DATA SOURCES SHOW: AVERAGE ADULT AGE IN HAWAI'I SGM INDIVIDUALS: 46³ NON-SGM INDIVIDUALS: 48³

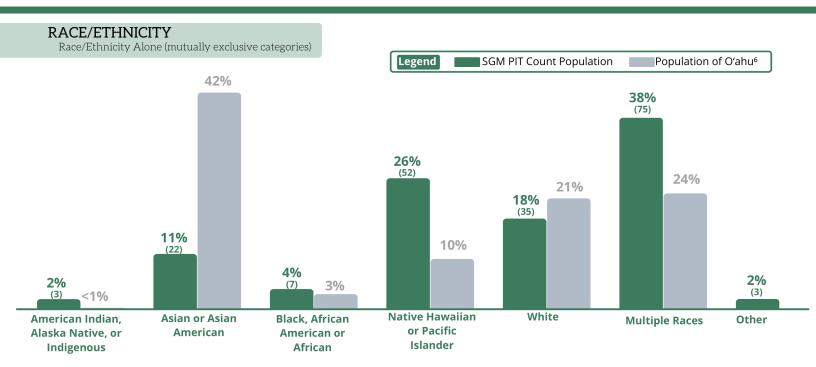
INDIVIDUALS BY HOUSEHOLD TYPE



Single individuals account for the largest household type of SGM households, which is higher than the overall PIT Count population (54%). Very few SGM individuals (3%) reported living with keiki compared to the overall PIT Count population (23%).

Adult: Persons 18 years and older. Keiki: Persons under 18 years old. Kupuna: Persons 60 years and older. Household: Any group of individuals that presents together for assistance and self-identifies as a family/household. Single Adults: Person living alone who is 18 years old or older. Adult Only Households: Two or more adults living together with no one under the age of 18. Adult(s) with Keiki: One or more adults living with one or more keiki under the age of 18. Unaccompanied Youth (UY): Persons age 24 and under who are not accompanied by a parent, guardian, or household member 25 or older and are not a parent. UY can include single youth, youth couples, and groups of youth together as a household.

SGM: RACE & ETHNICITY



Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islanders, Multi-Racial, and Black individuals are over-represented within the SGM PIT Count population as compared to the population of Oʻahu, while White and Asian or Asian American individuals are under-represented. Compared with the overall PIT Count population, SGM are more likely to identify as White or Multi-Racial and less likely to identify as NHPI.





American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous (AIANI): Person having origins in any of the original peoples of North, South, and Central America, Cuba, or Puerto Rico. Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI): Person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawai'i, Guam, Samoa, Tonga, Micronesia, or other Pacific Islands. NHPI Unknown: Specific ethnicity within Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander is not known.

	SGM			PIT Count
Health	Unsheltered	Sheltered	Total	
Chronically Homeless	56%	18%	39%	36%
Physical, Developmental, or Other Disability	41%	18%	30%	28%
Mental Health Illness	44%	64%	53%	39%
Substance Use Disorder	31%	51%	40%	31%
HIV/AIDS	3%	10%	6%	2%
One or More Disabling Conditions	69%	85%	77%	62%

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In the U.S. 40% of SGM adults reported a debilitating Health Condition 7 . In Hawai'i an estimated 11.4% of the population has a disability 8 .

Sexual and Gender Minorities have higher rates of disabling conditions compared to the overall homeless population.

- 30% of all individuals with HIV identify as SGM
- 39% are chronically homeless indicating that they have experienced homelessness for a long period of time while living with a disabling condition.
- SGM individuals have a higher rate of mental health illness as compared to the adult overall PIT Count population

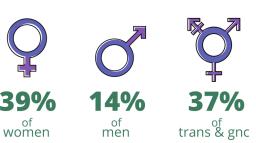
EXPERIENCE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Domestic Violence is significantly higher among the SGM PIT Count population as compared to the O'ahu PIT Count population.

• 39% of SGM adults reported having experienced DV as compared to 23% of the overall homeless population.

Domestic Violence also plays a larger role in why SGMs are currently experiencing homelessness as compared to overall homeless population.

• 16% of SGM adults reported currently fleeing DV, as compared to 11% of the overall homeless population.



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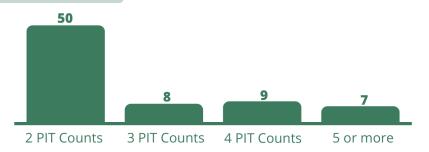
Chronically Homeless: A person who is homeless and lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven or in an emergency shelter AND has been homeless for at least 1 year continuously or on at least 4 or more occasions over the past 3 years that add up to at least 12 months AND has a disability. Disabling Condition is classified as a Serious Mental Health Illness, Disability, Substance Use Disorder or living with HIV/AIDS. Serious Mental Health Illness, Substance Use Disorder and Disability are classified as a condition(s) that substantially impairs a persons daily life. Domestic Violence (DV): Describes physical violence, sexual violence, stalking, and/or psychological harm by a current or former partner, spouse, or family member.

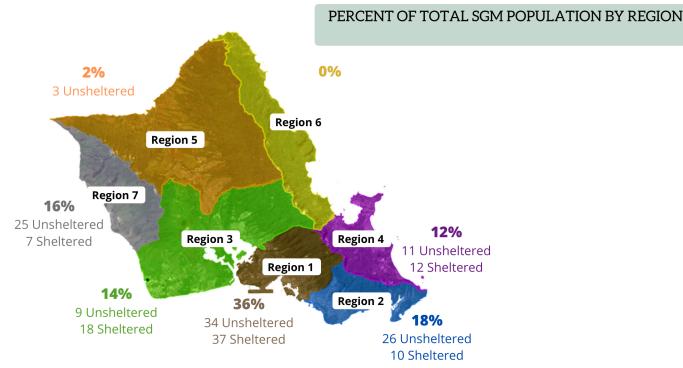
SGM: REGIONS & REPEATS

REPEATERS

Similar to the overall PIT Count population, 38% (74) of SGM individuals had been counted in a previous PIT Count since 2017.

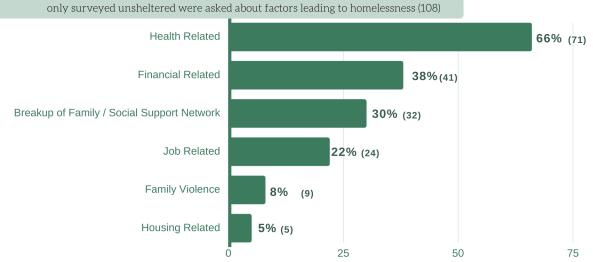
Most repeaters (68%) were counted in two PIT Counts while one third (32%) were counted in more than two.





Region 1 has the largest percentage of the SGM population, sheltered and unsheltered, this is due in part to this area having a high number of shelters. Region 2 and Region 7 have the next highest number of unsheltered SGM individuals.

SELF-REPORTED FACTORS LEADING TO HOMELESSNESS



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