

Continuum of Care Fact Sheet

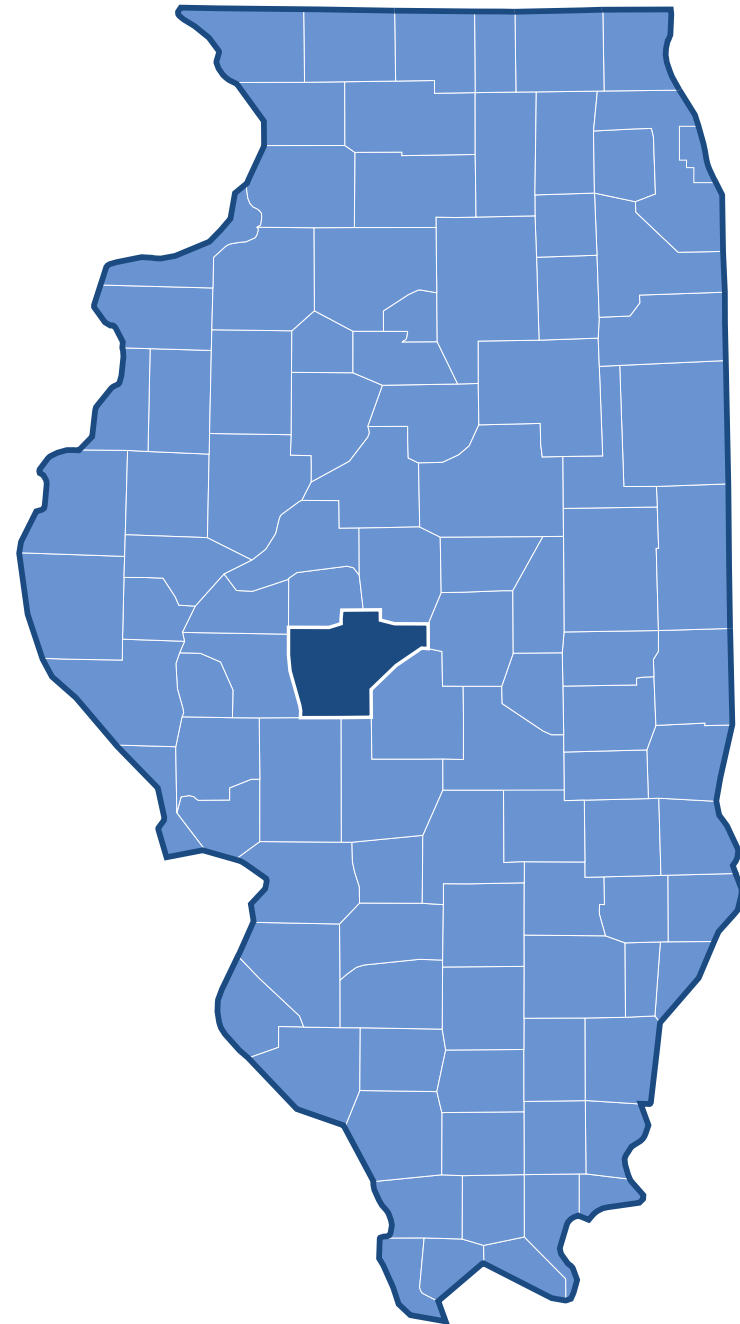
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Recognizing a need to understand the state of health of people experiencing homelessness, the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the University of Illinois Chicago School of Public Health have partnered to produce this fact sheet. It augments the Statewide Illinois Homelessness Mortality and Morbidity Report by summarizing death certificates and hospital data.

The goal of the fact sheet is to provide stakeholders with actionable data to help understand mortality and morbidity patterns that can support systemic changes that promote health equity for people experiencing homelessness and housing instability.

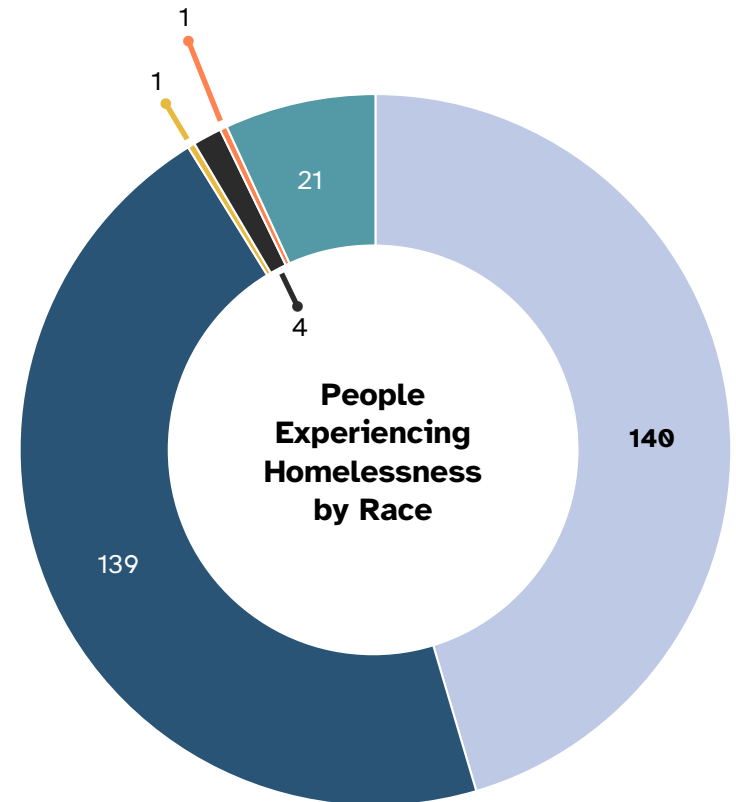


This map showcases the Continuum of Care districts within Illinois and the counties they serve.

Most Recent Annual Point-In-Time Count

(2023)

Counts	IL-513	Statewide
Overall Homeless	306	11,947
<i>Unsheltered Homeless</i>	20	1,619
<i>Sheltered Homeless</i>	286	10,328
Overall Homeless People in Families	85	4,045
Overall Homeless Parenting Youth Under 18	0	1
Overall Homeless Parenting Youth Age 18-24	4	242
Total Homeless Children of Parenting Youth	7	316
Overall Homeless Veterans	22	523
Overall Chronically Homeless	33	1,443
Gender		
Male	180	7,266
Female	125	4,584
Transgender	1	58
Gender that is not Singularly Female or Male	0	33
Gender Questioning	0	6
Age		
Under 18 Years	59	2,426
18 to 24 Years	26	1,347
25 to 34 Years	53	2,490
35 to 44 Years	45	2,414
45 to 54 Years	50	1,297
55 to 64 Years	53	1,439
Over 64 Years	20	512
Ethnicity		
Hispanic or Latino	20	3,584



Race	IL-513	Statewide
Black or African American	139	5,583
White (including Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity)	140	5,535
Asian	1	197
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	143
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1	62
Multiracial, Declined, or Other	21	427

Mortality Of PEH 2019-2023

Data Source: Illinois Death Records

People experiencing homelessness at their time of death were identified in Illinois death records if they met at least one of the following criteria: (1) there was a homelessness-related keyword in a narrative field, or (2) if the individual did not have a known residential address, or (3) a narrative/address field matched to a known shelter. The counts shown include individuals experiencing homelessness who died during the most recent five years of available data.

Total Deaths	25	2,321
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Gender	IL-513		Statewide	
Female	8	32.0%	510	22.0%
Male	17	68.0%	1,796	77.4%
Unspecified	0		15	0.6%

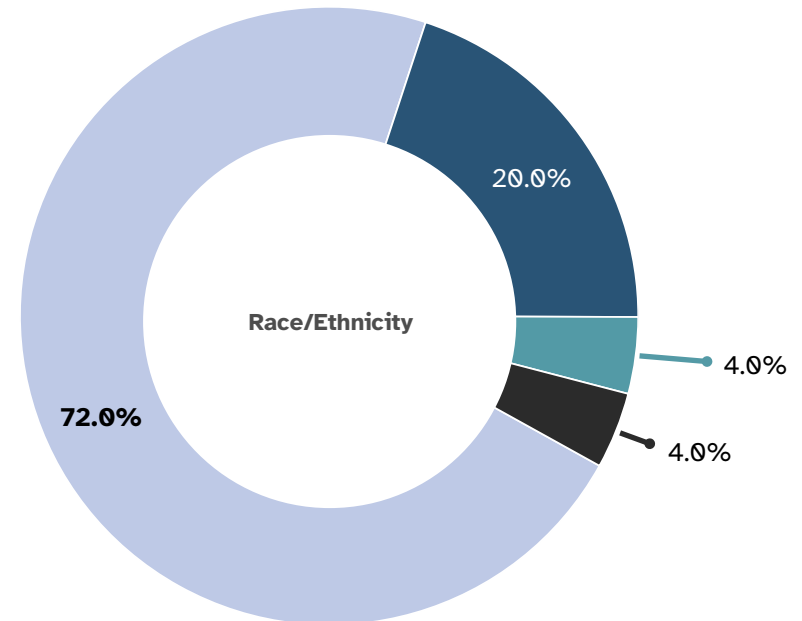
Mean Age	56		56	
Under 18 Years	0		36	1.6%
18 to 24 Years	0		29	1.2%
25 to 34 Years	1	4.0%	177	7.6%
35 to 44 Years	5	20.0%	296	12.8%
45 to 54 Years	6	24.0%	433	18.7%
55 to 64 Years	8	32.0%	730	31.5%
Over 64 Years	5	20.0%	579	24.9%
Unknown	0		41	1.8%

Veteran	3	12.0%	228	9.8%
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Family Member was Key Informant*	19	76.0%	1,547	66.7%
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*A family member was identified as the key informant providing personal information about the decedent to the individual completing the death certificate (all other informants were unrelated to the decedent).

Race/Ethnicity	IL-513		Statewide	
White, non-Hispanic	18	72.0%	1,053	45.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	5	20.0%	954	41.1%
Hispanic or Latino	1	4.0%	213	9.2%
Other/Unspecified	1	4.0%	101	4.4%

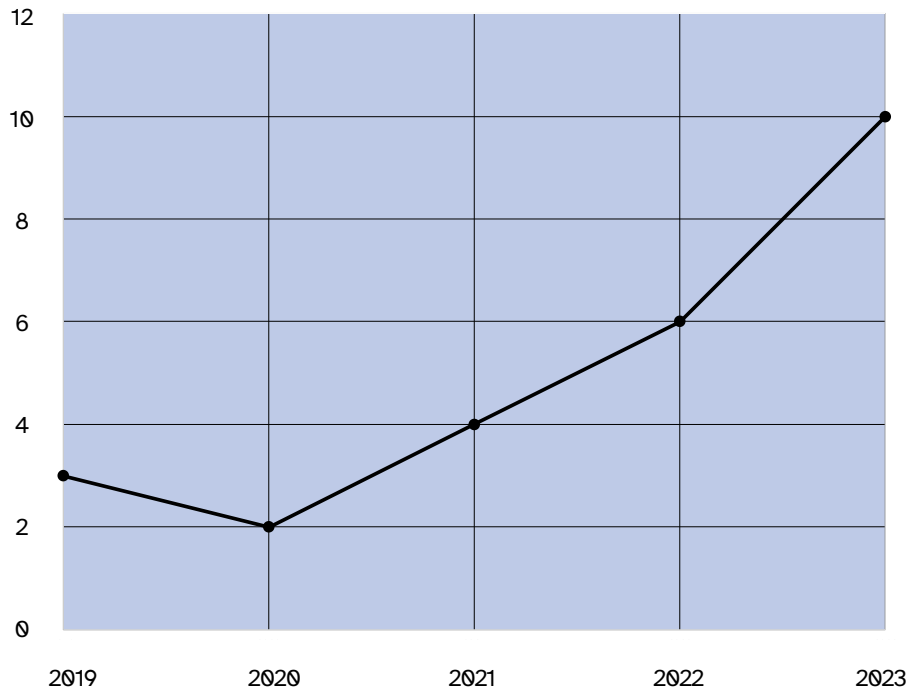


Marital Status	IL-513		Statewide	
Never Married	5	20.0%	1,047	45.1%
Married or Civil Union	1	4.0%	150	6.5%
Divorced or Separated	12	48.0%	455	19.6%
Widowed	4	16.0%	130	5.6%
Unknown	3	12.0%	539	23.2%

When Are People Experiencing Homelessness Dying?

Weekday of Death	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Monday	3	12.0%	372	16.0%
Tuesday	4	16.0%	298	12.8%
Wednesday	4	16.0%	336	14.5%
Thursday	4	16.0%	337	14.5%
Friday	5	20.0%	341	14.7%
Saturday	2	8.0%	330	14.2%
Sunday	3	12.0%	307	13.2%

Year of Death	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
2019	3	12.0%	343	14.8%
2020	2	8.0%	488	21.0%
2021	4	16.0%	481	20.7%
2022	6	24.0%	560	24.1%
2023	10	40.0%	449	19.3%



Month of Death	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Cold Months: November to March	14	56.0%	989	42.6%

What Are the Most Common Contributing Causes of Death?

Contributing Cause of Death	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Injury and Poisoning	14	56.0%	1,062	45.8%
<i>Drug-Related Overdose</i>	10	40.0%	947	40.8%
<i>Traumatic Injury</i>	0		87	3.7%
<i>Suicide</i>	1	4.0%	36	1.6%
<i>Homicide</i>	0		72	3.1%
<i>Excessive Cold</i>	1	4.0%	90	3.9%
Disease of the Circulatory System	12	48.0%	806	34.7%
Diseases of the Respiratory System	7	28.0%	327	14.1%
Endocrine, Metabolic, and Nutritional Diseases	2	8.0%	248	10.7%
<i>Diabetes</i>	2	8.0%	147	6.3%
<i>Nutritional Deficiencies</i>	0		17	0.7%
<i>Fluid and Electrolyte Disorders</i>	0		25	1.1%
Cancer	1	4.0%	155	6.7%
Infectious Diseases	4	16.0%	149	6.4%

Toxicology Results	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Positive for any Drug Associated with Substance Use Disorders	10	40.0%	947	40.8%
Opioids	7	28.0%	689	29.7%
<i>Fentanyl Analogs and Precursors</i>	6	24.0%	632	27.2%
<i>Heroin</i>	2	8.0%	187	8.1%
<i>Methadone</i>	1	4.0%	37	1.6%
Stimulants	6	24.0%	430	18.5%
<i>Amphetamine</i>	4	16.0%	70	3.0%
<i>Cocaine</i>	4	16.0%	379	16.3%
Alcohol	3	12.0%	354	15.3%
Sedative-Hypnotic and Anxiolytic	2	8.0%	134	5.8%
<i>Benzodiazepine</i>	0		58	2.5%

Morbidity For PEH 2019-2023

Data Source: Illinois Hospital Discharge Data

People experiencing homelessness were identified in Illinois hospital records in two stages. In stage one, emergency department visits or admissions with an ICD-10 code of Z59 for “homelessness” were identified. Z59 coding is used to identify patients with a lack of housing, including persons living in permanent/temporary housing or in a shelter. All other hospital visits involving the patients in stage one were identified in stage two. In these latter visits, the medical staff did not identify the patients as experiencing homelessness with a Z59 code. The housing status of hospital visits identified in stage 2 is unknown. The counts shown below only include hospital visits within the state for the most current five years.

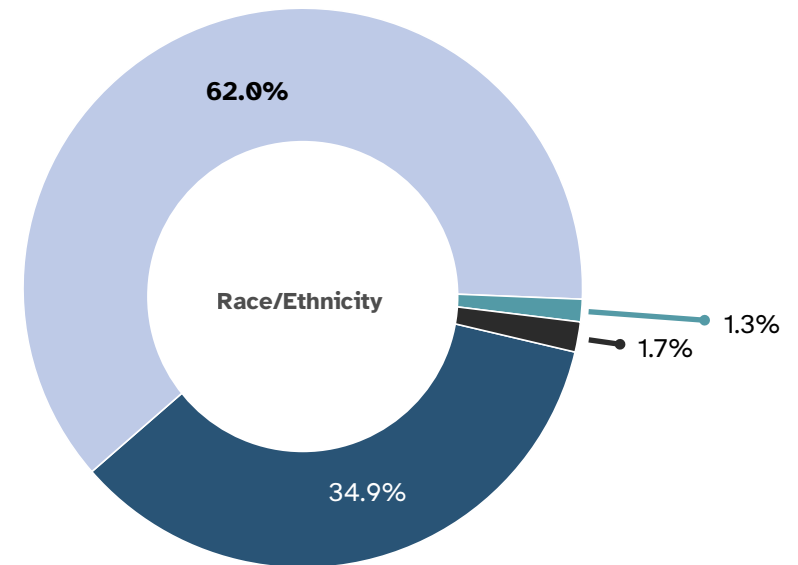
Hospital Visits	IL-513		Statewide	
Total Number of Hospital Visits	35,313		1,292,091	
Total Number of Emergency Department Visits	29,723	84.2%	990,733	76.7%
Total Number of Hospital Admissions	5,590	15.8%	301,358	23.3%
Hospital Visits with ICD-10 Z59 Code (Designated as Experiencing Homelessness)				
Number and Percent of Emergency Department Visits with Z59 Code	2,974	10.0%	89,164	9.0%
Number and Percent of Hospital Admissions with Z59 Code	1,689	30.2%	75,686	25.1%

Median Number of Hospital Visits per Person	IL-513	Statewide
	17	14

Gender	IL-513		Statewide	
Female	14,685	41.6%	434,928	33.7%
Male	20,628	58.4%	857,008	66.3%
Unspecified	0		155	

Mean Age at Date of Hospital Visit	44		45	
Under 18 Years	398	1.1%	15,814	1.2%
18 to 24 Years	3,199	9.1%	92,823	7.2%
25 to 34 Years	7,207	20.4%	266,789	20.6%
35 to 44 Years	7,998	22.6%	265,841	20.6%
45 to 54 Years	6,778	19.2%	273,664	21.2%
55 to 64 Years	7,488	21.2%	278,355	21.5%
Over 64 Years	2,245	6.4%	98,805	7.6%

Race/Ethnicity	IL-513		Statewide	
Black, non-Hispanic	12,331	34.9%	576,646	44.6%
White, non-Hispanic	21,909	62.0%	533,398	41.3%
Hispanic or Latino	459	1.3%	95,159	7.4%
Other / Unspecified	614	1.7%	86,888	6.7%



Payer Type (Insurance)	IL-513		Statewide	
Medicaid	21,883	62.0%	800,661	62.0%
Medicare	8,645	24.5%	259,069	20.1%
Commercial Insurance	3,373	9.6%	97,965	7.6%
Self-Pay	1,079	3.1%	112,806	8.7%
Other	333	0.9%	21,590	1.7%

Total Billed Charges*	IL-513	Statewide
	\$374,176,386	\$16,308,482,183

*This does not represent actual costs, as typically only a fraction of the total charges is reimbursed. This rate varies by payer but typically the reimbursed total will be 50% or more of the total charges.

When Are People Experiencing Homelessness Utilizing Hospital-Based Services?

Day of Hospital Visit	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Monday	5,241	14.8%	192,156	14.9%
Tuesday	5,451	15.4%	198,064	15.3%
Wednesday	5,313	15.0%	196,524	15.2%
Thursday	5,220	14.8%	194,655	15.1%
Friday	5,231	14.8%	192,647	14.9%
Saturday	4,563	12.9%	163,893	12.7%
Sunday	4,294	12.2%	154,152	11.9%

Year of Hospital Visit	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
2019	7,943	22.5%	279,135	21.6%
2020	6,877	19.5%	254,749	19.7%
2021	6,781	19.2%	248,575	19.2%
2022	6,643	18.8%	249,496	19.3%
2023	7,069	20.0%	260,136	20.1%

Month of Hospital Visit	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Cold Months: November to March	14,385	40.7%	525,550	40.7%

What Are the Most Common Serious Comorbidities Among People Experiencing Homelessness?

Most Common Serious Comorbidities	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Hypertension	7,763	22.0%	310,968	24.1%
Psychoses	3,275	9.3%	200,068	15.5%
Depression	5,017	14.2%	176,095	13.6%
Diabetes	3,837	10.9%	144,359	11.2%
Heart Disease	4,072	11.5%	116,537	9.0%
Fluid and Electrolyte Disorders	2,898	8.2%	104,205	8.1%
Renal Failure	1,295	3.7%	46,681	3.6%
Liver Disease	1,035	2.9%	37,169	2.9%
Cancer	312	0.9%	14,811	1.1%
AIDS/HIV	100	0.3%	8,737	0.7%
Chronic Pulmonary Disease	236	0.7%	9,457	0.7%

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Diagnosis	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
SUD-Alcohol	4,322	12.2%	204,871	15.9%
SUD-Stimulants	2,355	6.7%	111,853	8.7%
SUD-Opioids	931	2.6%	100,931	7.8%
SUD-Polysubstance Abuse	943	2.7%	41,685	3.2%

What Are the Most Common Primary Diagnoses Among People Experiencing Homelessness When They Visit a Hospital?

Primary Diagnosis	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Mental Disorders	4,550	12.9%	228,812	17.7%
Substance Use Disorder (Primary Diagnosis Only)	4,066	11.5%	218,275	16.9%
Traumatic Injury	3,846	10.9%	121,046	9.4%
<i>Fracture</i>	634	1.8%	20,196	1.6%
<i>Open Wound</i>	545	1.5%	16,785	1.3%
<i>Traumatic Brain Injury</i>	113	0.3%	3,038	0.2%
<i>Internal Injury of the Torso (including spine)</i>	25	0.1%	741	0.1%
<i>Other Traumatic Injury</i>	1,437	4.1%	46,977	3.6%
Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders	3,465	9.8%	103,155	8.0%
Disorders of the Respiratory System	2,012	5.7%	56,184	4.3%
Disorders of the Circulatory System	1,389	3.9%	42,580	3.3%
Diseases of the Skin	957	2.7%	27,317	2.1%
Disorders of the Digestive System	879	2.5%	27,079	2.1%
Diseases of the Central and Peripheral Nervous System	835	2.4%	26,713	2.1%
Infectious Disease	694	2.0%	22,601	1.7%
Diseases of the Urinary Tract and Genitalia	837	2.4%	22,141	1.7%
Pregnancy and Perinatal Related	803	2.3%	20,536	1.6%
Diabetes	647	1.8%	19,410	1.5%
Diseases of the Oral Cavity	405	1.1%	11,116	0.9%
Anemias and Other Blood Disorders	250	0.7%	13,995	1.1%
Liver Conditions	347	1.0%	10,652	0.8%

What Are Common Hospital-Based Courses of Treatment Among People Experiencing Homelessness?

Hospital Measures of Severity	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Median Days In Hospital	5		5	
Underwent Surgical Intervention	2,045	5.8%	59,494	4.6%
Required Mechanical Ventilation	261	0.7%	11,119	0.9%
Received Obstetric Care	883	2.5%	24,454	1.9%
Received Drug Treatment Services	118	0.3%	33,393	2.6%
Administered Naloxone	50	0.1%	9,720	0.8%

Discharge Status from Hospital	IL-513		Statewide	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Routine Discharge (Home/Home Health/Home Care Services)	30,888	87.5%	1,067,947	82.7%
Discharge to Another Acute Health Care Facility	366	1.0%	25,457	2.0%
Discharge to a Psychiatric Facility	649	1.8%	60,151	4.7%
Discharge to a Rehabilitation, Skilled Nursing, or Long-Term Care Facility	622	1.8%	53,125	4.1%
Left Against Medical Advice	2,353	6.7%	64,985	5.0%
Discharge to Court/Law Enforcement	293	0.8%	8,079	0.6%
Expired During Course of Hospitalization or Discharge to Hospice	95	0.3%	4,038	0.3%
Other/Unspecified	47	0.1%	8,309	0.6%