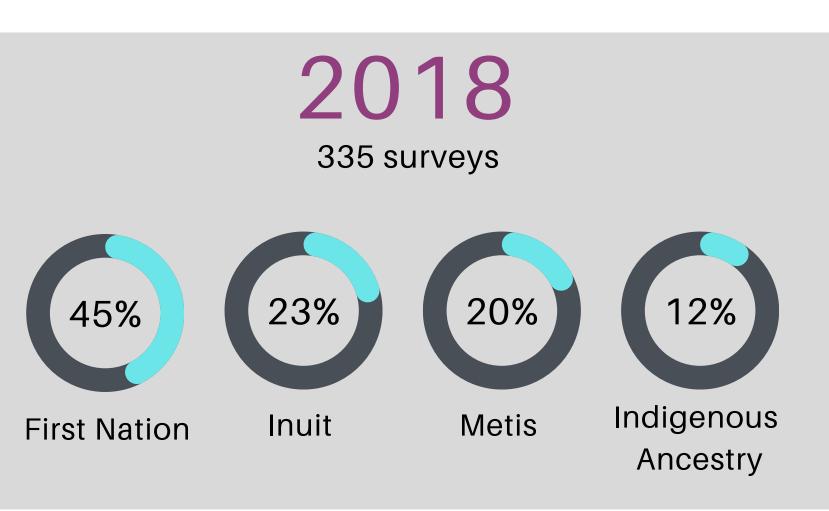


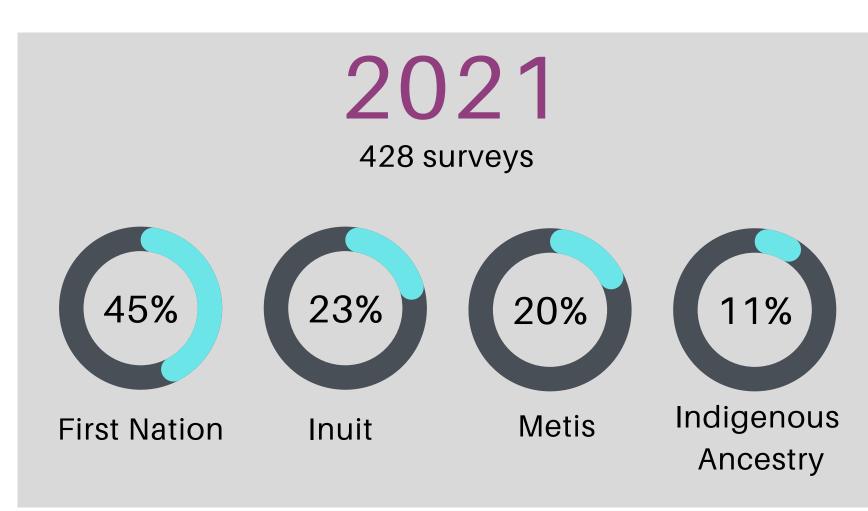
Indigenous People's Experiences of Homelessness

OTTAWA ABORIGINAL COALITION

(2021 Homelessness Point in Time Count – 24 hours in October)

The City of Ottawa acknowledges that the Indigenous community represent 4% of the population in Ottawa-Gatineau. In the 2021 Point-in-Time count, 32% of people experiencing homelessness identified as Indigenous.





HOMELESSNESS EXPERIENCES

Age First Experienced Homelessness

0-18 years old

44% in 2018 and 2021

13-18 years old

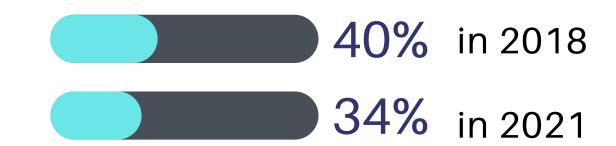
36% in 2018 and 2021

Youngest ages were 0-1 years old over both years.

Oldest ages were 70 (2018) and 74 (2021)

Duration of Homelessness in the Last Year

365 DAYS of homelessness



Access to Shelter in the Last Year





FINDING HOUSING

People need the following supports to help with their housing journey... **2021**

 Mental Health Resources 	39%
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Addictions/Substance use support 36%

Serious/ongoing medical condition 21%

Physical Disability

Learning disability

• Brain Injury 6%

Barriers to Finding Housing

Rent is too
High
19.1%

Low Income 18.3%

Addiction

9.3%

Discrimination

8.5%

Poor Housing No Income Conditions Assistance

7.6% 7.1%

CURRENT EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS (2021)

In 2021 Indigenous peoples have been homeless for...

2 YEARS 10.2% 1 YEAR 9.3% 1-30 DAYS 8.2% **Recent Causes of Homelessness**

Not Enough Income for Housing

20%



Substance Use Issue

17%



11%

Indigenous peoples lost their housing due to COVID-

with Landlord

Conflict

15%



Conflict
with 14%
Partner





Unfit Housing 13%







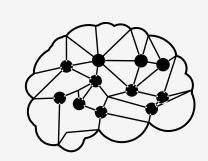
HEALTH CHALLENGES



ILLNESS/ MEDICAL CONDITION

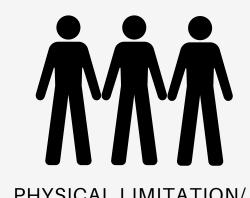
46% 41%

IN 2021



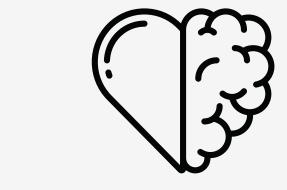
LEARNING/COGNITIVE LIMITATION

35%



PHYSICAL LIMITATION/ DISABILITY

33% 31% IN 2021

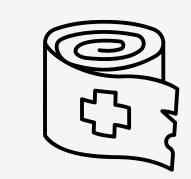


IN 2018

MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE

53% IN 2018

56% IN 2021



BRAIN INJURY AFTER BIRTH

31%



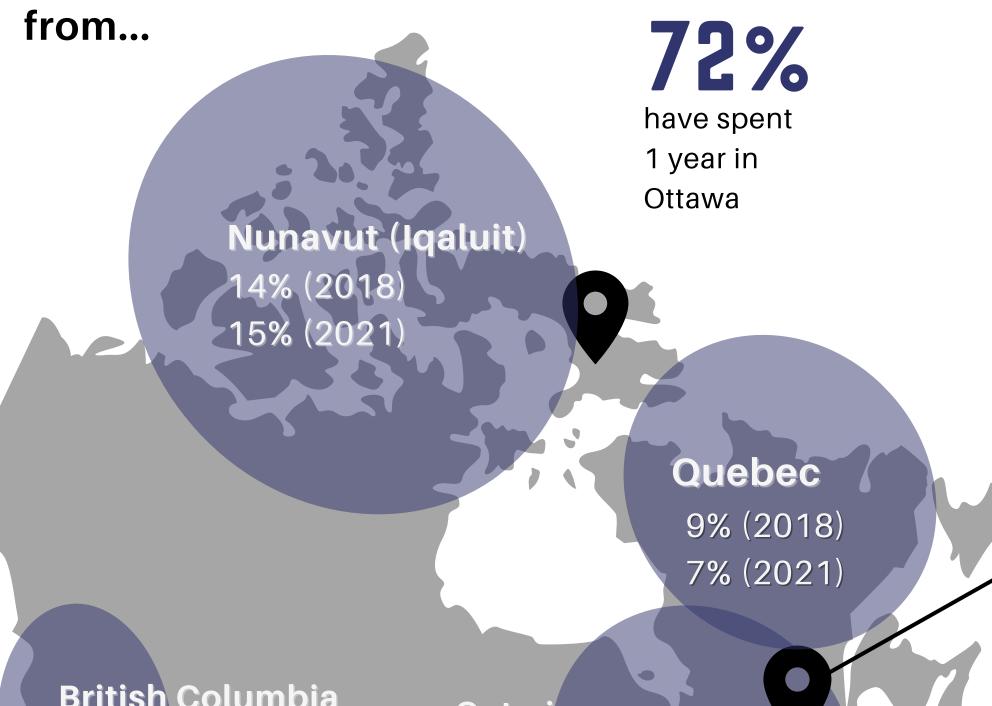
SUBSTANCE USE/ ADDICTION

70% 72%

IN 2018 IN 2021

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

People came to Ottawa



Age Group Percentages (2018, 2021)

40.0

20.0

10.0

16-30

31-45

46-60

61-76

British Columbia 4.2% (2018)

Ontario
33% (2018)
25% (2021)

Toront 4.5% (2

Toronto 4.5% (2018) 2% (2021)

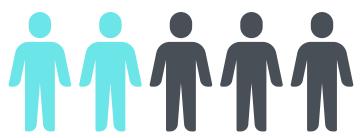
Montreal

3% (2018)

3% (2021)

Highest Level of Education (2021)





40% Have some High School





CHILDREN IN CARE AND HOMELESSNESS EXPERIENCES

In 2018

In 2021

of Indigenous people who were homeless and had been in child welfare 43% (foster care and group homes).



After leaving foster care, Indigenous youth experienced the following in one to ten days...

IN 2018

6%

WERE HOMELESS 1 DAY AFTER LEAVING FOSTER CARE

IN 2021

14%

WERE HOMELESS 1 DAY AFTER LEAVING FOSTER CARE

IN 2021, THIS NUMBER **INCREASED TO**

21%

WITHIN 10 DAYS OF LEAVING FOSTER CARE

8% THERE WAS AN 8% INCREASE **OVER THREE YEARS OF** INDIGENOUS YOUTH BEING HOMELESS ONE DAY AFTER LEAVING FOSTER CARE

