

Proposed questions for current housing status and housing history- SAMHSA proposal

1. In the past 30 days, where have you been living most of the time?

- Shelter for homeless people (include drop-in, reception centers, or other temporary day or evening facility)
- SRO (single room occupancy) welfare or voucher hotel or motel
- Street/outdoors (sidewalk, doorway, park, public or abandoned building)
- Health facility (hospital, nursing home, hospice)
- Jail or prison
- Housed:
 - In a residential treatment facility for persons with mental health problems (limited stay)
 - In detox, residential drug treatment or drug program halfway house (focus: establishing sobriety)
 - In a halfway house for ex-offenders or persons supervised by the corrections system
 - In a temporary or transitional housing program for homeless persons (focus: moving into permanent housing)
 - In someone else's apartment, room or house
 - Your own apartment, room, or house that you own or rent
 - Other housed (specify) _____

If Health Facility, Jail or Prison

2. Would you have a place to live if you were not staying in _____ (place where staying)

- Yes No

If Shelter, SRO, any Transitional housing or Halfway house, or Own Apartment or room

3a. Is there a social worker or case worker who lives in the building or who has an office there? Or a case worker who visits you regularly as part of the housing program?

- Yes No

3b. Is there a time limit on how long you can stay there?

If YES

- No Yes ± What is the time limit? (dk=98)

If in Someone Else's apartment, room or house

4a. Can you sleep there for the next month (30 days) without being asked to leave?

- Yes No I'm not sure how long I can stay

4b. Are you living in public housing or are you getting any rental assistance or help with paying for housing from a government program or an agency?

- Yes No

If Own Apartment, Room or House

5a. Are you living in public housing or are you getting any rental assistance or help with paying for housing from a government program or an agency?

- Yes No

Note: Questions 7 and 9 are needed to determine if person could be considered 'chronic homeless.'

6. Since age 18, how much time during have you spent in group homes, or in temporary or transitional housing programs (not counting homeless shelters), or temporarily doubled up with others in somebody else's home?

- Less than 3 months
- more than 3 months but less than 6 months
- at least 6 months but less than 12 months
- at least 12 months (one year) but less than 24 months (2 years)
- 2 years or more

7. Since age 18, how much time during have you spent in a shelter for homeless people, in an abandoned building, a public place like a bus station, or another place not intended for sleeping, on the street or anywhere outside?

- Less than 3 months
- more than 3 months but less than 6 months
- at least 6 months but less than 12 months
- at least 12 months (one year) but less than 24 months (2 years)
- 2 years or more

8. Did you ever have your own apartment, house, or other place to live? That is, you were the person who had the lease or were responsible for paying the rent or mortgage and taking care of the place?

- No Yes ---> IF YES

8a. When was the last time that you had a place of your own for 30 days or more?
How long ago was that?

9. How many in the past 3 years have you been without regular housing? That is, not living in your own house, apartment, room or other housing for 30 days or more in the same place (including this time if currently without housing). For this question, do not count living in a shelter or a supervised housing program that had a time limit even if you stayed in that place for more than 30 days.

|__|__| # episodes of homelessness past 3 years

10. How many times in your whole life have you been without regular housing? That is, not living in your own house, apartment, room or other housing for 30 days or more in the same place, including this time. Again, do not count living in a shelter or a supervised housing program that had a time limit even if you stayed in that place for more than 30 days.

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