

THE TEXAS EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAM (EHCY)

A collaboration of the Texas Education Agency, the Region 10 Education Service Center, and the Texas Homeless Education Office

Authorized by Subtitle B of Title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.)
to ensure enrollment, attendance, and educational success for students experiencing homelessness.

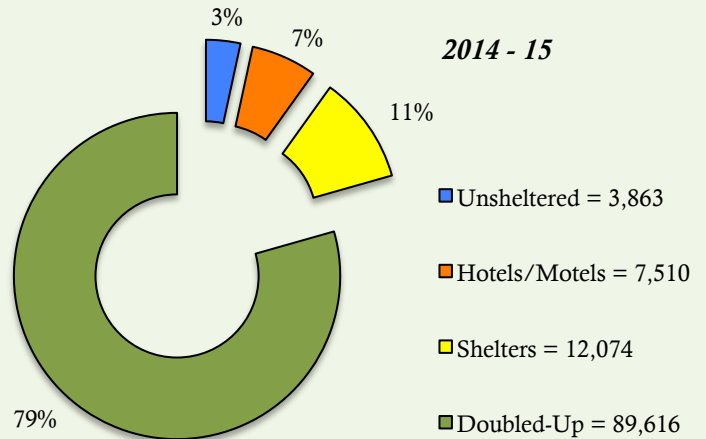
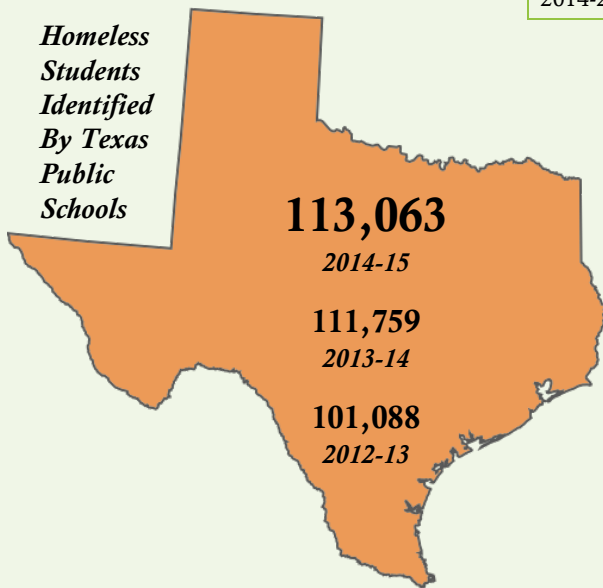


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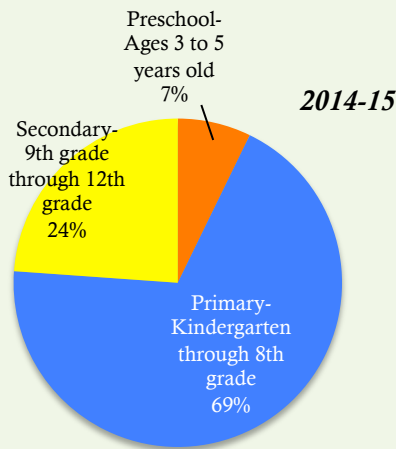
2014 - 15 School Data*

* most recently available data

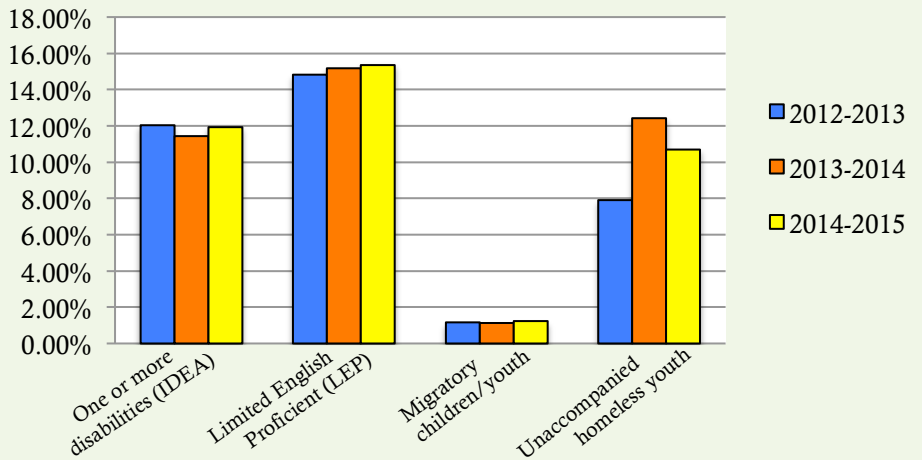
2014-2015 total number of students enrolled in LEAs:	5,215,282
2014-2015 total number of LEAs:	1,219
2014-2015 total number of LEAs receiving McKinney-Vento subgrants:	128
2014-2015 percentage of all enrolled students who are homeless:	2.17%
2014-2015 percentage of all people below the poverty level:	17.7%
2014-2015 percentage of all people under 18 years old below the poverty level:	25.3%



Homeless Students Identified By Living Situation



Homeless Students Identified By Grade Category



Homeless Students Identified By Student Characteristics

State-Mandated Assessment Proficiency

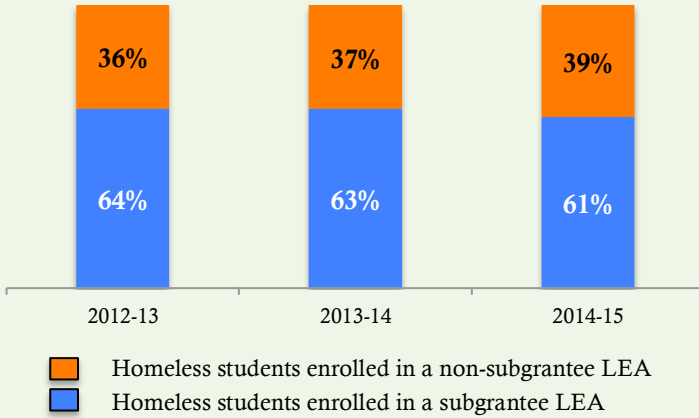
The Texas assessment results for 2014-15 show that homeless students score 10-15% below all other students. This is consistent with national data.

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2015 - 16 Program Information

TEXSHEP Subgrants funded = 66
(131 participating districts)

Homeless Students Enrolled in Districts with TEXSHEP Subgrants Based Upon Most Current Data Available:

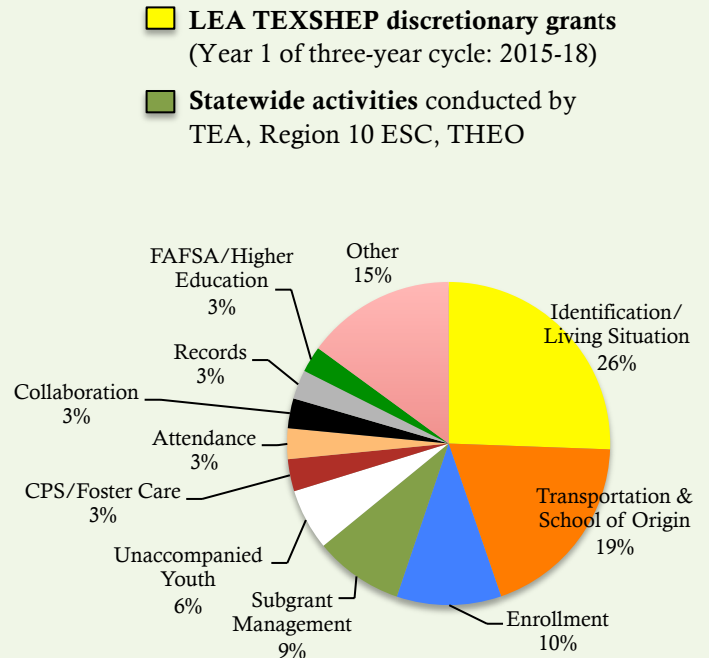


Training and Outreach

Training to ESCs, LEAs, Organizations	100+
Technical Assistance Requests	1,337
Collaborations with State and National Organizations	42
THEO Website Page Views	18,000
THEO Facebook Unique Users per Given Day	2,700
THEO Blog Posts/Unique Viewers	16 / 6,900
THEO Twitter Tweets/Views	115 / 16,000

FUNDING

USDE awarded Texas \$5.8 million in McKinney-Vento funding for 2015-16.



Technical Assistance Requests by Issue: 2015-16

McKINNEY-VENTO RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

The Federal McKinney-Vento Act and Texas State Law guarantee that a student can enroll in school if he/she lives:

- **Unsheltered** - in an abandoned building or a car, at a campground, on the street, or in substandard housing (no electricity, no water, and/or no heat);
- In **Hotels/Motels** or weekly-rate housing;
- In **Shelters** - family shelter, domestic violence shelter, youth shelter, or transitional living program; or
- **Doubled-Up** - in a house or an apartment with more than one family because of economic hardship or loss of housing, or with friends or family because he/she is a runaway or unaccompanied youth.

A student living in one of these situations **may enroll in school without providing:**

- proof of residency
- birth certificate
- immunization records or a TB skin test result
- school records
- legal guardianship papers
- parent/guardian signature for unaccompanied youth enrollment

A student may also:

- ✓ continue to attend the school in which he/she was last enrolled, even if they have moved away from that school's attendance zone or district;
- ✓ receive transportation from his/her current residence back to their school of origin;
- ✓ qualify automatically for Child Nutrition Programs (Free and Reduced-Price Lunch); and
- ✓ participate fully in all school activities and programs for which he/she is eligible.

For questions regarding the Texas Education of Homeless Children and Youth Program, contact:

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