

HOME ARP looks at homelessness for the following populations.

1. Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence *OR*
2. Will imminently lose these primary nighttime residence *OR*
3. Is an unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age or families with youth and children.

The HOME ARP Plan will provide;

1. The definition of each subgroup of persons experiencing homelessness,
2. Explanation of how the City of Amarillo determined the needs and gaps in the shelter and housing inventory and service delivery services for persons experiencing homelessness
3. Size and demographic composition of the population of residents experiencing homelessness
4. Gaps in shelter, housing inventory, and service delivery for homeless persons.

The U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds local homeless assistance and prevention networks called Continuums of Care (CoC). HUD requires each CoC jurisdiction to conduct a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons on one night in the last ten calendar days of January. Amarillo's most recent annual Point-In-Time (PIT) count was conducted on **January 27, 2023**.

The data from PIT Counts helps determine the amount of funding awarded for homeless programs, reports changes among the homeless population and raises public awareness of homelessness. Data from the one-night PIT count and the longitudinal data collected by the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) are the primary sources used to measure the progress in meeting the national strategic goal of preventing and ending homelessness.

The primary goal of the PIT Count is to provide a one-night "snapshot" of the number of homeless persons who are either living on the streets, in places not meant for habitation, or are currently residing in emergency shelters or homeless transitional housing projects.

The focus of the PIT Count is to identify those already experiencing homelessness. HUD's definition of homelessness for the PIT count does not include persons staying with friends or relatives, in a hotel/motel, in a treatment facility, or in jail. At the same time, persons in these circumstances may be at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

Due to the nature of a one-night count, the uses of the PIT Count data and its limitations should be noted. It is understood that a one-night point-in-time count has limitations and, in any given year, may under-count or over-count the homeless population compared to data collected over a more extended period or at other periodic intervals. **The greatest value of the PIT Count is that it is an unduplicated count of sheltered and unsheltered persons experiencing homelessness on one night.** Decreases or increases in the number of

persons counted from year to year may indicate a change in the homeless population or external circumstances, or both.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Data listed represents the point-in-time count for all of the Continuum of Care. The PIT count does not provide data specifically for the City of Amarillo. The data listed is for the entire Amarillo Continuum of Care – TX-611 geographic area and not solely for the City of Amarillo.

GAP ANALYSIS

The following chart shows current numbers of households experiencing homelessness as well as current housing inventory based on the Point in Time counts and Housing Inventory Count.

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	111	21	227	#	229								
Transitional Housing	159	11	74	#	50								
Permanent Supportive Housing	16	7	156	#	84								
Other Permanent Housing	#	#	2	#	#								
Sheltered Homeless						154	111	15	13				
Unsheltered Homeless						3	367	5	0				
Current Gap										+18	3	19	19

Data Sources: 1. 2022 Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. 2022 Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Consultation

In the 2022 Point -in-time count:

- Amarillo had a total of 584 emergency shelter, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, and rapid rehousing beds.

- The 2022 PIT Count counted 661 people experiencing homelessness.
- Amarillo has a sizable unsheltered population. 380 people were counted as unsheltered: 68% of the people experiencing homelessness in the Amarillo Continuum of Care.

The 2023 Point in Time Count data is still being tabulated. Preliminary numbers for the utilization rate are listed below.

<i>PIT January 27, 2023</i>	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Totals
<i>Total Persons</i>	271	421	692
<i>Adults (18+)</i>	218	412	630
<i>Children (Under 18)</i>	44	0	44
<i>Young Adults (18-24)</i>	9	9	18
<i>Female</i>	60	129	189
<i>Male</i>	210	290	500
<i>Transgender</i>	1	2	3
<i>Non-Binary</i>	0	0	0
<i>Chronically Homeless</i>	3	99	102
<i>Veterans</i>	29	22	51

<i>Housing Inventory Count Report</i>	Available Units	PIT Count	Utilization
<i>Another Chance House</i>	43	34	79%
<i>Downtown Women's</i>	125	62	50%
<i>Faith City Mission</i>	*86	65	76%
<i>Family Support Service</i>	14	14	100%
<i>Martha's Home</i>	35	35	100%
<i>The Salvation Army</i>	147	62	42%
<i>COC-Coming Home</i>	4	2	50%
<i>ESG- Rapid Re- Housing</i>	14	13	93%
<i>HCV- EHV</i>	26	24	92%
<i>HCV- SPC</i>	9	18	200%
<i>HVC- Homeless at entry</i>	113	105	93%

HCV-VASH	129	93	72%
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*2022 Inventory

HOUSING NEEDS INVENTORY TABLE

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	30165		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	17%		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	41%		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		81%	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		88%	
<i>Current Gaps</i>			10,115

Suggested Data Sources: 1. American Community Survey (ACS); 2. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)

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Amarillo Very low-income households (>30% to <50% HAMFI)

- 5,885 Amarillo households are renters who are very low-income. This group accounts for 19% of all renters in Amarillo.
- Almost all of very low-income renters have 1 or more housing problems. 5,155 very low-income households have 1 or more housing problems. This account for 88% of all very low-income renters.
- 4,975 very low-income renter households have a housing cost burden of >30%. This account for 85% of all very low-income renter households.
- 1,740 extremely low-income renter household shave a housing cost burden of >50%. This account for 30% of all very low-income renter households.

NOTE: The four housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than one person per room, and a cost burden greater than 30%. The cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters- housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities).

SIZE AND DEMOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION OF QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

ARP requires that funds be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in the following specified “qualifying populations.” Any individual or family who meets the criteria for these populations is eligible to receive assistance or services funded through HOME-ARP without meeting additional criteria (e.g., additional income criteria).

ARP defines qualifying individuals or families as those that are:

1. **“Homeless”**, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)) (“McKinney-Vento”);
2. **“At risk of homelessness”**, as defined in section 401 of McKinney-Vento;
3. **“Fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking”**;
4. Part of **“other populations”** where providing supportive services or assistance would **prevent a family’s homelessness** or would **serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability**; or
5. **“Veterans and families”** that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria in one of 1-4 above.

QUALIFYING POPULATION: HOMELESS

The HOME ARP program broadly defines homelessness utilizing several federal definitions of homelessness. In particular, this definition includes unaccompanied youth and families with children/youth who are experiencing extreme housing instability. Additionally, the HOME ARP definition also includes individuals and families who are at imminent risk of losing their nighttime residence.

The HOME ARP definition allows for qualification as homelessness for any of the three subgroups:

1. Lack of nighttime residence,
2. The imminent loss of nighttime residence, and
3. Unaccompanied youth under 25/families with children and youth.

LACK OF NIGHTTIME RESIDENCE

An individual or family who **does not have a nighttime residence** includes:

- People who do not nighttime **residence not designed for regular sleeping accommodations**. This may include sleeping in a car, park, abandoned buildings, train stations, or camping ground.
- People who are sleeping in a shelter designed to provide **temporary living arrangements**. This may include homeless shelters, transitional housing, and hotels/motels paid for by charitable organizations or government programs.

- People who are exiting an institution where they have been for 90 days or less and who lived in an emergency shelter of place not designed for regular sleeping accommodations before they entered that institution.

DEMOGRAPHICS: LACK OF NIGHTTIME RESIDENCE

The Amarillo Continuum of Care counted 383 people who were unsheltered during the 2022 Point In Time Count. In Amarillo, 68% of the homeless population is unsheltered.

- 367 persons were counted as unsheltered in households without children
- 3 persons were counted as unsheltered in households with at least one adult and one child
- 13 persons were counted in households with only children.

People experiencing homelessness and unsheltered generally reflected the overall demographics in Amarillo.¹ However, the population of people who are Black/African American was higher than the over population. Men were also far more likely to unsheltered than women.

- 30% of people who were unsheltered homeless were Hispanic/Latino; the City of Amarillo's population is 34%.
- 16% of people who were unsheltered homeless were Black/African American; the City of Amarillo's population is 7%.
- 71% of the unsheltered population were men.

People who were unsheltered were struggling with substantial life challenges.

- 37 unsheltered people were chronically homeless
- 25 unsheltered people had severe mental illness
- 20 unsheltered people had chronic substance abuse
- 5 unsheltered people were veterans
- 3 unsheltered people had HIV/AIDS
- 26 unsheltered people were unaccompanied youth

HOMELESS SUBPOPULATION: INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY WHO IMMINENTLY LOSE THEIR PRIMARY NIGHTTIME RESIDENCE

An individual or family who **imminently may lose their primary nighttime residence** includes people who:

- Will lose their nighttime residence within 14 days of application of homeless assistance;
- Have no subsequent residence has been identified; and
- Have no support networks or resources.

¹ US Census Population Estimates, July 1, 2021, (V2021)

DEMOGRAPHICS: THE IMMINENT LOSS OF NIGHTTIME RESIDENCE

One of the ways to evaluate the number of residents that are at imminent risk of losing their nighttime residence is to evaluate how many cases are being held in the eviction courts. The City of Amarillo straddles two Counties; Potter and Randall Counties. Each one holds its own eviction court.

Randall County Justice of the Peace reports that they process the **eviction of 40 households each month**. They do not track the outcome of the eviction proceedings past the court order. There are no eviction services offered.

Potter County Justice of the Peace, reports that they process the eviction of 8-20 households each month. There is no contact with the evicted household after the hearing is held.

The City of Amarillo reached out to local hospitals and county jails. They did not have data on the demographics or number of people who were being discharged into homelessness; but did state that this is not an uncommon occurrence. Both the jails and hospitals noted that they often see unsheltered homeless individuals repeatedly cycling in and out of their systems.

HOMELESS SUBPOPULATION: UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH UNDER 25 YEARS OR AGE, OR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Unaccompanied youth under 25 years or age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:

- Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)), or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);
- Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;
- Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
- Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment.

McKinney-Vento Definition of Homelessness

Anyone who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, including:

- Sharing the housing of others due to lack of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, and camping grounds due to a lack of adequate alternative accommodations

- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Abandoned in hospitals
- Awaiting foster care placement
- Living in a public or private place not designed for humans to live
- Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, public train stations, etc.
- A migrant child who qualifies under any of the above

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2022 Point In Time Count

Families with children and youth accounted for 58 households in the 2022 Point in Time County. There were 26 households with only children; half of these households (13) were unsheltered.

Household breakdown for youth and families with children:

- 89 children under 18 were counted. 73 were in transitional housing. 13 were in emergency shelter. And one child was unsheltered.
- 6 youth were counted in households with at least one adult and one child. 5 were in emergency shelter and 1 was unsheltered.

There were also 19 persons aged 18-24 in households without children.

The 2022 Point In Time Count also separated out unaccompanied youth and parenting youth into subcategories.

- 44 unaccompanied youth were counted. 9 were sheltered, 9 were in transitional housing, and the remaining 26 were unsheltered.
- 6 parenting youth were counted. 5 were in emergency shelter and 1 was unsheltered.

McKinney-Vento Youth

Amarillo Independent School District (AISD) reports that **778 students in the school year 2022 met the McKinney-Vento definition of homeless.**

- 62 were in shelter
- 617 were doubled up with other households
- 35 were in hotels
- 64 were unsheltered

The number of homeless students in AISD is one of the highest per capita in the State of Texas.²

² US Department of Education, ED Data Express

- 1,803 homeless enrolled students in 2020-2021
- 1,898 homeless enrolled students in 2019-2020
- 1,930 homeless enrolled students in 2018-2019
- 1,829 homeless enrolled students in 2017-2019
- 2,236 homeless enrolled students 2016-2018
- 2,174 homeless enrolled students 2015-2016

The major causes of homelessness for children in the U.S. involve both structural and individual factors, including:

1. the nation's persistently high rates of poverty for families;
2. a lack of affordable housing across the nation;
3. continuing impacts of the Great Recession;
4. racial disparities in homelessness;
5. the challenges of single parenting; and
6. the ways in which traumatic experiences, especially domestic violence, precede and prolong homelessness for families.

"America's Youngest Outcasts - A Report on Child Homelessness" American Institutes for Research, 2014.

Homelessness can have a tremendous impact on children – their education, health, sense of safety, and overall development. Fortunately, researchers found that children are also highly resilient. Differences between children who have experienced homelessness and low-income children who have not experienced homelessness typically diminish in the years following a homeless episode.

When compared to low-income and homeless families, children experiencing homelessness have been shown to:

- Have higher levels of emotional and behavioral problems;
- Have increased risk of serious health problems;
- Are more likely to experience separations from their families; and
- Experience more school mobility, repeat a grade, are more likely to be expelled or drop out of school, and have lower academic performance.

"National Alliance to End Homelessness"

The **McKinney-Vento Act**, which later became part of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), mandates protections and services for homeless children and youth, including those with disabilities. The 2004 reauthorization of IDEA also includes amendments that reinforce timely assessment, inclusion, and continuity of services for homeless children and youth with disabilities.

HOMELESS: CURRENT GAPS

The 2022 PIT Count counted 366 individuals who were unsheltered out of a homeless population of 476. Amarillo currently has no low-barrier shelters. The community needs survey had several respondents who were currently experiencing homelessness. Their comments highlighted the need for a shelter where a person can bring their dog, have fewer restrictions, and greater flexibility that matches their current needs.

HOMELESS: PRIORITY NEEDS

The priority needs for persons experiencing homelessness to address their immediate need for shelter, food, and health assistance.

QUALIFYING POPULATION: AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS AS DEFINED IN 24 CFR 91.5

The HOME ARP program broadly defines at risk of homelessness using a combination of income, available resources, and list of conditions that makes a household more likely to become homeless.

The HOME ARP definition allows for qualification as at risk of homelessness for a household that meets the following criteria;

1. Annual income below 30% of median family income for the areas,
2. Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, and
3. Meets one of the following conditions:
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 - b. Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
 - c. Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
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 - e. Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
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FLEEING, OR ATTEMPTING TO FLEE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, STALKING, OR HUMAN TRAFFICKING,
AS DEFINED BY HUD IN THE NOTICE

For HOME-ARP, this population includes any individual or family who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking.

This population includes cases where an individual or family reasonably believes that there is a **threat of imminent harm from further violence due to dangerous or life-threatening conditions** that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return or remain within the same dwelling unit. In the case of sexual assault. This also includes cases where an individual reasonably believes there is a **threat of imminent harm from further violence if the individual remains within the same dwelling unit** that the individual is currently occupying, or the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-day period preceding the date of the request for transfer.

Domestic violence, which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by:

1. A current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim (the term "spouse or intimate partner of the victim" includes a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim, as determined by the length of the relationship, the type of the relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship);
2. A person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
3. A person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
4. A person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving HOME-ARP funds; or
5. Any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

Dating violence which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means violence committed by a person:

1. Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and
2. Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:
 - a. The length of the relationship;
 - b. The type of relationship; and
 - c. The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Sexual assault which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means any nonconsensual sexual act proscribed by Federal, Tribal, or State law, including when the victim lacks capacity to consent.

Stalking which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:

1. Fear for the person's individual safety or the safety of others; or
2. Suffer substantial emotional distress.

Human Trafficking includes both sex and labor trafficking, as outlined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102). These are defined as:

1. **Sex trafficking** means the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act, in which the commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age; or
2. **Labor trafficking** means the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

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TRAFFICKING

The 2022 Point In Time Count counted 13 people who were emergency shelter and domestic violence survivors.

Family Support Services is the domestic services provider in Amarillo. They provide emergency shelter and services to people who are fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking.

They serve over 1,100 clients each year.

OTHER POPULATIONS REQUIRING SERVICES OR HOUSING ASSISTANCE TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AND OTHER POPULATIONS AT GREATEST RISK OF HOUSING INSTABILITY, AS DEFINED BY HUD IN THE NOTICE

Other Populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of NAHA (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability.

HUD defines these populations as individuals and households who do not qualify under any of the populations above but meet one of the following criteria:

1. Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness is defined as households (i.e., individuals and families) who have previously been qualified as "homeless" as defined in 24 CFR 91.5, are currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance, including financial assistance, services, temporary rental assistance or some type of other assistance to allow the household to be housed, and who need additional housing assistance or supportive services to avoid a return to homelessness.
2. At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability is defined as either:
 - i. has annual income that is less than or equal to **30% of the area median income**, as determined by HUD and is **experiencing severe cost burden** (i.e., is paying more than 50% of monthly household income toward housing costs);
 - ii. has annual income that is less than or equal to **50% of the area median income**, as determined by HUD, AND meets one of the following conditions from paragraph (iii) of the "At risk of homelessness" definition established at 24 CFR 91.5:
 - A. Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
 - B. Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
 - C. Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
 - D. Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
 - E. Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons reside per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
 - F. Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
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Amarillo Very low-income households (>30% to <50% HAMFI)

- 5,885 Amarillo households are renters who are very low-income. This group accounts for 19% of all renters in Amarillo.
- Almost all of very low-income renters have 1 or more housing problems. 5,155 very low-income households have 1 or more housing problems. This account for 88% of all very low-income renters.
- 4,975 very low-income renter households have a housing cost burden of >30%. This account for 85% of all very low-income renter households.
- 1,740 extremely low-income renter household shave a housing cost burden of >50%. This account for 30% of all very low-income renter households.

NOTE: The four housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than one person per room, and a cost burden greater than 30%. The cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters- housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities).

VETERANS AND FAMILIES

Veterans and Families that include a Veteran Family Member that meet the criteria for one of the qualifying populations described above are eligible to receive HOME-ARP assistance.

Amarillo has ³ a veteran civilian population of 12,223, comprising 8.4% of the population.

- Most veterans in Amarillo are men. 89% men and 11% women.
- The largest age group of veterans is 35-54 years old (33%).
- Veterans in Amarillo are generally White (82%). Hispanic/Latino Veterans are 14% of the Veteran population.

The US Census looks at veteran poverty using federal poverty guidelines. There is a separate measurement from the HUD definition of Area Median Income. However, it can still be used to help show the size of a population that has a high likelihood of meeting HUD income guidelines.

Civilian population 18 years and over for whom poverty status is determined	12,038
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level	742
Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level	11,296

AMARILLO VETERAN POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
CIVILIAN POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED	12,038	(X)
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS BELOW POVERTY LEVEL	742	6.2%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS AT OR ABOVE POVERTY LEVEL	11,296	93.80%

US Census identifies 742 veterans who meet the federal poverty status in the past 12 months. This group accounts for 6.2% of veterans in Amarillo.

AMARILLO VETERAN EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
CIVILIAN POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER	12,223	(X)
LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE	801	6.6%
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE (INCLUDES EQUIVALENCY)	2,697	22.1%
SOME COLLEGE OR ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE	4,813	39.4%
BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER	3,912	32.0%

AMARILLO VETERAN DISABILITY STATUS	
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³ American Community Survey, S2101, 2021 ACS 1-Year Estimates, Veterans

CIVILIAN POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED	12,038	(X)
WITH ANY DISABILITY	3,690	30.7%
WITHOUT A DISABILITY	8,348	69.3%

The 2022 Point in Time Count listed 15 Veterans in emergency shelter and 5 who were unsheltered.

The 2022 Housing Inventory Count list the following for Veterans:

- 229 emergency shelters beds
- 50 transitional housing beds
- 84 places in permanent supportive housing

The service providers for these programs include Salvations Army, Family Support Services, and Faith City Ministries.

HOME-ARP ACTIVITIES

DESCRIBE THE METHOD(S) THAT WILL BE USED FOR SOLICITING APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING AND/OR SELECTING DEVELOPERS, SERVICE PROVIDERS, SUBRECIPIENTS AND/OR CONTRACTORS:

The City of Amarillo will provide direct administration to the supportive services.

DESCRIBE WHETHER THE PJ WILL ADMINISTER ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES DIRECTLY:

The City of Amarillo will provide direct administration to the supportive services.

IF ANY PORTION OF THE PJ'S HOME-ARP ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS ARE PROVIDED TO A SUBRECIPIENT OR CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO HUD'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN BECAUSE THE SUBRECIPIENT OR CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PJ'S ENTIRE HOME-ARP GRANT, IDENTIFY THE SUBRECIPIENT OR CONTRACTOR AND DESCRIBE ITS ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN ADMINISTERING ALL OF THE PJ'S HOME-ARP PROGRAM:

The City of Amarillo did not provide any funding to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD acceptance of the HOME ARP Allocation Plan.

HOME-ARP FUNDING

The City of Amarillo will receive **\$2,560,840.00 as an American Rescue Plan Act HOME Supplemental Allocation**. The City plans to spend the funding on supportive services to help the City's HOME ARP qualifying populations. The HOME ARP supportive services will help augment the programs that the City already has in place or are in development to address homelessness and housing instability.

Eligible Activities	85% of the funding will be used for supportive services. (\$2,176,714.00) 15% will be used for program administration and planning. (\$384,126.00)
Preference Methods	The City will not use any preference methods to determine who will access supportive services first. All eligible residents who meet the requirements of a qualifying population will be served.
Referral Method	The City's homelessness community outreach team, Coming Home, will provide intake and eligibility screening for all program participants . The Coming Home team will take referrals from the Coordinated Entry (CE) for Continuum of Care participating organizations and outside referrals.
Waitlist	The City will not have a waiting list that has preference for one qualifying population over another. If the City does establish a waitlist, the eligible applicants will be served in chronological order .

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 2,176,714.00		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ #		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ #		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ #		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 384,126.00	15 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 2,560,840.00		

HOME-ARP PRODUCTION HOUSING GOALS

The City of Amarillo's HOME ARP Allocation Plan does not include any housing activities.

PREFERENCES

ARP establishes the qualifying populations that are eligible for assistance with HOME-ARP funds. The City of Amarillo may establish reasonable preferences among the qualifying populations to prioritize applicants for HOME-ARP projects or activities based on the identified needs and priorities as described in this HOME-ARP allocation plan.

The Coordinated Entry process will not prioritize qualifying populations. All residents who are eligible qualifying population will receive services on a first come, first served basis. The City has determined that each of the qualifying populations in Amarillo is in need of assistance. Each qualifying population is at extreme risk of having a deterioration in their unstable housing situation. Ultimately, each of the qualifying populations has a high chance of becoming homeless and unsheltered.

The City of Amarillo will not implement a preference for any qualifying population.

- All residents who meet the eligibility requirements as a qualifying population will be able to receive supportive services through HOME ARP funding.
- Activities and projects will not target a qualifying population or subpopulation.
- The Coordinated Entry process for Amarillo will be expanded to include all qualifying populations. Referrals to receive HOME ARP supportive service will encourage but not require coordinated entry. This allows for populations, such as domestic abuse survivors, to participate without having personally identifying information recorded into a shared database.
- Coordinated entry, for the use of HOME ARP supportive service activities, will not place a priority on any one qualifying population.
- The City understands that the state of experiencing homelessness and housing instability are intertwined. To help best address a complex and comprehensive problem, it is critical to provide assistance to all qualifying populations.
- The City will utilize the definitions of qualifying populations provided in Notice: CPD-21-10. The City is not expanding in any definitions beyond those provided.

IDENTIFY WHETHER THE PJ INTENDS TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO ONE OR MORE QUALIFYING POPULATIONS OR A SUBPOPULATION WITHIN ONE OR MORE QUALIFYING POPULATIONS FOR ANY ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY OR PROJECT:

The City of Amarillo will not give a preference to within eligible qualifying populations for supportive services. Services will be provided to eligible residents on a first come, first served basis.

REFERRAL METHODS

The City of Amarillo will use the coordinated entry for direct referrals to HOME-ARP supportive service activities. The coordinated entry process will expand to accept all HOME-ARP qualifying populations and will implement the preferences and prioritization established by the City in its HOME-ARP allocation plan. The City is not placing any preference of prioritizations for eligible qualifying populations receiving HOME ARP supportive services.

The City will also receive indirect referrals into the program. This will help ensure that the local domestic violence provider is able to refer clients into the program and outside service providers who might not be a member of the continuum of care.

IDENTIFY THE REFERRAL METHODS THAT THE PJ INTENDS TO USE FOR ITS HOME-ARP PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES. PJ'S MAY USE MULTIPLE REFERRAL METHODS IN ITS HOME-ARP PROGRAM. (OPTIONAL):

Enter narrative response here.

IF THE PJ INTENDS TO USE THE COORDINATED ENTRY (CE) PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE CoC, DESCRIBE WHETHER ALL QUALIFYING POPULATIONS ELIGIBLE FOR A PROJECT OR ACTIVITY WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE CE PROCESS, OR THE METHOD BY WHICH ALL QUALIFYING POPULATIONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROJECT OR ACTIVITY WILL BE COVERED. (OPTIONAL):

Enter narrative response here.

IF THE PJ INTENDS TO USE THE CE PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE CoC, DESCRIBE THE METHOD OF PRIORITIZATION TO BE USED BY THE CE. (OPTIONAL):

Enter narrative response here.

IF THE PJ INTENDS TO USE BOTH A CE PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE CoC AND ANOTHER REFERRAL METHOD FOR A PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, DESCRIBE ANY METHOD OF PRIORITIZATION BETWEEN THE TWO REFERRAL METHODS, IF ANY. (OPTIONAL):

Enter narrative response here.

LIMITATIONS IN A HOME-ARP RENTAL HOUSING OR NCS PROJECT

The City of Amarillo does not intend to use HOME ARP funding for rental housing or non-congregant shelter activities.

Affordable rental housing and the development of non-congregant shelter are high priority in Amarillo.

- The City will continue to use annual HOME funding allocation for TBRA activities.
- City general funds to help build out non-congregant shelter for residents who are experiencing homelessness.

HOME-ARP REFINANCING GUIDELINES

The City of Amarillo does not intend to use HOME ARP funding to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.

APPENDIX A: RESOURCES

2021: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles

American Community Survey

[DP02 SELECTED SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS IN THE UNITED STATES](#)

2021: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles

American Community Survey

[DP03 SELECTED ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS](#)

2021: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles

American Community Survey

[DP04SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS](#)

2021: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles

American Community Survey

[DP05 ACS DEMOGRAPHIC AND HOUSING ESTIMATES](#)

2017—2021 ACS 5-Year Narrative Profile

American Community Survey

[Amarillo City, Texas](#)

[Amarillo city, Texas; Potter County, Texas; Randall County, Texas; Texas; United States](#)

QuickFacts

United States Census Bureau

[The FY 2023 Amarillo, TX HUD Metro FMR Area FMRs for All Bedroom Sizes](#)

FY 2023 Fair Market Rent Documentation System

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

[Amarillo, TX HUD Metro FMR Area](#)

FY 2022 Income Limits Documentation System

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

[Poverty Thresholds by Size of Family and Number of Children](#)

Poverty Thresholds

United State Census Bureau

SOH: State and CoC Dashboards

National Alliance to End Homelessness

State of Homelessness - Texas

ALL IN: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

United States Interagency Council of Homelessness

House America

House America: An All-Hands-on-Deck Effort to Address the Nation's Homelessness Crisis

House America: An All-Hands-on-Deck Effort to Address the Nation's Homelessness Crisis is a federal initiative in which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) are inviting mayors, city and county leaders, tribal nation leaders, and governors into a national partnership. House America will utilize the historic investments provided through the American Rescue Plan to address the crisis of homelessness through a Housing First approach.

Subject: Notice Establishing Additional Requirements for a Continuum of Care Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System

HUD Notice: CPD-17-01

576.400 Area-wide systems coordination requirements.

Part 576 Emergency Service Grants

Code of Federal Regulations

The 2022 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report (AHAR) to Congress

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development

Worse Case Housing Needs, 2021 Report to Congress

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research

APPENDIX B: DEMOGRAPHICS

- 15.8% of people in Amarillo met the US Census income definition of poverty.
- The median income of households in Amarillo, Texas is \$55,174. An estimated **6.2% of households had income below \$10,000 a year**
- **The median age in Amarillo is 34.1 years.** An estimated 27.1% of the population was under 18 years, 37.5% was 18 to 44 years
- An estimated 34.0% of the people in Amarillo, Texas were Hispanic or Latino. An estimated 52.5% of the people in Amarillo, Texas were White alone, non-Hispanic.
- 24.1% of Amarillo residents language other than English at home.
- In Amarillo, Texas, 4,878 grandparents lived with their grandchildren under 18 years old. Of those grandparents, 56.4% were responsible for the basic needs of their grandchildren.
- 11.3% of Amarillo residents have a disability.

As of July 2021, the population of the City of Amarillo is estimated at 201,234, roughly the same since 2010. ⁴

Population	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Population Estimates, July 1 2021, (V2021)	201,234	116,547	143,854	29,527,941	331,893,745
Population estimates base, April 1, 2020, (V2021)	200,904	118,525	140,753	29,145,505	331,449,281
Population, percent change - April 1, 2020 (estimates base) to July 1, 2021, (V2021)	0.20%	-1.70%	2.20%	1.30%	0.10%
Population, Census, April 1, 2020	200,393	118,525	140,753	29,145,505	331,449,281
Population, Census, April 1, 2010	190,695	121,073	120,725	25,145,561	308,745,538

In 2017-2021 American Community Survey (ACS), Amarillo, Texas had a total population of 200,371 - 101,739 (50.8%) females and 98,632 (49.2%) males. **The median age was 34.1 years.** An estimated 27.1% of the population was under 18 years, **37.5% was 18 to 44 years**, 21.5% was 45 to 64 years, and 13.7% was 65 years and older.⁵

Population by Age and Sex for Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Male	Female
Under 5	7,829	7,002

⁴ US Census, QuickFacts

⁵ US Census, 2017-2021 American Community Survey (ACS)

5 to 9	8,008	7,669
10 to 14	7,743	7,363
15 to 19	6,774	6,915
20 to 24	6,666	6,305
25 to 29	7,349	7,845
30 to 34	7,630	7,465
35 to 39	7,935	6,940
40 to 44	5,732	6,474
45 to 49	5,177	5,356
50 to 54	5,461	5,708
55 to 59	4,989	5,450
60 to 64	5,424	5,640
65 to 69	4,417	4,824
70 to 74	3,100	4,005
75 to 79	1,899	2,630
80 to 84	1,317	2,007
85 and over	1,182	2,141

HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE⁶

For people reporting one race alone, 76.7% were White; 7.1% were Black or African American; 0.8% were American Indian and Alaska Native; 4.2% were Asian; 0.1% were Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and 3.6% were Some other race. An estimated 7.5% reported Two or more races.

Race	Fact Note	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
White alone]		76.70%	79.80%	90.80%	77.90%	75.80%
Black or African American alone	(a)	7.10%	11.20%	3.90%	13.20%	13.60%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	(a)	0.80%	1.40%	1.00%	1.10%	1.30%
Asian alone	(a)	4.20%	5.10%	2.00%	5.50%	6.10%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	(a)	0.10%	0.20%	0.10%	0.20%	0.30%
Two or More Races		7.50%	2.30%	2.10%	2.20%	2.90%

(a) Includes persons reporting only one race

An estimated 34.0% of the people in Amarillo, Texas were Hispanic or Latino. An estimated **52.5% of the people in Amarillo, Texas were White alone, non-Hispanic.** People of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

⁶ DP05 | Selected Demographic Characteristics
S0101 | Age and Sex

Ethnicity	Fact Note	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Hispanic or Latino, percent	(b)	34.00%	40.10%	24.90%	40.20%	18.90%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent		52.50%	42.70%	67.70%	40.30%	59.30%

(b) Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories

NATIVITY AND FOREIGN-BORN

In 2017-2021, an estimated **88.3% of the people living in Amarillo, Texas were U.S. natives**. 66.0% of the Amarillo, Texas population were living in the state where they were born.

Approximately **11.7% of Amarillo, Texas residents in 2017-2021 were foreign-born**. 36.3% of foreign-born were naturalized U.S. citizens, and an estimated **74.1% entered the country before the year 2010**.

Foreign-born residents of Amarillo, Texas come from different parts of the world. The bar graph below displays the percentage of foreign-born from each world region of birth in 2017-2021 for Amarillo, Texas

Region of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Latin America	54.7%
Asia	26.6%
Europe	4.0%
Africa	13.6%
Northern America	1.1%
Oceania	0.1%

	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Foreign-born persons, percent, 2017-2021	11.70%	15.60%	5.30%	17.00%	13.60%

LANGUAGE

Among people at least five years old living in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021, **24.1% spoke a language other than English at home**. Spanish was spoken by 17.9% of people at least five years old; 9.0% reported that they did not speak English "very well."

Percent of the Population 5 years and over who Speak a Language other than English in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Spanish	17.9%
Other Indo-European languages	1.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	3.6%
Other languages	1.6%

HOUSEHOLDS AND FAMILIES⁷

In 2017-2021, there were **78,540 households in Amarillo, Texas**. The average household size was 2.53 people.

Married-couple households made up 45.2% of the households in Amarillo, Texas while cohabiting couple households made up 4.7% of households. **Female householders with no spouse or partner present were 29.6% of all households**, while 20.5% of households had male householders with no spouse or partner present. Some households had one person, as 14.7% of households were male householders living alone, and 16.2% were female householders living alone, for a total of 30.9% of all households.

In Amarillo, Texas, **34.5% of all households have one or more people under the age of 18**; 25.7% of all households have one or more people 65 years and over.

Types of Households in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Married-couple households	45.2%
Cohabiting Couples	4.7%
Male Householder No spouse/partner present	20.5%
Female Householder No spouse/partner present	29.6%

MARITAL STATUS

Among persons 15 and older, 52.1% of males and 48.0% of females are currently married.

Population 15 years and over	Percent Males	Percent Females
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⁷ 2017—2021 ACS 5-Year - DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics in the United States

Never married	32.0%	27.3%
Now married, except separated	52.1%	48.0%
Separated	1.9%	3.0%
Widowed	3.7%	8.2%
Divorced	10.3%	13.6%

GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDCHILDREN

In Amarillo, Texas, 4,878 grandparents lived with their grandchildren under 18 years old. Of those grandparents, **56.4% were responsible for the basic needs of their grandchildren.**

GEOGRAPHIC MOBILITY

In 2017-2021, 84.3% of the people at least one-year-old living in Amarillo, Texas were living in the same house one year earlier.

Geographic Mobility of Residents of Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Same house	84.3%
Different house, same county	8.7%
Different county, same state	5.1%
Different state	1.6%
Abroad	0.3%

EDUCATION

In 2017-2021, 85.4% of people 25 years and over had at least graduated from high school and 24.3% had a bachelor's degree or higher. An estimated 14.6% did not complete high school.

The total school enrollment in Amarillo, Texas was 52,987 in 2017-2021. Nursery school enrollment was 3,695 and kindergarten through 12th-grade enrollment was 38,349. College or graduate school enrollment was 10,943.

Educational Attainment of People in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Less than high school diploma	14.6%
High school diploma or equivalency	27.4%

Some college, no degree	25.0%
Associate's degree	8.6%
Bachelor's degree	16.6%
Graduate or professional degree	7.7%

DISABILITY

In Amarillo, Texas, among the civilian noninstitutionalized population in 2017-2021, **11.3% reported a disability**. The likelihood of having a disability varied by age - from 2.4% of people under 18 years old, to 9.9% of people 18 to 64 years old, and to 35.5% of those 65 and over.

INCOME

The median income of households in Amarillo, Texas was \$55,174. An estimated **6.2% of households had income below \$10,000 a year** and 4.9% had income over \$200,000 or more.

Household Income in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Less than \$10,000	6.2%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	6.2%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	4.2%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	10.4%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	11.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	13.1%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	18.4%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	13.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	13.2%
\$200,000 or more	5.0%

	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Median household income (in 2021 dollars), 2017-2021	\$55,174	\$45,096	\$70,544	\$67,321	\$69,021
Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2021 dollars), 2017-2021	\$30,474	\$23,968	\$36,899	\$34,255	\$37,638
Persons in poverty, percent	15.80%	20.70%	9.10%	14.20%	11.60%

MEDIAN EARNINGS FOR FULL-TIME YEAR-ROUND WORKERS

Median earnings for full-time year-round workers was \$43,987. Male full-time year-round workers had median earnings of \$49,285. Female full-time year-round workers had median earnings of \$37,972.

Median Earnings for Full-Time Year-Round Workers by Sex in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Number
Male	\$49,285
Female	\$37,972

An estimated 80.2% of households received earnings. An estimated 25.9% of households received Social Security and an estimated 17.0% of households received retirement income other than Social Security. The average income from Social Security was \$19,637. These income sources are not mutually exclusive; that is, some households received income from more than one source.⁸

Proportion of Households with Various Income Sources in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Earnings	80.2%
Social Security	25.9%
Retirement income	17.0%
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	4.5%
Cash public assistance income	1.7%

⁸ DP03 | Selected Economic Characteristics

B20018 | Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months (In 2021 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars) for the Population 16 Years and Over Who Worked Full-time, Year-Round with Earnings in the Past 12 Months

POVERTY AND PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS⁹

Poverty thresholds are used for calculating all official poverty population statistics — for instance, figures on the number of Americans in poverty each year. They are updated each year by the Census Bureau. **The Census Bureau’s poverty thresholds are the same nationwide, with no separate figures for different states, metropolitan areas, or cities.**

Poverty Thresholds by Size of Family and Number of Related Children Under 18 Years Old: 2021										
(In dollars)										
Size of family unit	Weighted average threshold	Related children under 18 years								
		None	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight or more
One person (unrelated individual):	\$13,788	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
....Under age 65	\$14,097	\$14,097	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
....Aged 65 and older	\$12,996	\$12,996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Two people:	\$17,529	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
....Householder under age 65	\$18,231	\$18,145	\$18,677	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
....Householder aged 65 and over	\$16,400	\$16,379	\$18,606	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Three people	\$21,559	\$21,196	\$21,811	\$21,831	-	-	-	-	-	-
Four people	\$27,740	\$27,949	\$28,406	\$27,479	\$27,575	-	-	-	-	-
Five people	\$32,865	\$33,705	\$34,195	\$33,148	\$32,338	\$31,843	-	-	-	-
Six people	\$37,161	\$38,767	\$38,921	\$38,119	\$37,350	\$36,207	\$35,529	-	-	-
Seven people	\$42,156	\$44,606	\$44,885	\$43,925	\$43,255	\$42,009	\$40,554	\$38,958	-	-
Eight people	\$47,093	\$49,888	\$50,329	\$49,423	\$48,629	\$47,503	\$46,073	\$44,585	\$44,207	-
Nine or more people	\$56,325	\$60,012	\$60,303	\$59,501	\$58,828	\$57,722	\$56,201	\$54,826	\$54,485	\$52,386

⁹ DP03 | Selected Economic Characteristics
S2201 | Food Stamps/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

The Department of Health and Human Services' poverty guidelines, which are a simplified version of the Census Bureau's poverty thresholds used for program eligibility purposes, are the same for the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia. The US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) poverty guidelines, or percentage multiples of them (such as 125 percent, 150 percent, or 185 percent), are used as an eligibility criterion by a number of federal programs, including those listed below.

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Community Services Block Grant	Children's Health Insurance Program	Health Careers Opportunity Program
Head Start	Medicare – Prescription Drug Coverage (subsidized portion only)	Scholarships for Health Professions Students from Disadvantaged Backgrounds
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	Community Health Centers	Job Opportunities for Low-Income Individuals
PARTS of Medicaid	Migrant Health Centers	Assets for Independence Demonstration Program
Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services Program	Family Planning Services	
AIDS Drug Assistance Program	Health Professions Student Loans — Loans for Disadvantaged Students	

United States Department of Agriculture

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly Food Stamp Program)	National School Lunch Program (for free and reduced-price meals only)	Child and Adult Care Food Program (for free and reduced-price meals only)
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	School Breakfast Program (for free and reduced-price meals only)	Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program

United States Department of Energy

Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons

United States Department of Labor

Job Corps	Senior Community Service Employment Program	Workforce Investment Act Youth Activities
National Farmworker Jobs Program		

United States Department of the Treasury

Low-Income Taxpayer Clinics

Corporation for National and
Community Service:

Foster Grandparent Program

Senior Companion Program

United States Legal Services Corporation

Legal Services for the Poor

Some state and local governments have chosen to use the federal poverty guidelines in some of their own programs and activities. Examples include financial guidelines for child support enforcement and determination of legal indigence for court purposes. Some private companies (such as utilities, telephone companies, and pharmaceutical companies) and some charitable agencies also use the guidelines in setting eligibility for their services to low-income persons.

In 2017-2021, **15.8% of people in Amarillo met the US Census income definition of poverty.**

- An estimated **20.9% of children under 18 were below the poverty level**, compared with 12.8% of people 65 years old and over.
- An estimated 14.1% of people 18 to 64 years were below the poverty level.

Poverty Rates in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
People in poverty	15.8%
Children under 18 years below poverty	20.9%
People 65 years old and over below poverty	12.8%
People 18 to 64 years below poverty	14.1%

In 2017-2021, **10.5% of households received SNAP** (the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).

- An estimated **57.4% of households that received SNAP had children under 18**
- 29.8% of households that received SNAP had one or more people 60 years and over
- An estimated **41.5% of all households receiving SNAP were families with a female householder and no spouse present**
- An estimated 25.7% of households receiving SNAP had two or more workers in the past 12 months

	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Persons in poverty, percent	15.80%	20.70%	9.10%	14.20%	11.60%

HOUSING INVENTORY CHARACTERISTICS¹⁰

In 2017-2021, Amarillo, Texas had a total of **87,379 housing units**.

- Of these housing units, **73.2% were single-family** houses either not attached to any other structure or attached to one or more structures (commonly referred to as "townhouses" or "row houses").
- **23% of the housing units were located in multi-unit structures**, or those buildings that contained two or more apartments.
- 3.6% were mobile homes, while any remaining housing units were classified as "other," which included boats, recreational vehicles, vans, etc.

Types of Housing Units in Amarillo, Texas in 2017-2021	Percent
Single-family houses	73.2%
Apartments in multi-unit structures	23.0%
Mobile homes	3.6%
Boat, RV, van, etc	0.0%

8.7% of the housing inventory was comprised of houses built since 2010, while 6.3% of the houses were first built in 1939 or earlier. The median number of rooms in all housing units in Amarillo, Texas was 5.2 rooms, and of these housing units 60.0% had three or more bedrooms.

OCCUPIED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS¹¹

In 2017-2021, Amarillo, Texas had 78,540 housing units that were occupied or had people living in them, while the remaining **8,839 were vacant**. Of the occupied housing units, the percentage of these houses occupied by owners (also known as the homeownership rate) was 58.7% while **renters occupied 41.3%**. The average household size of owner-occupied houses was 2.66 and in renter-occupied houses it was 2.34.

13.1% of householders of these occupied houses had moved into their house since 2019, while 8.7% moved into their house in 1989 or earlier. **Households without a vehicle available for personal use comprised 6.1%** and another 20.0% had three or more vehicles available for use.

Fact	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Owner-occupied housing unit rate, 2017-2021	58.70%	55.20%	69.10%	62.40%	64.60%

¹⁰ DP04 | Selected Housing Characteristics

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Housing	Amarillo, Texas	Potter County, Texas	Randall County, Texas	Texas	United States
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2017-2021	\$148,500	\$102,000	\$181,900	\$202,600	\$244,900
Median selected monthly owner costs -with a mortgage, 2017-2021	\$1,380	\$1,200	\$1,560	\$1,747	\$1,697
Median selected monthly owner costs -without a mortgage, 2017-2021	\$519	\$431	\$594	\$557	\$538
Median gross rent, 2017-2021	\$928	\$876	\$999	\$1,146	\$1,163

FINANCIAL CHARACTERISTICS AND HOUSING COSTS¹²

In 2017-2021, the median property value for owner-occupied houses in Amarillo, Texas was \$148,500.

Of the owner-occupied households, 57.8% had a mortgage. 42.2% owned their houses "free and clear," that is without a primary mortgage or loan on the house. The median monthly housing costs for owners with a mortgage was \$1,380 and for owners without a mortgage it was \$519.

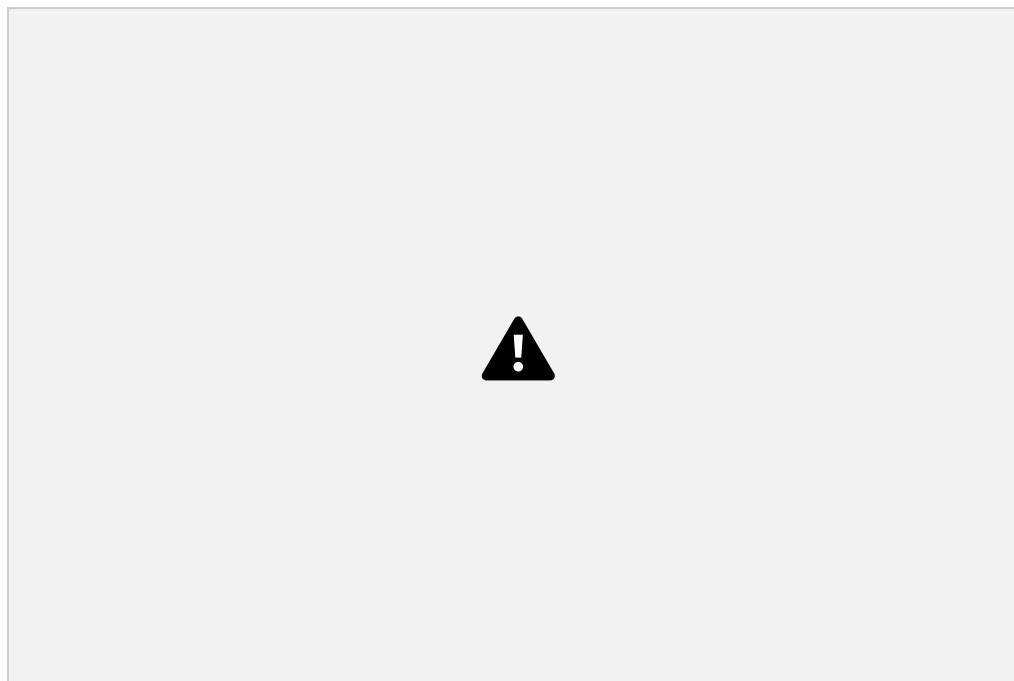
For renter-occupied houses, the median gross rent for Amarillo, Texas was \$928. Gross rent includes the monthly contract rent and any monthly payments made for electricity, gas, water and sewer, and any other fuels to heat the house.



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Data Source: 2010 Census; 2018, 2019 and 2020 American Community Surveys (5 - Year)

Note: 2019 ACS 1-Year data may not be available for some metro areas due to being dropped from the September 2018 OMB metro area definitions



Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey

Note: Data for 2022 is preliminary, through September 2022



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