



# Alliance to End Homelessness

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## BACKGROUND

### INDICATOR DATA 2004-2009

#### IN THE REPORT CARD TO END HOMELESSNESS IN OTTAWA

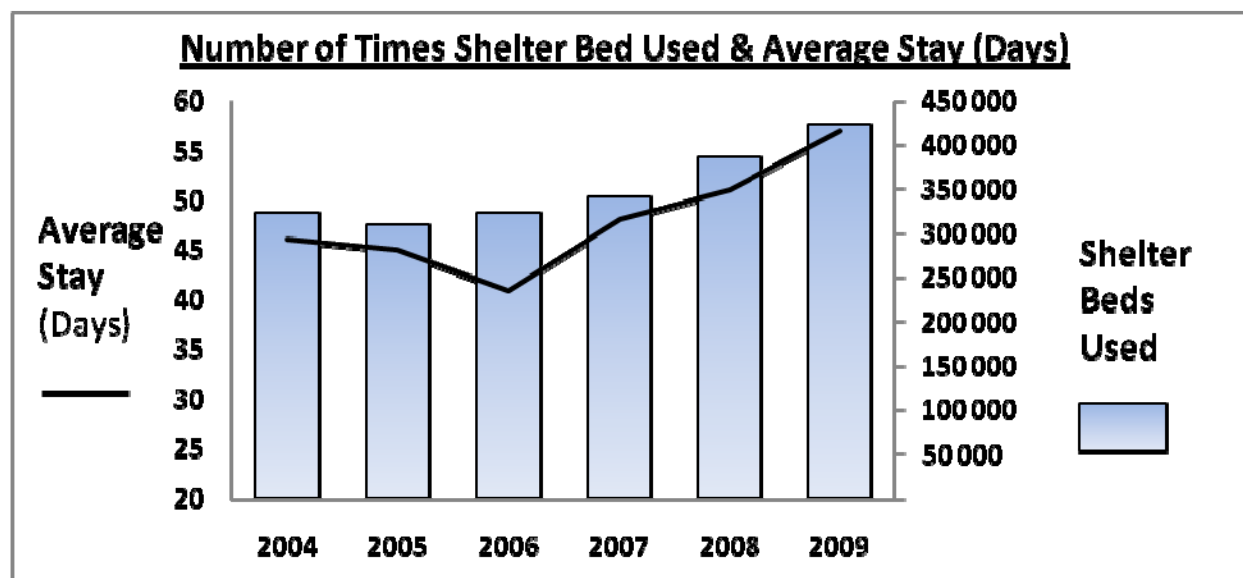
### INDICATOR DATA OF THE ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESS IN OTTAWA, 2004-2009

#### *In the Report Card on Ending Homelessness in Ottawa*

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	% difference
<b>HOUSING</b>					<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>2008→2009</b>
<b>Affordable Housing</b>							
Pre-1995 social housing units (total stock)	22,400	22,400	22,400	22,400	22,400	22,400	22,400
Post-2000 affordable units (total stock)	509	521	760	833	967	1055	9.1%
Rent supplements	3000	3085	3198	3200	3200	3200	0.0%
Supportive housing places	665	863	865	885	915	*	*
<b>Waiting Lists</b>							
Households on social housing waiting list	10,500	9,914	10,055	9,370	9,692	10,235	5.6%
Supportive housing waiting list	2,000	2,214	2,630	2,000	2,660	*	*
<b>Housing Market Indicators</b>							
Rental vacancy rate	3.90%	3.30%	2.30%	2.30%	1.4%	1.5%	N/A
Average rent for a 1-bedroom apartment	\$771	\$762	\$774	\$798	\$827	\$853	3.1%
<b>INCOME</b>					<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	
Ontario Works for a single person	\$520	\$536	\$548	\$560	\$572	\$585	2.3%
ODSP Assistance for a Single Person	\$930	\$959	\$979	\$999	\$1,020	\$1,042	2.2%
Average monthly # of Ontario Works cases	17,879	17,552	16,541	15,296	14,329	14,818	3.4%
Minimum Wage	\$7.15	\$7.45	\$7.75	\$8.00	\$8.75	\$9.50	8.6%
Increase in Consumer Price Index	1.80%	2.30%	1.10%	2.00%	1.70%	1.20%	N/A
<b>EMERGENCY SHELTER USE**</b>					<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	
# of times shelter beds were used	320,919	307,716	320,932	339,353	384,522	421,524	9.6%
# of individuals in a shelter	6,997	7,210	7,099	7,065	7,514	7,445	-0.9%
# of Single men	3,536	3,581	3,655	3,657	3,771	3,570	-5.3%
# of Single women	938	974	1,115	1,026	994	974	-2.0%
# of Youth	374	398	445	448	391	411	5.1%
# of Families	623	660	608	621	745	775	4.0%
Children under 16 in these families	862	817	918	1,020	1,211	1,317	8.8%
Adults & children 16+ in these families	1,243	1,375	975	904	1,141	1,167	2.3%
<b>LENGTH OF SHELTER STAY**</b>					<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	
Average length of stay in days	46	45	41	48	51	57	11.8%
Single men stay	54	53	52	53	53	55	3.8%
Single women stay	41	42	37	43	45	50	11.1%
Youth stay	20	15	13	24	31	37	19.4%
Families stay	50	41	35	47	54	64	18.5%

The Six-Year Trend Chart on Shelter Bed Use and Average Stay and the indicator notes follow on next page.

**6-YEAR TREND CHART: SHELTER BED USE AND LENGTH OF STAY**  
**Report Card on Ending Homelessness in Ottawa**  
**of the Alliance to End Homeless in Ottawa**

**TABLE NOTES:**

\* SUPPORTIVE HOUSING – The Supportive Housing data (the number of spaces and the waiting list) is not reported on this year as the supportive housing waiting list is being integrated into the Social Housing Registry.

\*\* SHELTER USE DATA – The City has now revised shelter use and length of stay figures upward for 2007 and 2008 as a result of revisions in their methodology which are intended to produce more accurate data. Beginning in 2009, the City of Ottawa is using a fully electronic system to summarize shelter data to further increase accuracy. Last year we were provided totals for unique individuals using the shelter system of 6,572 for 2007 and 7,045 for 2008; that data was gathered together in one report using a more 'manual' method. In this table, we have adjusted numbers for the previous 2004-2006 report card data on homelessness indicators, calculating from differences in the 2007 and 2008 numbers provided by the City of Ottawa.

**GRADING NOTES:**

- **ATEH Grading for 2010** – For the 2010 Report Card, grades will be based on targets to check if Ottawa is on track to end homelessness in 10 years.
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- **ATEH Grading Ranges 2004-2009** –

REPORT CARD GRADES 2004-2009	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
A = Significant Progress	15% and more
B = Some Progress	5 to 15%
C = No Progress	5% or less
D = Some Loss	5 to 15%
E = Significant Loss	15% and more

**REPORT CARD DATA SOURCES:**

Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation, City of Ottawa, including the *Homeless Individuals and Families Information System*, HIFIS3, Aggregate Database, Jan 1, 2010 (2004-2006 indicator shelter use data has been revised to correspond to new 2007-2008 data), Province of Ontario, Social Housing Registry of Ottawa and Statistics Canada.