# Analysis on homeless population in the US

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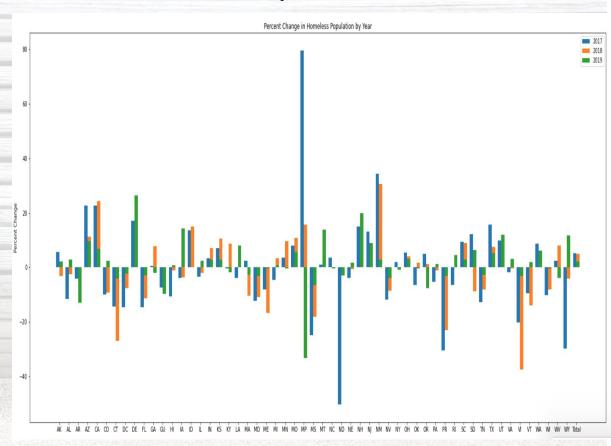
# Objectives:

- 1. Analyzing and understanding the characteristics of US homeless population.
  - a. Change in homeless population by year / state
  - b. Homeless population analysis by demographics
- Identifying potential factors that could have influenced the homeless population in the United States (2017 through 2020).
  - a. Homeless population % growth by year (before pandemic vs. after pandemic)
  - b. Relationship between homeless population vs. State population
- 3. Comparing how states/territories support their homeless population.
  - Relationship between homeless population vs. Total counts of beds in shelters by year
- 4. Conclusion / Suggestion (in view of policy maker)

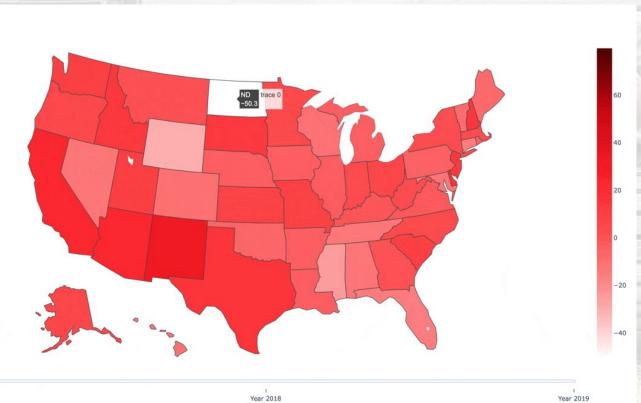
### Recent Increase in Homeless Population

- Recent years (2017-2019) show a steady percent increase each year in Homeless Population.
- The bar chart shows the major outliers, such as the Northern Maria Islands.

New Mexico, California, Arizona, and Texas have a steady percent increase since 2017.

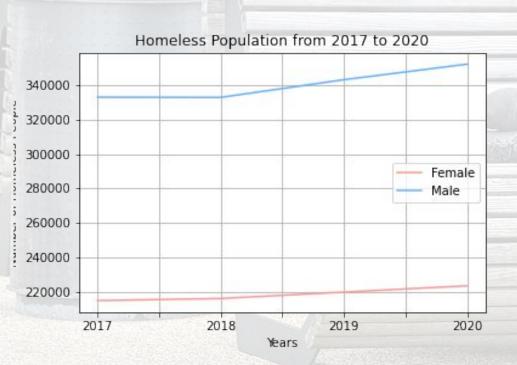


### High Increase in Specific States



New Mexico and California have dramatic increase in 2018.

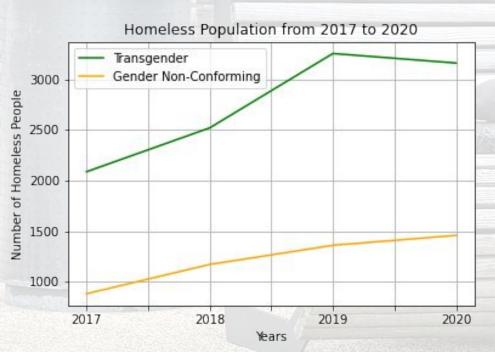
Delaware has dramatic increase in 2019.



- Uptick in both male and female homeless population starting 2018.
- Male homeless population consistently higher than that of the female population.



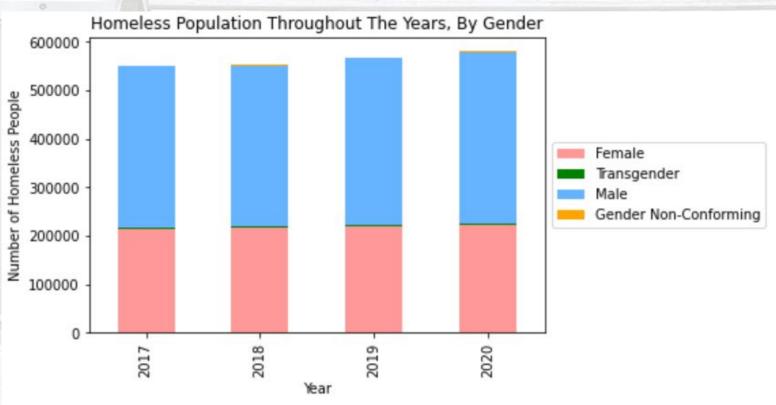
https://www.mentalhealthportland.org/homeless-women-once-a-rarity-now-represent-40-percent-of-people-on-streets/

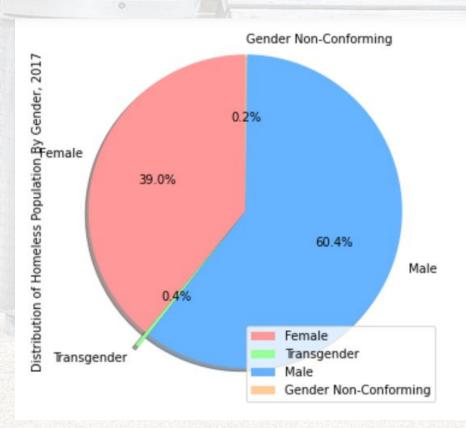


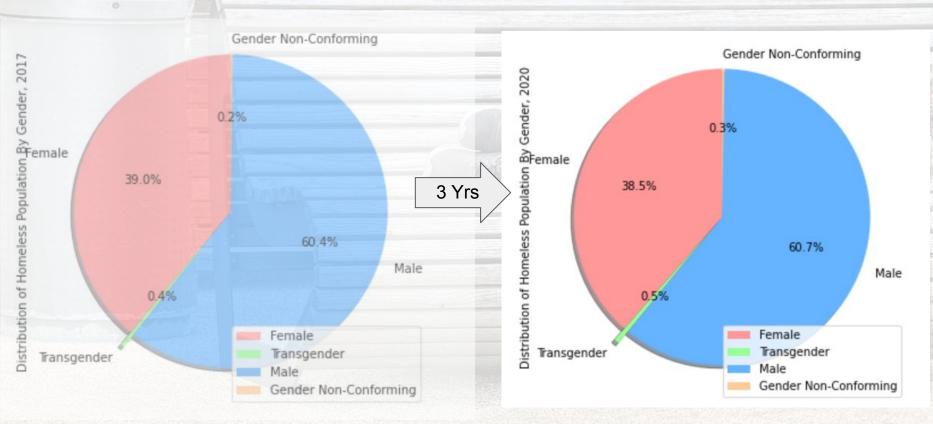
- Slight downturn in transgender population in 2020
- Decrease in rise of gender non-conforming population in 2020

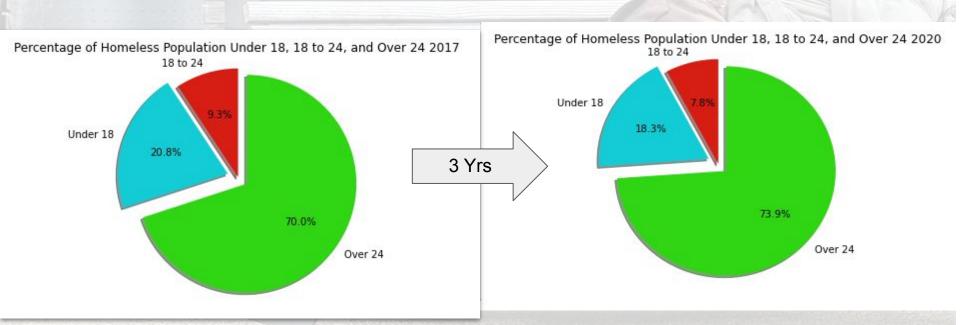


A young homeless person. The number of homeless people who are trans and gender diverse has 'simply exploded'. Photograph: Alamy Stock Photo

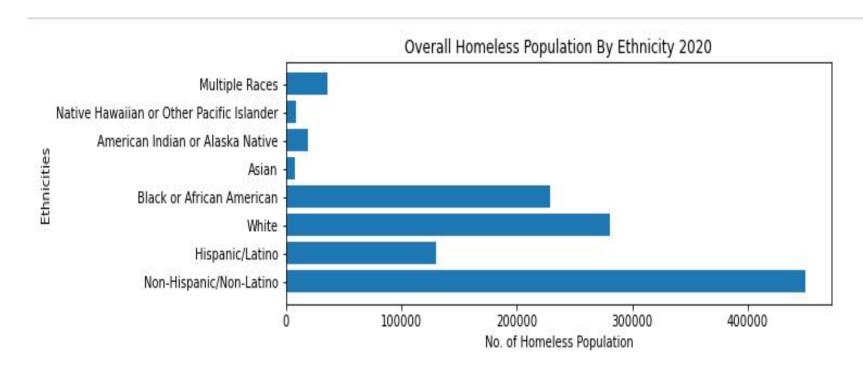




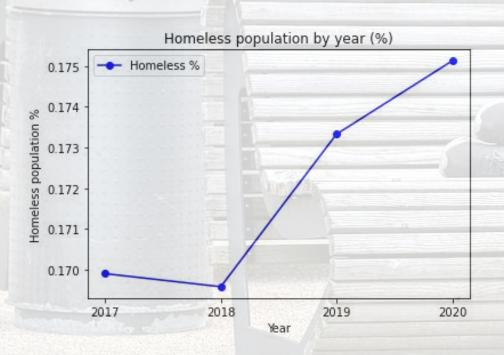




### Homeless Population Demographics: Ethnicity

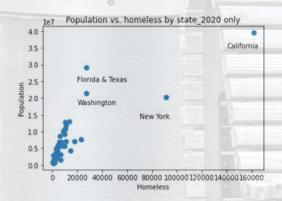


#### Homeless population % growth by year



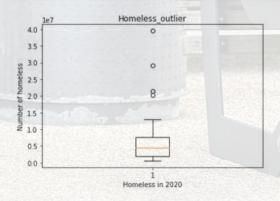
- Obviously, pandemic affects homeless population.
- Before pandemic, Homeless population accounts for 0.170% of total US population.
- After pandemic, it increased up to 0.175%
- For 4 years, homeless population increased by approx. 30,000 people.
  - Year 2017 : 550,996
  - Year 2020 : 580,466

### Relationship between homeless population vs. State population (2020)



	population	homeless
CA	39538223.0	161548
NY	20201249.0	91271
FL	21538187.0	27487
TX	29145505.0	27229
WA	7705281.0	22923

'Pearson correlation and P-value: (0.8219470535665727, 2.547843129292117e-13)'

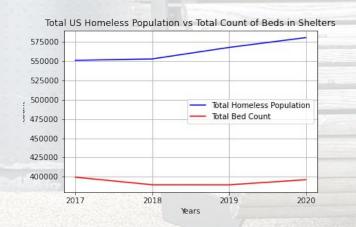


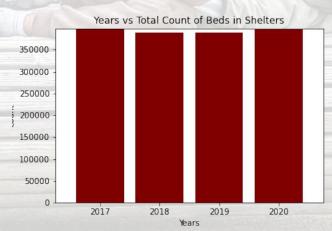
- Population positively correlates(+0.82) with state population (P value: < 5%)</li>
  - Ref. It turns out homeless
    population dataset has 5 outliers.
- It would be interesting to look into more variables to better explain
  - Income
  - Demographics



### Homeless Resources: Homeless Population Vs Beds Count

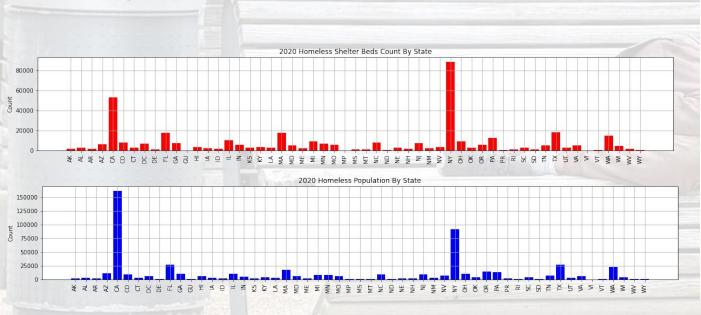
- Looking at the data and graphs, the nation is inadequately equipped to meet the needs of the growing homeless population.
- Also, notice in 2018 the spike in homeless population but a diversion in Total Bed count in homeless shelters. You would think there would be a spike in homeless shelter beds and resources to support it but that's not what the data shows.







### Homeless Resources: Bed Count By State





Jill Pable, Author provided

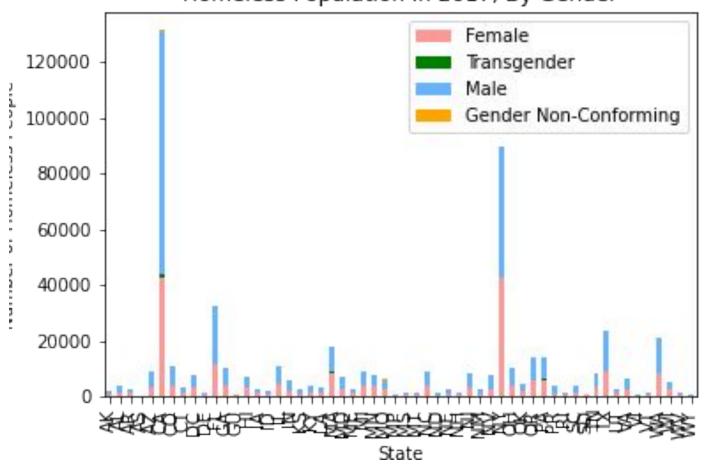
- With these bar charts you can see the outlier populations being in California and New York.
- Also this data shows New York, even though has a large homeless population is more equipped with beds in homeless shelters with California who is lagging behind immensely.

### Conclusions / Suggestions

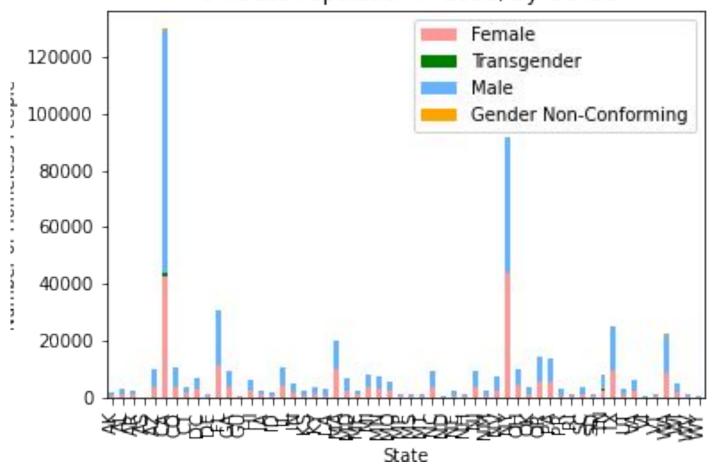
- 1. The homeless population is steadily increasing across the United States, especially in states with major cities.
- 2. Next steps should be comparing the total population from each gender with that of the homeless population.
- 3. XXX
- 4. Pandemic contributes increase in homeless population in the US. We need better care/policy to protect them from Covid-19.
- 5. The country does not have enough resources to combat the homeless population

# Supplementary Slides

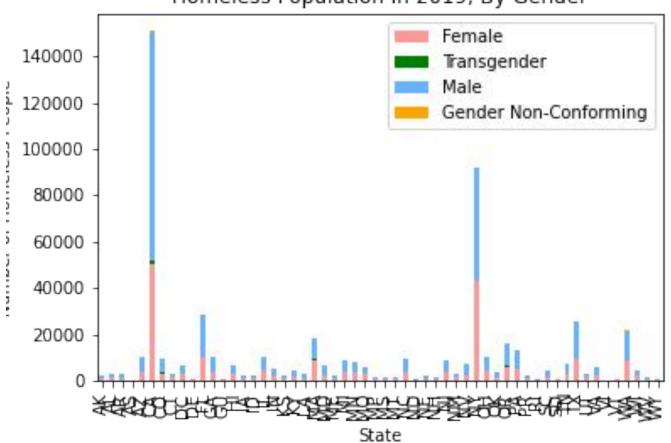
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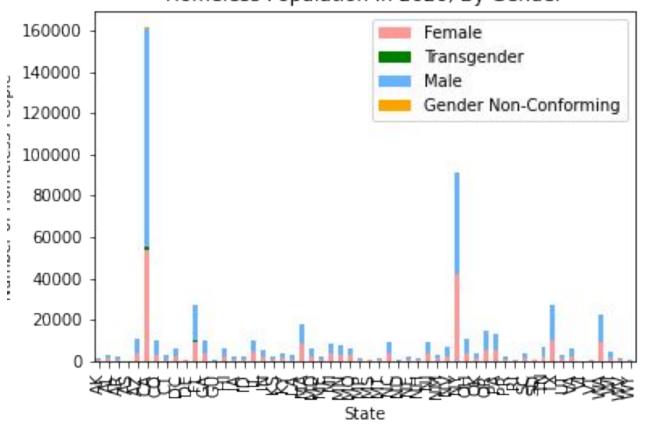
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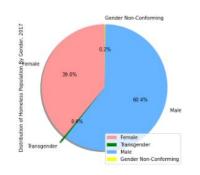


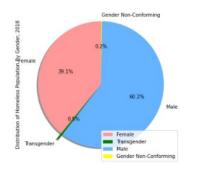
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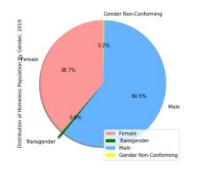


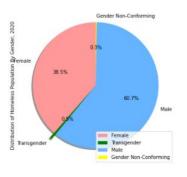
#### Homeless Population in 2020, By Gender











Year	% Female	% Male	% Transgender	% Gender Non-Conforming
2017	39.0	60.4	0.4	0.2
2018	39.1	60.2	0.5	0.2
2019	38.7	60.5	0.6	0.2
2020	38.5	60.7	0.5	0.3

