Homelessness in Virginia is on the decline but it is still a big problem at this point I time.

The homeless population in Virginia has declined by more than 10 percent from 2015 to 2016 and by more than 30 percent since 2010.

According to the collected reports Virginia had 7,001 homeless people in 2015. In 2016 Virginia had 6,268 homeless people which is 10.5 percent decrease.

Virginia had an estimated 3,959 homeless individuals and 2,309 people in families with children. This also includes 322 unaccompanied youth.

Veterans had a drop from 604 to 515 from 2015 to 2016.

Chronic or long-term homelessness in Virginia has decreased from more than 1,000 individuals in 2015 to 750 individuals in 2016. This is a 31.5 percent decline.

There are 5,502 sheltered homeless compared to 766 who are unsheltered.

“Every person deserves a safe, stable place to call home,” HUD Secretary Julián Castro said in a press release announcing the report’s release.

http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/virginia-homeless-population-down-percent-from-federal-study-claims/article\_eed6143a-b107-11e6-8ec0-67a2dcf14625.html