

Commonwealth of Massachusetts



**Emergency Assistance
Fiscal Year 2021
Third Quarterly Report**

Department of Housing and Community Development
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EA Shelter Exits by Type

Shelter and Hotel/Motel Exits	Jan	Feb	Mar	FY21 Q3
Total Households	162	197	201	560
Abandoned	17	9	13	39
Criminal Activity/Fraud	0	0	0	0
Feasible Alt. Housing with HomeBASE	112	155	154	421
Feasible Alt. Housing without HomeBASE	24	18	21	63
Ineligible	3	3	2	8
No Show/Rejected Placement	0	1	2	3
Non-Compliance/Termination for Cause	0	0	0	0
Temporary Shelter Interruption	6	11	9	26
Other/Unknown	0	0	0	0

Total Families Receiving Subsidies	Jan	Feb	Mar	FY21 Q3	FY21 YTD
Total Households	132	166	167	465	1,326
ESG	0	0	7	7	7
HomeBASE	112	155	154	421	1,191
HUD CoC	5	4	4	13	32
MRVP	1	5	7	13	34
Private Subsidized Housing	13	13	7	33	98
Section 8 Mobile Voucher	48	53	51	152	491
Section 8 Project-Based Voucher	12	13	5	30	73
Other Public Housing	16	10	10	36	108
Transportation	0	3	0	3	11

Note: A household may receive multiple subsidy types.

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Cost of EA Assistance per Household

	FY21 Q3
Average	\$55,961
Minimum	\$118.31
Maximum	\$388,412

Note: Costs are based on complete episodes of homelessness for households ending EA during the quarter.

Households in EA Shelters Who Required Assistance at a Later Date

	FY21 Q3
Total Households Requiring Later Assistance	159 (0.9%)
Shelter Entries	150
HomeBASE Diversions	9

Note: Data include households who received EA within 5 years of the reporting quarter who required later assistance during that quarter.

Households Entering Shelter Who Received HomeBASE During the Previous 3 Years

	FY21 Q3
Households Entering EA After Receiving HomeBASE	39 (0.4%)

Children Served in EA Shelters and Hotels

	FY 21 Q3 (3/31/2021)
Total Children	5,427
0-2 yrs.	1,145
3-4 yrs.	743
5-8 yrs.	1,262
9-11 yrs.	801
12-14 yrs.	693
15-18 yrs.	630
19-20 yrs.	153

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EA Applications From Households Within 12 Months of Ending HomeBASE

	FY21 Q3
Applications from Household Ending HomeBASE	31
Percent of Households Ending HomeBASE	0.8%
Reasons for Homelessness	
Domestic Violence	4
Eviction	8
Health and Safety Risk/Asked to Leave/Threatened Eviction	10
Natural Disaster, Fire or Flood	2
Other	7
Applications that Were Denied	11
Reasons for Denial	
Application Not Completed Within 30 Days	10
Terminated from HomeBASE with Cause	1

Health and Safety Assessments

	FY21 Q3
Households Receiving HAS Assessments	376
Households at Substantial Risk	325
Households with Multiple HAS Assessments in Previous 6 Months	58

Note: The standard used to determine substantial health and safety risk is at the following link:
<https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/07/oe/healthandsafetyassessmentinitiativeadministrativeplan.pdf>

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Disability Accommodation

	FY21 Q3
Households Who Applied for an ADA Accommodation	215
Types of Accommodation(s) Requested	
Scattered Site Unit	135
Placement Region	46
First Floor/Elevator Accessible	27
Assistance Animals	26
Air Conditioning	0
Multiple Bedrooms	11
Accessible Unit	5
Other	34
Average Days Until Transfer	6
Maximum Days Until Transfer	44

Note: A household may request multiple types of accommodation.

Shelter Placement and Home Community

	FY21 Q3
Households Sheltered More than 20 Miles From Their Home Community	16
Average Days	501
Maximum Days	1,384

Note: Data exclude households indicating that they do not want to transfer to a shelter within 20 miles of their home community.

School Enrollment

	FY21 Q3
Households with at Least One Child Who Does Not Attend Their School of Origin Due to Shelter Placement	195
Average Days	585
Maximum Days	2,240