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*Homelessness in the United States* Springer Publishing Company

Homelessness impacts every American city and all 50 states. Homelessness is a rapidly rising and tragic condition in American society, affecting greater and more diverse segments of the population. Accompanying these expanding dimensions of the problem, there is growing recognition that homelessness is caused by a series of interrelated human and physical circumstances, not simply the singular lack of adequate shelter. Homelessness is just one of an ever-widening range of critical domestic policy challenges coming to state governments for resolution. And though homelessness has clearly reached national proportions, each state's homelessness population has its own peculiar aspects. As a result, states are adopting similar and highly particularized policy approaches to this multifaceted condition. In this publication, Policy Analyst, the author surveys and evaluates state actions within the context of current understanding, both theoretical and practical, of the problem. His report offers a forecast on this relatively recent and painful national phenomenon and a series of recommendations for state policy-makers to consider in their efforts to ameliorate and reverse present homelessness trends.

*Homelessness Is a Housing Problem* Praeger

This useful and clearly written book provides a discussion of the major issues involved in dealing with the homeless, summarizes information available from a number of studies, and draws conclusions about current public policy and future policy alternatives. . . . An important addition to any library dealing with contemporary social concerns. Choice The homeless have become more and more numerous and visible in our society. Responding to America's Homeless presents the most complete, up-to-date scientific evidence concerning the nature, extent, and causes of homelessness. Using an unprecedented survey of 1,000 homeless individuals and families, as well as previous national, local, and scholarly research, the authors draw a vivid portrait of the homeless population and their needs. They challenge the widely held view that most homeless are mentally ill, proposing an original classification of the homeless based on needs for various forms of assistance. On the basis of this empirical research, the authors evaluate current public policies for dealing with the homeless and present alternative plans aimed at returning homeless people to more normal, secure circumstances.

*Responding to America's Homeless* John Wiley & Sons

This is the second of Momeni's two-volume series on homelessness in the United States. While volume I concentrated on the statewide distribution, variations, trends, and characteristics of the homeless population, the present volume addresses the problem of data collection and specific causes and issues that relate to homelessness. Unique in its attempt to bring systematic data and analysis to bear on the subject, this groundbreaking study focuses upon such critical areas as drug abuse among the homeless, the housing situation that gives rise to homelessness, homeless children, food

sources, and problems of employment. Although the contributors approach the topic from a number of different perspectives, they are united in their conclusion that realistic solutions to the problem of homelessness rest not in establishing new and dramatic programs, but rather in forging links between government and private agencies to create a system-wide response to the multiple needs of the homeless population. In addition to exploring the serious and persistent problems homeless people face, the contributors highlight the difficulties inherent in measuring the extent of homelessness accurately, concluding that efforts to do so are likely to produce an undercount. A number of chapters provide a clearer picture of the homeless population in America by examining both the socioeconomic and demographic correlates and the social-psychiatric dimensions of homelessness. Finally, the contributors compare and contrast the characteristics of homelessness and the methods of dealing with the problem in the United States, Canada, and Great Britain. Two concluding essays provide an overview of homelessness on the national level and propose public policies likely to be most effective in reducing homelessness. Numerous tables and figures illustrate points made in the text. Students of social sciences, social practitioners, and public policymakers will find *Homelessness in America* provocative reading, and a reliable source of data and analysis.

[Runaway and Homeless Youth](#) Nova Publishers

Chronic homelessness is a highly complex social problem of national importance. The problem has elicited a variety of societal and public policy responses over the years, concomitant with fluctuations in the economy and changes in the demographics of and attitudes toward poor and disenfranchised citizens. In recent decades, federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, and the philanthropic community have worked hard to develop and implement programs to solve the challenges of homelessness, and progress has been made. However, much more remains to be done. Importantly, the results of various efforts, and especially the efforts to reduce homelessness among veterans in recent years, have shown that the problem of homelessness can be successfully addressed. Although a number of programs have been developed to meet the needs of persons experiencing homelessness, this report focuses on one particular type of intervention: permanent supportive housing (PSH). Permanent Supportive Housing focuses on the impact of PSH on health care outcomes and its cost-effectiveness. The report also addresses policy and program barriers that affect the ability to bring the PSH and other housing models to scale to address housing and health care needs.

[Homelessness](#) Univ of California Press

Provides information on homelessness in the United States, covering such topics as demographics of homelessness, federal government aid to the homeless, and health of the homeless.

[Homelessness in California](#) Praeger

The last thirty years have witnessed an urban renaissance in America. Major cities have managed to drive down the murder rate, improve the schools, restore the built environment, and revitalize their economies. Middle class families are putting down roots in neighborhoods once given up for dead. But solutions to homelessness have eluded even the most successful cities. While the South Bronx was once synonymous across the globe for “slum,” now, San Francisco and Los Angeles are just as internationally notorious for their homelessness crises. Indeed, the same cities with the worst homelessness crises rank among America’s most successful. One of the crisis’ more perplexing features is how cities that have met with so much success with respect to economic development, crime and public education have failed to even ease their homelessness crisis, much less end it. In *Homelessness in America*, Stephen Eide examines the history, governmental and private responses, and future prospects of this intractable challenge. The “chronic” nature of the challenge should be understood, he argues, by reference to American history and American ideals. The history of homelessness is bound up with industrialization and urbanization, the closing of the West, the Great Depression, and the post WWII decline and subsequent revival of great American cities. Though we’ve used different terms (“tramp” “hobo” “bum”) at other times, something like homelessness has always been with us and the debate over causes and solutions has always involved conflicts over fundamental values. After explaining why homelessness persists in America and correcting popular misconceptions about the issue, Eide offers concrete recommendations for how we can do better for the homeless population. Homelessness in America engages readers by answering the most common questions their audience brings to the topic and exploring other questions that are no less important for being not as commonly asked. Homelessness intersects with multiple other policy areas: education, urban development, criminal justice reform, mental health. By exploring the intersection of homelessness with so many other policy areas, this book aspires to provide a comprehensive account of the challenge.

[Homelessness in America](#) Rowman & Littlefield

Homelessness is one of the most compelling social problems in the United States. Dating from the early years in Colonial America to the current problems relating to homeless women and children, homelessness has been the topic of discussion of scholars, social activists, and policy makers. Many types of social problems are linked to homelessness, including poverty, substance abuse, foster care, and crime. As a result, unpacking the issues has proven to be a challenge for anyone interested in this topic. *Homelessness in America* offers an assessment of what is known about each segment of the homeless population, which contrary to conventional belief, is comprised of a wide variety of faces from many backgrounds. It explains linkages to other social issues and provides a balanced overview of homelessness in light of the varying perspectives on the topic. While much of what has been written about homelessness has come from the academic perspective, agendas often interfere with an accurate understanding of the problem. Clearly, there is a place for other types of perspectives, including those that view homelessness through political and legal lenses. These groups have provided us with a robust body of information within which we may better understand the questions relating to homelessness. McNamara has brought together the voices of these groups in order to reveal the numerous political, economic, and social constraints that beset current attempts to solve homelessness. In addition, the commonly held belief that homelessness is a result of laziness or a poor work ethic is turned on its head to reveal that homelessness is truly a multifaceted and complex issue.

[A Sociological Portrait of the Homeless Population in a Moderate Sized City](#) McGill-Queen's Press - MQUP

Homelessness is a visible problem in big cities, and a largely invisible one in small towns and rural areas. This issue involves serious consequences for those living on the streets, in tent cities, or in their cars. Homeless people deal with unsanitary conditions, crimes inflicted against them, and an array of mental, emotional, and physical health problems. Homelessness affects young and old, single people and entire families, veterans, and LGBTQ+

individuals, among others. This incisive collection of articles examines the myriad issues faced by communities, activists, governments, and private charities when addressing this vulnerable population. Media literacy questions and terms are included to help readers further analyze news coverage and reporting styles.

[Permanent Supportive Housing](#) Bloomsbury Publishing USA

An important contribution to the understanding of the unique circumstances and needs of the homeless, *Diversity Within the Homeless Population* examines why more and more women and their children, adolescents, and young adults are ending up on the street. You will learn about unique treatment and community intervention programs, preventive approaches that target those at risk for future homelessness, and case management as a strategy for preventing the initial experience of homelessness. You will also learn about the “behavioral” factors that differentiate homeless women with children from impoverished women with children who remain housed, including domestic violence, degree of education, number of children, traumatic experiences, and use of drugs. You’ll find this dynamic book takes a giant step toward the development and evaluation of strategies for preventing and alleviating this urgent social problem. In doing so, *Diversity Within the Homeless Population* explores the benefits of family-oriented treatment, ways to make housing available to the homeless through employment opportunities, and the effectiveness of linking inpatient treatment to a culturally sensitive, community-based intervention program. You will also learn about: the lack of personal support networks among the homeless crack/cocaine use and homelessness among inner-city communities preventing relapse among crack-using homeless women with children the “Needs Foundation” in Chicago social and environmental predictors of adjustment in homeless children homelessness and how it compromises the behavioral, physical, social, cognitive, and emotional development of children hierarchical multiple regression analyses system and agency demands on case managers As a researcher, social worker, psychologist, or counselor who works with the homeless, you face extraordinary adversity on a daily basis; this book offers you hope, guidance, insight, and intervention strategies that will aid you in tackling this enormous social problem. *Diversity Within the Homeless Population* provides you with a storehouse of ideas that you’ll implement in your own practice or community.

[Homelessness in the United States](#) National Academies Press

Drawing on a nationally representative sample of interviews with homeless people who use services and with service providers in several large cities, the authors explore the efforts of various states and localities to provide emergency services to homeless people, to help them get out of homelessness, and to prevent homelessness. They find that services and programs to help people work their way out of their homelessness and to prevent homelessness are not well developed, and that the level of interest in finding solutions and the levels of funding to create these solutions vary greatly from state to state.

[Homelessness, Health, and Human Needs](#) Praeger

This volume represents a new theoretical and empirical approach to the study of homelessness. Rather than focusing on the behavioral characteristics and social deviance of the homeless themselves, the incomes, rents, and demographic characteristics of a population of renters who are at risk of homelessness are examined. Based on a study of changes in four U.S. metropolitan areas over an eight year period in the supply of low-cost and affordable housing, Karin Ringheim contends that the extent of homelessness in individual areas is not simply a function of the extent of poverty in those areas. Rather, she argues, the increase in number and change in composition of the homeless population is a direct result of the severity of the housing squeeze.

[Housing the Homeless](#) SAGE

Using rich and detailed data, this groundbreaking book explains why homelessness has become a crisis in America and reveals the structural conditions that underlie it. In *Homelessness Is a Housing Problem*, Gregg Colburn and Clayton Page Aldern seek to explain the substantial regional variation in rates of homelessness in cities across the United States. In a departure from many analytical approaches, Colburn and Aldern shift their focus from the individual experiencing homelessness to the metropolitan area. Using accessible statistical analysis, they test a range of conventional beliefs about what drives the prevalence of homelessness in a given city—including mental illness, drug use, poverty, weather, generosity of public assistance, and low-income mobility—and find that none explain the regional variation observed across the country. Instead, housing market conditions, such as the cost and availability of rental housing, offer a far more convincing account. With rigor and clarity, *Homelessness Is a Housing Problem* explores U.S. cities’ diverse experiences with housing precarity and offers policy solutions for unique regional contexts.

[Homeless in America](#) The Rosen Publishing Group, Inc

The editors of this book draw upon professionals in seven industrialized nations to examine the prevalence, causes, trends, demographics, and health concerns of homelessness and to evaluate potential solutions. They also report on the resources available to the homeless by the public and private sectors in each of the seven countries studied; the United States, Germany, the Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Russia, and Spain. Also provided is a comparison of social welfare systems in industrialized nations with perhaps the most current and accurate statistics regarding Russia available in the literature. The two East European countries, the Czech Republic and the Russian Federation, represent the most radical changes, from a state to a free market economy with their social systems turned upside down. While the former socialist governments provided a system of universalistic care and control, the released uncontrolled free market forces have been eroding most social protection for the individual. Consequently, homelessness as a new phenomena affects those who are not able to compete in the free market economy. The editors tie the data and country-specific chapters together with a series of concluding chapters that include discussions of resources to prevent homelessness, financial resources for the unemployed, social welfare benefits for the indigent, access to health care and sickness benefits, affordable housing and housing policies, and public and private resources for the homeless.

[Diversity Within the Homeless Population](#) Routledge

There have always been homeless people in the United States, but their plight has only recently stirred widespread public reaction and concern. Part of this new recognition stems from the problem’s prevalence: the number of homeless individuals, while hard to pin down exactly, is rising. In light of this, Congress asked the Institute of Medicine to find out whether existing health care programs were ignoring the homeless or delivering care to them inefficiently. This book is the report prepared by a committee of experts who examined these problems through visits to city slums and

impoverished rural areas, and through an analysis of papers written by leading scholars in the field.

*America's Homeless* National Academies Press

Current examination of the homeless, emphasizing the demographics, causes, lack of affordable housing, and victimization of the homeless.

**What are the Characteristics of the Homeless Population?** Public Policy Instit. of CA

Homelessness has become a lasting issue of vital social concern. As the number of the homeless has grown, the complexity of the issue has become increasingly clear to researchers and private and public service providers. The plight of the homeless raises many ethical, anthropological, political, sociological, and public health questions. The most serious and perplexing of these questions is what steps private, charitable, and public organizations can take to alleviate and eventually solve the problem. The concept of homelessness is difficult to define and measure. Generally, persons are thought to be homeless if they have no permanent residence and seek security, rest, and protection from the elements. The homeless typically live in areas that are not designed to be shelters (e.g., parks, bus terminals, under bridges, in cars), occupy structures without permission (e.g., squatters), or are provided emergency shelter by a public or private agency. Some definitions of homelessness include persons living on a short-term basis in single-room-occupancy hotels or motels, or temporarily residing in social or health-service facilities without a permanent address. *Housing the Homeless* is a collection of case studies that bring together a variety of perspectives to help develop a clear understanding of the homelessness problem. The editors include information on the background and politics of the problem and descriptions of the current homeless population. The book concludes with a resource section, which highlights governmental policies and programs established to deal with the problem of homelessness.

*Homelessness in the United States* Edwin Mellen Press

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**Homeless Older Populations** Routledge

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*State Of Homelessness* Praeger

Foreword by Nan Roman, President and CEO of the National Alliance to End Homelessness This book explains how to end the U.S. homelessness crisis by bringing together the best scholarship on the subject and sharing solutions that both local communities and national policy-makers can apply now. *In the Midst of Plenty* shifts understanding of homelessness away from individual disability to larger contexts of poverty, income inequality, housing affordability, and social exclusion. Homelessness experts Shinn and Khadduri provide guidance on how to end homelessness for people who experience it and how to prevent so many people from reaching the point where they have no alternative to sleeping on the street or in emergency shelters. The authors show that we know how to end homelessness—if we devote the necessary resources to doing so. *In the Midst of Plenty: Homelessness and What to Do About It* is an excellent resource for policy-makers, professionals in the homeless services system, and anyone else who wants to end homelessness. It also can serve as a text in undergraduate or masters courses in public policy, sociology, psychology, social work, urban studies, or housing policy. "The knowledgeable and thoughtful authors of this book—two brilliant women who know as much as anyone in the country about the nature of homelessness and its solutions—have done a great service by taking us on a journey through the history of homelessness, how our responses have changed, and how we can end it." —Nan Roman, President and CEO National Alliance to End Homelessness. "Shinn and Khadduri's new book is a thorough yet concise examination of what we know about the nature and causes of homelessness, and the crucial lessons learned. This critically important work provides a roadmap to restoring basic housing and income security as viable policy options, in the face of our daunting inequality divide that otherwise threatens millions with destitution and homelessness." —Dennis Culhane, Dana and Andrew Stone Professor of Social Policy, University of Pennsylvania "Marybeth Shinn and Jill Khadduri have combined their significant expertise to create an essential guide about the history of modern homelessness and to offer a clear path forward to end this American tragedy. Their policy recommendations on ending homelessness are culled from the best about what we know works." —Barbara Poppe, Executive Director US Interagency Council on Homeless, 2009-2014

*Staff Report on Homelessness in the United States* Information Plus

This guide to the literature presents descriptions of books, reports and articles dealing with all aspects of Homelessness including: economic aspects; issues on substance abuse and homelessness; mortality rates; treatment preferences; homeless programs: public opinion; community care; and many more. The book is completely indexed for easy access.