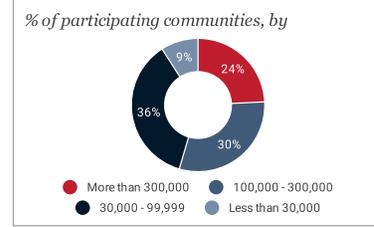
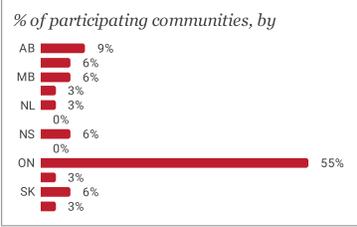


About the Survey

Each week, communities who work directly with CAEH, are invited to participate in a survey about COVID-19 and homelessness. The results inform our advocacy efforts, as well as resources offered by CAEH. We are grateful to communities for taking the time to share these insights and for all they are doing to support the health and wellbeing of our homeless neighbours.

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Number of participating communities this week

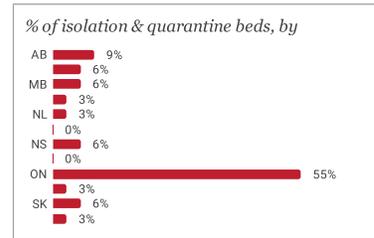
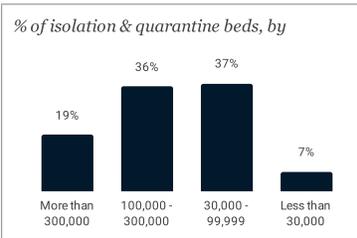


Isolation & Quarantine Shelters

Nearly all participating communities have an isolation & quarantine shelter/model for individuals experiencing homelessness. These have been organized in motels/hotels, community spaces, schools, and other locations that allow for appropriate cohorting and accommodations.

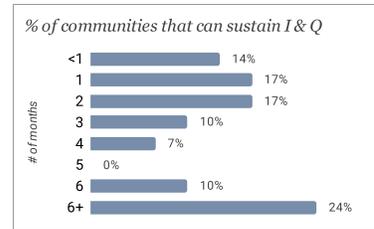
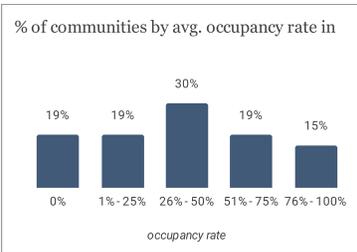
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Approximate number of isolation and quarantine beds prepared for individuals experiencing homelessness in participating communities during pandemic.



The average occupancy rates in isolation and quarantine shelters varies across Canada. Some communities haven't had to use beds at all during the pandemic (19%), while others have used 75-100% (15%).

The vast majority of communities report that they are unable to sustain their isolation & quarantine model for more than 6 months (76%), if no new funding becomes available. Other challenges to sustaining models include staffing shortages and ongoing location availability.



Housing & Recovery

Many communities remain housing-focused during the pandemic. Some communities have been able to increase their efforts, doing more to implement housing interventions and approaches, compared to the period before the pandemic. Others have found it challenging to implement these approaches and some have not been able to do so at all. **note* - communities that did not offer this intervention or approach before the pandemic were not included in this analysis.*

In addition to maintaining isolation and quarantine shelters and being housing focused, many communities have begun thinking ahead to how they will respond to a potential second-wave of COVID-19 and how they will move people from isolation and quarantine shelters, into housing (opposed to returning to emergency shelters or going back to an unsheltered location).

In preparation for the recovery phase, some communities have managed to direct funding to new housing subsidies.

