

Data Entry in the Student Information Repository System (SIRS) for Students Experiencing Homelessness
(Identified under the McKinney-Vento Act)

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Below is a summary of steps that McKinney-Vento Liaisons should complete to ensure that district data on students experiencing homelessness are accurate. Liaisons should turn to their district data coordinator for assistance.

All districts and charter schools must report the following data to the SIRS/Data Warehouse about each student:

1. **Homeless Indicator:** "Y" or "N". "Y" should be indicated for any student identified as homeless anytime during the school year (July 1 – June 30), even if they are no longer experiencing homelessness at the end of the school year.
2. If the student was identified as homeless, the LEA must indicate one of the following **primary nighttime residence** codes for the student:
 - **"A"** Awaiting foster care placement is no longer considered a homeless living situation as of December 10, 2016 and no student should be assigned this code on or after that date. Students "awaiting foster care placement" prior to December 10, 2016 should be considered homeless. After December 10, 2016, students "awaiting foster care placement" *may* still qualify as homeless under another definition. NOTE: students in foster care are *not considered homeless*.
 - **"D"** Doubled-up refers to those children and youth sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason.
 - **"H"** Hotel/motel refers to children and youth living in motels or hotels due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations. If the family was placed in temporary housing in a hotel/motel by a local department of social services (DSS), the child should be given a primary nighttime code of S for shelter.
 - **"S"** Shelter refers to those children and youth placed in a shelter, which can be a stand-alone facility, such as a family shelter or runaway and homeless youth shelter, or a hotel/motel.
 - **"T"** Transitional housing refers to temporary accommodations for youth or families as a step to permanent housing. Residents of transitional housing are considered homeless until they move into permanent housing. Transitional housing programs may last up to 24 months, provide housing in addition to wraparound services, and typically require participants to pay a portion of their housing costs based on a sliding scale.
 - **"U"** Unsheltered refers to living in situations such as cars, parks, campgrounds, temporary trailers, abandoned buildings, and substandard housing. As with all determinations of eligibility under the McKinney-Vento Act, unsheltered situations require case-by-case determination as to whether the accommodation is fixed, regular, and adequate.

For more information about primary nighttime residence codes and McKinney-Vento eligibility, please call NYS-TEACHS 800-388-2014.

3. **McKinney-Vento Grant Funding:** If the student was identified as homeless and was **served with federal McKinney-Vento funding**, enter **Program Service Code 5566**. Federal McKinney-Vento Grant funding is awarded to New York State districts through the New York State Education Department's competitive application process. Homeless students should receive this program service code if and only if they have received direct or indirect services paid with McKinney-Vento grant funding. Direct services are outlined in the McKinney-Vento Act (e.g. tutoring program, mentoring program); indirect services include, for example, activities completed by a staff member whose salary is supported through McKinney-Vento funds.

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Program Service Code 5566 is called "Title X – Part C: Homeless Education/McKinney-Vento" and is listed as a *No Child Left Behind Funded Program*. Please note that the district where the student is enrolled reports this information on the student, even if the services were provided by a neighboring district or a BOCES.

If you have questions about McKinney-Vento Grant funding and/or whether your district is supported with McKinney-Vento Grant funds, please contact Melanie Faby, New York State's Program Associate for Homeless Education (Melanie.Faby@nysed.gov or 518-473-0295) or NYS-TEACHS (info@nysteachs.org or 800-388-2014).

4. If the student was homeless and also an **unaccompanied youth**, enter **Program Service Code 8272**. *Unaccompanied homeless youth are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian and also meet the definition of homeless under McKinney-Vento.*

Access the L2RPT Reasonableness Report

To ensure that your district is reporting accurate data on homeless students, your Data Coordinator should review the L2RPT “Reasonableness Report,” which allows you to see which students from your district have been identified as homeless in the SIRS/Data Warehouse. Your data coordinator can go to:

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/level2reports/reportguides.html> for detailed information on accessing the L2RPT Reasonableness Report (SIRS 401).

Once your Data Coordinator has access to the report, data on counts of homeless students in your district, including primary nighttime residence, can be found under the **Category Type “Student Demographics.”** Data on homeless students with program service codes for Served by McKinney-Vento Subgrant and Unaccompanied Youth Status can be found under the **Category Type “Programs.”** One may also drill down on the Reasonableness Reports to view the names of the students captured in each report.

Level 2 Report Screen Shots Related to Students Experiencing Homelessness

Reasonableness Report

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Reasonableness Report
Data Contained in the Student Information Repository System

DISTRICT_KEY
LOCATION_NAME_RSP_SCH
CATEGORY_TYPE

Finish

Homeless data may be reviewed in the Student Demographic and Programs categories of the Reasonableness Report

Enrollment Entry
Enrollment Exit
Enrollment Grades
Credentials
Post Graduate Plans
Race/Ethnicity
Student Demographic
CTE
Programs
Total Cohort

For each report, a student is counted only once within a code. If a student is reported with multiple codes, the student is counted once for each of those codes.

The reports do not replicate accountability logic and should not be used to simulate accountability status determinations. Reporting errors discovered as a result of a review of these reports should be corrected in the local student management system and reported to the repository.

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Demographic Category:

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LOCATION_NAME_RSP_SCH
Student Demographic
All SubTypes Finish

Date of Data Refresh: 5 May 2012

SubType	Code	Description	Last Year (A)	This Year (B)	Change (C) (B)-(A)	Percent Change (D) ((C)/(A))*100
Homeless	01-HL	Homeless	1,271	1,406	135	11%
Homeless	A	Awaiting Foster Care	17	10	-7	41%
Homeless	D	Doubled-up (with another family)	802	994	192	24%
Homeless	H	Hotels/motels	26	20	-6	17%
Homeless	S	Shelters	385	359	-26	7%
Homeless	T	Transitional Housing	11	4	-7	64%
Homeless	U	Unsheltered	20	9	-11	55%
Other	IM	Immigrant	1,515	1,650	135	9%
Other	MG	Migrant	3	5	2	67%
Other	ND	Neglected or Delinquent	136	0	-136	100%

A Reasonableness Report is a data density or "red flag" report. The purpose of the report is to identify significant changes in data from year to year. The report provides 2010-11 (column A) and 2011-12 counts (column B), the difference between those counts (column C), and the percent change between those counts (column D) of students by various category types (i.e., enrollment entry code) by district.

Particular attention should be paid to percent changes equal to or greater than 10 and reporting issues known to have caused difficulties in previous years. For smaller districts, a 10 percent change may not be significant; for larger districts, a smaller percent change may be significant. Reporting issues known to cause difficulties include the failure to report students eligible to take the NYSESLAT in lieu of the NYSTR for accountability with an 8342 program service code, the failure to report both the correct reason for reading

Programs Category:

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SubType	Code	Description	Last Year (A)	This Year (B)	(C) (B)-(A)	(D) ((C)/(A))*100
Type of Disability	0351	Former Student with a Disability	481	595	114	24%
Type of Disability	PS	Preschool Disability	1,048	877	-171	16%
Type of Disability	SA	School Age Disability	7,094	7,024	-70	1%
LEP Eligibility	0231	LEP Eligible	3,929	3,987	58	1%
LEP Eligibility	0232	Former LEP Student	553	537	-16	3%
LEP Programs	5676	Bilingual Program	1,054	1,054	0	0%
LEP Programs	5687	Two-way Bilingual Education Program	187	167	-20	11%
LEP Programs	5698	LEP - Other Programs	727	319	-408	56%
LEP Programs	5709	English as a Second Language	1,238	1,800	562	45%
LEP Programs	8239	LEP Eligible but not in a LEP Program	752	632	-120	16%
NCLB	0286	Title I - Part A: Improving Basic Programs (other than 5533)	33,948	0	-33,948	100%
NCLB	5533	Supplemental Services for Schools in Improvement Status under Title I	3,475	0	-3,475	100%
NCLB	5566	Title X - Part C: Homeless Education/McKinney-Vento	1,271	1,383	112	9%
NCLB	5720	Title III: Services to Non-Immigrant LEP Students	1,894	1,977	83	4%
NCLB	5731	Title III: Language Instruction Immigrant LEP Students	1,118	1,191	73	7%
NCLB	8327	Title I - Part D: Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth who are Neglected	136	0	-136	100%
Other	0198	Poverty - from low-income family	29,967	30,609	642	2%
Other	0220	Eligible for Alternate Assessment	545	558	13	2%
Other	0242	Eligible to take the NYSESLAT for ELA Accountability	265	170	-95	36%
Other	0264	Section 504 Plan	76	51	-25	33%
Other	5753	Coordinated Early Intervening Services supported with IDEA funds	15,706	0	-15,706	100%
Other	5806	Reduced-Price Lunch Program	1,823	2,042	219	12%
Other	5817	Free Lunch Program	27,888	29,484	1,454	5%
Other	8272	Homeless Unaccompanied Youth Status	233	32	-201	86%
Safety Net	SN	Safety Net	76	51	-25	33%
Summer School Participation	SSP	Summer School Participation	8,304	7,707	-597	7%
Prekindergarten Program	902	Universal Prekindergarten Program	0	2,204	2,204	100%

Students served with McKinney-Vento Grant funds.

Students who were unaccompanied homeless youth.

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Student Detail:

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Reasonableness Report - Detail
Data Contained in the Student Information Repository System

District Name: Location Name: All locations School Year: 30 Jun 2012
 Category Type: Programs Category SubType: Other Selected Subgroup: Homeless Unaccompanied Youth Status
 Date of Data Refresh: 5 May 2012

Location	Grade	Student	Student ID	NYSSIS ID	Entry Date	Entry Type	Exit Date	Exit Type	Exit Reason	Date of Birth	Gender	Ethnicity	Entry Date Grade 9	CTE or TPREP	Program Intensity	Diploma	Post Graduate Plan
	08				2011-09-10	8272					M	B					
	09				2011-09-29	8272					M	B	2011-09-01				
	11				2012-03-21	8272					F	B	2009-09-01				
	09				2012-03-19	8272					F	B	2010-09-01				
	07				2012-02-16	8272					F	B					
	09				2011-09-23	8272					M	B	2011-09-01				
	09				2012-03-29	8272					F	A	2010-09-01				
	10				2011-09-10	8272					M	H	2009-09-01				
	11				2011-10-24	8272					M	B	2009-09-01				
	09				2012-02-23	8272					F	H	2011-09-01				
	11				2011-09-16	8272					F	H	2008-09-01				
	11				2012-02-07	8272					M	B	2009-09-01				
	11				2011-09-16	8272					F	B	2008-09-01				
	08				2011-09-20	8272					M	B					
	10				2011-09-12	8272					M	B	2008-09-01				
	10				2011-09-28	8272					F	H	2010-09-01				
	10				2012-02-14	8272					F	B	2010-09-01				
	11				2012-02-13	8272					M	B	2009-09-01				
	12				2011-12-12	8272					M	B	2007-09-01				Other plan
	12				2012-02-02	8272					M	B	2005-09-01				