



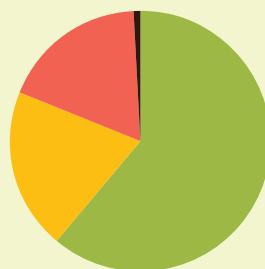
Residential facilities serving victims of abuse in Canada, 2020/2021

557
facilities

436 short-term¹
121 long-term¹

1 in 5 short-term facilities had an average length of stay of 3 months or longer (19%).

Facilities admitted **46,827** people in 2020/2021, **31% fewer** than in 2017/2018.



● **28,592** women
● **9,367** girls
● **8,411** boys
● **457** men and people of another gender²

ON APRIL, 14, 2021³:

Close to **4 in 10** (38%) women residents had a history of homelessness.

2,749 women were in facilities for reasons of abuse.



6,775
short-term beds

1,273
long-term units



1 in 5 (21%) women residents had stayed at the same facility the previous year.

77

WOMEN LEFT A FACILITY ON SNAPSHOT DAY

30% returned to a home where the abuser lived
12% returned to a home where the abuser did not live
12% left to live with friends or relatives

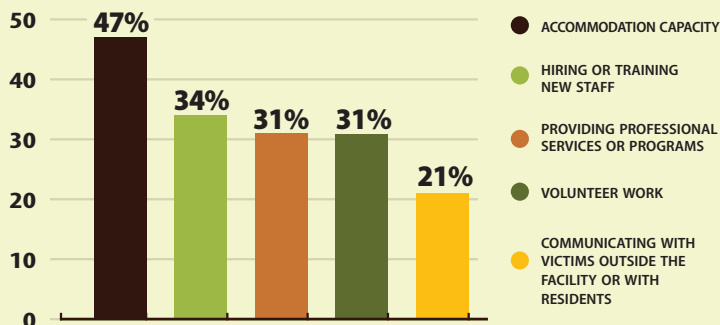


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WOMEN WERE TURNED AWAY

71% were turned away because shelter was considered full

PERCENTAGE OF FACILITIES THAT REPORTED A LARGE IMPACT DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (CHALLENGES)



During the pandemic, facilities saw increases in (% of facilities):

- Demand for admissions of adults and accompanying children – **25%**
- Demand for admissions of adults only – **32%**
- Number of crisis calls – **49%**
- Demand for external supports, outreach – **53%**
- Use of text/instant messaging for victims outside the facility – **55%**
- Use of email for victims outside the facility – **55%**
- Use of other methods of communication for victims outside the facility – **68%**

During the pandemic, **6 in 10** (61%) facilities reduced their number of beds or units.



8 out of 10 facilities (81%) reported that the lack of affordable long-term housing is one of the top challenges facing residents.

1. Short-term facilities include facilities whose expected length of stay is less than three months and that typically provide individual beds to residents, as opposed to separate apartments or units. Long-term facilities include facilities whose expected length of stay is three months or longer and that typically provide residential units (e.g., apartments) to residents.

2. People of another gender includes adults and children whose current gender was not reported exclusively as male or female. It also includes persons who are unsure of their gender, persons who identify as both male and female, or neither male nor female.

3. April 14, 2021 is the survey snapshot day. This was a predetermined business day meant to represent a typical day of operations for facilities across Canada.

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