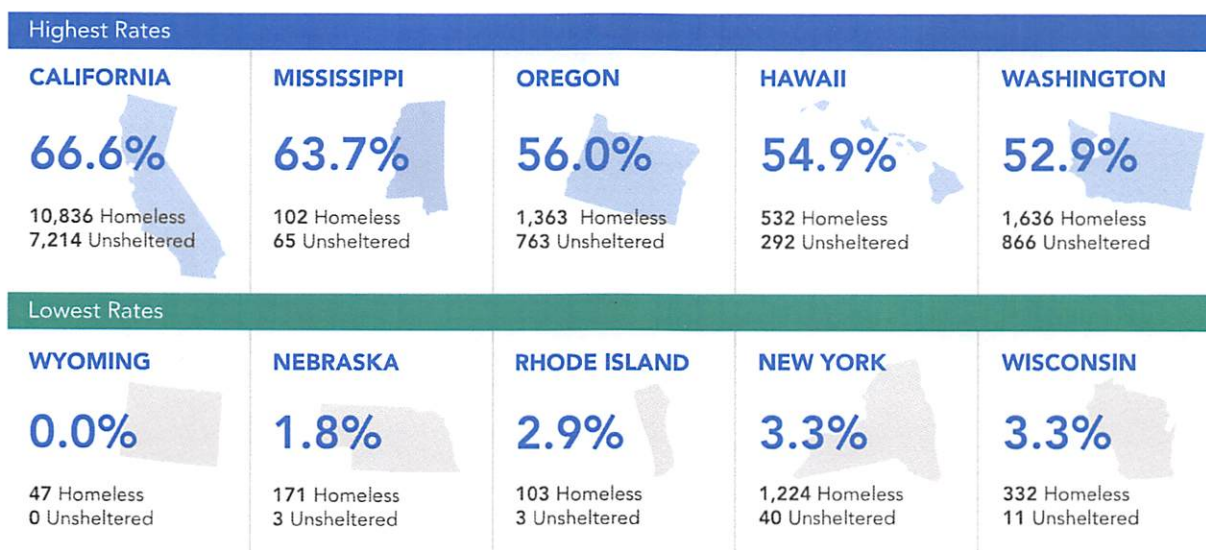


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State Estimates Homeless Veterans

Data source: PIT 2009–2018; Excludes Puerto Rico and U.S. territories

EXHIBIT 5.6: States with the Highest and Lowest Rates of Unsheltered Veterans
2018



Note: Excludes states with methodological issues.

Since 2017

- Veteran homelessness decreased in 32 states. The largest absolute decreases, and those driving the national decrease, were in California (600 fewer veterans) and Washington (457). The largest percentage decreases were in Wyoming (25%) and Kentucky (25%).
- The number of veterans experiencing homelessness increased in 18 states and the District of Columbia between 2017 and 2018. The largest absolute increases were in Massachusetts (132 more veterans) and Oregon (112). The largest percentage increase was in Mississippi (79%). The next largest percentage increase was in Alabama (26%).

Since 2009

- Since 2009, the number of veterans experiencing homelessness has increased in only five states: Oregon (86), Utah (73), Vermont (43), Hawaii (33), and Arkansas (2).

- The number of veterans experiencing homelessness decreased in 45 states plus the District of Columbia, with the largest absolute decreases in California (7,137 fewer veterans), New York (4,655), and Florida (4,592). States with large percentage decreases were: Louisiana (80%), New York (80%), Georgia (75%), and Mississippi (72%).