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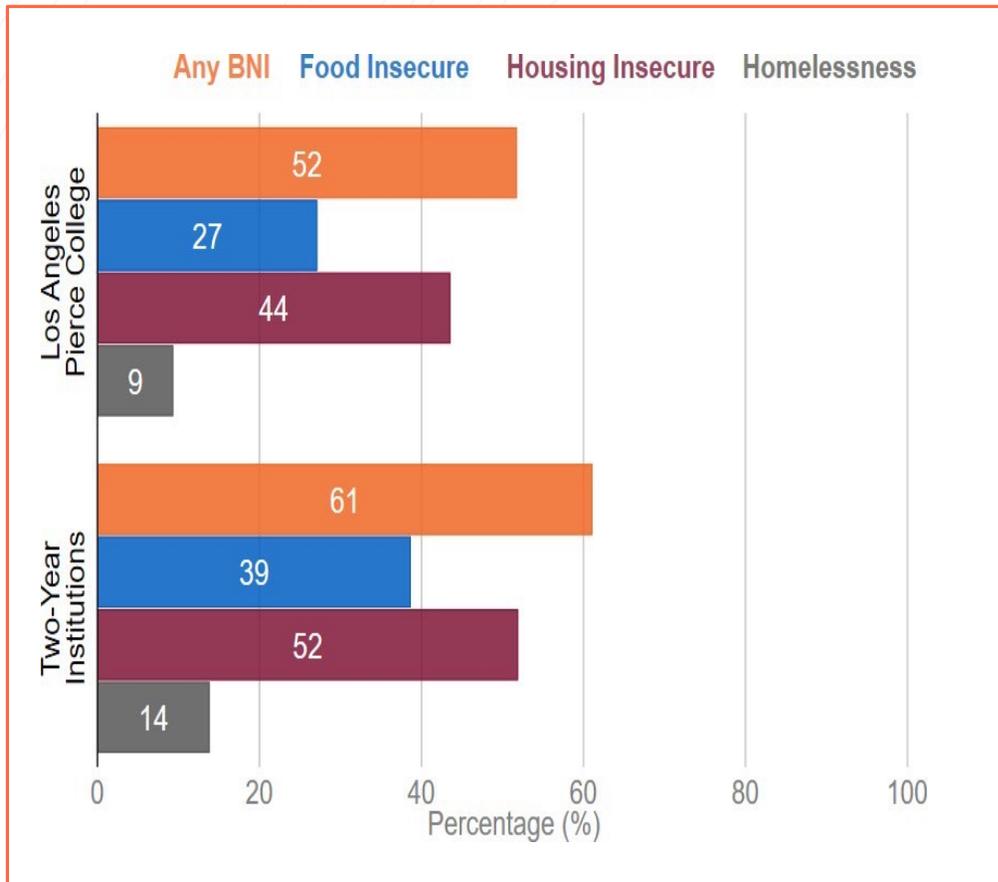
Invitations to complete the questionnaire were sent by email to 16,977 students from Los Angeles Pierce College and 1,295 students participated. Thus, the estimated response rate is 7.6%.

Students at Los Angeles Pierce College told us that...

- **52% experienced at least one form of basic needs insecurity, including**
 - 27% who experienced food insecurity in the prior 30 days,
 - 44% who experienced housing insecurity in the previous year, and
 - 9% who experienced homelessness in the previous year.

We also learned that...

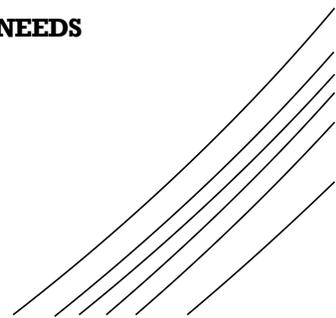
- **35% had a close friend or family member who was sick with COVID-19, while 3% were sick with COVID-19 themselves.**
 - 36% of students exhibited at least moderate anxiety.
 - 49% of students experiencing basic needs insecurity received some form of public assistance.

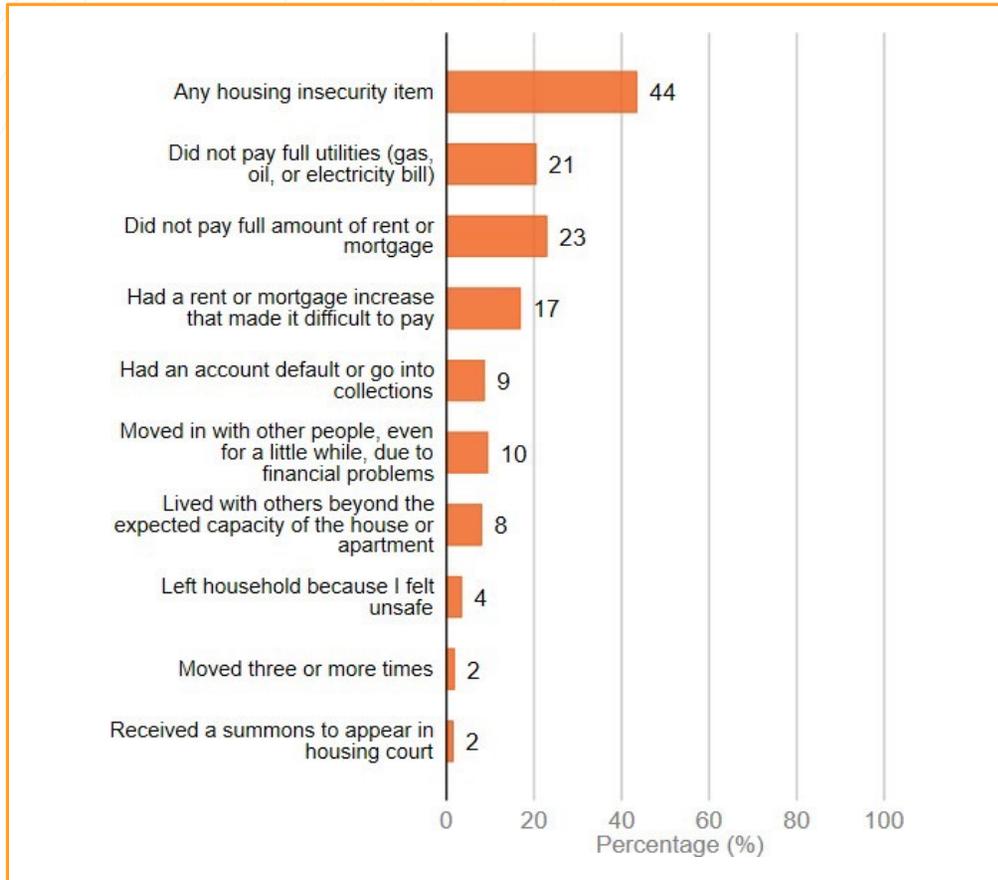


BASIC NEEDS INSECURITY DURING THE PANDEMIC

Students experiencing any basic needs insecurity includes those who experienced food insecurity, housing insecurity, or homelessness.

FIGURE 1. COMPARISON OF BASIC NEEDS INSECURITY RATES



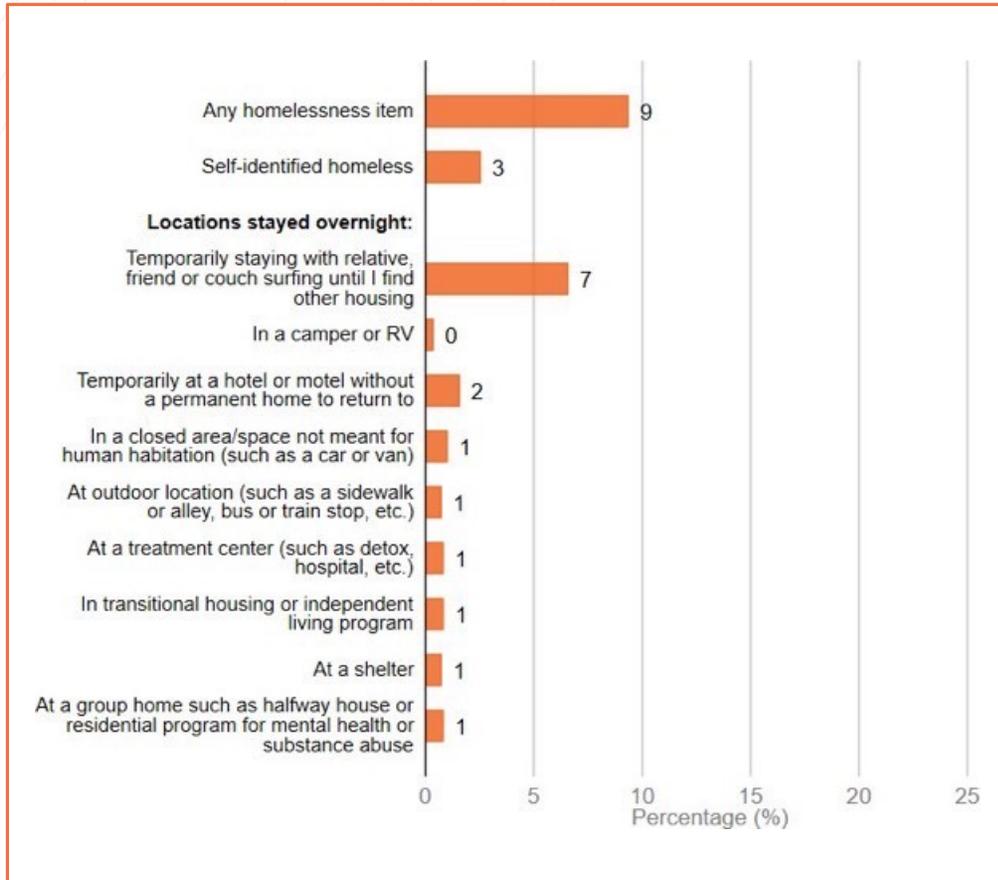


HOUSING INSECURITY

Housing insecurity encompasses a broad set of challenges that prevent someone from having a safe, affordable, and consistent place to live.

This survey looked at factors such as the ability to pay rent and the need to move frequently in the previous year.

**FIGURE 2. HOUSING INSECURITY
AMONG SURVEY RESPONDENTS AT LOS
ANGELES PIERCE COLLEGE**



HOMELESSNESS

In alignment with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, students are considered homeless if they identified as experiencing homelessness or signs of homelessness (for instance, living in a shelter, temporarily with a relative, or in a space not meant for human habitation).

FIGURE 3. EXPERIENCES WITH HOMELESSNESS AMONG SURVEY RESPONDENTS AT LOS ANGELES PIERCE COLLEGE

For more information on the research methodology and survey participants, please refer to the online appendices for the #RealCollege 2021: Basic Needs Insecurity During the Ongoing Pandemic report

(available at www.hope4college.com).

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