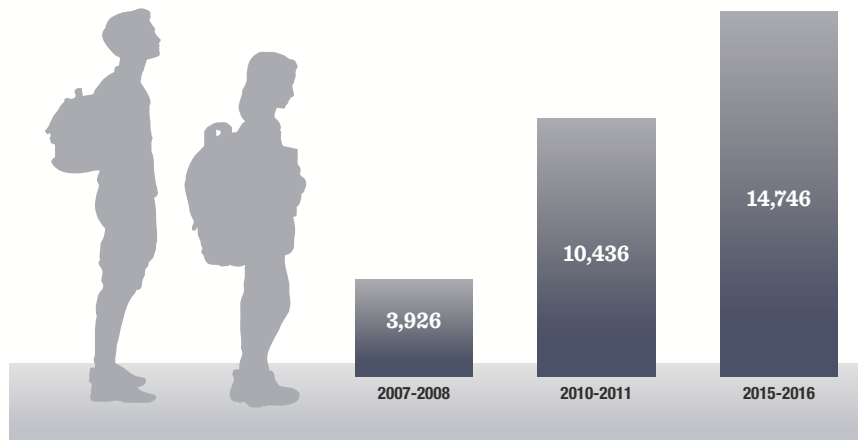


Fact Sheet

Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Area Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties

Nearly 15,000 students were identified as homeless in the four-county area in 2015-16.

*Students Identified as Homeless by School Year,
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)*



Source: Florida Department of Education.

- The number of students identified as homeless nearly quadrupled between the 2007-08 and 2015-16 school years, increasing by 275 percent. This followed concerted efforts by school districts to increase identification.
- In 2015-16, 96 percent of homeless students were accompanied by their families. Four percent were unaccompanied youth.

Most homeless students were doubled up with others or living in hotels and motels.

Homeless Students by Place of Nighttime Residence, 2015-16 School Year

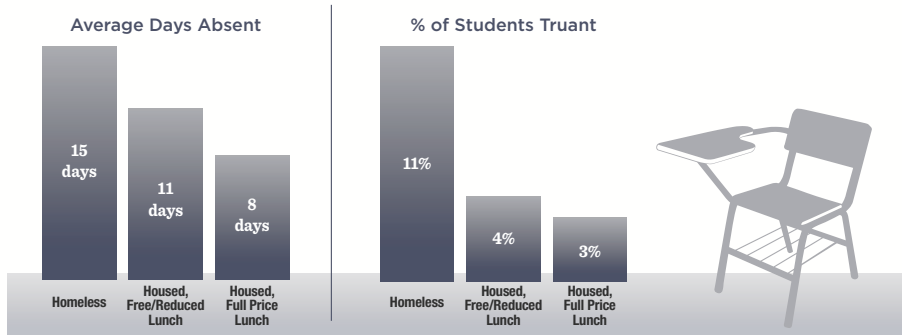
School District	Shelter/ Transitional Housing	Doubled Up	Unsheltered	Hotels/ Motels	Awaiting Foster Care	Total
Lake	104	1,955	51	240	83	2,433
Orange	393	4,682	76	1,643	59	6,853
Osceola	73	2,441	93	941	14	3,562
Seminole	138	1,438	22	289	11	1,898
Total	708	10,516	242	3,113	167	14,746
Percent of Students	5%	71%	2%	21%	1%	100%

Source: Florida Department of Education.

- Most students (71 percent) were doubled up with family and friends.
- Most of the rest of the students were housed in hotels and motels (21 percent). Five percent were living in shelters and transitional housing.

Homeless students are at higher risk of absenteeism and truancy.

Absenteeism and Truancy, 2015-16 School Year



Source: Florida Department of Education.

- Homeless students missed more school days per year on average than students who are housed. This includes housed students receiving free and reduced price lunch (a proxy for low-income students) and housed students receiving full price lunch.
- Homeless students were also more likely to be identified as truant than housed/free-reduced lunch students and housed/full price lunch students. Truant students are those with at least 15 unexcused absences within a 90-day period.

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