

HOMELESSNESS



Definition of homelessness

There is no one definition of homelessness

- Situation when people do not have permanent home or means of livelihood
- Living without a conventional home and lacks most of the economic and social supports that a home normally affords
- Situation in which people's homes do not meet basic standards

Three broad areas of homelessness

- Primary homelessness: People without conventional accommodation, such as rough sleepers, squatters etc.
- Secondary homelessness: People who frequently move between temporary accommodation, emergency shelters sleeping on couches etc.
- Tertiary homelessness: People who have insecure tenure and who may be staying long term in boarding houses where they do not have private bathroom or kitchen facilities.

Homelessness statistics

- There is about 100 million homeless people in the world
- An approximate 1 billion did not have suitable housing
Source: United Nations Commission on Human Rights, 2005
- An estimated 3 million people are homeless in Europe
Source: Red de Apoyo a la Integración Sociolaboral (RAIS) 2010
- 30 to 200 thousand homeless people live in Poland
Source: Ministry of Labour and Social Policy 2009

The reason of homelessness

- lack of regular income
- eviction
- bankruptcy
- long-term unemployment
- leaving mental institute, orphanage, mental institution
- family breakdown, domestic violence
- addiction to drug, alcohol etc.
- emigration
- psychological individualistic reasons
- natural disasters

Institutions of homelessness

- Council Centre of Social Care
- St. Brother Albert's Aid Society
- Doshouses
- Streetwork
- Center of Social Integration
- Spokesman of Homeless Person
- Ministry of Labour and Social Policy
- Association MONAR
- FEANTSA

Socio-economic issues or aspects of homelessness

- beggars
- waifs and strays
- vagrancy
- squatting
- social exclusion
- discrimination
- poverty
- delinquency
- prostitution

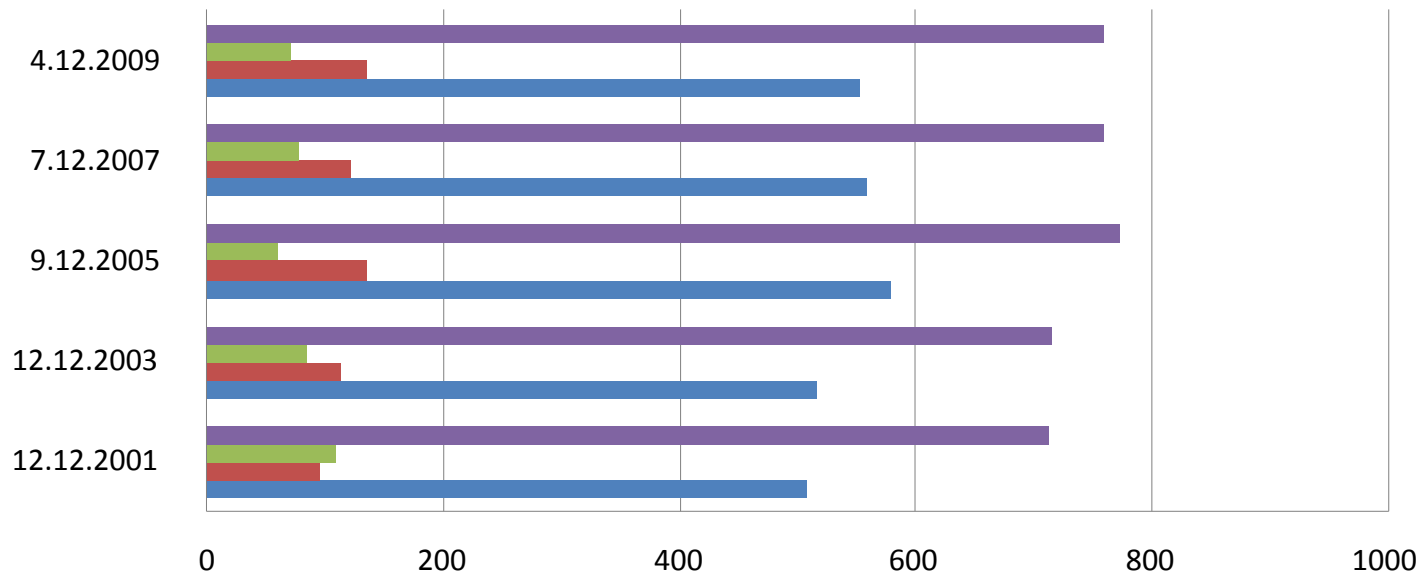
Consequences of homelessness

Homelessness impacts on

- the right to privacy,
- the right to personal safety
- right to health
- right to an education
- right to an employment

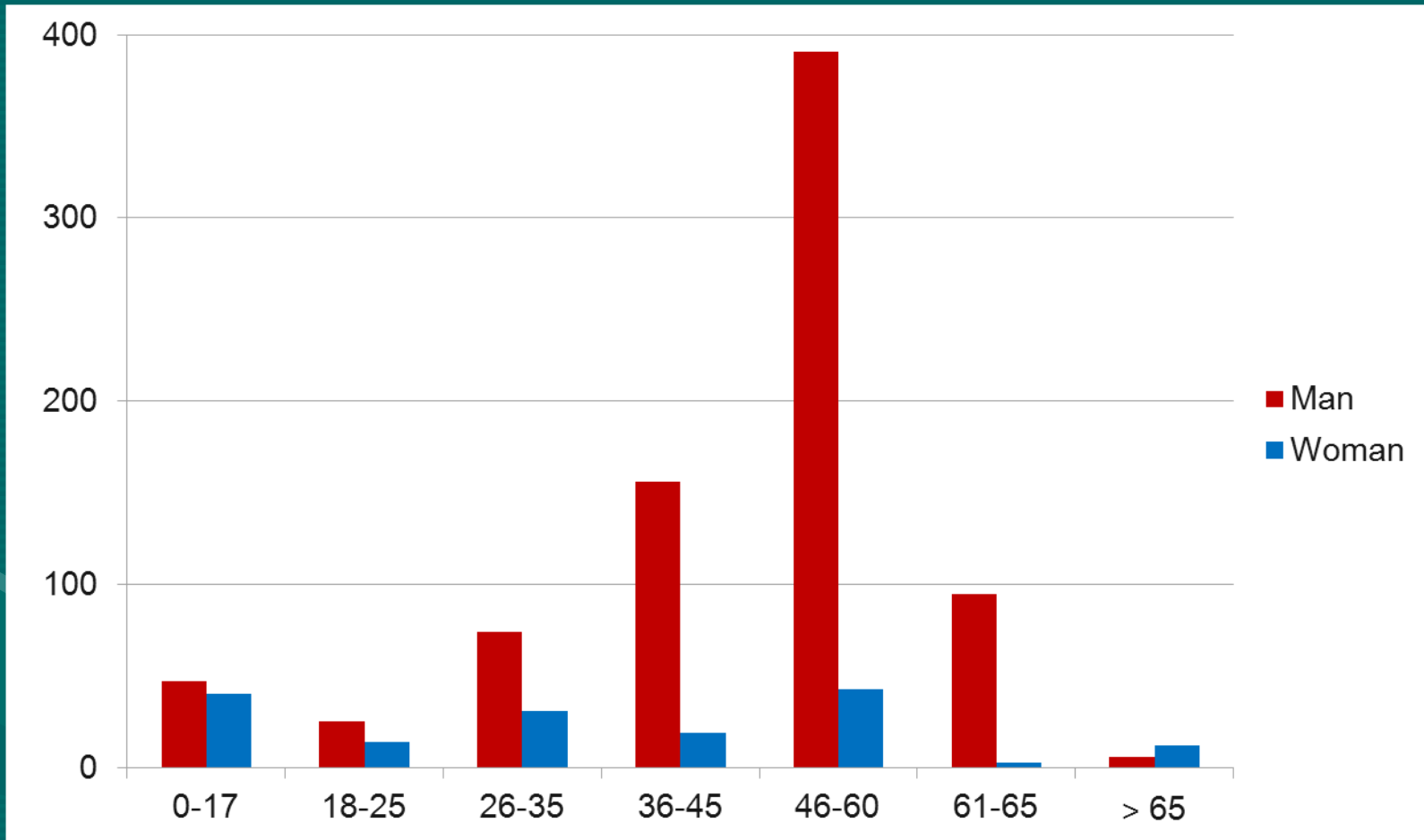
Homelessness in Gdansk

Number of homelessness people in Gdansk

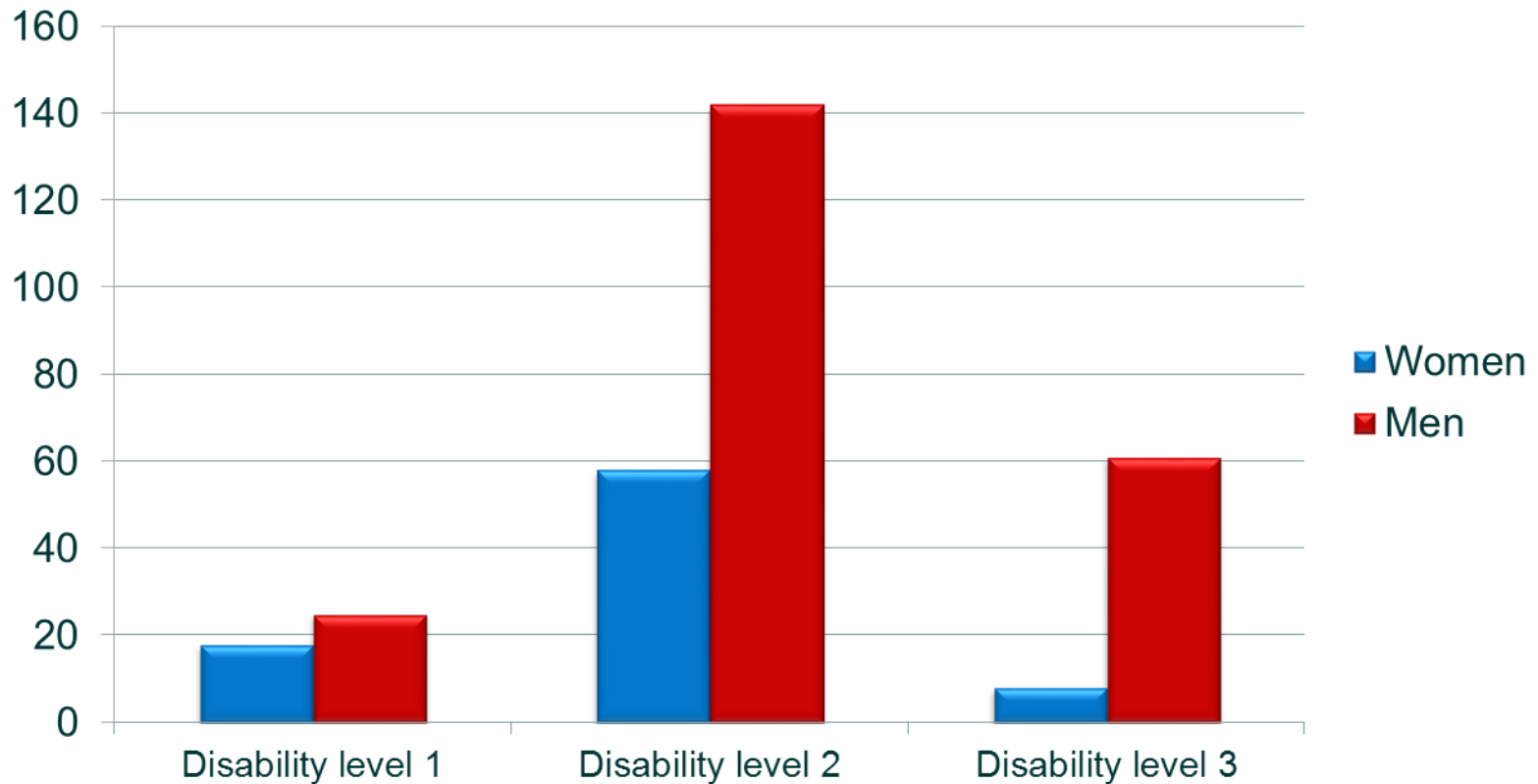


	12.12.2001	12.12.2003	9.12.2005	7.12.2007	4.12.2009
Total	713	714	773	759	759
Children	110	85	60	77	71
Women	96	113	135	122	135
Men	507	516	578	560	553

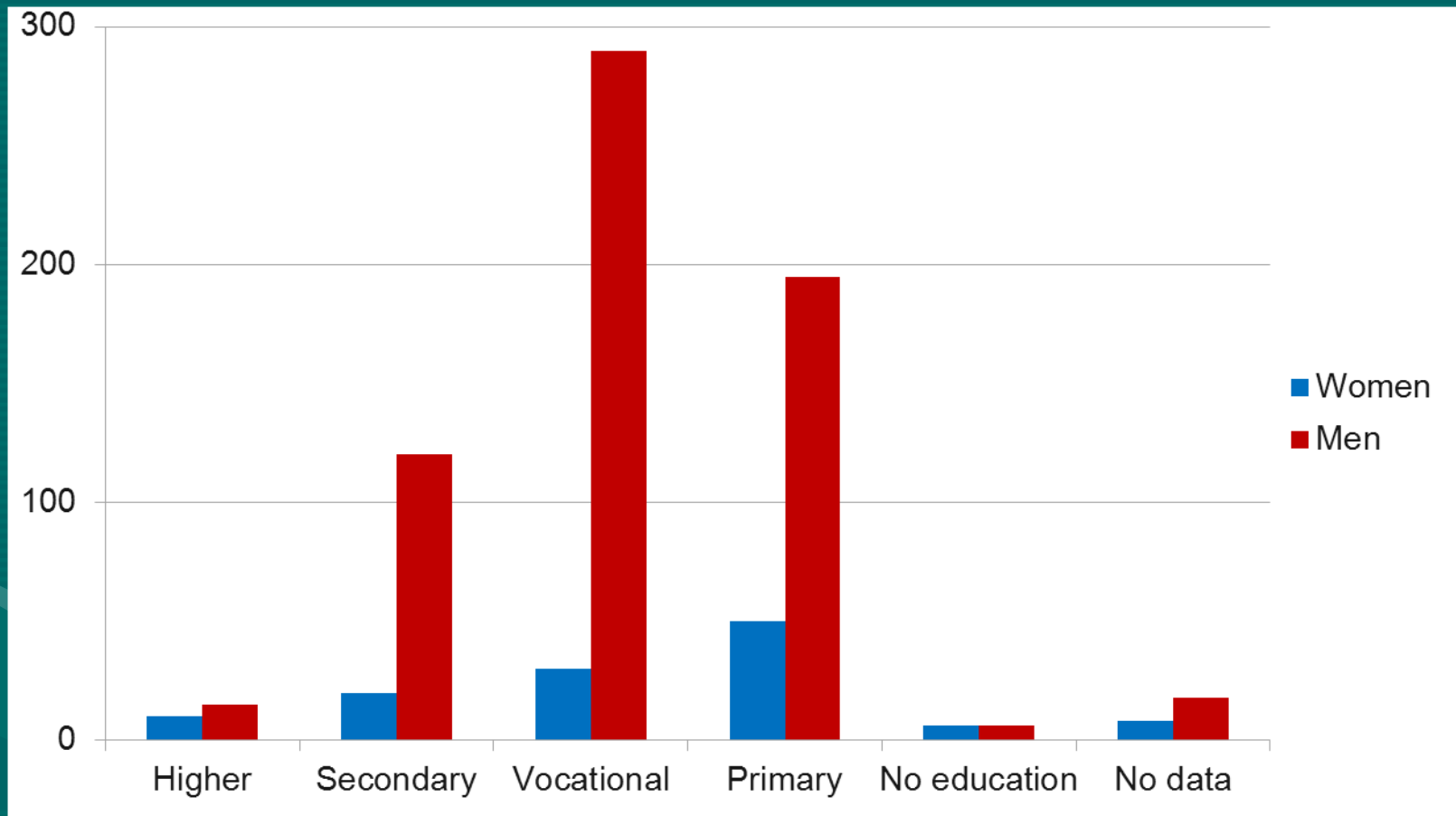
Age and Sex structure



Homelessness and disability



Homelessness and Education



**SEE A BEGGAR?
BEFORE YOU DONATE MONEY
THINK!**

DO YOU KNOW...

- REAL REASONS AND NEEDS OF BEGGAR?
- WHAT YOUR MONEY WILL BE SPENT UPON?
- WHO ELSE AND HOW WILL USE THE MONEY YOU ARE ABOUT TO DONATE?

REMEMBER...

- BEGGING CAN BE A WAY TO TRICK OUT THE FINANCIAL OR MATERIAL PROFITS THROUGH EVOKING SYMPATHY AND PITY!
- EVERY PERSON IN NEED CAN GET THE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE, OFFERED BY PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANISATIONS!

YOUR MONEY = YOUR SENSE

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