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The Rough Sleeping form records an annual single night snapshot of the number of people rough sleeping in your local authority and demographic information. The single night snapshot figure can be provided by using an evidence-based estimate, a count of visible rough sleeping, or an estimate including a spotlight count. The count or estimate should take place between 1st October and 30th November.

The estimate is an evidence-based assessment by partners, leading to a single figure that represents the number of people thought to be sleeping rough in the local authority area on a 'typical night' – a single date chosen by the local authority between 1 October and 30 November. It is a snapshot and will not include everyone in the area with a history of rough sleeping.

The **count** is a snapshot based on the number of people seen sleeping rough in the local authority area on a single night between 1 October and 30 November. It will not record everyone in the area with a history of rough sleeping.

Local authorities should refer to the toolkit provided by Homeless Link which sets out the process to evaluate the extent of people sleeping rough, by carrying out either a snapshot count or evidence-based estimate.

Homeless Link provides independent verification and validation of all local authorities annual rough sleeping count and estimates on behalf of MHCLG. Data should be submitted using this form by December 14th 2018

Arrangements

1a. Did your authority conduct a street count, an estimate of people sleeping rough or an estimate informed by a spotlight count?

O Street Count

O Estimate

C Estimate Informed by a Spotlight Count

1b. Was the methodology for this year's count/estimate different to last year?

O Yes

O No

1c. Did any activity, incidents or circumstances affect this year's count/estimate?

O Yes

O No

1d. On which night did the count take place or which night was the estimate based on?

2. Before your count/estimate, which of the following groups did you consult with? (please tick all that apply)

O a. Voluntary Sector	O e. Police
D b. Faith Groups	O f. Mental Health agencies
C c. Outreach Workers	O g. Substance Misuse agencies
O d. Local Resident/Businesses	O h. Drugs and Alcohol Treatment Teams (DATT)

Rough Sleeper Numbers

1. Total number of people sleeping rough			
	2017	2018	
Total number of people sleeping rough			

Gender

2. Of the total number of people sleeping rough, what gender were they?

This section requests the **reported gender** of the individuals sleeping rough in the local authority. This is their disclosed gender at the time of the estimate / count itself. These should sum to total individuals sleeping rough reported in the first question.

	2017	2018
Female		
Male		
Not known / Undisclosed		

Please ensure that the figures entered here sum to the total sleeping rough reported in the first question. Don't leave blank, record 0 where relevant. If gender is not known record in the Not Known / Undisclosed category.

Nationality

3. Of the total rough sleepers, what nationality were they?

This section requests information on **nationality** for the individuals sleeping rough in your authority. This is their reported nationality status at the time of the count or estimate. Each of these (and the not known / undisclosed category) should equate to total individuals sleeping rough reported in the first question each quarter.

	2017	2018
UK National		
EU National (Non-UK)		
Non-EU National		
Not known / Undisclosed		

Please ensure that the figures entered here sum to the total sleeping rough reported in the first question. Don't leave blank, record 0 where relevant. If nationality is not known record in the Not Known / Undisclosed category.

Age

4. Of the total rough sleepers what age were they at the point of the count/estimate?

This section requests information on the **age** of individuals sleeping rough in the authority. This is the age they were at the point of when the count itself was carried out or when estimated. Again, the sum of these (and the not known category for those where the age was not obtained / obtainable) should equal the total number reported in the first question for each quarter.

	2017	2018
Under 18		
18-25		
Over 25		
Not known / Undisclosed		

Please ensure that the figures entered here sum to the total sleeping rough reported in the first question. Don't leave blank, record 0 where relevant. If age is not known record in the Not Known / Undisclosed category.

Sign off and Comments

Audit and Verification

Has this data been verified with Homelesslink?

O Yes O No

Were your authority's initial figures amended following verification with Homelesslink?

O Yes O No

Any additional comments