Summary of key findings

Official statistical definition of homelessness (Table 1.TUR)

There is no official statistical definition of homelessness in Türkiye.

Latest national estimates of homelessness (Table 2.TUR)

- 5 285 individuals, representing 0.01% of the total population (2022)
- Flow count, based on the Accommodation Project for the Homeless
- ETHOS Light groups included:

□ ETHOS 1: Living on the streets, in public spaces
 □ ETHOS 2: Emergency accommodation (e.g., shelters)
 □ ETHOS 3: Accommodation for the homeless (e.g., hostels and women's refuges)
 □ ETHOS 4: People in institutions
 □ ETHOS 5: People in non-conventional dwellings (e.g., caravans, cars or tents)
 □ ETHOS 6: Living temporarily with others in conventional housing (e.g., sofa-surfing)

Legal framework to collect data on homelessness (Table 3.TUR)

There is no legal obligation to collect data on homelessness in Türkiye.

National homelessness strategy (Table 4.TUR)

Türkiye does not have a national homelessness strategy.

Approaches to collect data on homelessness (Table 5.TUR)

• Accommodation Project for the Homeless: The number of people accommodated by the project is recorded (Table 5.1.TUR)

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Table 1.TUR. Official statistical definition of homelessness

Homelessness There is no official definition of homelessness in Türkiye.
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Table 2.TUR. Data on people experiencing homelessness

Headline estimate of homelessness (Individuals)	% of total population	ETHOS 1 People living rough	ETHOS 2 People in emergency accommodation	ETHOS 3 People in accommodation for the homeless	ETHOS 4 People living in institutions	ETHOS 5 People living in unconventional dwellings	ETHOS 6 People staying with family/friends
5 285	0.01%	Not included	Included in headline estimate but not specified	Included in headline estimate but not specified	Not included	Not included	Not included
Type of count: Point-in-time 🗆 Flow 🛛 Year: 2022							
Included in headline estimate: Children (<18)							
Temporary accommodation for: Asylum seekers 🗆 Refugees 🗀 Victims/survivors of domestic violence 🗆							

Note: The headline estimate refers to the number of people accommodated within the scope of the Accommodation Project for the Homeless. Source: Ministry of Family and Social Services (MoFSS), 2023, Accommodation Project for the Homeless

Table 3.TUR. Legal framework to collect data on homelessness

Law that governs data collection on homelessness	None.
Legal obligations	None.

Table 4.TUR. National homelessness strategy

	National homelessness strategy in place	 □ No, but regional and/or local strategies exist ☑ No
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Table 5.TUR. Approaches to collect data on homelessness

5.1.TUR. Accommodation Project for the Homeless

Description

The number of people accommodated by the Accommodation Project for the Homeless (*Evsizlere Konaklama Projesi*) is recorded. The Accommodation Project for the Homeless provides accommodations in public institution guesthouses, boarding houses, hotels, or other similar places for people experiencing homelessness during winter.

Type of count generated	Methods
□ Point-in-time	Service-based method
⊠ Flow (period)	
Lead authority(ies)	Source(s) of information
Ministry of Family and Social Services (MoFSS)	• The number of people being accommodated through the project is recorded by the Ministry of Family and Social Services.
Scope	Depth of data
National level	Enumeration
Frequency	
Annual	

ETHOS Light groups included

- ETHOS 1: Living on the streets, in public spaces
- ETHOS 2: Emergency accommodation (e.g., shelters)
- ETHOS 3: Accommodation for the homeless (e.g., hostels and women's refuges)
- □ ETHOS 4: People in institutions
- ETHOS 5: People in non-conventional dwellings (e.g., caravans, cars or tents)
- ETHOS 6: Living temporarily with others in conventional housing (e.g., sofa-surfing)

Note: Each ETHOS Light group includes one or more sub-categories of living situations. ETHOS Light groups are considered as "included" in the data collection approach if at least one of the sub-categories is counted.





