

BEFORE BASIC INCOME

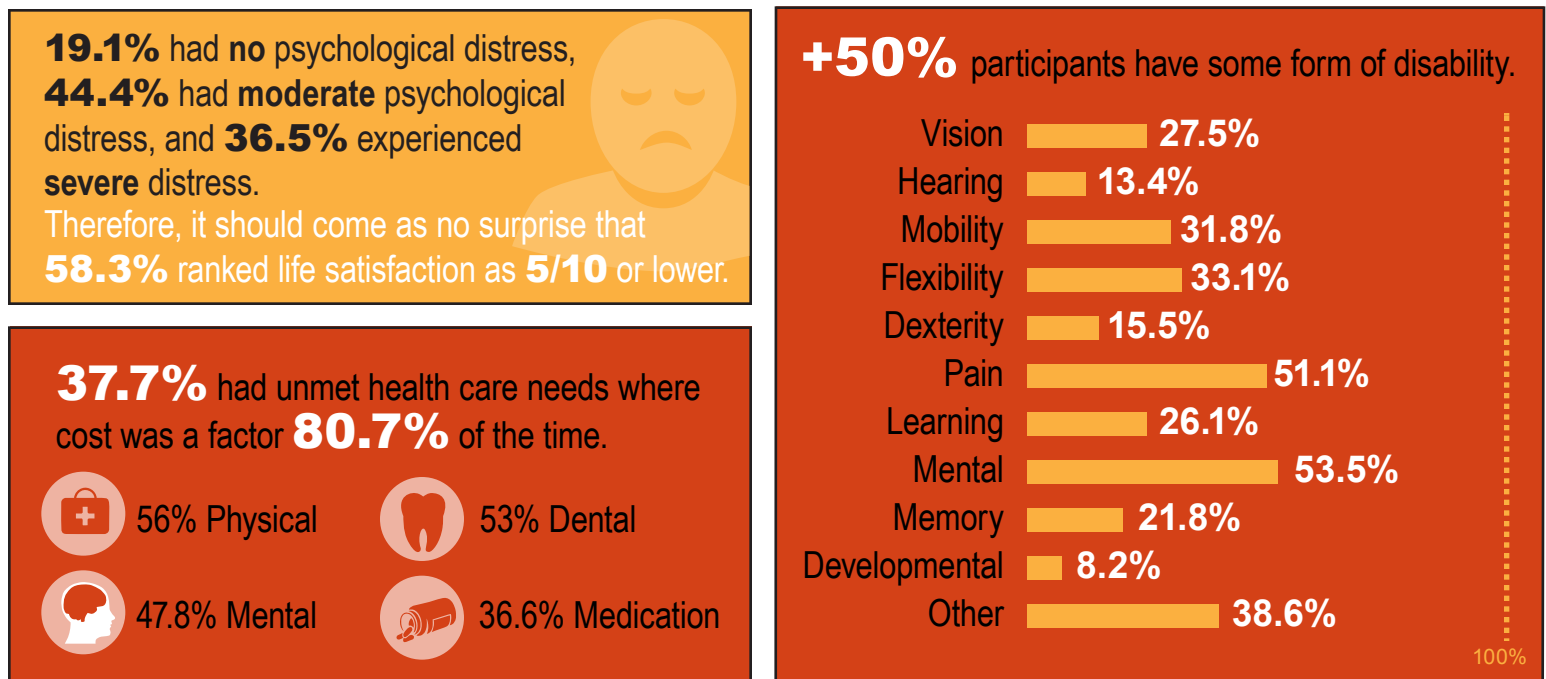
Meet the Participants of Ontario's Basic Income Pilot through their Baseline Surveys

With the release of the pilot's baseline data we get a great snapshot of what the lives of participants were like before enrolling in the Ontario Basic Income Pilot. Participants faced significant challenges with employment, stress and health, housing, food security and overall income inadequacy. Ultimately, it shows us how living on low income shaped their lives.

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What does living on low income really mean?

SOURCE OF INCOME AVERAGE

Employment	34.7%	\$1258.30
General Welfare	18.4%	\$722.30
Disability Supports	26.6%	\$1053.50
Other:	41.2%	
Employment Insurance	2.6%	\$1199.30
Child Benefits	16.1%	\$997.30
Child Support	3.6%	\$493.10
Other	33.4%	\$315.50

{ **93.9%** struggled to pay bills or fell behind }

43.4% Wouldn't be able to pay an unexpected \$500 expense

HOMELESSNESS

8.0%

THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WERE HOMELESS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS.

120

THE NUMBER OF DAYS SPENT HOMELESS

{ **46.1%** of all homes were in need of REPAIR }

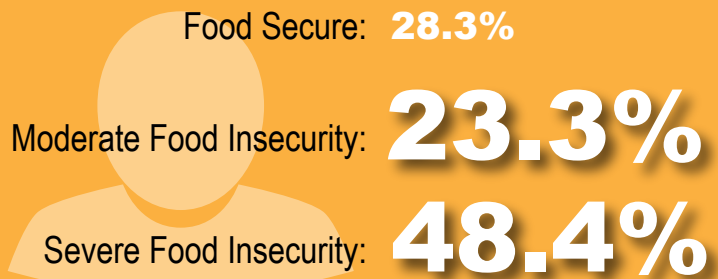
HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

AFFORDABLE **26.4%**
< 30%

UNAFFORDABLE **28.6%**
30% to 50%

SEVERELY UNAFFORDABLE **45.0%**
> 50%

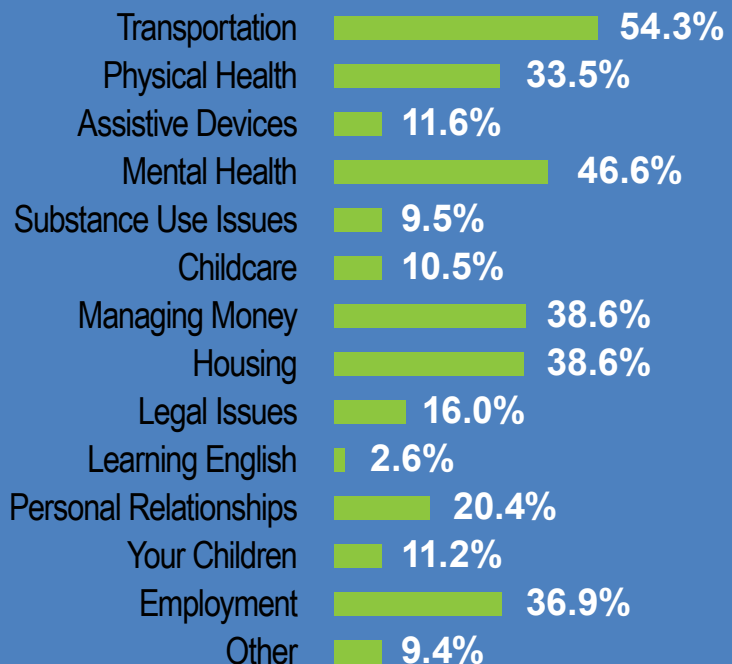
FOOD SECURITY SCALE



What is food insecurity?

Food insecurity ranges from worrying about running out of food, limiting food (food groups or “essentials”), compromising quality and/or quantity, to missing meals, or going days without food.

AREAS THAT PARTICIPANTS FELT IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE



100%

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