

LONGITUDINAL SYSTEM ANALYSIS (LSA)

QUICK FACT OVERVIEW



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WHAT

The Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) is a report which is provided by the CoCs that is submitted every year on how CoCs have served the households. The LSA is one of the three reports used to prepare a written report called Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) which HUD submits to Congress. The LSA provides the annual HMIS-based data used to write the AHAR.



WHO

The SARAH and HMIS Teams submit the LSA, which includes the project types:

- ES: Emergency Shelters
- SH: Safe Haven
- TH: Transitional Housing
- RRH: Rapid Re-Housing
- PSH: Permanent Supportive Housing

DATA REVIEWED

- Demographic Characteristics
- Length of time homeless
- Information specific to populations (Veterans, Chronic homeless etc.)
- Housing outcomes
- Patterns of system use
- Return to homelessness and length of time between exits and re-engagement

PROCESS

Upload:

Once the HDX 2.0 is open, HMIS will upload the .zip file containing LSA data

Review Upload:

Once uploaded, HMIS will review the file for any errors or flags associated with the file.

Work with Data Liaison to Clean Submission:

The HMIS team will be contacted by a Data Liaison to work with one-on-one to clean the data, resolve remaining questions, and confirm the data.

Submit Official LSA for the LSA Review Teams Assessment:

Once the warning flags has been resolved in the initial upload and after marking the upload as the Official HUD Review File, click the "submit" button and wait to hear more from the LSA Review Team.

BEST PRACTICE

- Ensure bed reservation ends one day prior to the enrollment exit
- Ensure the entry and exit dates for enrollments are accurate
- Make sure there are no overlapping enrollment for clients