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Income Support Statistics**

Question (Tom Osborne, St. John's South): The number of people who are homeless, are they added into the statistics of people on social services?

Answer:

- The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador funds a number of shelters throughout the province (e.g. the Wiseman Centre, Choices for Youth).
- All of these organizations use a national tracking system called the Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS).
- HIFIS allows the organization to collect information about the population using shelters.
- The Provincial Government can access the information collected by shelters. For example, this information was used in the development of the OrgCode report.