Quarter 2 2020/21
City of London
Rough Sleeping Report
RSSG

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- This report updates Members on the level and nature of homelessness and rough sleeping activity within the City of London (CoL) for the second quarter (Q2) of 2020/21 – with background information on the year 2019/20.
  - For the purpose of this report, the definitions of the three categories of rough sleepers considered are described below:

New rough sleepers (Flow)*	Those who had not been contacted by outreach teams and identified as rough sleeping before the period.
Living on the streets (Stock)*	Those who have had a high number of contacts over three weeks or more, which suggests that they are living on the streets.
Intermittent rough sleepers (Returners)*	People who were seen rough sleeping at some point before the period began, and who were contacted in the period – but not seen regularly enough to be 'living on the streets'.

*'Flow, stock and returners' is not CoL terminology but is used by the Greater London Authority (GLA) and is how work carried out by outreach teams is recorded on the Combined Homelessness and Information Network (CHAIN) database. CoL will refrain from using this terminology in CoL narrative reports.

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Number of rough sleepers – comparing quarterly trends

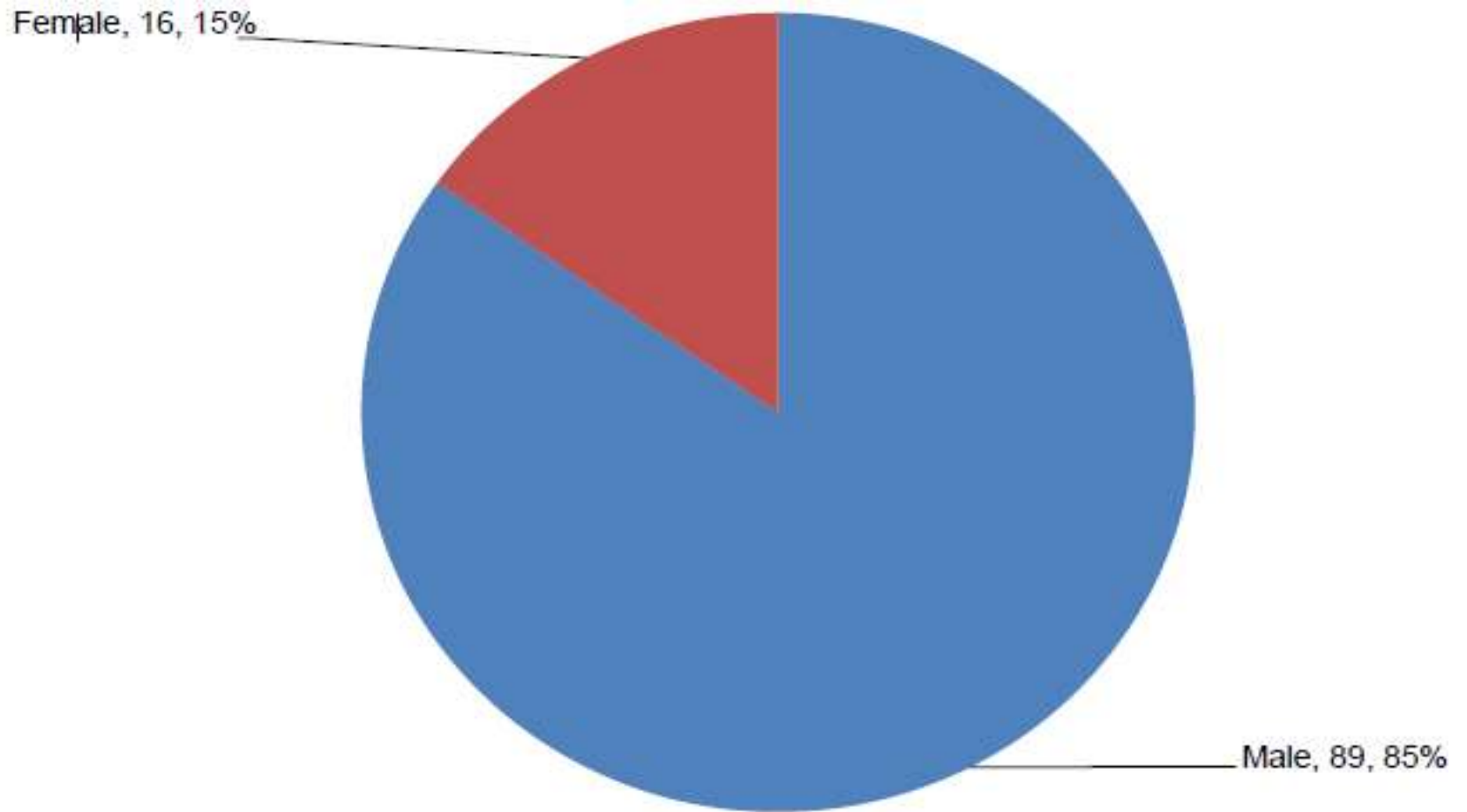| Local Authority	2019/20				2020/21		% change from previous quarter
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
City of London	174	181	145	172	140	105	-25%
Southwark	142	195	201	197	221	145	-34%
Tower Hamlets	137	190	127	137	155	111	-28%
Camden	183	265	235	242	239	170	-29%
Westminster	888	1097	768	834	710	900	27%
Greater London	3172	3985	3637	3692	4227	3444	-19%

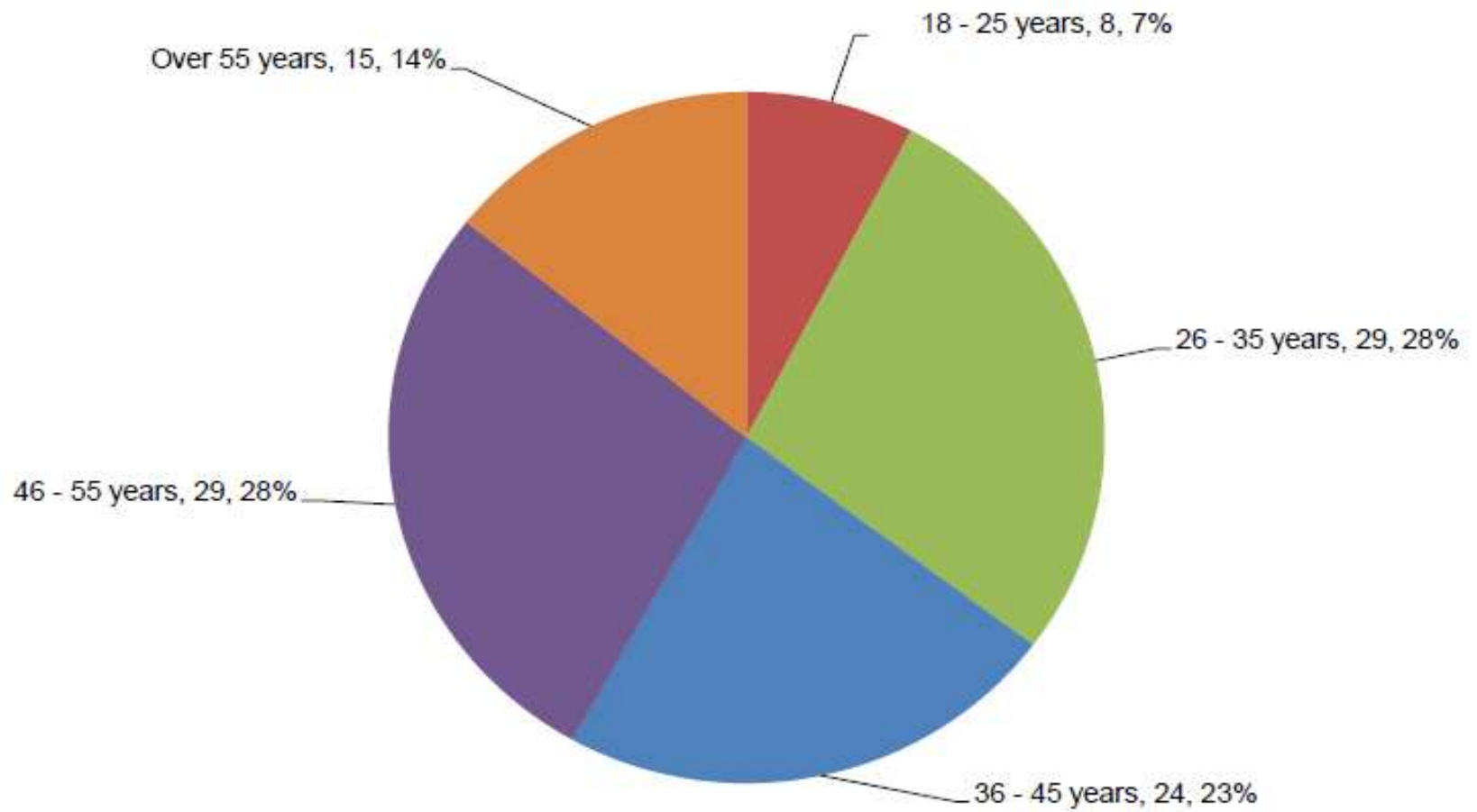# Composition of rough sleepers in Q2 2020/21

	New rough sleepers	New Rough Sleepers – Joined living on the streets (LOS)	Intermittent Rough Sleepers (returner)	LOS (All) Longer Term	LOS – RS205+ (entrenched)	Total
City of London	21	4	48	40	9	105
Southwark	67	2	55	25	3	145
Tower Hamlets	46	1	53	13	2	111
Camden	64	0	96	10	3	170
Westminster	434	10	356	120	16	900
Greater London	1901	32	1239	336	40	3444

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Gender – Q2 2020/21

Female, 16, 15%

Male, 89, 85%

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Age – Q2 2020/21

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Nationality of COL rough sleepers during Q2 2020/21

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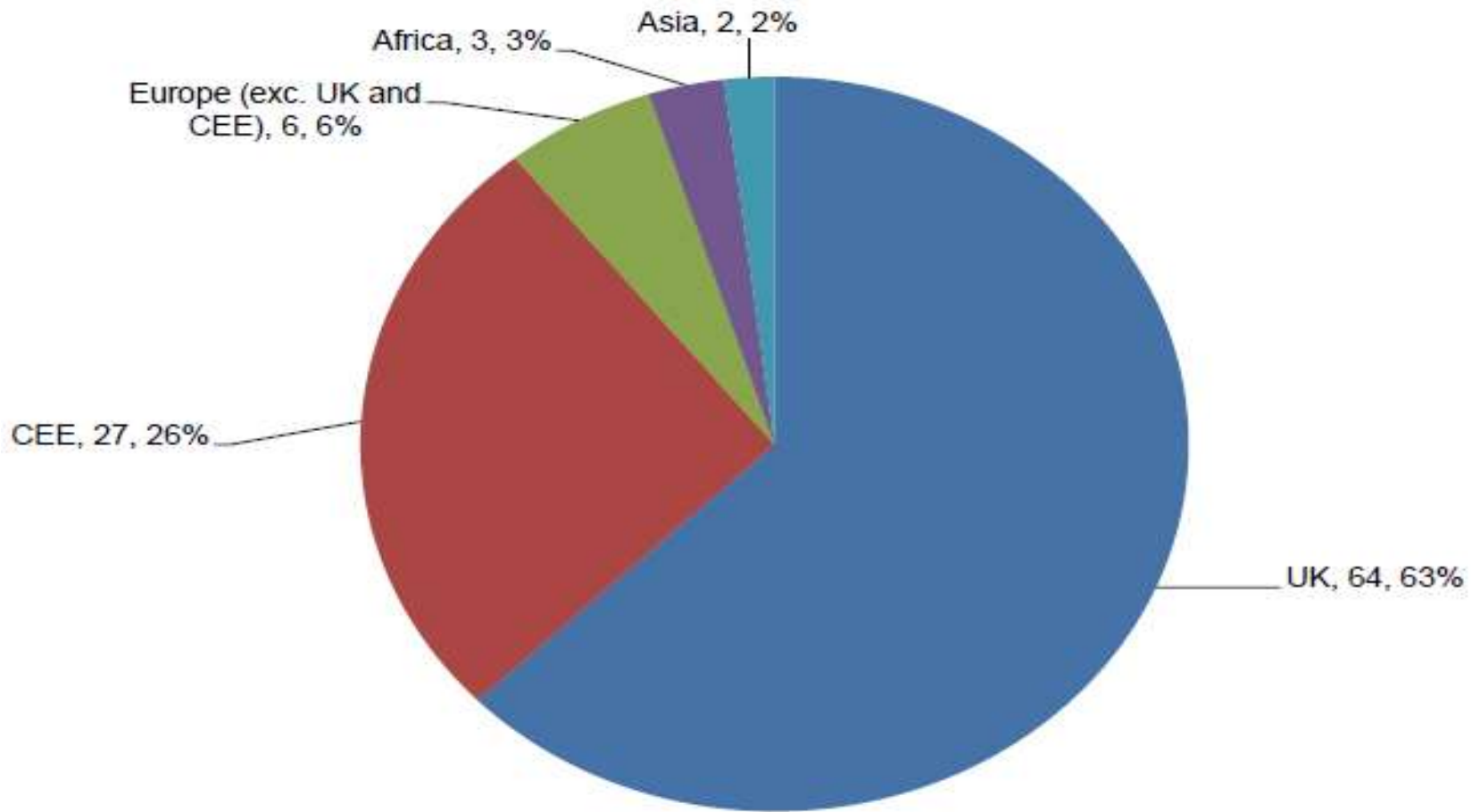
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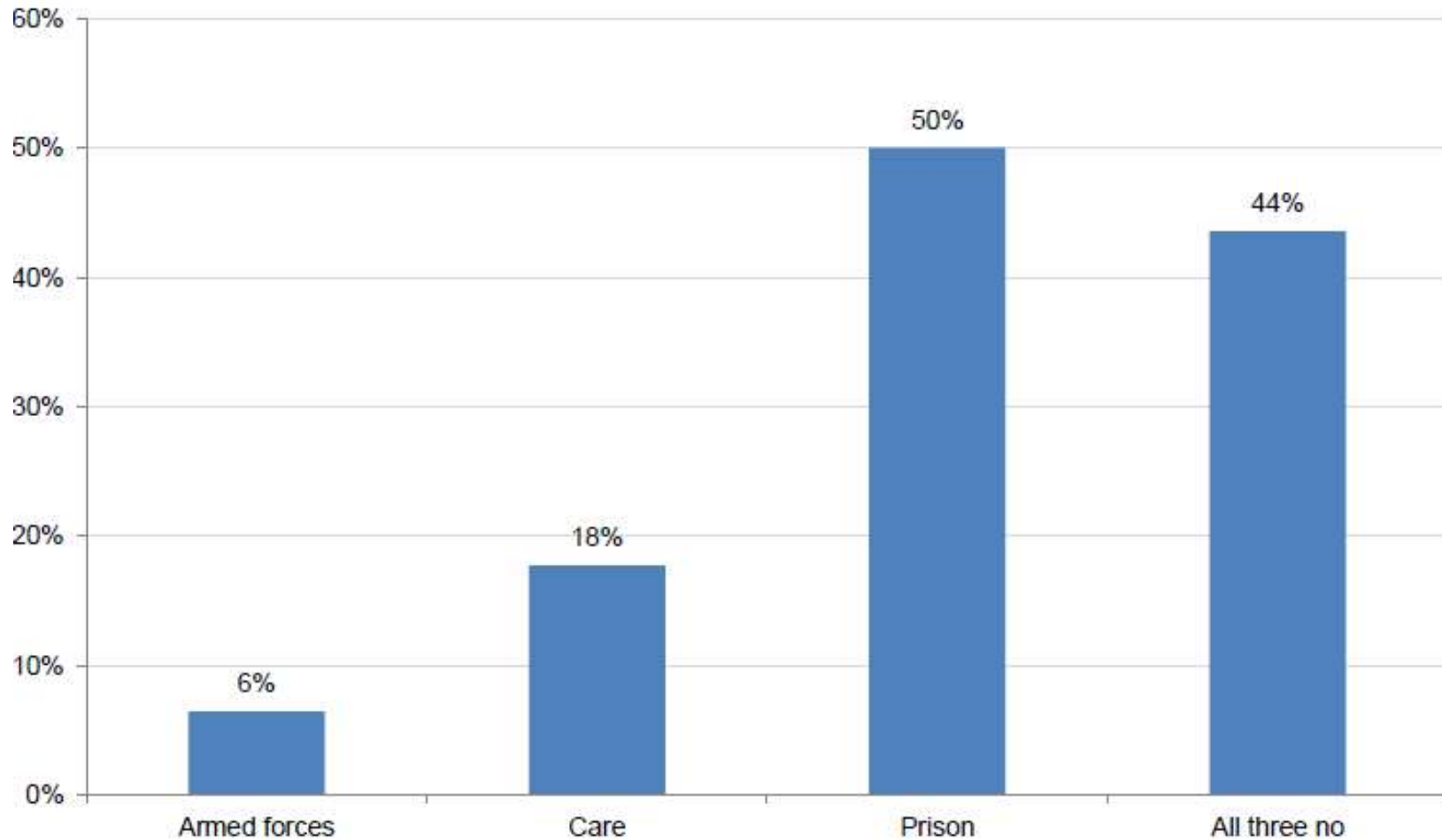
Support needs of people sleeping rough Q2 2020/21

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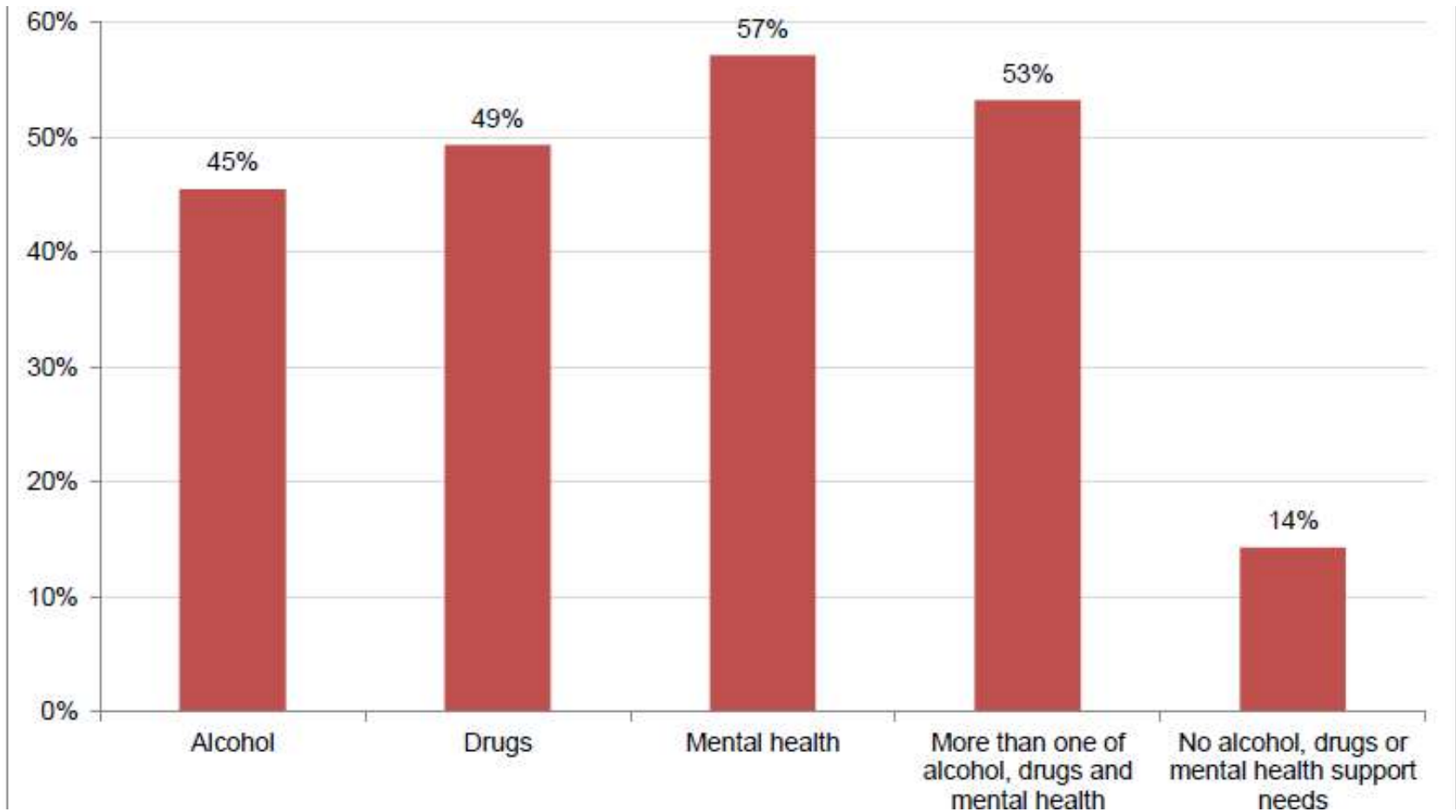
New rough sleepers (Flow)

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Q1 2020/21	Q2 2020/21	DOT
City of London	51.10%	52.80%	35.10%	47.80%	47.23%	32.85%	20.00%	⇩
Greater London	65.20%	62.80%	59.50%	62.40%	65.75%	63.11%	55.19%	⇩
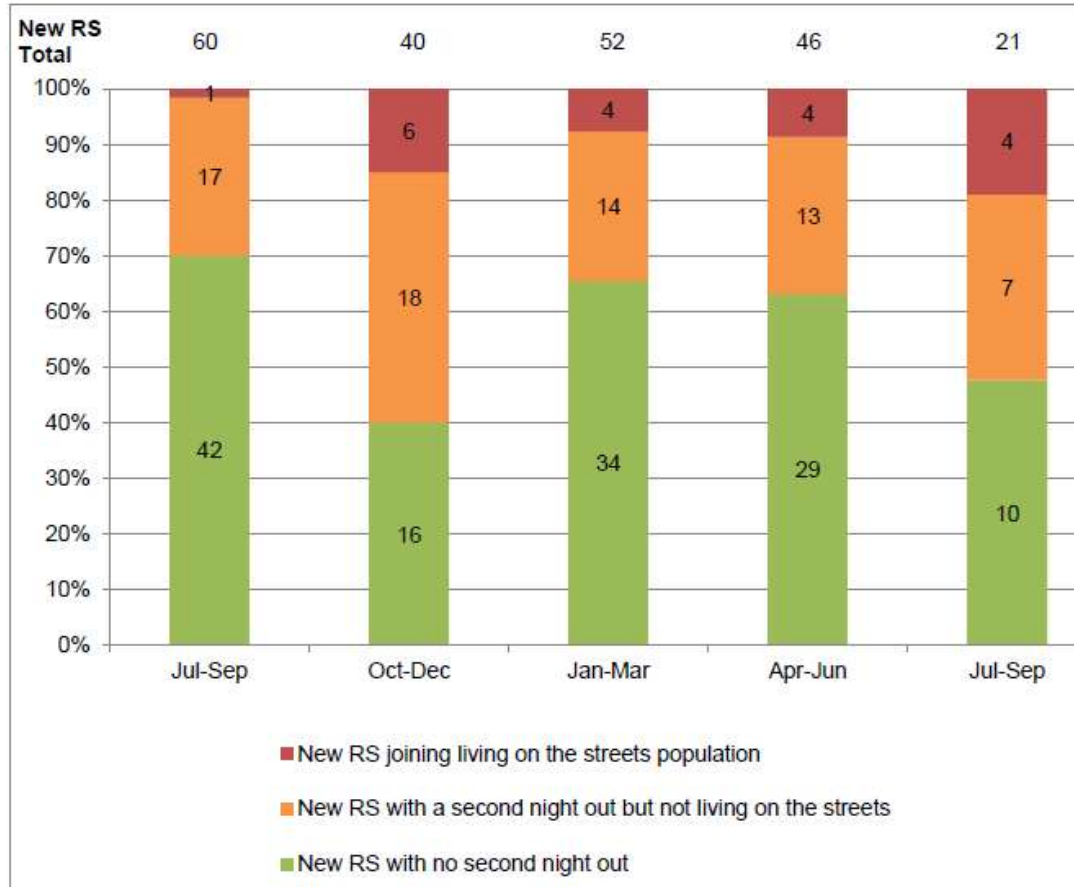
Percentage of new rough sleepers not spending a second night out (NSNO)

	2019/20				2020/21		Direction of travel (DOT)
	Q1	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**	**Q1**	**Q2**	
City of London	63%	70%	40%	65%	63%	48%	⇩
Southwark	70%	71%	77%	74%	62%	72%	⇧
Tower Hamlets	84%	79%	42%	76%	81%	70%	⇩
Camden	75%	74%	74%	66%	68%	81%	⇧
Westminster	77%	87%	82%	87%	75%	72%	⇔
Greater London	80%	80%	77%	79%	81%	77%	⇔

Living on the streets longer-term rough sleepers (Stock)

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Q1 2020/21	Q2 2020/21	DOT
City of London	35.90%	34.00%	48.30%	37.40%	32.48%	19.28%	38.09%	⇧
Greater London	22.60%	24.40%	25.50%	23.50%	22.16%	6.24%	9.75%	⇧
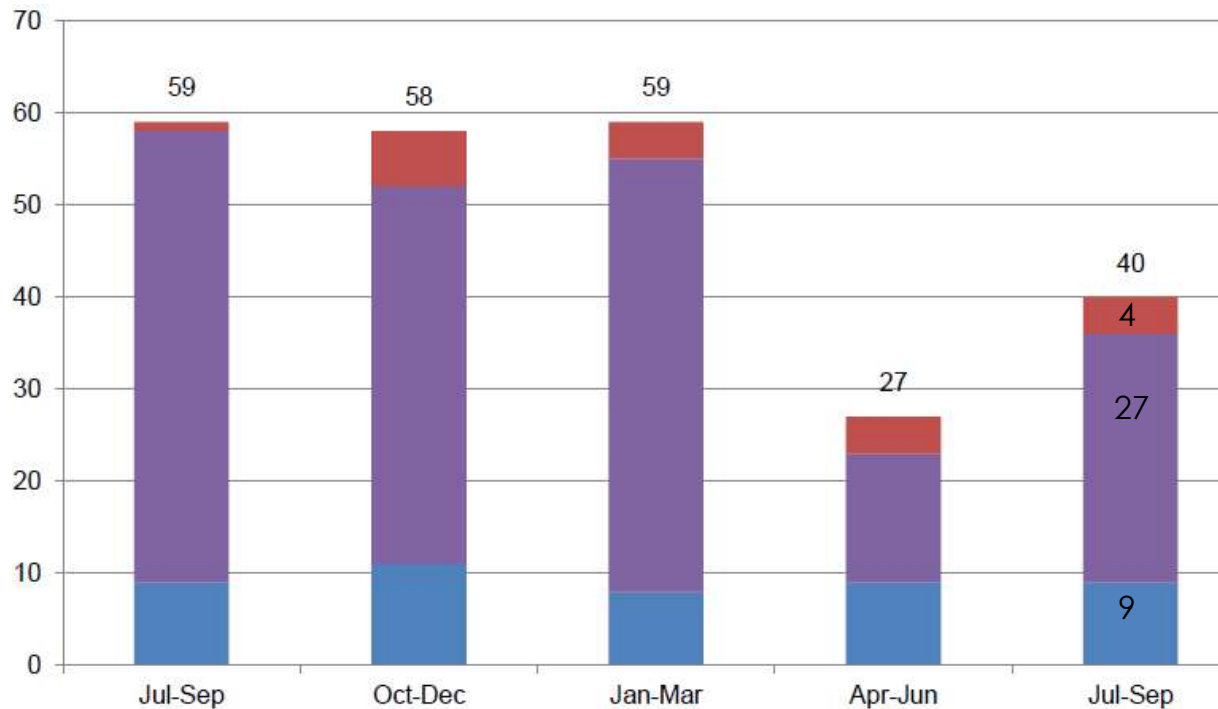
Intermittent rough sleepers (Returners)

Intermittent/Returners	2019/20				2020/21		Direction of Travel
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
City of London	63	63	53	65	71	48	⬎
Southwark	65	89	71	80	81	55	⬎
Tower Hamlets	54	87	63	72	67	53	⬎
Camden	97	129	125	125	98	96	⇔
Westminster	311	355	332	360	297	356	⇧
Greater London	1298	1504	1489	1495	1322	1239	⇩

Number of bedded-down street contacts Q2 2020/21

Legend: COL Percentage (blue bars), Greater London Average (red line)

Categories: 1 Street Contact (17), 2 Street Contacts (15), 3 Street Contacts (5), 4 Street Contacts (9), 5 Street Contacts (2), 6 Or More Street Contacts

Quarterly accommodation stays

Accommodation	No. of stays						% share					
	2019/20				2020/21		2019/20				2020/21	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
City Assessment Hubs	22	13	9	5	0	0	47%	32%	19%	7%	0%	0%
Bed & breakfast	11	8	9	6	2	1	23%	20%	19%	8%	1%	2%
Clinic/detox/rehab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
COVID-19 Emergency Accommodation (Local)	0	0	0	18	58	28	0%	0%	0%	25%	43%	61%
COVID-19 Emergency Accommodation (Pan-London)	0	0	0	8	63	0	0%	0%	0%	11%	46%	0%
Hostel	5	3	7	8	8	7	11%	7%	15%	11%	6%	15%
Long-term accommodation	1	3	2	2	3	5	2%	7%	4%	3%	2%	11%
No second night out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0 %	0%	0%	0
Temporary accommodation (local authority)	6	12	4	7	0	0	13%	29%	9%	10%	0%	0
Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP) (Local)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0
SWEP (Pan-London)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0
Winter/Night Shelter	2	1	7	0	0	0	4%	2%	15%	0%	0%	0
Total Stay	**47**	**40**	**39**	**55**	**136**	46	**47**	**40**	**39**	**55**	**136**	46