

THE STATE OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

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Supportive Housing Network of NY



Purpose



Provide a comprehensive overview of the entirety of New York's supportive housing landscape.



Serve as a resource to inform future supportive housing plans, advocacy efforts, and policy decisions.



Educate and inform our community, the public, government and elected officials

Why Now?

Homelessness Crisis

39% annual increase of statewide homelessness in 2023

Rent to Income Ratio Widening

Escalating rents continue to outpace earned income

Heightened Awareness of Mental Health and Substance Use Concerns

Increased concerns around serious incidents involving individuals with unmet housing and behavioral health needs

Diminishing Affordable Housing Supply

NYC Housing and Vacancy Survey found that net rental vacancy rate dropped 1.4% - the lowest rate since the 1968

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Report's Key Themes & Findings



There are 62,299 Supportive Housing Units in New York State

Spanning 18 different supportive housing programs, overseen by 9 government entities, and encompassing 46 specific population categories. Every county in NYS has supportive housing.



Successful Programs Require Sufficient Service, Operating and Capital Funding

Supportive housing is primarily funded by state, federal, and local government agencies, with various funding streams for social services, rental assistance, and capital.



Not All Supportive Housing is Created Equal

There are significant funding disparities among supportive housing programs, with older programs receiving considerably less funding compared to newer initiatives like ESSHI and NYC 15/15.



Evolution of Tenant Population

The tenant population has evolved from primarily individuals with serious mental health diagnoses or HIV/AIDS to include a wide array of at-risk populations such as those with substance use disorders, families, veterans, and survivors of domestic violence.

Data Sources, Methodology & Limitations

Data Sources

Primary data sources for this report include state and city government agencies responsible for funding supportive housing and social service providers who operate them.

Methodology

The analysis combined quantitative data analysis with qualitative insights to provide a comprehensive understanding of the current state of supportive housing.

Key Data Limitations

Differences in data collection methods across agencies make it difficult to get detailed information on all supportive housing units. While this report represents the most comprehensive effort to-date, compiling all supportive housing units across New York State, absolute completeness cannot be guaranteed.

Data Overview

- Currently 62,299 open units
 - 31,402 congregate
 - 30,897 scattered site
 - 40,472 in NYC
 - 21,827 in Balance of State
- More than 4,000 units under construction

Supportive Housing Units by Site Type and Location



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Contracting Agencies

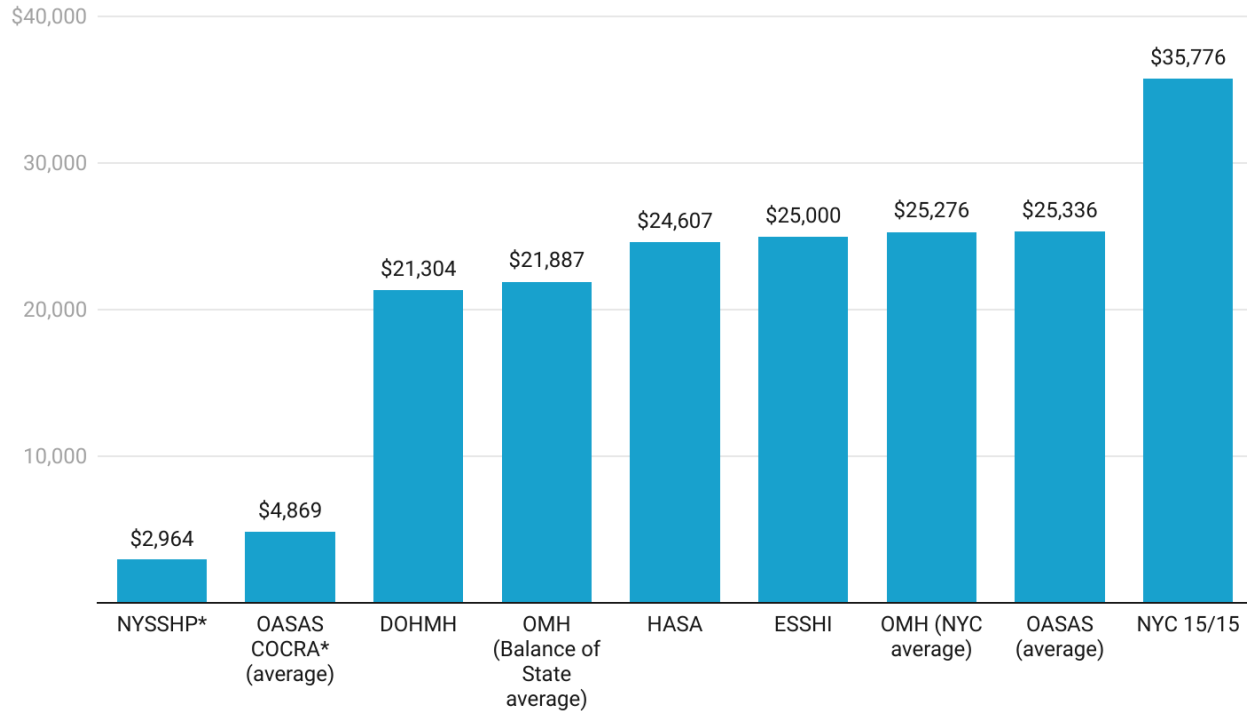
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 - Office of Mental Health (OMH)
 - Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA)
 - Department of Health (DOH)
 - DOH AIDS Institute
 - Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS)
 - Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)
- New York City Funded
 - Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)
 - HIV/AIDS Services Administration (HASA)
 - Human Resources Administration (HRA)

Supportive Housing Initiatives

- New York State Supportive Housing Program (NYSSHP): 18,783 units, \$2,964 singles, \$3,900 families
 - SRO Support Services: 10,537 units
- NY/NY I: 2,521 units, \$21,304-\$34,681
- NY/NY II: 1,005 units, \$21,304-\$34,681
- NY/NY III: 8,081 units, \$21,304-\$38,790
- Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT): 1,623 units, \$11,836-\$28,000
- Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI): 5,444 units, \$25,000
- NYC 15/15: 3,944 units, \$26,758-\$54,835

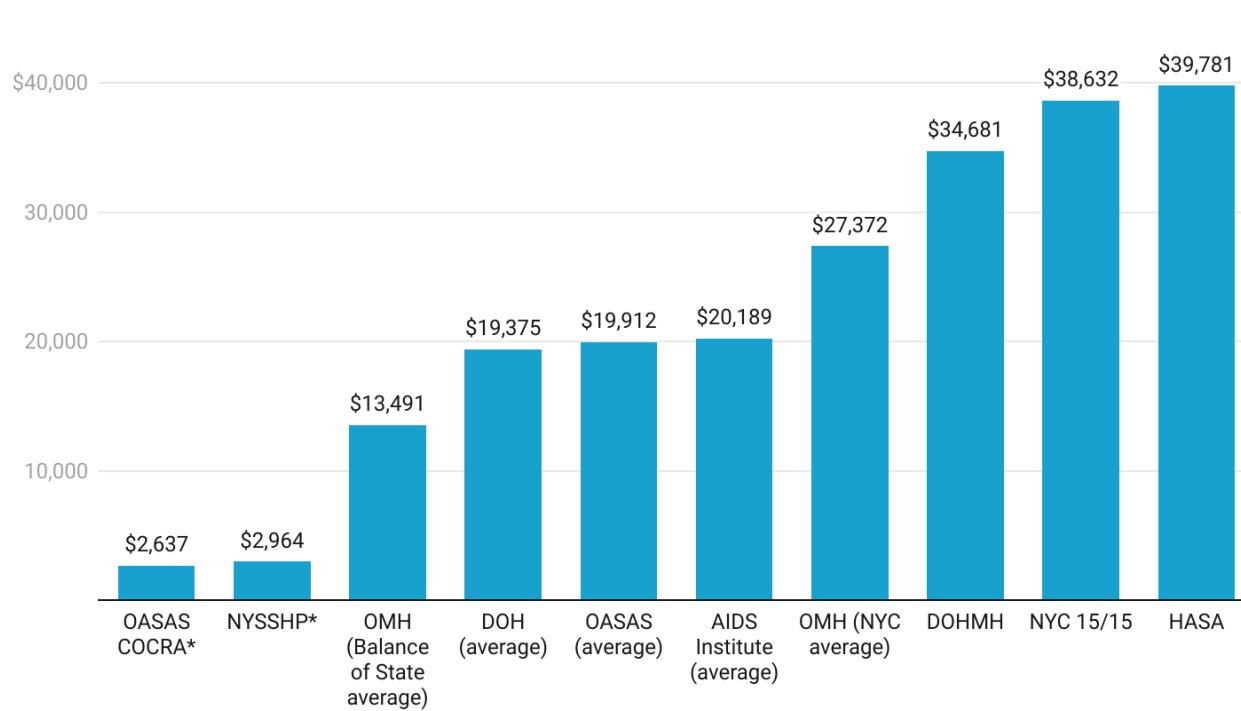
Rate Comparisons

Congregate Single Adult Rates



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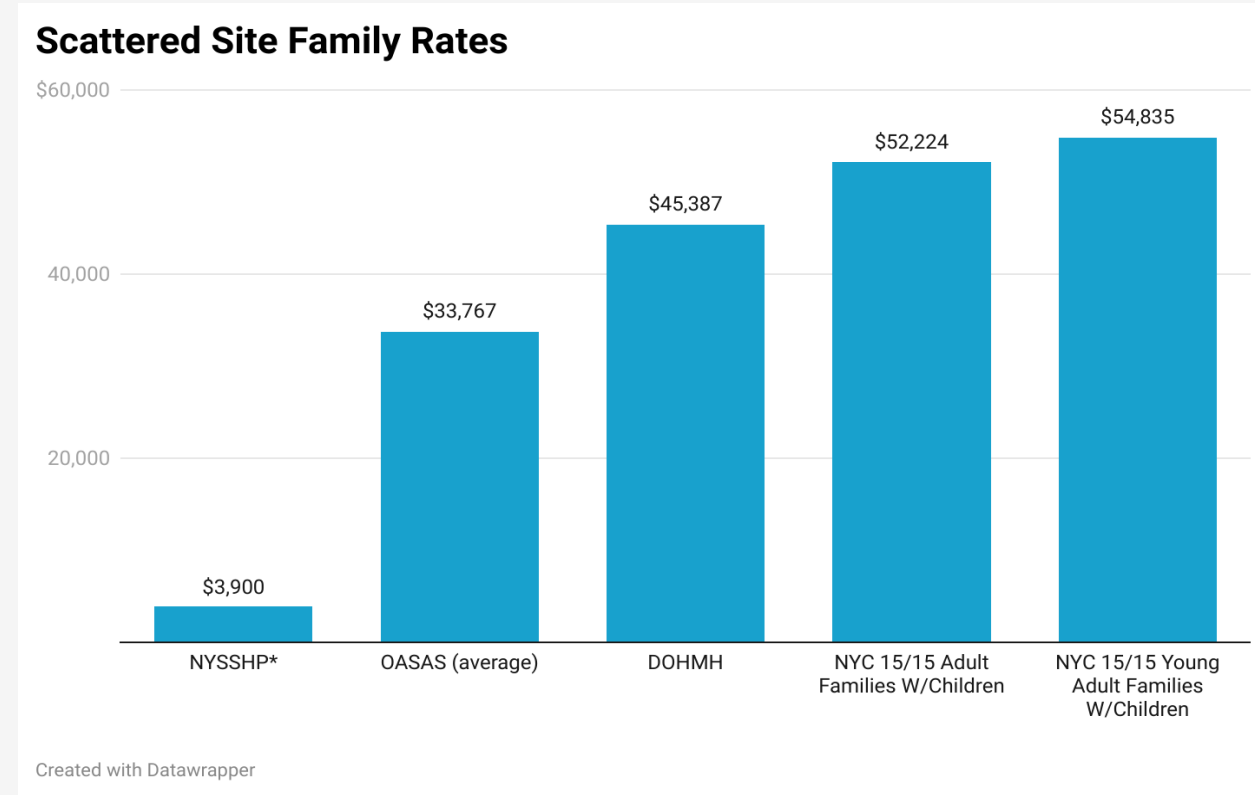
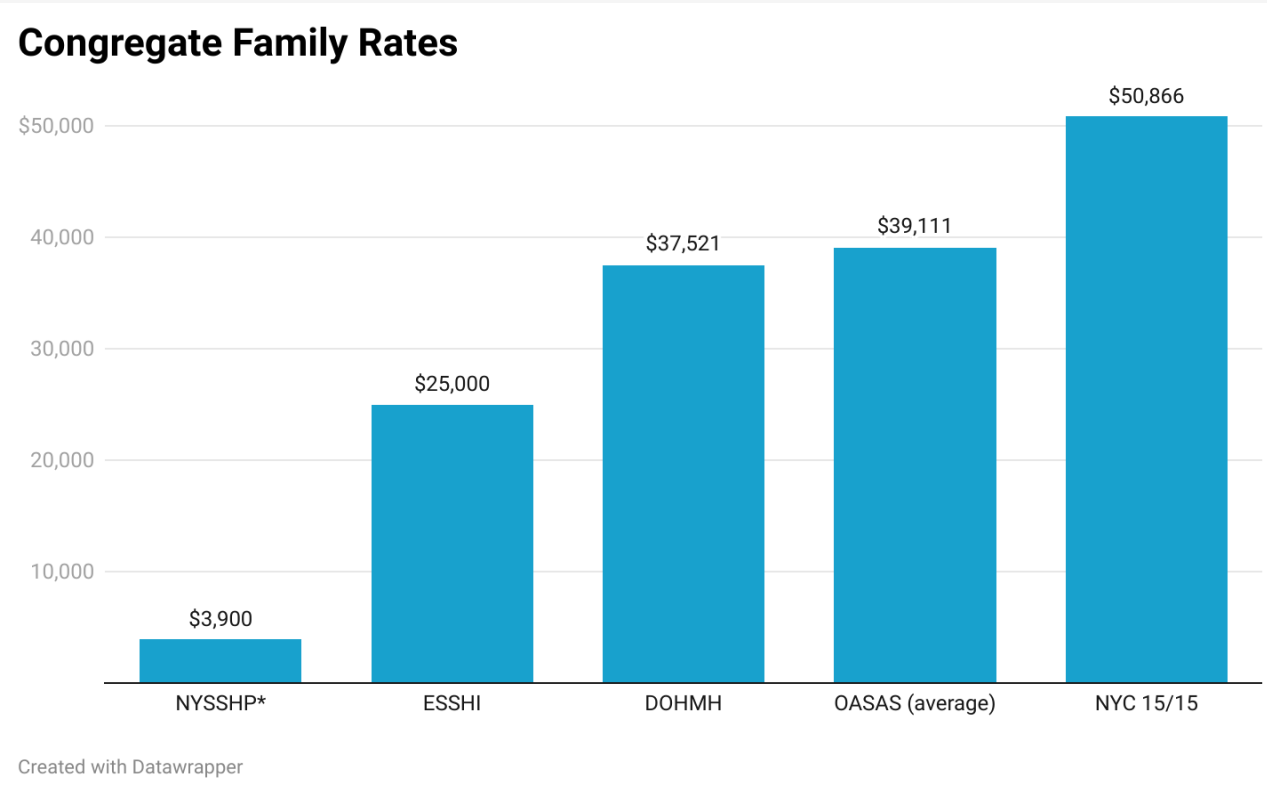
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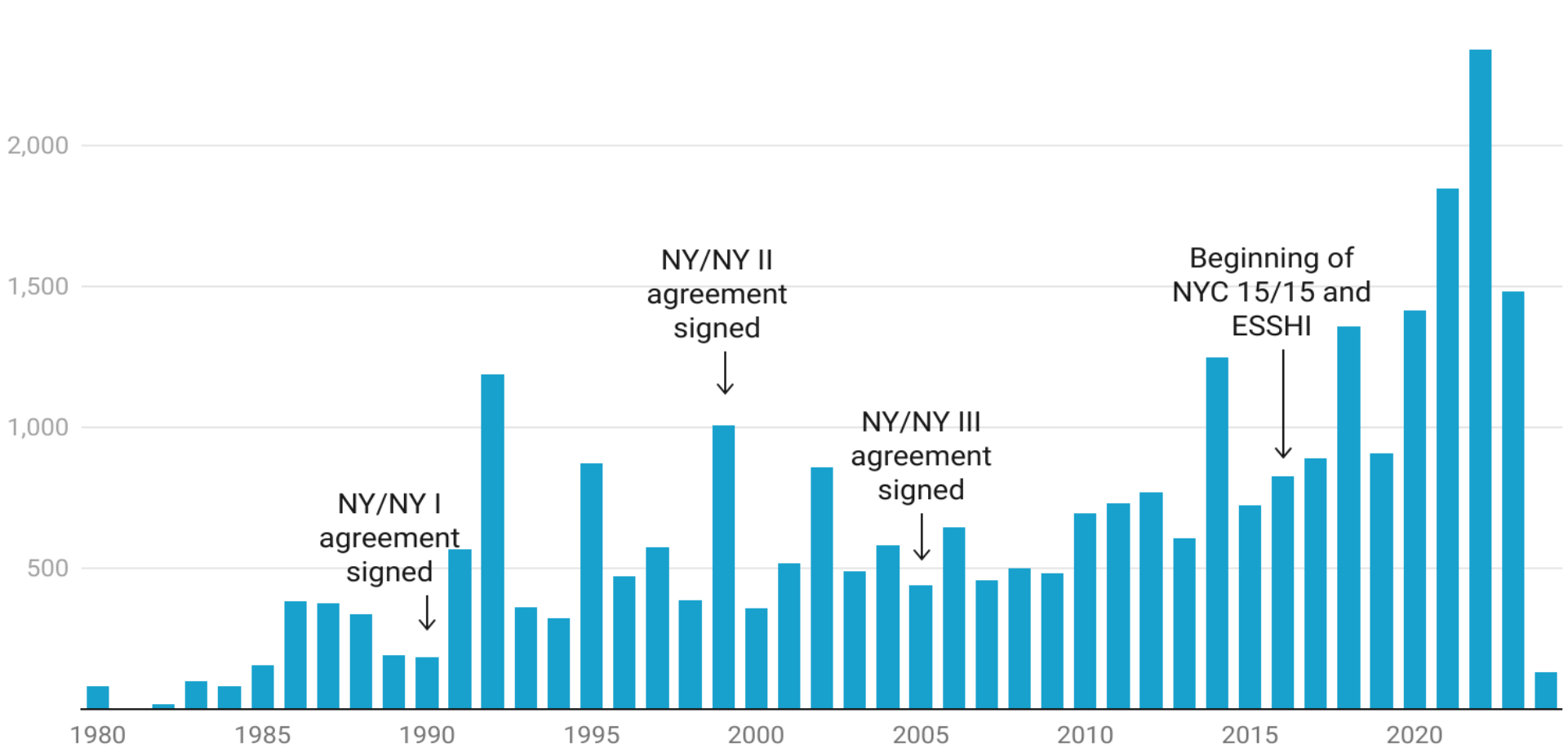
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Number of Congregate Units by Open Year - Statewide



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Need for Preservation

- 12,187 units in 301 congregate residences across the state that opened fifteen or more years ago that have not been rehabbed since opening
- Many of these were not new construction when they opened
- Needs will only continue to grow due to exponential growth of supportive housing
- Buildings most in need of preservation don't have enough service and operating funding to sustain preservation