# IMPLICATIONS OF HUSING INSTABILITY ON EDUCATION

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# Housing Instability and Pre-K to 12 Education

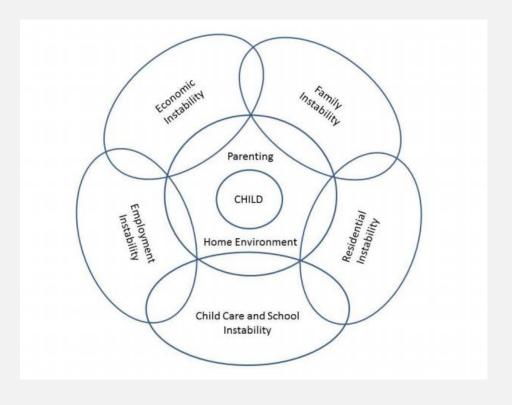
#### **Definition**

- Behind on Rent
- Crowding
- Frequent Moves
- Homelessness

### Impacts

Worse academic and social outcomes:

- weaker vocabulary skills
- problem behaviors
- grade retention
- higher high school drop-out rates
- lower adult educational attainment



### Housing Insecurity in Higher Education

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- #RealCollege Survey
- "Housing insecurity includes a broad set of challenges such as the inability to pay rent or utilities or the need to move frequently"

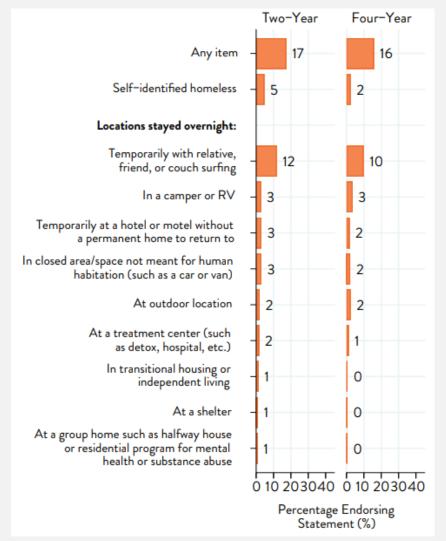


Two-Year		Four-Year
50%	Any item	35%
23%	Had a rent or mortgage increase that made it difficult to pay	15%
22%	Did not pay full amount of rent or mortgage	12%
22%	Did not pay full amount of utilities	9%
17%	Had an account default or go into collections	7%
17%	Moved in with people due to financial problems	11%
12%	Lived with others beyond the expected capacity of the housing	7%
7%	Left household because felt unsafe	6%
3%	Moved three or more times	4%
2%	Received a summons to appear in housing court	1%

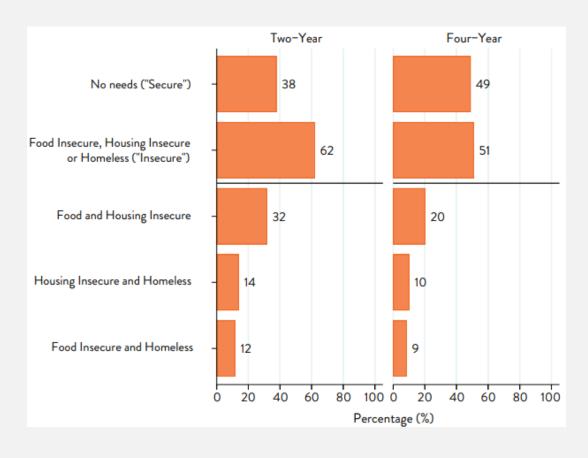
Source: Baker-Smith, C, Coca, V., Goldrick-Rab, S., Looker, E, Richardson, B, Williams, T. (2020). #Realcollege 2020: Five years of evidence on campus basic needs insecurity. The Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice.

#### Homelessness among survey respondents by sector

"Homelessness means that a person does not have a fixed, regular, and adequate place to live."

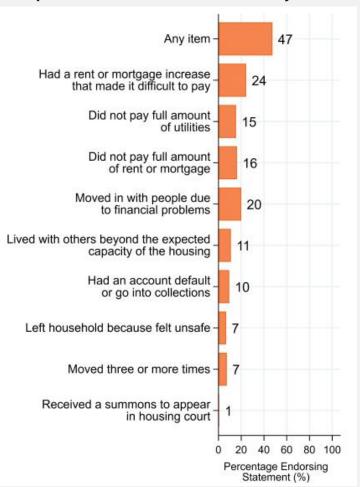


# Intersections of Food Insecurity, Housing Insecurity, and Homelessness Among Survey Respondents by Sector

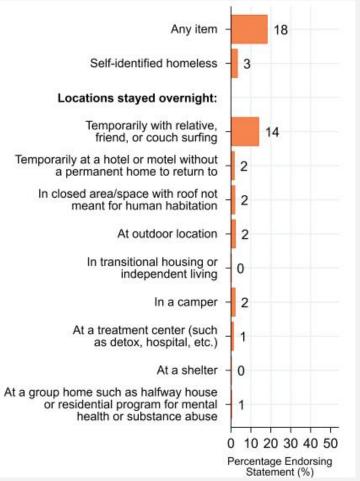


# Housing Insecurity & Homelessness at Boise State University

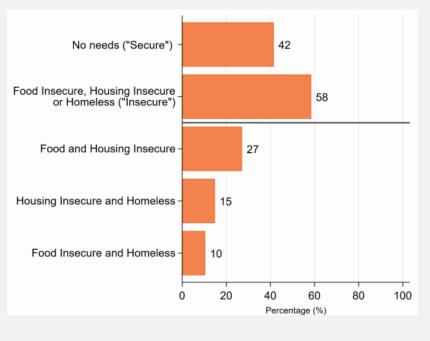




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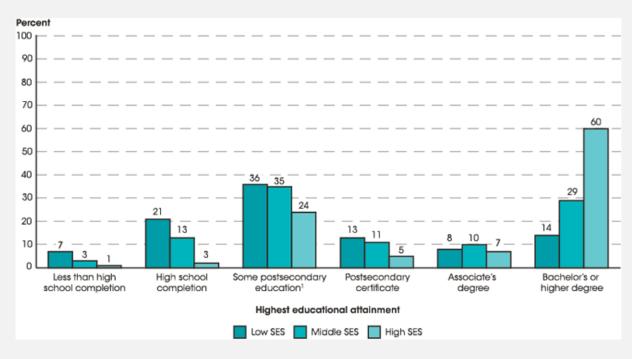


Source: 2018 #Realcollege survey school report for boise state university. Prepared by the Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice.

# Impacts on Learning Outcomes & Academic Achievement

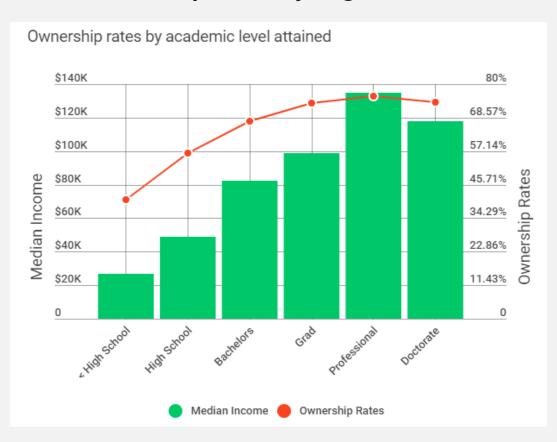
- Higher levels of stress, depression, and anxiety
- Lower self-reported GPA
- Less likely to feel on track to achieve academic goals and have confidence in academic abilities
- Less likely to be authentically engaged in class
- Increased likelihood of dropping out

#### College Degree Completion and Socioeconomic Status

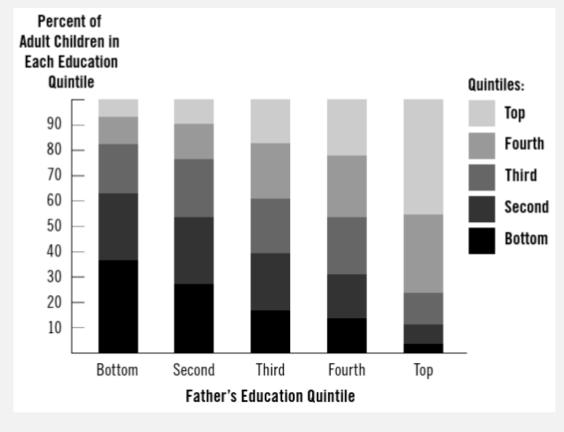


# Socioeconomic Implications

#### Home Ownership Rates by Degree Attainment



#### Inheritance of Educational Status



Source: Reeves, R (2017). Dreamhoarders: How the American upper middle class is leaving everyone else in the dust, why that is a problem, and what to do about it. Brookings Institutions Press.

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