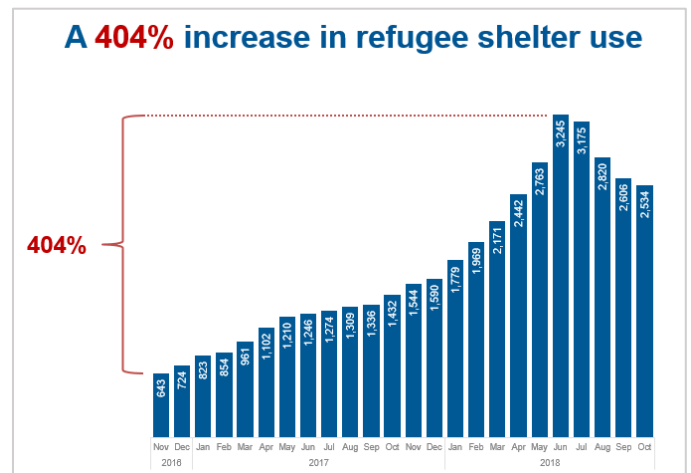
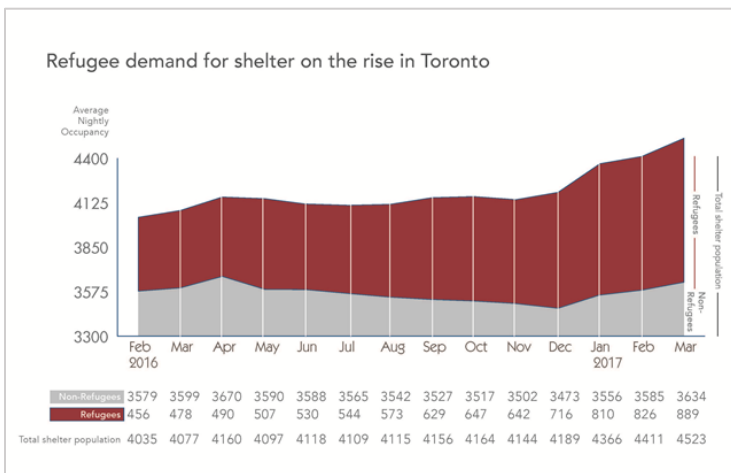


# Secondary migration by refugee/asylum claimants to Toronto: Visualizing the city's emergency shelter system response

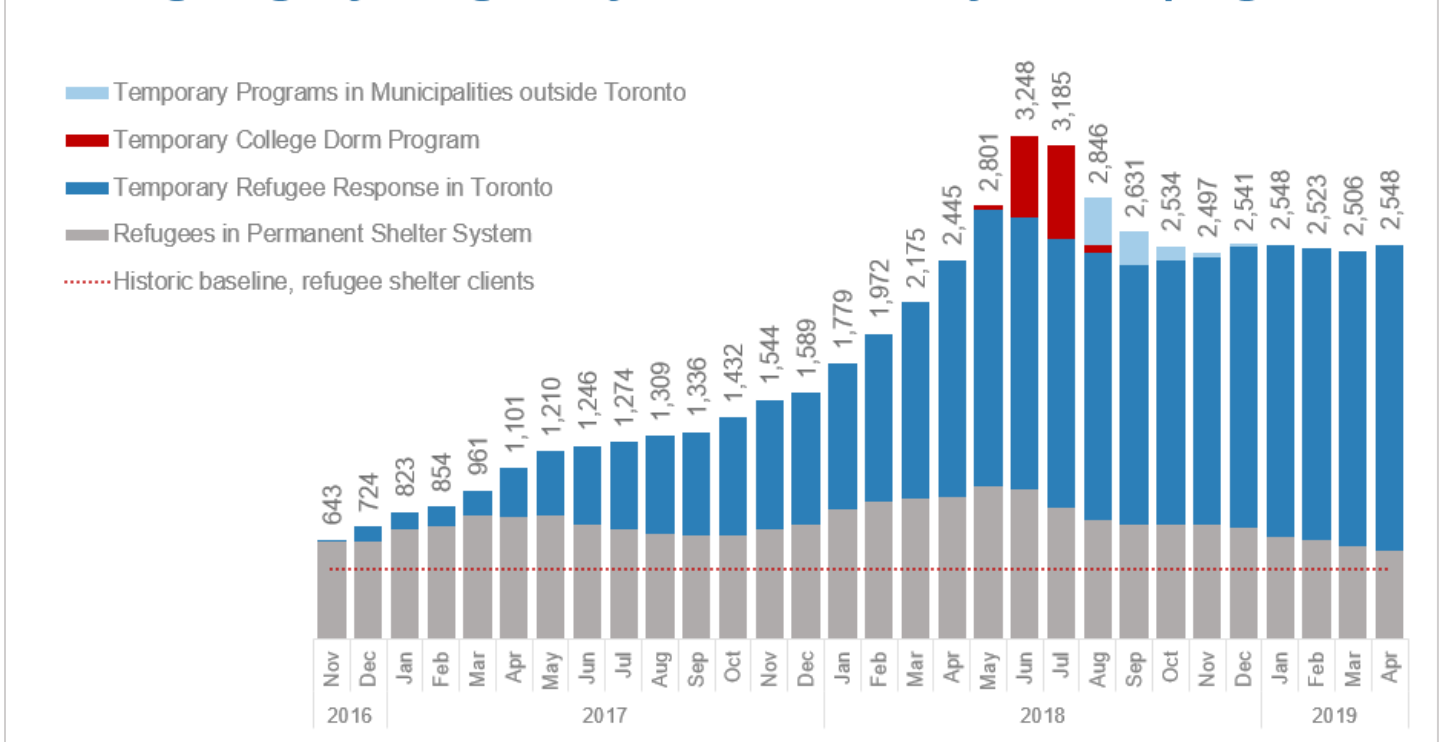
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## 1. Visualization of the issue evolves to meet storytelling needs.

Shift from focus on refugee/asylum claimant population as part of shelter population to increase in shelter use to specific shelter programs for refugee/asylum claimants.



## Average nightly refugee/asylum claimants by shelter program

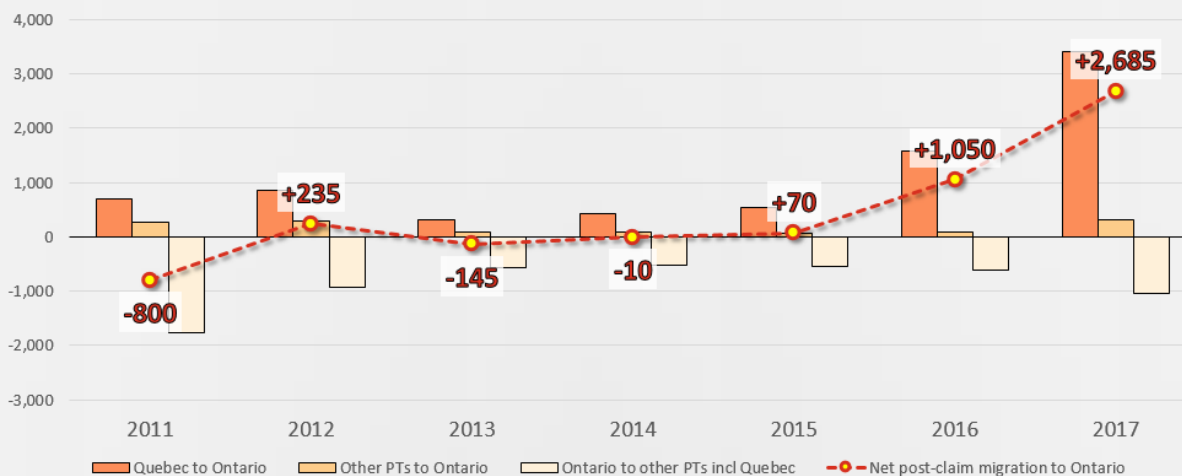


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**2. In a challenging data sharing environment, corroborating data sources proved invaluable.** Open data supported inter-governmental dialogue, but as with all administrative data, it's important to remember that data can shift over time.

## Ontario's net gain of claimants from post-claim interprovincial migration is increasing

Province of claim vs province of last known address  
(Claimants moving in or out of Ontario), 2011-2017

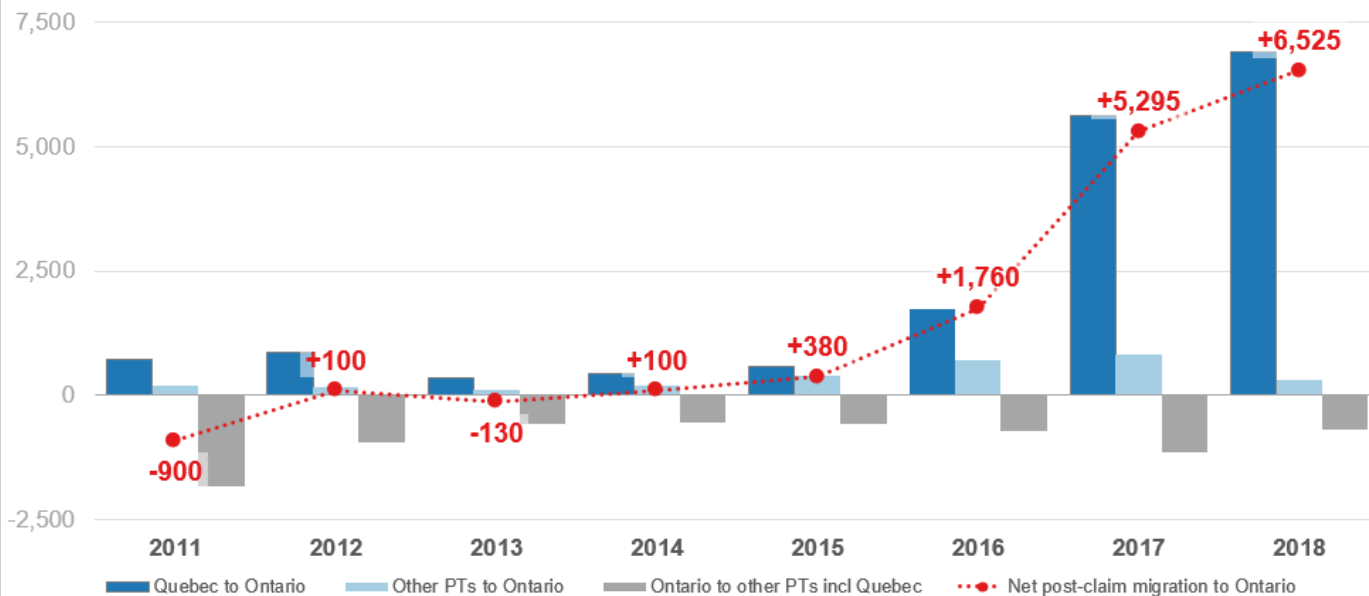


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Canada - Asylum Claimants by Province/Territory of Claim Received\*,  
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## Post-claim interprovincial migration of asylum claimants to Ontario has increased dramatically, largely due to migration from Quebec

Province of claim vs province of last known address  
(Claimants moving in or out of Ontario), by year of claim, 2011-2018

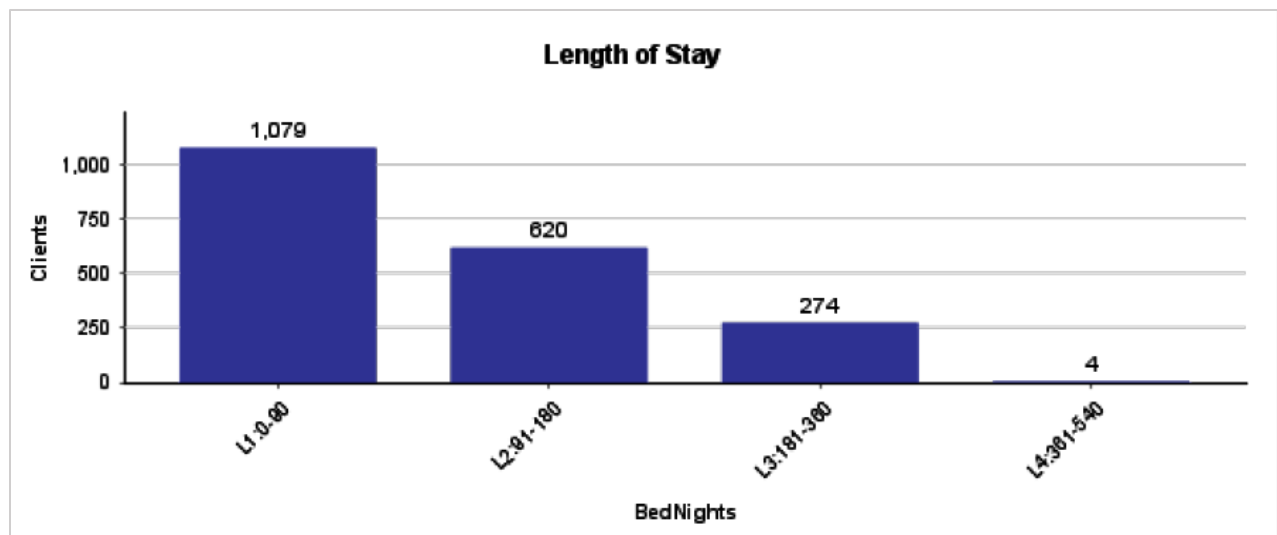
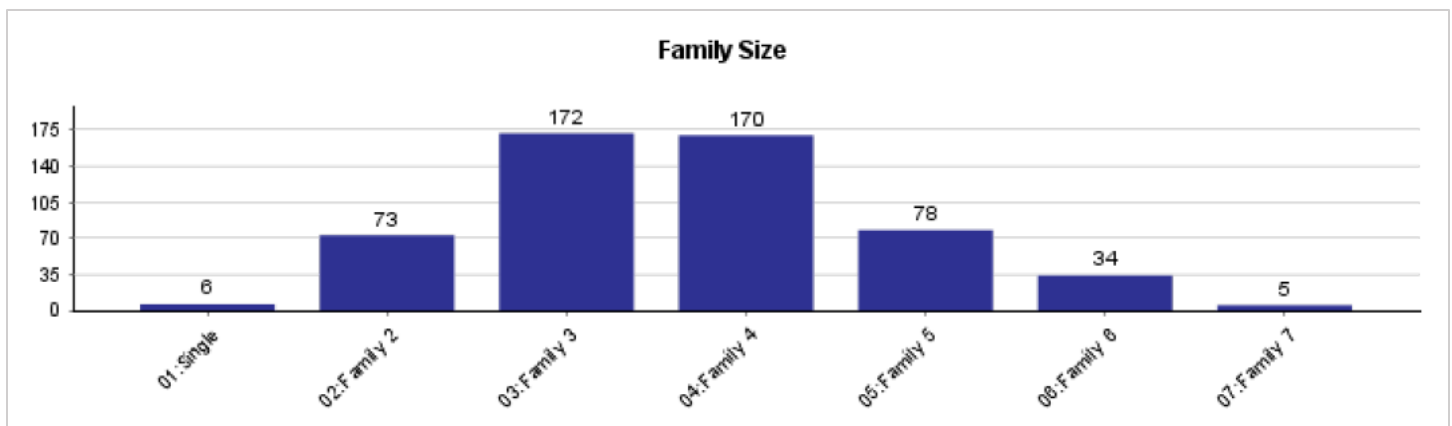
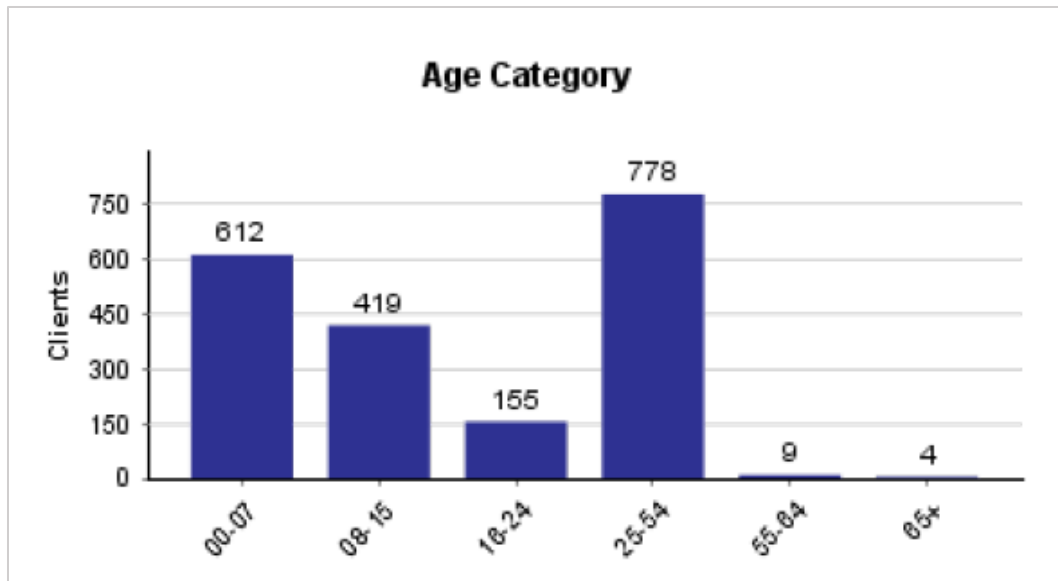


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### 3. Contextual data can be key.

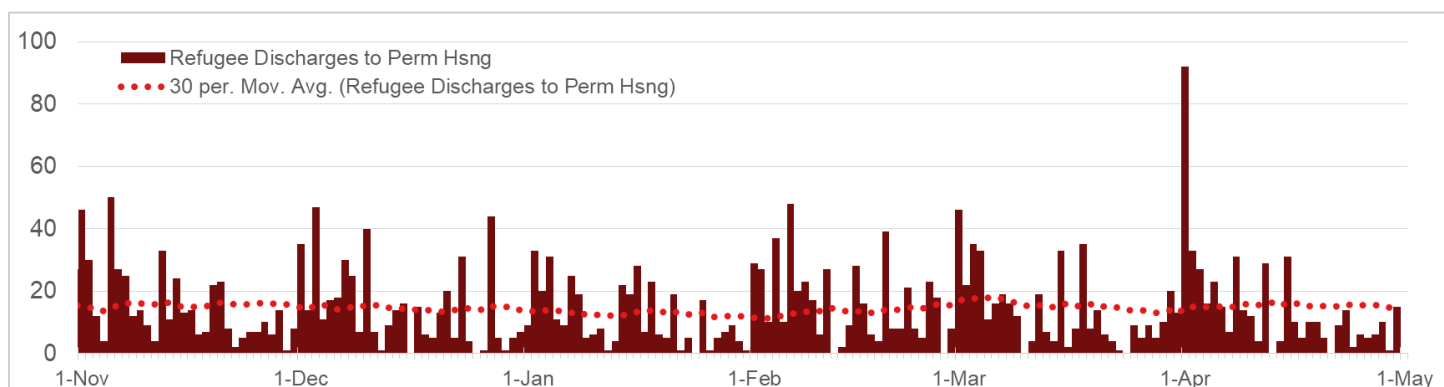
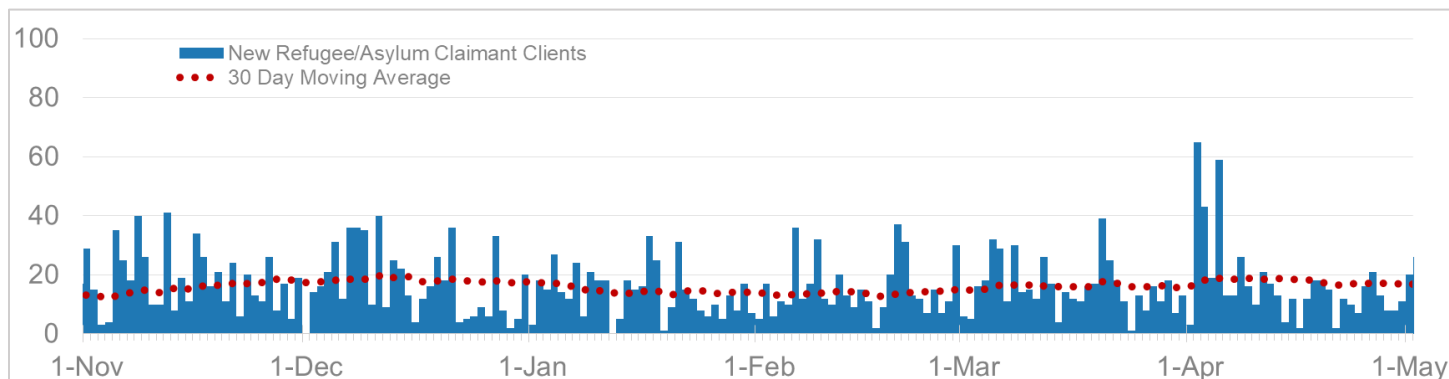
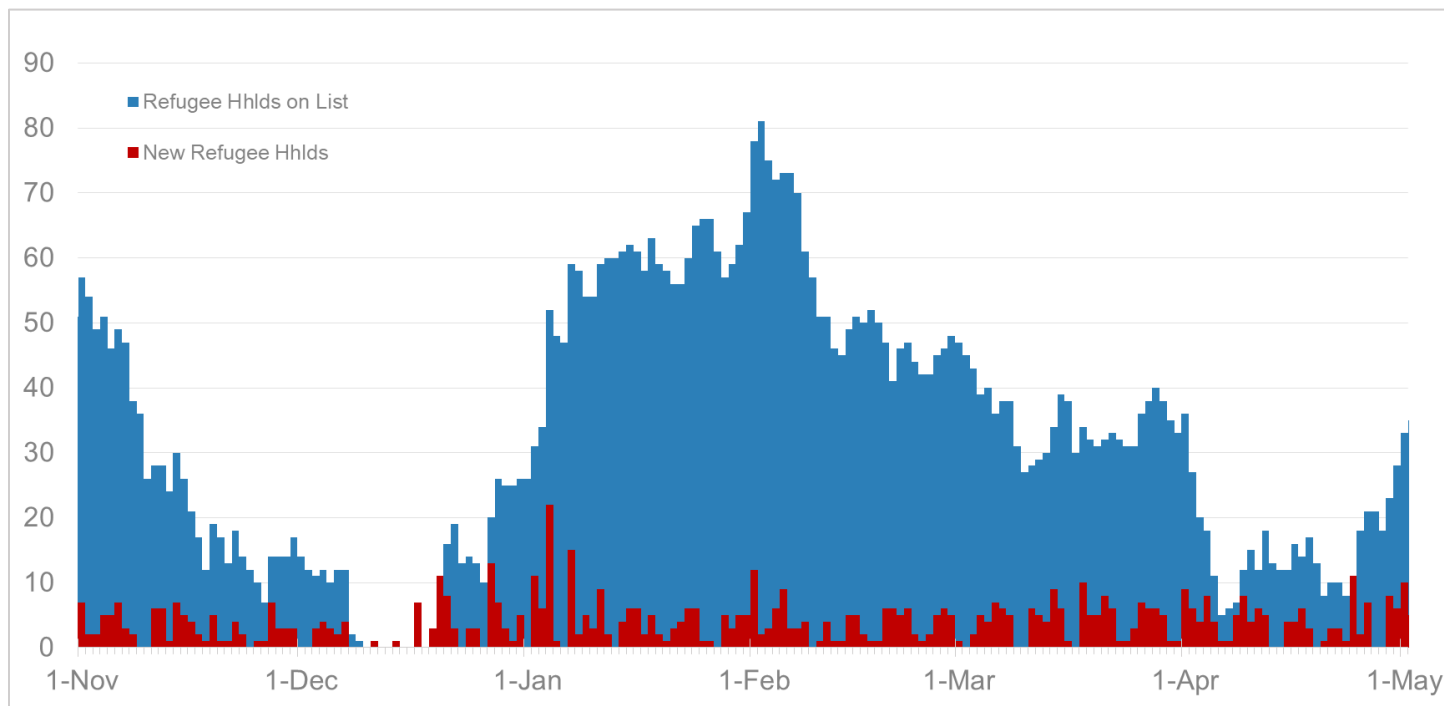
For example, useful reminder that more than half this population is children under age 16, larger families can present challenges for housing clients, but that length of stay is still generally shorter.



*Data source: City of Toronto, Shelter, Support & Housing Administration  
(Daily Operations Report, Refugee/Asylum Claimant Programs, May 10, 2019)*

#### 4. Improving processes around data opens up new opportunities for visualization and analysis

Adding family placement list and housing discharge data enhances understanding of occupancy data.



Data source: City of Toronto, Shelter, Support & Housing Administration

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