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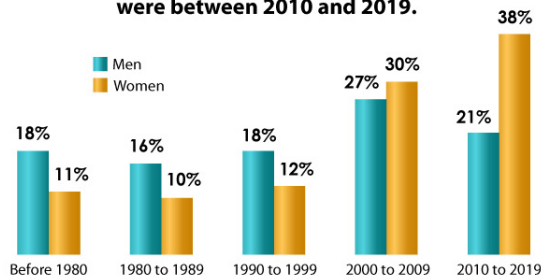
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Among the population being studied, recent unsheltered homelessness is more common among women than among men: **38%** of unsheltered homelessness episodes experienced by women were between 2010 and 2019.



Socioeconomic and health outcomes are substantially worse for people who have experienced homelessness than those who have not. Women who have experienced homelessness reported worse socioeconomic and health outcomes than their male counterparts.

1. Unsheltered homelessness refers to individuals who, at some point in their life, have lived in a homeless shelter, on the street or in parks, in a makeshift shelter or in an abandoned building.
2. Hidden homelessness refers to individuals who had to temporarily live with family or friends, or anywhere else, because they had nowhere else to live.

Sources: S. Uppal, 2022. "A portrait of Canadians who have been homeless." *Insights on Canadian Society*, March. Statistics Canada Catalogue no. 75-006-X; Statistics Canada, Canadian Housing Survey, 2018.

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