

PROYECTO JUNTOS UPDATE

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Lessons Learned

- Greater difficulty than expected in getting partners to embrace and implement the project
 - Assumed the work of the project would be “embraced” by Project Partners
 - “Business as usual” approach versus flexibility
- Greater focus on partner attitudes required
- Be highly cognizant of the “culture of medicine”
- Putting project staff at the forefront
 - listening to what they say
 - providing feedback in a timely way
 - acting on what they say

Year 2 Intermediate Project Goals

- Continue clinical training and referral
 - Work with TOAETC on development of training models appropriate to the border HIV nursing workforce (they are “the standard of care”)
- Work on Communication
 - Facilitate internal communications among CHC administrators and their SPNS staff (physician protection; physician “role”)
 - Improve “feedback loop” to project staff re: issues/ barriers that hinder care provision

Socio-demographic Characteristics

Characteristics

Age at Intake: N = 108

	N	Mean	Minimum	Maximum
Male	81	37.00	17	68
Female	27	35.00	22	59

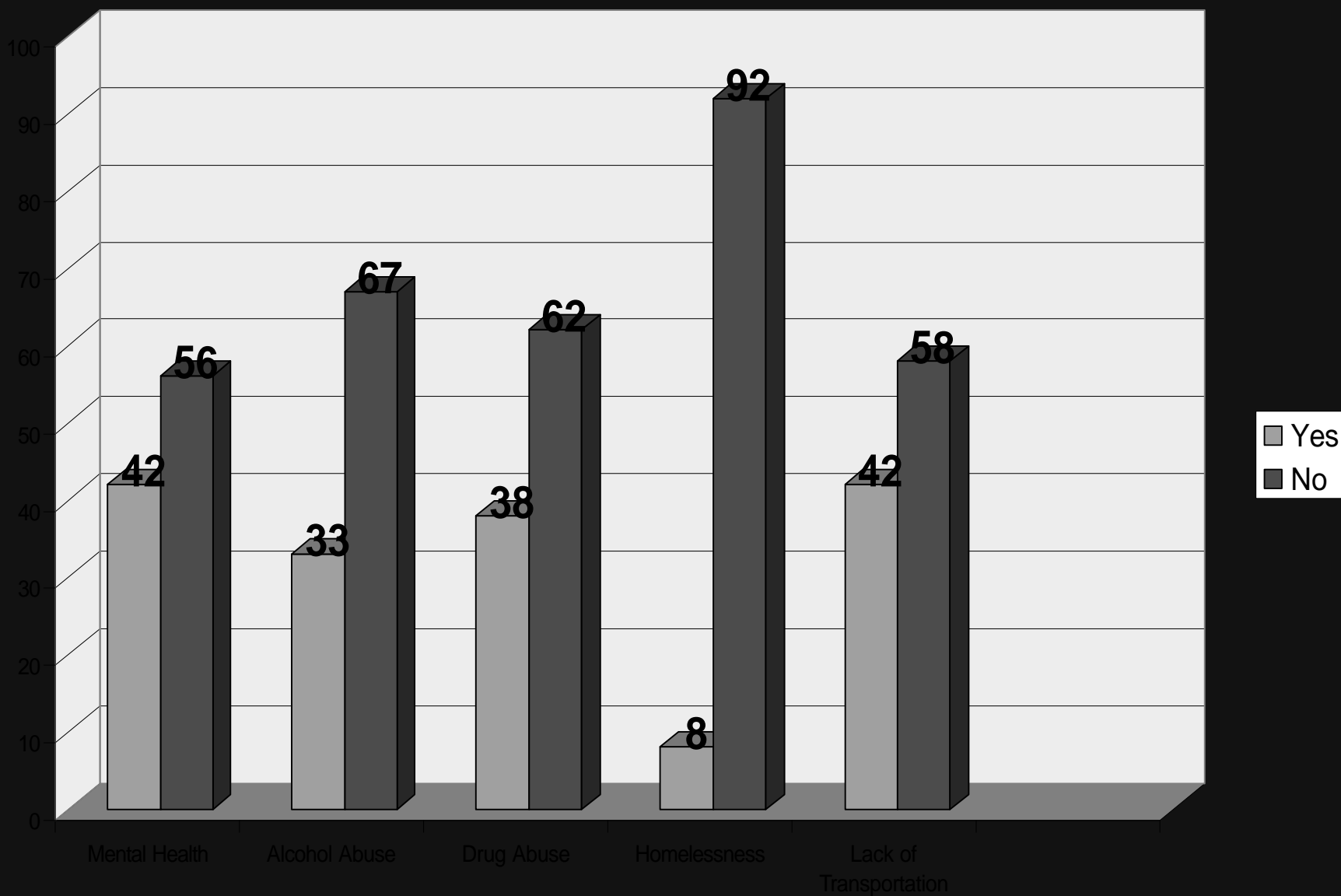
* Note: There are 8 children under 10 years of age not calculated in the mean, minimum, and maximum.

	Frequency	Percent
Gender: N = 108		
Male	81	75.0
Female	27	25.0
Pregnant (>= 13 yrs): n = 25		
No	19	76.0
Yes	6	24.0
Education: N = 88		
Dropped Out	34	38.6
Currently in School	2	2.3
GED	9	10.2
H.S. Graduate	17	19.3
Some College	19	21.6
College Graduate	6	6.8
N/A	1	1.1
Ethnicity: N = 88		
Hispanic/Latino/ Spanish	75	85.2
Not Hispanic/Latino/	13	14.8

Source of Data: Local Intake and Client Characteristic Form

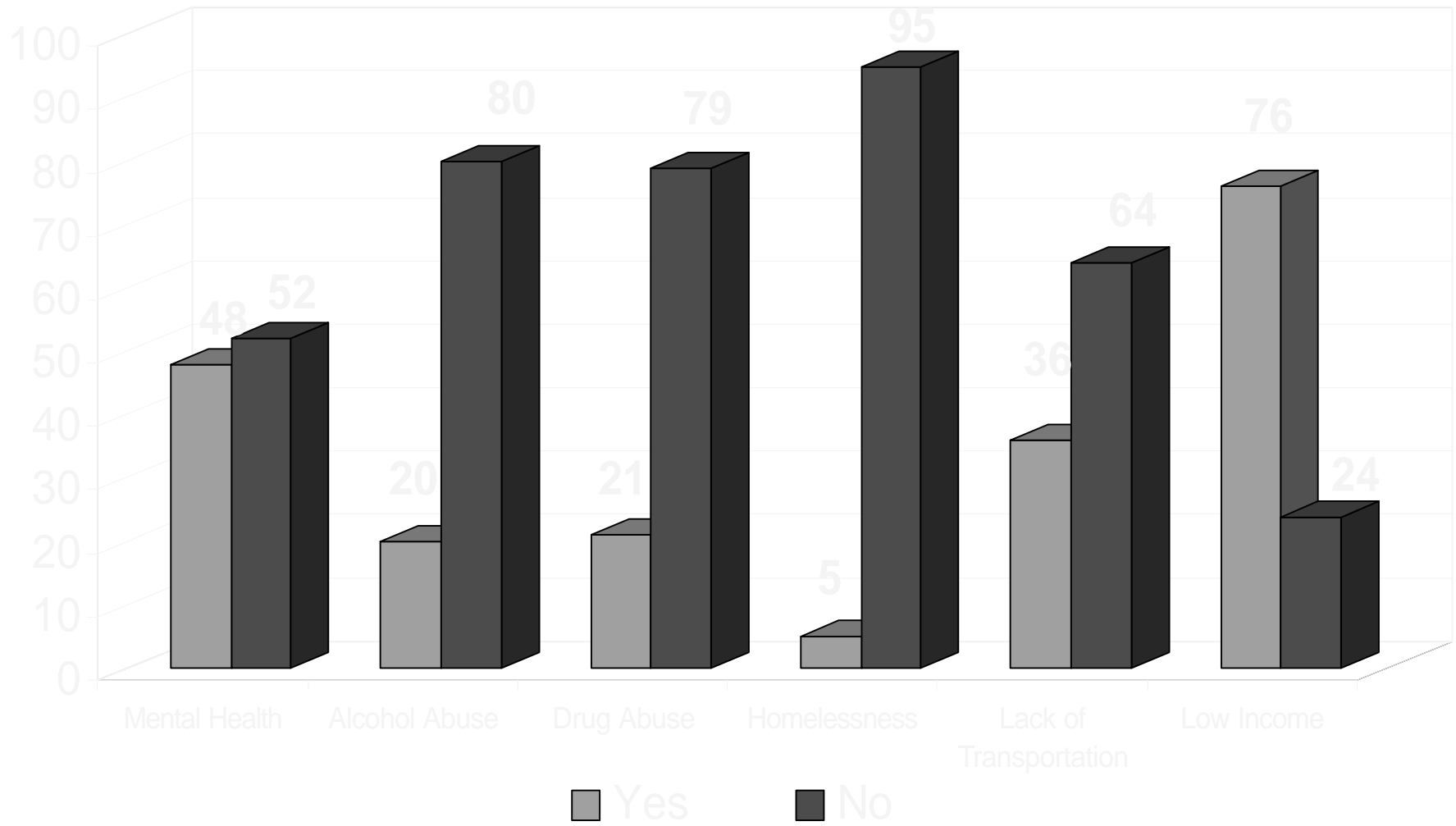
Presenting Problems at Intake

N = 24



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N = 84



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Changes in Use of HIV Primary Care at Local CHCs

Site	Fall 2000	Fall 2001
UMC - Eagle Pass	0	12
NCDV - Pharr/McAllen	0	4
BCHC - Brownsville	0	7
VAC - Harlingen	411	460

Up-Coming Local Evaluation Activities

SYSTEM LEVEL

- Case study describing HIV medical care delivery on Mexican side of project target area
 - Interview providers in Mexico
 - Disease management, problems and barriers
 - Patterns of referral, degree of communication and exchange
- Project Physician/ CHC Administrators/ Project Management Interviews

•CLIENT LEVEL

- Client access and use of health care/services in Mexico
 - Client Interview
- Client experiences with HIV Primary Medical Care at their local CHC (factors driving their choice of an “HIV Medical Home”)
 - Client Interviews
- On-going data review and training