

Table 93 Homelessness: categories of need in England

Number of households and percentages

	Number of households																Percentages							
	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017
Priority need households:																								
Households with:																								
Dependent children	84,120	66,290	65,330	52,370	42,000	37,480	34,300	23,850	25,350	30,370	34,120	34,520	35,550	38,050	40,540	38,360	66	56	59	52	60	67	68	66
Pregnant member	17,470	13,430	10,930	12,090	9,060	7,570	6,460	4,970	4,340	4,840	5,120	4,350	3,880	3,990	3,760	3,820	14	11	10	12	10	7	6	7
Vulnerable member:																								
Old age	6,570	5,890	3,920	2,530	1,540	1,140	900	600	710	740	810	790	890	860	840	870	5	5	4	3	2	2	1	2
Physical handicap	3,950	6,550	5,350	4,970	3,720	3,240	2,770	2,460	2,840	3,160	3,540	3,700	3,620	3,960	4,250	4,440	3	6	5	5	7	7	7	8
Mental illness	4,220	7,430	8,440	8,060	5,650	4,460	3,870	3,230	3,460	3,860	4,320	4,490	4,370	4,780	5,350	5,800	3	6	8	8	8	8	9	10
Young	-	3,760	4,400	8,970	6,750	5,220	4,320	3,000	2,200	2,060	1,820	1,560	1,350	1,160	1,030	920	-	3	4	9	5	2	2	2
Domestic violence	-	8,430	6,450	4,420	3,180	2,230	1,830	1,600	1,400	1,460	1,500	1,540	1,500	1,390	1,360	1,370	-	7	6	4	3	2	2	2
Other	9,460	4,550	5,440	6,220	4,610	3,230	2,690	1,900	1,850	1,790	2,040	2,070	2,040	2,060	1,890	1,920	7	4	5	6	4	4	3	3
Homeless in emergency	2,300	1,160	1,070	560	410	450	380	190	230	240	210	180	220	250	240	390	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
Total priority need (A)	128,090	117,490	111,340	100,170	76,860	64,970	57,510	41,780	42,390	48,510	53,480	53,210	53,410	56,500	59,260	57,890	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Non-priority need (B)	12,260	3,790	51,610	48,990	33,910	24,630	17,460	16,230	18,990	19,920	19,820	20,800	20,660	19,540	19,710	18,990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total (A+B)	140,350	121,280	162,950	149,160	110,770	89,600	74,970	58,010	61,380	68,430	73,300	74,010	74,070	76,040	78,980	76,880	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government, Homelessness statistics (Live Tables 770, 773).

Notes: 1. Separate figures for domestic violence and young person cases are not available for 1991 or earlier years.

2. There is a major discontinuity in the figures for acceptances of non-priority need households following the Housing Act 1996 (from January 1997).

3. Percentages do not always add to 100 as a result of rounding.

4. For figures for individual years from 1990 to 2004 see earlier versions of this table.