

Table 90 Local authority homeless acceptances

Number of households

	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Not held to be intentionally homeless																						
England	60,400	91,010	140,350	117,490	111,340	117,830	123,840	135,590	127,760	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
+ Scotland	7,038	10,992	14,233	15,200	18,200	24,900	27,574	30,015	29,999	31,658	31,404	31,368	33,556	35,836	35,193	30,921	29,112	27,999	28,053	26,938	27,146	27,241
+ Wales	4,772	4,825	9,226	8,638	4,156	5,181	6,437	8,512	10,071	8,376	6,974	6,339	6,226	5,430	6,070	6,580	5,985	5,230	5,110	1,611	2,073	2,229
= Great Britain	72,210	106,827	163,809	141,328	133,696	147,911	157,851	174,117	167,830	140,204	115,238	102,677	97,292	83,046	83,653	86,011	88,577	86,439	86,573	85,049	88,479	87,360
Held to be intentionally homeless																						
England	2,520	2,970	5,450	4,920	8,860	8,420	9,490	12,230	13,640	13,830	11,410	9,920	8,890	6,880	6,900	7,840	8,200	8,640	8,770	9,420	9,890	9,170
+ Scotland	938	980	1,580	1,700	2,400	2,000	1,439	1,151	1,101	1,228	1,431	1,469	1,555	1,432	1,653	1,573	1,680	1,804	1,796	1,630	1,438	1,551
+ Wales	674	546	737	362	510	555	608	657	921	976	865	797	627	579	555	615	585	610	520	273	126	159
= Great Britain	4,132	4,496	7,767	6,982	11,570	10,975	11,537	14,038	15,662	16,034	13,706	12,186	11,072	8,891	9,108	10,028	10,465	11,054	11,086	11,323	11,454	10,880
All homeless acceptances																						
England	62,920	93,980	145,800	122,410	120,200	126,250	133,330	147,820	141,400	114,000	88,270	74,890	66,400	48,660	49,290	56,350	61,680	61,850	62,180	65,920	69,150	67,060
+ Scotland	7,976	11,972	15,813	16,900	20,600	26,900	29,013	31,166	31,100	32,886	32,835	32,837	35,111	37,268	36,846	32,494	30,792	29,803	29,849	28,568	28,584	28,792
+ Wales	5,446	5,371	9,963	9,001	4,666	5,736	7,045	9,169	10,992	9,352	7,839	7,136	6,853	6,009	6,625	7,195	6,570	5,840	5,630	1,884	2,199	2,388
= Great Britain	76,342	111,323	171,576	148,311	145,466	158,886	169,388	188,155	183,492	156,238	128,944	114,863	108,364	91,937	92,761	96,039	99,042	97,493	97,659	96,372	99,933	98,240

Sources: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG) Live Table 770, Scottish Government and Welsh Government.

Notes: 1. The England and Wales figures for 1997 and later years reflect the changes in homeless legislation, and no longer include 'non-priority acceptances'. In 1996 these accounted for 3,310 acceptances in England and 3,501 acceptances in Wales.

2. Scottish figures to 2012 are for priority need homeless and potentially homeless cases only. From 2013 they refer to all homeless acceptances following the abolition of the distinction between priority need and other homeless acceptances on 31 December 2012.

3. Scottish figures from 2001 are for financial years (i.e. 2000/01).

4. The 1990 figures for Wales include 2,000 households made homeless by flooding that year.

5. Welsh homelessness legislative reforms and the introduction of new prevention and relief duties mean that acceptance figures are lower from 2015 than previous years. Welsh figures from 2015 are for financial years and are based on section 73 priority need cases.