

Table 34 Employment status of household reference person by tenure

Percentages

Year	Tenure	In employment:			Unemployed	Retired	Other economic inactive	Total
		Full-time	Part-time	All				
1981	Outright owners	37	4	42	3	44	11	100
	Homebuyers	92	1	93	3	2	2	100
	Local authority	43	4	47	9	28	15	100
	Housing association	42	4	46	6	34	14	100
	Private, unfurnished	51	4	56	4	30	10	100
	Private, furnished	65	1	66	9	5	20	100
	All tenures	58	3	62	5	24	10	100
2001/02	Outright owners	26	6	32	1	63	5	100
	Homebuyers	86	5	92	1	4	4	100
	Local authority	22	9	31	5	36	28	100
	Housing association	24	10	34	5	34	27	100
	Private, unfurnished	60	8	67	3	14	16	100
	Private, furnished	61	9	69	5	3	22	100
	All tenures	54	7	61	2	27	10	100
2010/11	Outright owners	26	8	34	1	61	3	100
	Homebuyers	84	7	91	1	4	4	100
	Local authority	22	9	31	10	31	27	100
	Housing association	22	11	34	9	31	25	100
	Private renters	59	10	69	6	8	16	100
	All tenures	51	8	59	3	28	9	100
2018/19	Outright owners	24	10	33	0	63	3	100
	Homebuyers	85	7	92	1	4	2	100
	Local authority	26	14	40	7	30	23	100
	Housing association	30	14	43	6	27	24	100
	Private renters	63	10	74	3	8	16	100
	All tenures	50	10	60	2	29	9	100

Sources: Labour Force Survey 1981 Housing trailer, Survey of English Housing 2001/02; English Housing Survey Household Report 2014/15 onwards.

Notes: 1. Equivalent figures for 1984, 1988, 1991 and 1993/94 to 2017/18 can be found in earlier editions of the *Review*.

2. Unemployed includes households that believe no work is available.

3. Figures prior to 2001/02 relate to 'head of household' rather than the household reference person.

4. A significant number of housing association tenants continue to wrongly report that they are local authority tenants. Data from the EHS for 2008/09 onwards incorporate a correction for this and so give a reasonably accurate split of the social rented category.