

Table 92a Rough sleepers in England

Number of persons or street count

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2010 ¹	2010 ²	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
England	1,235	1,249	1,038	948	1,247	1,768	2,181	2,309	2,414	2,744	3,569	4,134	4,751	4,677	4,266
North East	63	53	38	38	35	49	32	62	25	35	38	45	51	66	67
North West	131	106	78	89	90	100	149	147	152	189	220	313	434	428	349
Yorkshire & The Humber	71	85	83	59	72	115	150	157	129	126	160	172	207	246	242
East Midlands	116	161	90	80	108	121	188	137	206	193	208	255	313	358	305
West Midlands	109	81	71	73	105	182	207	230	223	186	249	289	295	420	319
East	96	85	67	72	169	206	242	276	296	302	418	604	615	484	458
London	285	327	302	249	317	415	446	557	543	742	940	964	1,137	1,283	1,136
South East	203	178	172	157	213	310	430	442	532	609	827	956	1,119	934	900
South West	161	173	137	131	138	270	337	301	308	362	509	536	580	458	490

Sources: Audit Commission collated local authority counts to 2007/08 and Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government from 2010 onwards.

Notes: 1. Summer 2010 count using 'old' methodology.

2. Autumn 2010 count and onwards using revised methodology; see: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6009/1713784.pdf.

3. The figures from 2010 onwards derived from street night counts by local authorities on a 'typical night' between 1 October and 30 November and intelligence-driven estimates.

4. This was Table 93a in the 2020 Review; Table 92b was previously Table 93b.

5. After this table was finalised, the count for Autumn 2020 was released, showing a total of 2,688 rough sleepers.

Table 92b **Rough sleepers in England by area**

Street count

Authority	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010 ¹	2010 ²	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Westminster	237	234	227	169	169	133	175	133	173	112	111	110	147	128	106	131	140	265	265	260	217	306	333
Brighton and Hove	44	43	26	20	9	9	9	9	12	12	10	6	12	14	37	43	50	41	78	144	178	64	88
Exeter	27	19	19	10	7	18	8	8	6	10	15	5	6	21	29	30	23	34	27	41	35	17	31
Kensington and Chelsea	23	28	14	15	6	6	10	12	10	13	12	13	13	32	19	27	23	34	24	14	20	20	19
City of London	41	36	40	30	41	36	22	12	25	45	48	38	29	20	18	21	35	50	48	50	36	67	41
Lambeth	20	46	47	23	12	11	12	7	9	15	11	13	9	13	18	21	21	18	27	17	34	50	43
Bournemouth	44	18	21	14	7	4	12	7	8	5	11	6	6	12	16	11	16	31	47	39	48	29	0
Cambridge	30	21	21	16	19	9	3	7	2	6	0	1	6	6	12	20	9	10	18	40	26	27	33
Southwark	31	26	7	13	2	17	6	7	6	11	5	15	3	29	10	25	24	22	32	32	44	47	44
Tower Hamlets	31	10	6	9	2	11	5	-	3	12	7	17	7	11	9	7	4	6	12	11	21	10	17
Birmingham	56	43	23	19	2	14	7	7	8	5	6	4	6	9	7	8	14	20	36	55	57	91	52
Liverpool	17	30	19	13	19	19	10	8	9	12	13	9	3	3	9	6	6	8	15	21	33	15	17
Oxford	39	52	31	24	7	5	7	5	11	11	10	5	16	11	8	12	19	26	39	33	61	45	43
Camden	59	66	54	38	28	13	5	17	10	6	4	6	5	11	7	5	4	5	15	17	127	141	65

Source: Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government.

Notes 1. See notes for Table 92a.

2. Authorities shown are those with the highest counts in 1998-2010. In 2019, Bournemouth, Liverpool, Tower Hamlets and Kensington and Chelsea were no longer amongst the 30 local authorities with the highest counts.

3. A full list of LA returns and how they were collected is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/live-tables-on-homelessness#rough-sleeping-tables>

Table 92c **Rough sleepers in Wales**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Wales					
Snapshot count of rough sleepers	82	141	188	158	176
Estimated two week count of rough sleepers	240	313	345	347	405
Cardiff					
Snapshot count of rough sleepers	30	53	53	64	57
Estimated two week count of rough sleepers	64	85	92	100	92
Rest of Wales					
Snapshot count of rough sleepers	52	88	135	94	119
Estimated two week count of rough sleepers	176	228	253	247	313

Sources: Welsh Government National Rough Sleeper Count.

- Notes:
1. The one night snapshot count is carried out in one day in early November by local authorities.
 2. The estimated two week count is based on data gathered from health organisations and other local and community service groups in contact with rough sleepers.
 3. The Welsh Government caution that the data are experimental and that data for different years may not be directly comparable due to slight timing differences.