

**Table 89a Local authority homeless acceptances in Great Britain**

*Number of households*

	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Not held to be intentionally homeless																					
England	60,400	91,010	140,350	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	35,770	37,830	40,300
+ Scotland	7,038	10,992	14,233	15,200	18,200	31,539	31,231	31,251	33,553	35,836	35,187	30,922	29,115	28,006	28,057	26,985	27,341	27,878	28,796	30,451	27,111
+ Wales	4,772	4,825	9,226	8,638	4,156	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	2,631	3,060	3,795
= Great Britain	72,210	106,827	163,809	141,328	133,696	140,085	115,065	102,560	97,289	83,046	83,647	86,012	88,580	86,446	86,577	85,096	88,674	87,997	67,197	71,341	71,206
Held to be intentionally homeless																					
England	2,520	2,970	5,450	4,920	8,860	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	5,010	4,740	3,740
+ Scotland	938	980	1,580	1,700	2,400	1,219	1,422	1,466	1,555	1,432	1,654	1,573	1,680	1,803	1,795	1,625	1,434	1,506	1,472	1,130	460
+ Wales	674	546	737	362	510	976	865	797	627	579	555	615	585	610	520	273	126	159	201	129	93
= Great Britain	4,132	4,496	7,767	6,982	11,770	16,025	13,697	12,183	11,072	8,891	9,109	10,028	10,465	11,053	11,085	11,318	11,450	10,835	6,683	5,999	4,293
All households accepted as homeless																					
England	62,920	93,980	145,800	122,410	120,200	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	40,780	42,570	44,040
+ Scotland	7,976	11,972	15,813	16,900	20,600	32,758	32,653	32,717	35,108	37,268	36,841	32,495	30,795	29,809	29,852	28,610	28,775	29,384	30,268	31,581	27,571
+ Wales	5,446	5,371	9,963	9,000	4,666	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	2,832	3,189	3,888
= Great Britain	76,342	111,323	171,576	148,310	145,466	156,110	128,762	114,743	108,361	91,937	92,756	96,040	99,045	97,499	97,662	96,414	100,124	98,832	73,880	77,340	75,499

Sources: Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities (and predecessors), Homelessness Statistics Live Table 770, Scottish Government and Welsh Government.

Notes: 1. England and Wales figures for 1997 and later years reflect the changes in homeless legislation, and no longer include 'non-priority acceptances'.

2. There is a break in the time series for England in 2018. Following implementation of the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017, most households now receive a minimum of 56 days assistance prior to being assessed for being owed a main homeless duty.

3. There is a break in the time series for Wales in 2015 due to legislative reforms and the introduction of new prevention and relief duties. Welsh figures from 2015 are based on section 73 priority need cases.

4. Scottish figures to 2012 are for priority need homeless and potentially homeless cases. 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.

5. Scottish figures from 2000 are for financial years (i.e. 2000/01) as are Welsh figures from 2015 onwards.

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

**Table 89b Homelessness by region in England: homeless acceptances**

*Number of households*

Region	1991	1995	2000	2005/06	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020-21
North East	7,870	6,050	5,060	5,970	1,860	1,800	1,740	1,340	1,400	1,330	1,330	1,220	310	290	330
North West	22,220	16,080	12,940	13,190	3,880	4,190	4,000	3,560	3,720	4,020	4,740	5,280	2,720	3,580	4,230
Yorkshire & The Humber	12,480	9,930	9,140	9,440	4,420	4,900	4,920	3,530	3,230	3,410	3,670	3,860	1,500	2,320	2,680
East Midlands	9,730	8,970	7,350	6,890	3,380	3,790	3,580	3,580	3,460	3,690	4,090	4,590	1,820	2,690	2,220
West Midlands	17,280	17,510	13,660	11,960	8,440	8,560	8,720	8,020	8,040	8,190	8,300	8,020	3,870	5,510	5,510
East	8,560	8,730	9,420	8,250	4,220	5,270	5,650	5,740	5,800	6,310	6,570	6,140	3,840	4,720	4,390
London	36,310	26,690	28,230	21,130	10,180	12,720	15,660	17,030	17,530	19,170	18,060	15,470	8,820	11,360	11,530
South East	13,750	13,570	14,420	9,330	4,520	5,320	5,940	6,020	7,320	7,800	7,930	7,710	4,910	6,130	4,920
South West	9,050	9,960	11,170	7,820	3,270	3,750	3,560	3,290	3,950	3,830	4,410	4,190	2,710	3,420	3,410
England	137,250	117,490	111,340	93,980	44,160	50,290	53,770	52,290	54,430	57,730	59,110	56,600	30,500	40,030	39,210

Source: Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities (and predecessors), Homelessness Statistics, Live Tables 772 and 784; from 2018/19 detailed local authority table MD1.

Notes: 1. Homeless acceptances figures are for priority need and unintentionally homeless accepted households only.

2. From 2004/5 data are for the financial year beginning in April of that year.

3. From 2018/19 the figures are based on local authority decisions on applications made at the point the main duty takes effect, resulting in a major break in continuity.

4. DLUHC gross up regional figures to allow for missing local authority returns and may not sum precisely to national totals. Figures for calendar years to 2011 can be found in earlier editions of the *Review*.

Table 89c **Households owed a homeless prevention or relief duty, England**

Number of households

	2018/19			2019/20			2020/21		
	Assessed as owed a homeless duty by the local authority			Assessed as owed a homeless duty by the local authority			Assessed as owed a homeless duty by the local authority		
	Total	Threatened with homelessness: prevention duty owed	Homeless: relief duty owed	Total	Threatened with homelessness: prevention duty owed	Homeless: relief duty owed	Total	Threatened with homelessness: prevention duty owed	Homeless: relief duty owed
North East	14,840	8,260	6,580	16,440	8,430	8,010	14,730	7,180	7,560
North West	37,690	19,290	18,400	40,510	20,260	20,250	37,930	15,690	22,240
Yorkshire & The Humber	25,940	14,350	11,590	29,920	16,030	13,890	26,800	13,480	13,320
East Midlands	22,010	12,230	9,780	23,040	11,940	11,110	20,180	9,310	10,870
West Midlands	24,190	11,410	12,780	27,410	10,800	16,610	25,100	8,690	16,410
East	28,170	15,620	12,550	29,310	15,430	13,880	26,840	11,820	15,020
London	53,200	30,670	22,530	54,080	29,440	24,630	51,760	23,990	27,770
South East	37,630	21,190	16,450	40,290	21,810	18,480	37,800	17,350	20,460
South West	25,840	14,860	10,980	27,490	14,540	12,950	27,430	11,910	15,520
England	269,500	147,880	121,630	288,470	148,670	139,800	268,560	119,400	149,160

Source: DLUHC (and predecessors) Homelessness Statistics Live Tables, local authority-level table A1.

Notes: 1. The regional figures refer to the homeless prevention and relief duties introduced by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 and do not correspond to homeless figures reported in Tables 89a or 89b.

2. The homeless relief figures exclude households owed a relief duty because they were homeless at the end of a prevention duty.

3. Regional figures may not sum exactly to the national total due to DLUHC rounding and weighting for non-response.