

Table 19a **Housing starts by sector in England**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	100,710	27,870	5,400	210	250	200	180	310	320	1,670	1,450	1,610	2,200	1,890	1,490	1,530	1,730	2,550	1,620	2,230	2,220	1,860	3,070
+ New towns	9,070	5,540	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,460	220	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	112,240	33,630	5,490	210	250	200	180	310	320	1,670	1,450	1,610	2,200	1,890	1,490	1,530	1,730	2,550	1,620	2,230	2,220	1,860	3,070
+ Housing associations	8,110	13,150	14,180	13,990	22,800	20,770	24,100	22,130	21,470	24,770	22,100	19,930	25,860	26,960	24,790	26,150	26,740	28,730	27,680	28,020	31,420	37,650	31,010
+ Private sector	148,320	84,120	108,950	126,290	160,320	149,350	146,160	65,560	73,770	84,710	87,300	81,980	107,340	114,550	117,460	132,600	135,340	135,100	119,210	111,410	140,660	136,020	100,490
= All dwellings	268,660	130,910	128,620	140,490	183,360	170,320	170,440	88,010	95,560	111,150	110,820	103,520	135,410	143,390	143,740	160,280	163,800	166,380	148,520	141,670	174,300	175,520	134,570

Sources: ONS UK house building statistics 2024 and Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (and predecessor departments) new supply statistics Live Table 213.

Notes: 1. 'Sector' refers to new dwellings constructed by private enterprises, housing associations/registered social landlords and local authorities and not necessarily the intended tenure.

2. Figures in Table 19 may not total precisely due to rounding by ONS.

3. Figures for England from 1989/99 were revised by MHCLG in 2018 and for all areas of the UK by ONS in 2019 and 2023, with further modifications made in 2024. Figures reported in Table 19a-l do not therefore always correspond with Review tables in previous editions.

4. English figures from October 2005 to March 2007 exclude a small number of starts and completions that were inspected by independent inspectors. These cases are included in the 2007/8 figures. The 1985/86 total in previous editions of the table includes 13,000 starts with an unknown tenure.

5. A small amount of missing data for England and the other UK countries has been imputed. A small but unknown proportion of housing association starts and completions in England, Wales and Scotland are recorded as private enterprise.

6. Housing starts and completions figures for 2019/20 and more especially 2020/21 were affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Figures for 2021/22 to 2023/24 are the latest available, but remain subject to minor revision, particularly starts figures.

7. The figures exclude conversions and other ways dwellings are created aside from new build.

Table 19b **Housing completions by sector in England**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	
Local authorities	118,942	67,342	12,818	180	300	250	220	490	370	1,140	1,960	1,360	910	1,360	1,900	1,830	2,020	2,560	1,850	1,610	1,300	1,980	2,850	
+ New towns	9,245	6,973	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	1,993	525	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	130,180	74,840	12,960	180	300	250	220	490	370	1,140	1,960	1,360	910	1,360	1,900	1,830	2,020	2,560	1,850	1,610	1,300	1,980	2,850	
+ Housing associations	8,180	19,300	14,580	16,430	18,160	21,750	23,220	26,690	26,520	23,550	27,460	22,060	21,790	27,020	26,470	25,230	27,160	28,230	32,290	25,860	30,880	33,330	35,220	
+ Private sector	153,440	110,230	132,500	116,640	144,940	145,680	147,170	113,800	93,030	83,180	89,120	84,550	89,630	96,270	111,350	120,450	131,730	138,270	141,200	127,200	139,050	139,540	120,350	
= All dwellings	291,790	204,370	160,030	133,260	163,400	167,680	170,610	140,990	119,910	107,870	118,510	107,980	112,330	124,640	139,710	147,520	160,910	169,060	175,330	154,660	171,240	174,840	158,420	

Table 19c **Housing starts by sector in Wales**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/21	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	4,851	2,347	280	120	-	10	-	10	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ New towns	155	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	24	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	5,030	1,910	280	120	[low]	10	[low]	10	[low]	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Housing associations	110	390	2,310	930	360	390	470	440	910	780	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Private sector	8,610	4,570	7,270	8,310	8,610	8,730	9,730	4,460	4,390	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= All dwellings	13,750	6,860	9,860	9,350	8,970	9,140	10,200	4,910	5,310	5,800	4,970	5,290	5,790	6,960	6,710	6,870	6,040	5,970	6,220	4,310	5,660	4,560	5,160

Source: See Table 19a.

Notes: 1. From 2011/12 the ONS and Welsh Government stopped publishing figures for housing starts in Wales by sector.

2. The starts and completions data for Wales do not include private approved inspector data, resulting in some undercounting in the number of dwellings started.

Table 19d **Housing completions by sector in Wales**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/21	2022/23	2023/24	
Local authorities	6,511	3,489	470	50	20	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	60	60	90	70	190	70	
+ New towns	173	209	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	66	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	6,750	3,700	470	50	20	0	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	60	60	90	70	190	70	
+ Housing associations	70	930	1,720	900	350	350	340	690	880	990	830	740	670	840	1,250	1,240	1,120	1,230	1,210	1,130	810	1,010	970	
+ Private sector	8,650	5,500	8,090	7,390	7,880	8,990	8,320	6,430	5,290	4,510	4,750	4,710	5,160	5,330	5,650	5,590	5,470	4,490	4,770	3,400	4,390	4,580	3,740	
= All dwellings	15,470	10,240	10,270	8,330	8,250	9,330	8,660	7,120	6,170	5,510	5,580	5,450	5,840	6,170	6,900	6,830	6,660	5,780	6,040	4,620	5,270	5,790	4,770	

Table 19e **Housing starts by sector in Scotland**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	25,717	3,696	773	90	10	30	430	250	540	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,860	1,450	1,940	1,890	1,310
+ New towns	2,014	1,247	451	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	289	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	28,020	4,950	1,220	90	10	30	430	250	540	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,860	1,450	1,940	1,890	1,310
+ Housing associations	350	1,340	3,260	4,610	5,120	5,560	5,780	5,520	5,060	3,370	2,590	1,630	2,880	2,630	2,910	4,950	4,710	4,500	5,090	4,080	3,460	2,190	2,180
+ Private sector	8,140	9,590	16,850	17,610	21,230	22,820	20,090	13,510	9,520	8,680	10,480	10,690	11,840	12,820	13,610	13,240	13,640	16,820	17,360	13,940	15,110	15,550	12,970
= All dwellings	36,510	15,870	21,340	22,310	26,360	28,400	26,300	19,270	15,120	13,500	13,870	13,530	15,700	16,710	18,060	19,430	19,650	23,150	25,310	19,470	20,510	19,640	16,460

Source: See Table 19a.

- Notes:
1. Housing association figures up to 2017/18 are for approvals rather than the date that construction started, whereas later figures are for starts. Thus the numbers for the most recent years differ from those reported in previous editions of Table 19e and f.
 2. Minor historic corrections made by ONS in 2024 have resulted in some minor changes to the count of starts and completions.
 3. For 1970/71 to 1990/9, figures for local authorities, New towns and Government departments are sourced from the Scottish Government (1970/71 to 1990/91) while total public sector figures are sourced from the ONS.
 4. Local authority figures include Scottish Special Housing Association construction activity prior to April 1989 and Scottish Homes activity for 1989/90 to 1995/6 when such activity ceased.
 5. Local authority and housing association figures are based solely on units part-funded by the Scottish Government. They exclude the small numbers of affordable homes delivered without such assistance, such as units delivered through Section 75 developer contributions and other funding sources.

Table 19f **Housing completions by sector in Scotland**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	31,570	6,500	987	110	-	10	30	340	410	610	1,110	960	1,140	1,120	1,100	1,020	1,370	1,390	1,540	1,450	2,670	1,900	1,670
+ New towns	2,790	1,217	577	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	290	20	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	34,660	7,740	1,630	110	-	10	30	340	410	610	1,110	960	1,140	1,120	1,100	1,020	1,370	1,390	1,540	1,450	2,670	1,900	1,670
+ Housing associations	240	1,290	2,350	3,800	4,700	3,230	4,100	4,580	5,580	5,110	4,780	3,240	2,910	3,060	2,320	2,690	3,170	4,090	4,200	2,360	3,850	5,020	3,380
+ Private sector	8,220	11,730	15,330	18,200	20,260	21,040	21,660	16,110	11,140	10,710	10,190	9,890	11,090	12,570	13,440	13,430	13,030	15,790	16,450	11,980	15,110	16,840	14,560
= All dwellings	43,130	20,750	19,320	22,110	24,960	24,280	25,790	21,020	17,130	16,430	16,080	14,100	15,140	16,750	16,860	17,140	17,570	21,270	22,190	15,800	21,630	23,760	19,610

Table 19g **Housing starts in Great Britain**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	131,278	34,497	6,900	420	256	240	610	570	860	3,130	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,480	3,680	4,160	3,750	4,380
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,773	232	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	145,290	40,490	6,990	420	260	240	610	570	860	3,130	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,480	3,680	4,160	3,750	4,380
+ Housing associations	8,570	14,880	19,750	19,530	28,280	26,720	30,350	28,090	27,440	28,920	24,690	21,560	28,740	29,590	27,700	31,100	31,450	33,230	32,770	32,100	34,880	39,840	33,190
+ Private sector	165,070	98,280	133,070	152,210	190,160	180,900	175,980	83,530	87,680	98,390	97,780	92,670	119,180	127,370	131,070	145,840	148,980	151,920	136,570	125,350	155,770	151,570	113,460
= All dwellings	318,920	153,640	159,820	172,150	218,690	207,860	206,940	112,190	115,990	130,450	129,660	122,340	156,900	167,060	168,510	186,580	189,490	195,500	180,050	165,450	200,470	199,720	156,190

Source: See Table 19a.

Notes: 1. Provider-type figures from 2011 do not sum to 'all dwellings' total starts as data for Wales are not split by 'provider type' - see Table 19c

Table 19h **Housing completions by sector in Great Britain**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	157,021	77,000	14,918	340	320	260	260	830	780	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,450	3,150	4,040	4,070	4,590
+ New towns	12,208	8,470	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,361	560	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	171,590	86,390	15,060	340	320	260	260	830	780	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,450	3,150	4,040	4,070	4,590
+ Housing associations	8,490	21,520	18,650	21,130	23,210	25,330	27,660	31,960	32,980	29,650	33,070	26,040	25,370	30,920	30,040	29,160	31,450	33,550	37,700	29,350	35,540	39,360	39,570
+ Private sector	170,310	127,460	155,920	142,230	173,080	175,710	177,150	136,340	109,460	98,400	104,060	99,150	105,880	114,170	130,440	139,470	150,230	158,550	162,420	142,580	158,550	160,960	138,650
= All dwellings	350,390	235,360	189,620	163,700	196,610	201,290	205,060	169,130	143,210	129,810	140,170	127,530	133,310	147,560	163,470	171,490	185,140	196,110	203,560	175,080	198,140	204,390	182,800

Table 19i **Housing starts by sector in Northern Ireland**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Northern Ireland																							
Housing Executive	7,828	2,899	1,060	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	92	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	7,920	2,910	1,060	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Housing associations	30	110	730	890	950	750	430	1,030	600	1,120	1,440	940	900	730	1,300	1,000	790	980	810	690	530	1,060	710
+ Private sector	4,080	3,340	5,540	10,420	14,640	14,290	11,710	5,920	7,560	6,650	5,010	3,900	4,400	5,260	5,720	6,730	6,730	7,440	6,270	5,770	6,900	4,990	5,290
= All dwellings	12,030	6,360	7,330	11,330	15,580	15,040	12,130	6,950	8,150	7,780	6,460	4,840	5,310	5,990	7,020	7,720	7,520	8,420	7,090	6,460	7,440	6,050	6,000

Source: See Table 19a.

Note: 1. Figures from 2011 onwards have been substantially revised following a change in the method for accounting for late reporting of completions.

2. Northern Ireland data prior to 2005 are sourced from the NI Department for Communities and have not been subject to a similar quality assurance process as data sourced from the NI Department of Finance (Land & Property Services) from 2005 onwards.

Table 19j **Housing completions in Northern Ireland**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Northern Ireland																							
Housing Executive	7,828	2,899	10,100	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	92	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	7,780	2,560	1,320	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Housing associations	20	330	550	1,110	950	1,080	660	470	1,060	740	890	1,450	1,110	960	760	1,100	1,210	940	710	650	920	650	600
+ Private sector	4,040	3,570	5,710	10,510	12,760	12,850	10,140	8,960	6,960	5,480	4,830	4,070	4,200	4,540	5,050	5,360	5,890	6,870	6,600	5,790	6,360	5,760	4,820
= All dwellings	11,830	6,460	7,590	11,670	13,710	13,930	10,800	9,430	8,020	6,210	5,720	5,530	5,320	5,500	5,810	6,460	7,100	7,810	7,310	6,440	7,280	6,410	5,420

Table 19k **Housing starts in the United Kingdom**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	139,106	37,396	7,960	440	260	240	610	570	860	3,130	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,480	3,680	4,160	3,750	4,380
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,865	243	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	153,210	43,400	8,060	440	260	240	610	570	860	3,130	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,480	3,680	4,160	3,750	4,380
+ Housing associations	8,600	14,990	20,480	20,420	29,230	27,470	30,780	29,120	28,040	30,040	26,130	22,500	29,640	30,320	29,000	32,100	32,240	34,210	33,580	32,790	35,410	40,900	33,900
+ Private sector	169,150	101,610	138,610	162,640	204,800	195,190	187,690	89,450	95,240	105,050	102,790	96,570	123,580	132,630	136,790	152,570	155,710	159,360	142,840	131,120	162,670	156,560	118,750
= All dwellings	330,950	160,000	167,150	183,490	234,270	222,900	219,080	119,150	124,140	138,220	136,120	127,180	162,200	173,040	175,530	194,300	197,010	203,930	187,140	171,910	207,900	205,760	162,190

Source: See Table 19a.

Notes: 1. Sector level figures from 2011 do not sum to 'all dwellings' total starts as data for Wales are not split by 'provider type' - see Table 19c.

2. As some of the published UK-level housing association starts figures for 1990/91 to 2010/11 appear to be in error, the UK housing association starts reported in this table have been constructed by summing ONS figures for each country.

Table 19| **Housing completions by sector in the United Kingdom**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Local authorities	139,106	37,396	16,280	390	320	260	250	830	790	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,440	3,140	4,040	4,080	4,580
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,865	243	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	179,370	88,940	16,380	390	320	260	250	830	790	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,440	3,140	4,040	4,080	4,580
+ Housing associations	8,510	21,850	19,200	22,240	24,160	26,410	28,320	32,430	34,030	30,390	33,960	27,500	26,480	31,890	30,800	30,260	32,660	34,480	38,410	30,010	36,460	40,010	40,170
+ Private sector	174,350	131,030	161,630	152,730	185,840	188,560	187,290	145,300	116,420	103,880	108,880	103,220	110,080	118,710	135,490	144,830	156,110	165,420	169,020	148,370	164,910	166,720	143,460
= All dwellings	362,220	241,820	197,210	175,380	210,320	215,220	215,860	178,570	151,230	136,020	145,880	133,060	138,630	153,060	169,280	177,950	192,240	203,910	210,870	181,510	205,430	210,800	188,210