

Table 19a Housing starts by sector in England 1970/71 to 2024/25

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	100,710	27,870	5,400	210	250	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	880
+ New towns	9,070	5,540	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,460	220	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	112,240	33,630	5,490	210	250	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	880
+ Housing associations	8,110	13,150	14,180	13,990	22,800	24,770	22,100	19,930	25,860	26,960	24,790	26,150	26,740	28,730	27,680	26,860	32,450	38,720	32,270	31,110
+ Private sector	148,320	84,120	108,950	126,290	160,320	84,710	87,300	81,980	107,340	114,550	117,460	132,600	135,340	135,100	119,210	111,560	140,680	135,930	101,120	81,320
= All dwellings	268,660	130,910	128,620	140,490	183,360	111,150	110,820	103,520	135,410	143,390	143,740	160,280	163,800	166,380	148,520	140,660	175,350	176,510	136,450	113,310

Sources: ONS UK house building statistics 2025 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 from 1989/99 were revised by MHCLG in 2018 while other figures were revised by ONS in 2019, 2023 and 2025, such that figures do not always correspond with UKHR 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 2022/23 to 2024/25 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 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	118,942	67,342	12,818	180	300	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	2,260
+ New towns	9,245	6,973	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	1,993	525	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	130,180	74,840	12,960	180	300	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	2,260
+ Housing associations	8,180	19,300	14,580	16,430	18,160	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	35,320	35,370
+ Private sector	153,440	110,230	132,500	116,640	144,940	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	122,150	114,420
= All dwellings	291,790	204,370	160,030	133,260	163,400	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	160,330	152,040

Table 19c **Housing starts by sector in Wales, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	4,851	2,347	280	120	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ New towns	155	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	24	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	5,030	1,910	280	120	[low]	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Housing associations	110	390	2,310	930	360	780	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Private sector	8,610	4,570	7,270	8,310	8,610	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= All dwellings	13,750	6,860	9,860	9,350	8,970	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	3,800

Sources: 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 and, to a lesser extent, completed..

Table 19d **Housing completions by sector in Wales, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	6,511	3,489	470	50	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	60	60	90	70	190	70	210
+ New towns	173	209	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	66	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	6,750	3,700	470	50	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	60	60	90	70	190	70	210
+ Housing associations	70	930	1,720	900	350	990	830	740	670	840	1,250	1,240	1,120	1,230	1,210	1,130	810	1,010	970	1,060
+ Private sector	8,650	5,500	8,090	7,390	7,880	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	3,370
= All dwellings	15,470	10,240	10,270	8,330	8,250	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	4,640

Table 19e **Housing starts by sector in Scotland, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	25,717	3,696	773	90	10	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,780	1,500	2,180	1,770	1,300	1,400
+ New towns	2,014	1,247	451	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	289	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	28,020	4,950	1,220	90	10	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,780	1,500	2,180	1,770	1,300	1,400
+ Housing associations	350	1,340	3,260	4,610	5,120	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	2,210	1,750
+ Private sector	8,140	9,590	16,850	17,610	21,230	8,850	10,590	10,800	11,910	12,830	13,720	13,410	13,690	17,010	17,490	13,850	15,300	15,660	13,080	11,950
= All dwellings	36,510	15,870	21,340	22,310	26,360	13,660	13,970	13,650	15,760	16,720	18,170	19,590	19,700	23,340	25,360	19,430	20,940	19,630	16,580	15,100

Sources: 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. Minor historic corrections made by ONS in 2024 and 2025 have resulted in some minor changes to the count of starts and completions. Thus the numbers for the most recent years differ from those reported in previous editions of Table 19.
 2. 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.
 3. 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.
 4. 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 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	31,570	6,500	987	110	-	610	1,110	960	1,140	1,120	1,100	1,020	1,370	1,390	1,540	1,450	2,330	1,800	1,930	1,700
+ New towns	2,790	1,217	577	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	290	20	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	34,660	7,740	1,630	110	-	610	1,110	960	1,140	1,120	1,100	1,020	1,370	1,390	1,540	1,450	2,330	1,800	1,930	1,700
+ Housing associations	240	1,290	2,350	3,800	4,700	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	3,370	2,790
+ Private sector	8,220	11,730	15,330	18,200	20,260	10,710	10,240	10,000	11,110	12,530	13,540	13,510	13,020	15,760	16,550	12,130	15,320	16,890	14,620	14,590
= All dwellings	43,130	20,750	19,320	22,110	24,960	16,430	16,130	14,200	15,160	16,710	16,960	17,220	17,560	21,230	22,290	15,950	21,490	23,710	19,920	19,080

Sources: See Table 19a.

Table 19g **Housing starts in Great Britain, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	131,278	34,497	6,900	420	260	3,110	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,400	3,730	4,400	3,630	4,370	2,280
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,773	232	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	145,290	40,490	6,990	420	260	3,110	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,400	3,730	4,400	3,630	4,370	2,280
+ Housing associations	8,570	14,880	19,750	19,530	28,280	28,920	24,690	21,560	28,740	29,590	27,700	31,100	31,450	33,230	32,770	30,940	35,910	40,910	34,480	32,860
+ Private sector	165,070	98,280	133,070	152,210	190,160	98,560	97,890	92,780	119,250	127,380	131,180	146,010	149,030	152,110	136,700	125,410	155,980	151,590	114,200	93,270
= All dwellings	318,920	153,640	159,820	172,150	218,690	130,610	129,760	122,460	156,960	167,070	168,620	186,740	189,540	195,690	180,100	164,400	201,950	200,700	158,190	132,210

Sources: 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 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	157,021	77,000	14,918	340	320	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,450	3,150	3,700	3,970	4,850	4,170
+ New towns	12,208	8,470	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,361	560	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	171,590	86,390	15,060	340	320	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,450	3,150	3,700	3,970	4,850	4,170
+ Housing associations	8,490	21,520	18,650	21,130	23,210	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	39,660	39,220
+ Private sector	170,310	127,460	155,920	142,230	173,080	98,400	104,110	99,260	105,900	114,130	130,540	139,550	150,220	158,520	162,520	142,730	158,760	161,010	140,510	132,380
= All dwellings	350,390	235,360	189,620	163,700	196,610	129,810	140,220	127,630	133,330	147,520	163,570	171,570	185,130	196,070	203,660	175,230	198,000	204,340	185,020	175,760

Sources: See Table 19a.

Table 19i **Housing starts by sector in Northern Ireland, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
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	1,120	1,440	940	900	730	1,300	1,000	790	980	810	690	530	1,060	710	830
+ Private sector	4,080	3,340	5,540	10,420	14,640	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	5,760
= All dwellings	12,030	6,360	7,330	11,330	15,580	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	6,580

Sources: 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 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
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	740	890	1,450	1,110	960	760	1,100	1,210	940	710	650	920	650	600	910
+ Private sector	4,040	3,570	5,710	10,510	12,760	5,480	4,830	4,070	4,200	4,540	5,050	5,360	5,880	6,870	6,600	5,790	6,360	5,760	4,810	5,210
= All dwellings	11,830	6,460	7,590	11,670	13,710	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	5,410	6,130

Sources and notes:: See Tables 19a,19i.

Table 19k **Housing starts in the United Kingdom, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	139,106	37,396	7,960	440	260	3,110	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,400	3,730	4,400	3,630	4,370	2,280
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,865	243	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	153,210	43,400	8,060	440	260	3,110	2,240	2,830	3,180	3,150	3,040	2,770	3,030	4,380	4,400	3,730	4,400	3,630	4,370	2,280
+ Housing associations	8,600	14,990	20,480	20,420	29,220	30,040	26,130	22,500	29,640	30,320	29,000	32,100	32,240	34,210	33,580	31,630	36,440	41,970	35,190	33,690
+ Private sector	169,150	101,610	138,610	162,640	204,800	105,210	102,900	96,680	123,650	132,640	136,900	152,740	155,760	159,550	142,970	131,180	162,880	156,580	119,490	99,030
= All dwellings	330,950	160,000	167,150	183,490	234,270	138,390	136,220	127,300	162,270	173,050	175,640	194,470	197,050	204,120	187,190	170,860	209,390	206,740	164,190	138,790

Sources: 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.

Table 19I **Housing completions by sector in the United Kingdom, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	2000/01	2005/06	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	2024/25
Local authorities	139,106	37,396	16,280	390	320	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,440	3,140	3,700	3,970	4,840	4,170
+ New towns	11,239	6,791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	2,865	243	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	179,370	88,940	16,380	390	320	1,750	3,070	2,320	2,060	2,480	3,000	2,850	3,470	4,010	3,440	3,140	3,700	3,970	4,840	4,170
+ Housing associations	8,510	21,850	19,200	22,240	24,160	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	40,260	40,130
+ Private sector	174,350	131,030	161,630	152,730	185,840	103,880	108,930	103,330	110,100	118,670	135,590	144,910	156,100	165,380	169,120	148,520	165,120	166,770	145,310	137,590
= All dwellings	362,220	241,820	197,210	175,380	210,320	136,020	145,930	133,160	138,650	153,020	169,380	178,040	192,230	203,880	210,960	181,660	205,290	210,740	190,440	181,880

Source: See Table 19a.