The government is helping local councils and developers work with local communities to plan and build better places to live for everyone.

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Increasing the number of available homes

Housing policies are a key issue in the housing market. This dashboard provides information on building starts and completions, affordable housing, and empty housing across the UK.

### Building starts and completions

- **United Kingdom**: 91.1k units started (100%) and 91.1k units completed (100%) in 2014.
- **England**: 70.6k units started and 70.6k units completed.
- **Scotland**: 3.77k units started and 3.77k units completed.
- **Northern Ireland**: 1.53k units started and 1.53k units completed.
- **Wales**: 3.74k units started and 3.74k units completed.
- **London**: 2.90k units started and 2.90k units completed.

### Affordable housing

- **Scotland**: 7.77k affordable units started (8.46%) and 7.77k affordable units completed (8.46%).
- **Wales**: 3.79k affordable units started (4.16%) and 3.79k affordable units completed (4.16%).
- **London**: 2.90k affordable units started (3.21%) and 2.90k affordable units completed (3.21%).

### Empty housing

- **United Kingdom**: 91.1k units in total, with 1.53k in Northern Ireland, 3.77k in Scotland, 3.74k in Wales, 2.90k in London, and 7.77k in Scotland.

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Housing policies
Helping people to buy a home

Helping people wanting to own their own home through schemes like the Help to Buy equity loan, Right to Buy and NewBuy, and encouraging self-builders.

Helping people wanting to buy a home

Ministers: The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP and Minister of State for Housing

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Applications for Help to Buy
People taking part in the help to buy scheme

National average HPI
Average HPI by regions

House price index (HPI)
Average HPI by regions

Regional house prices
House prices by region and type of property

Residential property transactions by region

Average mortgage
A range of factors indicative of the state of the housing market

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Applications for help to buy
People wanting to own their own home through schemes
Housing policies

Improving the rented housing sector

Improving the quality and quantity of social homes for rent and encouraging investment in the private rented sector.

Policy detail: Link to policy
Organisations: Department for Communities and Local Government
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Topic: Housing
Ministers: The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP and Minister of State for Housing
Applies to: England (see policy for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland)
Organisation: Department for Communities and Local Government

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Rental prices by region

How rental prices differ across the UK

3 Jan 2014
West Midlands

Average rent per week

£76pw
UK average £81pw Dec 2014

Monthly Weekly Daily

£80 – £60 – £40 – £20 – 0 –

West Midlands
Average rent £76pw
Last year –0.41%

Source: Rightmove

People on waiting list for social housing

Affordable housing as a proportion of new builds

Around the United Kingdom

Populations in social housing

0–1%
2–3%
4–5%
+6%

Source: DCLG

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Housing policies

Providing housing support for older and vulnerable people

Committed to providing housing advice and housing support services to those who need it most.

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Number of people vulnerably housed

![Graph showing number of people vulnerably housed over years]

Source: DCLG

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