About this publication	Description
Publication title	UK Parliamentary Constituency Household and Dwelling Estimates.
Description	UK Parliamentary Constituency (UKPC) Estimates of the number of households and dwellings in Scotland.
Theme	Household Estimates and Projections.
Topic	Special areas household and dwellings estimates.
Format	Excel workbooks.
Data source(s)	Household and Dwellings Estimates for UKPCs are based on Small Area Household and Dwellings estimates where each 2011 Data Zone has been assigned to a particular UKPC. These data are based on 2023 UKPCs boundary review changes.
Date that data is acquired	Data were already published, future updates will be done on finalisation of the Household and Dwelling Estimates in Scotland, normally in June.
Release date	20 June 2024
Frequency	Annual
Timeframe of data and timeliness	Data on households (from Council Tax billing systems) – first Monday of September.
	Data on dwellings (from Assessors' Portal) – early January.
Continuity of data	Household estimates for UKPCs in Scotland are available for each year from 2014 onwards.
	Dwelling estimates for UKPCs in Scotland are available for each year from 2005 onwards.
	The latest information on number of dwellings by attachment type and number of rooms relates to 2017.
	Number of dwellings by attachment type and number of rooms for 2015 was estimated from data obtained for the 2014 and 2016 publication, as data were not available for the 2015 publication.
Revisions statement	Revisions and corrections to previously published estimates are dealt with in accordance with the Scottish Government Statistician Group corporate policy statement on revisions and corrections - a copy of which is available on the <a href="Scottish Government">Scottish Government</a> website.
	Any substantial corrections, the reason for them and their effects are highlighted on the landing page of the publication and described in the 'Revisions and Corrections' page of the NRS website.
	It is sometimes necessary to make small revisions or corrections to previous years' data for a particular council area. In such cases, revisions will be noted in the notes referring to the relevant table(s).

Concepts and definitions	Background information on the <u>UK Parliamentary Constituencies</u> can be found on the Office for National Statistics website.
	Further information on data zone household and dwelling estimates can be found in the 'Methodology Guide' document within the latest Household and Dwelling in Scotland publication on the National Records of Scotland (NRS) website.
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	UK parliamentary constituencies are the areas used to elect Members of Parliament (MPs) to the House of Commons, which is the primary legislative chamber of the UK and is located in Westminster, London. The UKPC household and dwelling estimates allow MPs to monitor e.g. household change within their constituencies.
	More information on how household and dwelling statistics are used can be found in the Methodology Guide.
Accuracy	Household and dwelling estimates for UKPCs are based on 2011 data zone household and dwelling estimates where each data zone has been assigned to a particular UKPC. Where a data zone crosses the boundary of two (or more) UKPCs it was assigned to the constituency containing the location of the population-weighted centroid of the data zone.
	Household figures (derived from Council Tax billing systems) give information on the number of 'occupied dwellings'. An occupied dwelling is roughly equivalent to a household. However, there will be differences between the number of occupied dwellings and the number of households recorded in the census. One reason for the differences is that some occupied dwellings may be shared by more than one household; each household would be counted by the census but only the dwelling itself would be counted in Council Tax data. Another reason is that certain communal establishments (e.g. student halls of residence, barracks or prisons) will be included in the count of occupied dwellings from Council Tax systems but would not be classified as households in the census.
	Data on occupied and vacant dwellings are obtained from Council Tax billing systems. Different types of properties are entitled to different Council Tax discounts and exemptions. There are inconsistencies between the ways in which some councils record these discounts and exemptions. There can also be differences between results from the councils' data collection from Council Tax billing systems and the data zone level data collection.
	Data on Council Tax band, type of dwelling and number of rooms are obtained from the Assessors' Portal. There may be some differences between different Assessors' areas in the way in which information on the number of rooms in a dwelling is recorded. For example, differences could arise in the treatment of open plan areas, dining rooms, kitchens and kitchenettes.
	It is possible that not all information held on Council Tax billing systems and the Assessors' Portal is up-to-date. For example, councils may not be notified immediately of a change in the circumstances of a household which affects eligibility for a Council Tax discount or exemption. It may also take time for changes as a result of new building or demolition to be recorded.

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	More information is available in the Methodology Guide.
Completeness:	In 2014, few councils were unable to provide separate information on second homes or long-term empty. This information was estimated using the total at council level and past information. More information in the 'Notes section of the <a href="Small area">Small area</a> Household Estimates by 2011 Data Zone.
	Latest information on dwellings by type and number of rooms is on 2017. It is planned to publish updated data on these dwelling characteristics as soon as this becomes available.
Comparability	Changes in household and dwelling numbers over time can occur not only as a result of new building activity and demolition but also because of changes related to the postcodes of dwellings. Postcode changes can occur due to improvements made to administrative systems or NRS data cleaning, re-locating postcodes which were previously allocated to an incorrect neighbourhood. Differences can also occur due to postcodes being allocated to a different neighbourhood because the distribution of their population has changed. These differences are likely to be minimal and have only a small effect on change over time except when looking at small numbers of data zones.
Accessibility	It is the policy of the National Records of Scotland (NRS) to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available in the <a href="Accessibility">Accessibility</a> section of the NRS website.
Coherence and clarity	The statistics are provided in Excel format. They are designed to be consistent, and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate.
Value type and unit of measure	Counts of household and dwelling. Figures are presented as total numbers and as percentages of the total number.
Official Statistics designation	Accredited Official Statistics
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	Following a compliance check by the Office for Statistics Regulation, the designation of these statistics as Accredited Official Statistics (previously National Statistics) was confirmed in August 2021.
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