

Homelessness Data Collection

Homeless in temporary accommodation January 2024

The Welsh Government's Statistical Service runs this data collection. It is a source of information on the number of homeless presentations requiring temporary accommodation in Wales. It is used to inform policy, to answer queries, in briefings and for publication in First Releases. It helps to establish a picture of the overall extent of homelessness in Wales and Great Britain.

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Technical guidance for completing the form

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Navigation

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Required data items

In this spreadsheet, the cells that require data have the following properties:



All cells requiring data will be coloured pale blue.



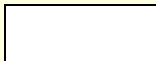
Some cells derive values from other data items. These cells are coloured in grey. You will not be able to enter data into these cells.



Some cells do not need to be completed as they are not applicable. These cells are coloured in dark grey. You will not be able to enter data into these cells.

If you are unable to provide any data item, please leave the cell BLANK. Do not enter text (NA, N/A or Not collected etc.) into any cell other than the comments cells. We will assume that a zero in any cell signifies a zero count for this data item.

Comments



A white space has been provided next to each table for comments. If any data items are missing then a comment must be added to the spreadsheet.

Validation checks

Validation checks involve checking for common sense errors. These errors must be resolved before the spreadsheet is submitted via Afon.



Data items that pass validation will be coloured green.



Data items where no data is entered, or which break a validation rule, are coloured red. You should enter a zero where the data item is nil, or make a comment.



Missing data items with a comment provided will be coloured amber.

General Notes

- 0.1 | **The return covers number of persons or occurrences of persons, not number of households.**
- 0.2 | The Homelessness Accommodation Provision and Rough Sleeping data collection was introduced during the Covid-19 pandemic as a result of the immediate emergency health response.
- 0.3 | This monthly management data collection relates to the number of individuals experiencing homelessness and being supported by local authorities into temporary accommodation or suitable long-term accommodation, whereas the less frequent collections on statutory homelessness capture data on the number of households.
- 0.4 | This monthly management information is used extensively internally to inform policy and funding decisions, by providing vital and timely intelligence to support our understanding of the ongoing pressures faced in Wales, and how we can best respond to these.
- 0.5 | Please note that the data in tables 1-3 is not expected to sum/ 'read across' as they are collecting different sets of individuals and their interactions with temporary accommodation.

Table 1: Homeless placed into temporary accommodation during the period

The number of occurrences of people placed into temporary accommodation during the period, and reason for homelessness.

An occurrence of a person being placed into temporary accommodation does not include transfers between different temporary accommodations. Cases where a person who has left temporary accommodation and is being placed again after re-presenting under a different instance of homelessness should be included.

Please provide reason for homelessness given at point of presentation to your services.

Main reason for homelessness as collected for an individual's Personal Housing Plan (PHP) or via a triage system should be provided. If these are unavailable, please provide the main or most recent reason for homelessness as judged by the individual or the housing/case officer.

Temporary accommodation is defined as suitable accommodation that is likely to last for under 6 months, including short-term supported accommodation. Please include accommodation ordinarily considered temporary accommodation by this definition, but that may last more than 6 months due to current high demand on housing.

Guidance for row categories:

- Row 1 | Moved off the street
Applicants who have been supported to enter temporary accommodation following a period of rough sleeping of at least one night. This includes being supported into accommodation with family and/or friends.
- Row 2 | Previously sofa surfing
Applicants who present following a period of living with family and/or friends on an informal basis.
- Row 3 | Moved from unsuitable accommodation
Accommodation can be unsuitable for any number of reasons (physical condition or suitability of the accommodation, risk of violence etc.) and will depend on the individual circumstances. Please use professional judgement in determining whether accommodation is deemed unsuitable. Some examples of unsuitable accommodation include:
 - Persons discharged from hospital who can no longer live in the property until it has been adapted;
 - Persons discharged from a psychiatric unit or hospital where the individual requires supported accommodation on leaving medical care;
 - Environmental issues relating to the property preventing it from being occupied until work has been carried out;
 - Overcrowding, e.g. a new born baby, returning family member, etc.
 - Risk of violence from any persons.
- Row 4 | Prison leavers
Applicant who, on leaving custody has no pre-arranged accommodation and/or has not had settled accommodation since leaving custody at any time in the previous six months.

Other (please specify numbers and reasons in comments)
 Other can include:

Row 5

- Homeless in emergency (for example after a fire or flood);
- Returned from abroad
- Any other reason for being homeless not included in the categories above.

Guidance for column categories:

Note: If a person is placed in temporary accommodation more than once, please record each occurrence.

Column a | Total
 The total number of persons of all ages placed into temporary accommodation during the period. Include all individuals that are lead applicants and members of the lead applicant's household.

Column b | Fleeing domestic abuse
 Applicant who meets the definition set out in section 58 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014.

Column c | Aged under 16 (dependent children)
 Total number of persons aged under 16 placed into temporary accommodation during the period.

Column d | Aged 16 to 24
 Total number of persons aged 16 to 24 placed into temporary accommodation during the period. Include all individuals that are in this age category (not just lead applicants).

Column e | Have previously been placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months
 The total number of persons who have had a repeat occurrence of being placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months. Count from 12 months prior to the individual's most recent placement date.
 This is used to measure repeat homelessness and therefore should include occasions where individuals have a repeated placement in temporary accommodation under separate instances of homelessness, rather than when individuals have been moved between different temporary accommodations in the same instance of homelessness (the same instance of homelessness includes if individuals have been moved between local authority areas in the same instance of homelessness).

Column f | First time placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months
 This is an auto calculated field. It uses the formula 'Total - Have previously been placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months' to get number of persons placed into temporary accommodation for the first time in the last 12 months.

Table 2: Homeless temporarily accommodated at the end of the period

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The number of homeless people temporarily accommodated on 31 January by their type of accommodation.

Include supported accommodation classed as temporary accommodation under the type of provider, however do not include long-term supported accommodation not classed as temporary accommodation.

Note: Please record persons not households

Guidance for row categories:

Row 1	<p>Bed and breakfast and Hotels The bed and breakfast and hotels should include privately owned or managed hotels/guest houses with some shared facilities. Hotel annexes consisting of self-contained units of accommodation where meals are not provided should not be included - they should be treated as private sector accommodation. B&B/Hotel accommodation means commercially provided accommodation (whether or not breakfast is included): (a) Which is not separate and self-contained premises; (b) In which any of the following amenities is not available to the applicant or is shared by more than one household: (i) A toilet; (ii) Personal washing facilities; (iii) Cooking facilities. (c) which is not accommodation which is owned or managed by a local housing authority, a registered social landlord or a voluntary organisation; or (d) Which is not an establishment registered under the provisions of the Care Standards Act 2000</p>
Row 2	<p>Caravan parks or similar holiday accommodation Includes mobile homes, such as caravans, 'demountables', 'portacabins' and 'transportables'.</p>
Row 3	<p>Hostels (including reception centres and emergency units) Non self contained accommodation where bath/shower, inside WC, kitchen, living and possibly even sleeping facilities are shared. Hostels include shared accommodation, owned or leased and managed by either a local authority, housing association or non profit making organisation including reception centres, emergency units and night shelters. Male refugees should be included with hostels.</p>
Row 4	<p>Women's refuge Safe house accommodation for women, with or without their children, escaping domestic abuse. Include dispersed units provided by domestic abuse services here rather than under private sector accommodation or RSL stock.</p>
Row 5	<p>Private sector accommodation Private sector accommodation should include accommodation: • Direct with a private sector landlord, • Private sector accommodation leased by your authority and, • Private sector accommodation leased by RSLs. Private sector accommodation should be self-contained. Similar accommodation that is not self-contained should be included under hostels.</p>
Row 6	<p>Within your own stock Rented accommodation is made available and accepted via any Local Authority. It must be LA stock.</p>
Row 7	<p>RSL Stock Rented accommodation is made available and accepted via any Registered social landlord (Housing association). It must be RSL Stock.</p>
Row 8	<p>Other (please specify) Any other form of accommodation not included in the categories above. Include Homeless at Home. Other should not include supported housing. Supported housing should be included under the type of provider (hostel, refuge etc.). Please give details in the comments of which types of accommodation and numbers are included.</p>

Guidance for column categories:

Column a	<p>Total The total number of persons of all ages in temporary accommodation at the end of the period. Include all individuals that are lead applicants and members of the lead applicant's household.</p>
Column b	<p>Aged under 16 (dependent children) Total number of persons aged under 16 in temporary accommodation at the end of the period.</p>

Table 3: Homeless successfully moved into suitable long-term accommodation during [Link to Home Page](#)

Note: Please record persons not households

All persons successfully moved on from all forms of temporary accommodation should be included. Do not include individuals moved between different temporary accommodation types.

Persons moved into suitable long-term accommodation immediately following assessment (without moving to temporary accommodation) should also be included.

Persons who are homeless but have refused, left or for other reasons are not living in temporary accommodation (and may for example be sofa surfing or homeless at home) who have been moved on to suitable long-term accommodation should be included.

Cases where homelessness has been prevented, and persons were either able to remain at home or moved onto suitable long-term accommodation without becoming homeless, should not be included.

Guidance for row categories:

- Row 1** | Total number of homeless people moved into suitable long-term accommodation
Long term accommodation is defined as suitable accommodation that is likely to last 6 months or more.
- Row 2** | Number who voluntarily left temporary accommodation
Homeless persons who left temporary accommodation of their own volition and were not moved to long-term accommodation. Do not include persons who left temporary accommodation involuntarily or under negative outcomes.

Guidance for column categories:

- Column a** | Total
The total number of persons of all ages successfully moved into suitable long-term accommodation during the period. Include all individuals that are lead applicants and members of the lead applicant's household.
- Column b** | Aged under 16
Total number of persons aged under 16 successfully moved into suitable long-term accommodation during the period.

Table 4: Rough sleepers at the end of the period

This is a snapshot of individuals sleeping rough on the last day of the month. Include only individuals sleeping rough on this night, not individuals who have been sleeping rough at other points in the month. Data should be based on local intelligence.

Include all individuals sleeping rough, including persons who are not homeless or who have access to temporary accommodation, persons who are long-term rough sleepers and persons who have refused local authority assistance.

- Row 1** | Total number of persons sleeping rough
Rough sleepers are defined as persons who are sleeping overnight in the open air (such as shop doorways, bus shelters or parks) or in buildings, vehicles or other places not designed for habitation (such as stairwells, barns, sheds, car parks, tents, cars/vans).

Contact information

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Please provide contact details for your authority or RSL below. This will help us to direct any queries to the correct contact.

Form completed by/Main contact for data queries:

	V1
Name	<input type="text"/>
Telephone number	<input type="text"/>
E-Mail address	<input type="text"/>

Alternative contact details

Name	<input type="text"/>
Telephone number	<input type="text"/>
E-Mail address	<input type="text"/>

Monitoring survey response burden

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The Welsh Government monitors the burden placed on local authorities completing the data collection forms. This helps us when planning future changes to data collection forms. We would be grateful if you could assist us by completing the table below.

Please enter the time it has taken you (and any colleagues) to prepare and send the return. A number of staff employed in different roles may have been involved. You are asked to count the hours spent by staff in each full time equivalent annual salary band indicated below. You will need to round staff salaries to the nearest £1,000. Please record your time to the nearest hour.

Please only include time spent on activities to prepare and send this return, such as:

- Retrieval and saving the empty form;
- Collection, collation, analysis and aggregation of records and figures required;
- Filling in, checking, amending, reviewing and, when completed, approving the form; and
- Sending the form back to the Welsh Government's Statistical Directorate through AFON.

Grade of staff	Hours taken	V1
Band 1 (£11,500 - £19,999)		X
Band 2 (£20,000 - £26,999)		X
Band 3 (£27,000 - £33,999)		X
Band 4 (£34,000 - £53,999)		X
Band 5 (£54,000+)		X

Comment

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The number of occurrences of people placed into temporary accommodation during the period, and reason for homelessness.

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	Total	Of which:					V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	Comment
		Fleeing domestic abuse	Aged under 16 (dependent children)	Aged 16 to 24	Have previously been placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months (count each person with a repeat occurrence)	First time placed into temporary accommodation within the last 12 months							
1 Moved off the street						0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
2 Previously sofa surfing						0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
3 Moved from other unsuitable accommodation						0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
4 Prison leavers						0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
5 Other (please specify)						0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
6 Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Comment

Table 2: Homeless temporarily accommodated at the end of the period

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The number of homeless people temporarily accommodated on 31st January by their type of accommodation.

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	Validation against last month's figures								Comment
	Total	Of which: Aged under 16 (dependent children)	V1	V2	Total	Of which: Aged under 16 (dependent children)	V3	V4	
	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	
1 Bed and breakfast and Hotels			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
2 Caravan parks or similar holiday accommodation			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
3 Hostels (including reception centres and emergency units)			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
4 Women's refuge			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
5 Private sector accommodation			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
6 Within your own stock			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
7 RSL stock			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
8 Other (please specify)			✗	✗	No data	No data	✓	✓	
9 Total	0	0	✓	✓	No data	No data			

Comment

Table 3: Homeless successfully moved into suitable long-term accommodation during the period

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	Total	Of which: Aged under 16 (dependent children)	V1	V2	Comment
	a	b	a	b	
1 Total number of homeless people moved into suitable long-term accommodation			x	x	
2 Number who voluntarily left temporary accommodation			x	x	

Comment

Table 4: Rough sleepers sleeping rough at the end of the period

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This is a snapshot of individuals sleeping rough on the last day of the month.

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	Total	V1	Comment
	a	a	
1 Total number of homeless people sleeping rough			

Comment