

Table 21 Right to buy in Great Britain and house sales in Northern Ireland

Number of sales

	Total sales 1980/81 to 1989/90	Total sales 1990/91 to 1999/2000	Total sales 2000/01 to 2004/05	Total sales 2005/06 to 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	2024/25	Cumulative total 1980/81 to 2024/25
Local authorities																				
England	960,808	450,323	287,302	61,848	2,752	2,613	5,940	11,261	12,232	12,220	13,433	12,750	10,926	10,568	6,918	10,969	11,223	7,068	7,580	1,898,734
Wales	79,048	29,609	22,621	4,155	103	82	94	156	176	177	141	111	154	.	37	8	2	1	0	136,675
Scotland	146,355	165,361	68,995	27,334	1,473	1,125	1,020	1,292	1,552	1,735	2,994	1,715	65	6	1	-	-	-	-	421,023
Great Britain	1,183,336	645,152	378,918	93,337	4,328	3,820	7,054	12,709	13,960	14,132	16,568	14,576	11,145	10,574	6,956	10,977	11,225	7,069	7,580	2,453,416
New towns																				
England	9,750	569	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,319
Wales	2,875	141	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,016
Scotland	50,066	21,851	506	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72,428
Great Britain	62,691	22,561	506	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,763
Housing associations																				
England	19,850	26,534	48,985	16,141	956	1,106	2,458	4,421	4,215	3,977	4,667	4,223	3,776	4,689	2,325	3,032	2,782	1,591	1,656	157,384
Wales	783	910	509	287	69	89	76	97	110	182	133	125	288	.	18	2	0	0	0	3,678
Scotland	2,760	4,301	9,086	6,865	550	407	352	234	286	380	504	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,725
Great Britain	23,393	31,745	58,580	23,293	1,575	1,602	2,886	4,752	4,611	4,539	5,304	4,348	4,064	4,689	2,343	3,034	2,782	1,591	1,656	186,787
Totals																				
England	990,408	477,426	336,287	77,989	3,708	3,719	8,398	15,682	16,447	16,197	18,100	16,973	14,702	15,257	9,243	14,001	14,005	8,659	9,236	2,066,437
Wales	82,706	30,660	23,130	4,442	172	171	170	253	286	359	274	236	442	0	55	10	2	1	0	143,369
Scotland	199,181	191,513	78,587	34,204	2,023	1,532	1,372	1,526	1,838	2,115	3,498	1,715	65	6	1	-	-	-	-	519,176
Great Britain	1,269,420	699,458	438,004	116,635	5,903	5,422	9,940	17,461	18,571	18,671	21,872	18,924	15,209	15,263	9,299	14,011	14,007	8,660	9,236	2,725,966
NI Housing Executive	43,552	41,434	25,325	5,857	249	236	290	549	471	387	402	436	448	448	229	444	554	360	212	121,883

Sources: MHCLG (and predecessors) Live Tables 678 and 692, Welsh Government, Scottish Government, and the Northern Ireland Housing Executive (Annual Report).

Notes: 1. All figures are for financial years. MHCLG revised the method used to attribute historical sales data in 2021/22. Figures in this table therefore differ slightly from those reported in previous editions.

2. Following methodological changes, MHCLG no longer report on housing association sales prior to 1996/97; these figures should therefore be treated with caution as they have been derived from earlier editions of the Review.

3. New town figures for Scotland include Scottish Homes sales, which were previously included under housing association sales. New town figures for England and Wales are not reported separately from local authority figures after 1996.

4. The RTB scheme in Scotland was closed to new applicants on 31 July 2016 and in Wales on 26 January 2019. In Scotland, no RTB figures have been published since 2020/21 and non-stock transfer housing association RTB figures have not been published since 2013/14.

5. A similar 'house sales scheme' applies in Northern Ireland to homes owned by the NIHE but regular statistics are not produced. This table uses figures supplied by NIHE or found in the NIHE Annual Report.