

Table 34 Overcrowding, by ethnicity, tenure and by country/region in the UK, 2019/20-2023/24

Percentages

	2019/20				2021/22				2022/23				2023/24			
	Owner occupiers	Private renters	All social renters	All households	Owner occupiers	Private renters	All social renters	All households	Owner occupiers	Private renters	All social renters	All households	Owner occupiers	Private renters	All social renters	All households
Region																
North East	1	2	2	1	-	3	-	1	1	3	2	2	1	3	4	2
North West	1	5	6	3	1	5	6	3	1	4	6	2	1	5	6	3
Yorkshire and The Humber	1	3	5	2	1	2	5	2	1	2	6	2	1	3	7	3
East Midlands	1	4	8	3	2	2	6	3	1	2	6	2	1	4	7	3
West Midlands	2	6	9	4	2	5	8	3	2	7	7	4	1	9	8	4
East of England	1	4	7	2	1	3	6	2	1	3	6	2	1	5	6	2
London	2	15	17	9	2	12	16	8	2	9	15	7	2	8	16	7
South East	1	5	10	3	1	4	9	2	1	4	9	2	1	4	9	2
South West	-	4	5	2	0	3	5	2	0	5	7	2	1	6	10	3
Ethnicity (England)																
White	1	5	7	2	1	4	6	2	1	4	6	2	1	4	6	2
Ethnic minority	6	13	18	11	5	11	18	10	3	11	19	10	4	11	19	10
England	1	7	9	4	1	5	8	3	1	5	8	3	1	6	9	3
Wales	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scotland	1	4	3	2	2	3	5	3	2	6	4	2	2	6	4	2
Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: English Housing Survey (EHS) and Scottish Government Scottish Household Survey (SHCS sample).

- Notes:
1. Overcrowding based on bedroom standard. A separate bedroom is allowed for each married or cohabiting couple, a person aged 21+, two persons of the same sex aged 10-20, and each pair of children under 10. Any unpaired person aged 10-20 is paired with a child under 10 of the same sex or, failing that, assigned a separate bedroom.
 2. English regional percentages based on three-year rolling averages to allow for small sample numbers, including figures for 2023/24 supplied directly by the MHCLG. Data are not available for Wales and Northern Ireland.
 3. Lower response rates, changes in respondent composition and methodological changes to government surveys in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic mean statistics for 2020/21 to 2023/24 should be treated with caution.
 4. Pandemic-related changes to the EHS and SHS prevented the reporting of overcrowding estimates for English regions and Scotland for 2020/21. England-wide figures for 2020/21 can be found in earlier editions of this table.
 5. Scottish figures for 2021/22 and 2022/23 are experimental and not comparable with those for earlier years, including 2019/20.