

Table 109b Housing-related social security expenditure and plans for Great Britain

£ million in real terms (2024/25 prices)

	1986/87	1990/91	2000/01 outturn	2010/11	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21 outturn	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 forecast	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
Rent rebates																				
England	5,970	6,268	7,859	6,527	6,760	6,411	5,953	5,469	4,941	4,516	4,233	3,933	3,892	3,904	3,282	3,058	3,079	3,119	3,210	3,243
+ Wales	805	934	1,285	337	315	313	311	300	274	250	242	221	218	215	171	155	154	155	159	160
+ Scotland	410	388	495	961	905	876	833	780	704	653	631	575	545	569	457	417	418	422	434	438
+ New towns	220	199																		
= Total rent rebates (A)	7,406	7,789	9,639	7,824	7,980	7,600	7,097	6,549	5,919	5,419	5,105	4,729	4,654	4,688	3,910	3,629	3,651	3,695	3,803	3,840
Rent allowances																				
Housing association Private tenants			5,597	10,639	12,681	12,248	11,782	10,981	9,819	9,049	8,535	7,932	7,933	7,641	6,307	5,944	6,009	6,109	6,318	6,407
England	-	5,011	9,691	20,792	21,902	20,707	19,454	17,549	14,894	13,262	12,234	10,924	10,402	9,611	7,697	7,197	7,268	7,384	7,631	7,730
+ Wales	-	254	449	956	1,054	1,009	972	895	773	684	635	573	562	489	385	347	340	337	339	334
+ Scotland	-	315	683	1,443	1,463	1,394	1,330	1,228	1,065	937	867	781	738	666	524	472	464	459	462	456
= Total rent allowances (B)	3,049	5,580	10,823	23,191	24,419	23,110	21,755	19,672	16,732	14,883	13,736	12,278	11,702	10,766	8,607	8,017	8,072	8,180	8,431	8,520
Total housing benefit (A+B)	10,455	13,369	20,462	31,015	32,399	30,710	28,852	26,221	22,650	20,302	18,841	17,007	16,356	15,455	12,517	11,646	11,724	11,876	12,233	12,360
Universal Credit Housing Element																				
England								6,602	12,350	14,063	13,876	15,324	18,543	21,256	22,434	22,417	22,482	22,824	23,216	
Wales								316	520	598	600	667	795	942	1,014	1,024	1,031	1,049	1,070	
Scotland								531	883	995	981	1,086	1,272	1,557	1,721	1,757	1,783	1,831	1,877	
Total rent allowances (C)								7,449	13,754	15,656	15,458	17,076	20,609	23,756	25,169	25,197	25,296	25,704	26,163	
+ Council tax benefit (and predecessors)	5,006	4,908	4,720	7,129	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Income support: mortgage costs	1,075	1,246	955	749	374	365	344	8	9	7	5	4	7	10	15	1	1	2	1	2
+ Discretionary housing payments				31	216	240	212	192	163	201	165	121	116	106	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total housing financial support (D)	16,535	19,523	26,137	38,923	32,988	31,314	29,408	26,421	30,270	34,263	34,667	32,591	33,556	36,179	36,288	36,816	36,922	37,173	37,939	38,525
DWP social security expenditure	137,515	130,582	185,835	221,989	229,591	227,865	230,479	232,553	237,321	249,747	254,198	254,510	277,762	289,193	300,679	311,992	315,299	319,441	328,590	337,479
+ Personal tax credits	493	1,142	7,754	40,353	36,777	34,630	32,316	27,834	21,308	17,110	11,843	9,268	7,294	1,764	-60	-87	-52	-33	-21	-12
= Total all social security benefits and personal tax credits (E)	138,008	131,724	193,589	262,342	266,368	262,495	262,794	260,387	258,628	266,857	266,041	263,778	285,056	290,957	300,619	311,904	315,247	319,408	328,569	337,466
All housing and related benefits as a percentage of total benefits and tax credits (D/E)	12.0	14.8	13.5	14.8	12.4	11.9	11.2	10.1	11.7	12.8	13.0	12.4	11.8	12.4	12.1	11.8	11.7	11.6	11.5	11.4

Sources and notes: See Table 109a