

Table 57 Territorial analysis of identifiable government expenditure in the UK

£ million in cash terms

	1985/86	1990/91	1995/96	2000/01	2005/06	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
Housing expenditure (A)																				
England	3,099	3,549	3,620	3,495	7,807	10,100	6,861	7,010	6,936	7,336	6,853	7,295	8,091	8,235	10,073	9,679	10,639	12,299	15,575	16,210
Wales	135	323	397	206	409	570	605	638	615	607	702	712	711	824	968	857	1,057	1,206	1,418	1,440
Scotland	624	649	587	1,050	1,526	1,748	1,725	1,523	1,529	1,542	1,569	1,589	1,847	2,240	2,326	2,118	2,462	2,686	2,607	3,010
Northern Ireland	346	245	257	521	956	834	962	824	776	787	711	706	757	852	844	1,031	1,059	1,156	1,227	1,286
United Kingdom	4,204	4,766	4,861	5,270	10,697	13,251	10,153	9,995	9,855	10,272	9,835	10,302	11,406	12,151	14,211	13,685	15,217	17,347	20,827	21,946
All government expenditure (B)																				
England	84,557	124,499	189,320	229,425	342,723	448,670	445,111	454,061	461,684	473,869	483,676	491,329	502,996	520,836	542,600	737,515	649,742	698,222	730,134	769,898
Wales	5,565	8,495	13,334	16,004	23,269	29,327	29,692	29,553	30,089	30,608	30,945	31,389	32,406	33,339	34,374	44,992	41,505	43,662	45,772	48,293
Scotland	11,682	16,308	24,224	28,777	41,913	52,352	52,757	53,959	54,063	54,931	56,193	57,366	58,637	60,694	63,062	80,827	75,879	79,308	81,647	86,328
Northern Ireland	4,318	6,107	8,692	11,182	15,030	19,123	19,372	19,645	19,916	20,327	20,200	20,482	20,820	21,787	22,761	29,058	26,773	27,756	29,454	31,069
United Kingdom	106,122	155,410	235,570	285,387	422,936	549,472	546,933	557,219	565,752	579,736	591,014	600,566	614,859	636,656	662,797	892,392	793,899	848,948	887,007	935,588
Housing share of government expenditure (A/B) (percentages)																				
England	3.7	2.9	1.9	1.5	2.3	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.3	1.6	1.8	2.1	2.1
Wales	2.4	3.8	3.0	1.3	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.8	1.9	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.0
Scotland	5.3	4.0	2.4	3.6	3.4	3.1	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.7	3.7	2.6	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.5
Northern Ireland	8.0	4.0	3.0	4.7	6.4	4.4	5.0	4.2	3.9	3.9	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.9	3.7	3.5	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.1
United Kingdom	4.0	3.1	2.1	1.8	2.5	2.4	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.3

Sources: HM Treasury, Public Expenditure Statistical Analyses 2024 and predecessor volumes.

Notes: 1. Identifiable government expenditure is net of housing capital receipts, which are treated as 'negative expenditure' rather than income. It also excludes expenditure outside the UK.

2. Housing expenditure excludes housing benefit subsidy; but from 2005/06 includes community amenities.

3. In interpreting these figures it should be noted that the scope of public sector activities varies considerably between countries. For example, water supply is a public sector function in Scotland and Northern Ireland, but is in the private sector in England and Wales.