

Table 19e **Housing starts by sector in Scotland, 1970/71 to 2024/25**

	1970/71	1980/81	1990/91	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
Local authorities	25,717	3,696	773	90	10	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,780	1,500	2,180	1,770	1,300	1,400
+ New towns	2,014	1,247	451	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Government departments	289	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
= Total public sector	28,020	4,950	1,220	90	10	1,440	790	1,220	980	1,260	1,550	1,240	1,300	1,830	2,780	1,500	2,180	1,770	1,300	1,400
+ Housing associations	350	1,340	3,260	4,610	5,120	3,370	2,590	1,630	2,880	2,630	2,910	4,950	4,710	4,500	5,090	4,080	3,460	2,190	2,210	1,750
+ Private sector	8,140	9,590	16,850	17,610	21,230	8,850	10,590	10,800	11,910	12,830	13,720	13,410	13,690	17,010	17,490	13,850	15,300	15,660	13,080	11,950
= All dwellings	36,510	15,870	21,340	22,310	26,360	13,660	13,970	13,650	15,760	16,720	18,170	19,590	19,700	23,340	25,360	19,430	20,940	19,630	16,580	15,100

Sources: See Table 19a.

- Notes:
1. Housing association figures up to 2017/18 are for approvals rather than the date that construction started, whereas later figures are for starts. Minor historic corrections made by ONS in 2024 and 2025 have resulted in some minor changes to the count of starts and completions. Thus the numbers for the most recent years differ from those reported in previous editions of Table 19.
  2. For 1970/71 to 1990/9, figures for local authorities, new towns and government departments are sourced from the Scottish Government (1970/71 to 1990/91) while total public sector figures are sourced from the ONS.
  3. Local authority figures include Scottish Special Housing Association construction activity prior to April 1989 and Scottish Homes activity for 1989/90 to 1995/6 when such activity ceased.
  4. Local authority and housing association figures are based solely on units part-funded by the Scottish Government. They exclude the small numbers of affordable homes delivered without such assistance, such as units delivered through Section 75 developer contributions and other funding sources.