

FOI Request - Homeless Applications - 101003399044

1. How many homeless applications were made to the local authority in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and so far in 2023.

The number of homeless applications received in the calendar year.

Year	Number of applications
Until 19/09/2023	400
2022	568
2021	502
2020	460
2019	528
2018	579

2. How many of those applications in each of the years were assessed and accepted as homeless.

The number of applications were assessed and accepted as homeless in calendar year.

Year	Number of Homeless Unintentional
Until 19/09/2023	186
2022	328
2021	301
2020	272
2019	293
2018	283

3. How many in each year were housed in temporary or emergency accommodation. 4. When replying please explain the numbers in different categories such as B&B, hotels, furnished flats etc.

This is exempt under Section 25 – Information Otherwise Accessible and available e.g. published on a website etc.

This information used to be reported by the Scottish Housing Regulator through the annual return on the charter until 2018/2019 (Indicator 25.2, number of households who occupied temp accom)

<https://www.housingregulator.gov.scot/landlord-performance/statistical-information>

Refer to Charter data – all social landlords dataset. Thereafter the data is published by the Scottish government.

<https://www.gov.scot/collections/homelessness-statistics/>

Click on Homelessness in Scotland for the relevant year, click on the supporting document and look for Main Tables to Homelessness in Scotland: refer to table 40.

4. What was the average waiting times for such accommodation in each year.

There is no waiting time.

5. How many in each year were not immediately able to be housed in temporary or other accommodation. Can you cite the reasons.

NIL.

6. How many in each year were not immediately able to be housed in temporary or other accommodation due to there being none available.

See Q5

7. How many applications were rejected in each year because they do not have a local connection? And can we explain why?

We are unable to ban anyone from applying for housing or as homeless. Even if they have no connection to Moray, they would still be added to the waiting list but not considered for housing unless it was for a hard to let property, mainly in rural areas or a request for a nomination from an RSL as this is not included in their allocation policies.

From 29 November 2022, Local Connection was removed from assessing homeless applicants but previously this was taken into account unless there were special circumstances such as domestic abuse.

8. How many were accepted in each year even though they did not have a local connection? Can we explain why.

See Q7

9. How many homeless applications in each year were rejected because they had no recourse to public funds?

The number of homeless applications that were not eligible for assistance in the calendar year.

Year	Number of applications
Until 26/09/2023	3
2022	4
2021	2
2020	3
2019	5
2018	10
Total	27