IGT_FOI_02_7912 House building statistics and waiting lists

Q1. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of council properties owned by the council, dividing the figures for each year up into studio/bedsit, 1 bedroom, two bedrooms etc.

Stock since 2004/05								
	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07	2005/06	2004/05
Studio/ bedsit	821	821	839	849	858	918	1,032	1,234
1 bedroom	3,396	3,398	3,408	3,443	3,447	4,221	4,887	6,205
2 bedroom	5,008	5,004	5,154	5,361	5,381	6,246	6,953	8,749
3 bedroom	2,693	2,694	2,797	2,780	2,792	3,577	3,971	5,160
4 bedroom	503	500	535	529	523	630	706	831
5 bedroom	79	76	78	79	76	83	84	95
6 bedroom	10	10	10	11	11	11	11	15
7 bedroom	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
8 bedroom	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
TOTAL	12,515	12,508	12,826	13,057	13,093	15,691	17,649	22,293

Q2. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of new-built council properties for each year, again dividing this up into studio/bedsit, 1 bedroom etc.

We do not have this data for the years prior to 2005-06.

- i) This question has been interpreted to mean the number of new build properties for affordable housing as the council only builds a very small number itself.
- ii) The information available (below) is provided split into tenures, rent and intermediate and where available, the breakdown into bed sizes.

	Total No. Units	1bed	2 bed	3bed	4 bed	5 bed	6 bed	Total Rent	Total Intermediate
2011-12	1981	539	693	459	203	82	5	1610	371
2010-11	645	192	211	169	42	26	5	322	323
2009-10	1754	576	619	353	195	4	7	1219	535
2008-09	964	315	464	135	38	9	3	354	610
2007-08	1231	397	567	205	46	10	6	688	543
2006-07	1036							684	352
2005-06	879							732	147

Q3. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of council properties sold, dividing these figures into studio/bedsit, 1 bed, 2 beds etc.

Q4. With regards to the above request (Q3) please list year by year the total amount gathered for each type of property sold.

Right to Buy sales since 2004/05

	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07	2005/06	2004/05
Studio/ bedsit		3	1	1	4	5	18	24
1 bedroom	3	3		9	25	24	78	143
2 bedroom	3	13	3	18	65	51	176	388
3 bedroom	1	5	2	11	28	12	104	254
4 bedroom	1	2	1	4	6	7	20	49
5 bedroom					2		4	7
6 bedroom								1
	8	26	7	43	130	99	400	866
Money received	£1,447,000	£4,240,450	£1,178,000	£7,313,327	£19,980,700	£13,999,300	£44,386,687	£82,058,414

Q5. Please list for the past 10 years, the amount of rent gathered from council-owned properties year by year.

	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07	2005/06	2004/05	2003/04	2002/03
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Rents of dwellings	59,357	55,850	54,601	54,117	55,964	66,209	76,052	85,520	85,134	8,707
Non dwelling rents	3,222	3,406	2,614	3,525	3,443	3,088	6,293	5,340	4,416	5,043

- Q6. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of housing benefit claims for each year for those living in council owned properties, and the end of year amount of housing benefit paid for those living in council owned properties throughout the year.
- Q7. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of housing benefit claims made year by year for those living in Housing Association homes, dividing each year into the number of claimants by each named housing association.
- Q8. With regards to the figures in the request above (7.), please list each year's amount of housing benefit paid to each housing association, each year, including the years total figure for all housing associations.
- Q9. Please list for the past 10 years, the number of housing benefit claims made year by year for those living in Private rented accommodation.
- Q10. With regards to the figures in the request above (9.), please list each year's total amount of housing benefit paid to the private sector landlords

Benefits Services do not have all of the figures requested for the past 10 years. Providing all of the information and in the way it has been requested, including data earlier than 2008/09 will require substantial additional work over and above that resource permitted for FOI requests.

Figures for the last four years are available as follows:

	New Claims	S	
YEAR	LA	PTEN(HA)	PTEN(Non- HA)
2008/09	2498	4201	3229
0000/40	4057	0744	4040
2009/10	1957	3744	4949
2010/11	1719	3415	4190
2011/12	1624	3696	4024

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	Total Expenditure										
LA	PTEN(HA)	PTEN(Non-HA)									
£72,171,170.61	£91,393,441.89	£29,746,388.31									
£71,671,385.20	£102,306,323.52	£46,116,322.31									
£69,490,376.19	£111,149,791.47	£58,375,415.85									
£71,488,246.21	£121,096,610.47	£62,041,162.92									

For Council owned housing (LA), we have used the rent rebate figures, which will include Tower Hamlets Homes and homeless claims.

The private tenancy expenditure PTEN (HA) figures are from the Subsidy claim for Housing Association/RSL claims and cases excluded from Rent Officer referral.

For all other cases PTEN (Non-HA) we have used the total Rent Allowance expenditure.

This is not completely accurate, but will give a guide to expenditure.

Q11. Please list for the past 10 years the amount of council property buy-backs that have occurred and the amount of money spent for this specific purpose each year. Please divide each figure into actual purchase cost, and also any other costs legal, fees etc.

Buybacks since 2004/05

	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07	2005/06	2004/05
Studio/ bedsit								1
1 bedroom	1		1	1			1	
2 bedroom	1	4	8	5	5	1	4	2
3 bedroom		19	73	1	4	2	7	1
4 bedroom	2	1	12			1	2	1
5 bedroom			1					
	4	24	95	7	9	4	14	5
Money spent	£542,016	£5,920,266	£22,249,807	£1,313,127	£2,184,809	£856,309	£2,711,229	£1,229,230

Q12. For the past 10 years, please list for each year the following:

a) the overall figure on the council's housing waiting list (b) the overall figure of new applications to the housing waiting list (c) the overall figure of successful applicants in receiving housing and (d) the overall figure for each type of application ie studio/bedsit, 1 bedroom, 2 bedrooms

a) The overall figure on the council's housing waiting list.

April	Feb								
2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
15,053	17,302	18,881	19,872	21,729	22,789	22,614	23,136	23,385	

b) the overall figure of new applications to the housing waiting list

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1,015	1,215	1,530	1,665	2,213	2,610	3,302	3,641	4,121	244 (up to 26 Feb)

c) the overall figure of successful applicants in receiving housing

2,195	2,214	1,981	1.627	2.142	2,608	2.194	2,703	2,256 (up to 26 Feb)
2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13

d) the overall figure for each type of application ie studio/bedsit, 1 bedroom, 2 bedroom

Demand by year	April 2004	April 2005	April 2006	April 2007	April 2008	April 2009	April 2010	April 2011	April 2012	Feb 2013
1bed	6,670	8,537	9,626	9,938	11,159	11,705	11,396	11,152	11,141	11,675
2bed	4,596	3,965	4,204	4,405	4,600	4,757	4,665	4,976	5,001	5,154
3bed	3,662	3,695	4,094	4,561	4,368	4,630	4,857	5,215	5,386	5,568
4bed	1,089	928	796	821	1,341	1,450	1,447	1,545	1,616	1,652
5bed +	198	177	161	147	261	247	249	248	241	207
Total Demand	16,215	17,302	18,881	19,872	21,729	22,789	22,614	23,136	23,385	24,256