

FOI REF: 16117

RESPONSE SENT: 07/10/2025

Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to support our annual Youth Homelessness Databank project. We would like to know about any young people aged 16-24 who approached you as a main applicant during the financial year 2024-2025 because they were homeless or at risk of homelessness.

The information we are requesting falls under the Housing Act 1996 which has been amended to include the new duties brought in by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017, and the Children Act 1989. We kindly request the information in the guery below. In all guestions '2024-2025' refers to the financial year from April 2024 to March 2025.

We are requesting data on homelessness presentations, assessments and eligibility for this financial year (2024-2025) including:

- (Q1-Q14) Annual total of unique individuals: 1st April 2024 31st March 2025
- (Q15) Quarter 3 total of unique individuals: 1st October 31st December 2024

Section 1:

- 1. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 16-17 year olds presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness, as a main applicant? This does not include general housing advice. By presenting we mean all who presented themselves as homeless even if they were not subsequently assessed. This includes individuals who presented before 56 days of becoming homeless, or at risk of homelessness, believed they were homeless but did not meet requirement, presented but were not eligible for homelessness assistance.
- 2. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 16-17 year olds were assessed: a For Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act? b - For further support under the Children's Act? While this assessment is a new duty brought in by the HRA, it is a duty under part 7 of the Housing Act as amended by the HRA. Please answer Q3-7 for those under 2a only.
- 3. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 16-17 year olds received an initial decision of being owed: a Prevention duty under HRA b Relief duty under HRA
- 4. Prevention duty ended:
 - a With accommodation secured b Leading to relief duty c Any other reason

- a With accommodation secured b for any other reason (not including those who progress to an assessment under the Housing Act 1996)
- 6. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 16-17 year olds were assessed for a statutory main housing duty under part 7 of the Housing Act? By this we mean following unsuccessful prevention and/or relief outcomes, how many young people underwent a final assessment under part 7 of the Housing Act in order to assess their eligibility for a statutory main housing duty
- 7. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 16-17 year olds were accepted as statutorily homeless and owed a statutory main housing duty under part 6 of the Housing Act 1996? After undergoing a final assessment, how many young people were accepted as statutorily homeless and offered a statutory main housing duty.

Section 2:

- 8. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 18-24 year olds presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness, as a main applicant? This does not include general housing advice. By presenting we mean all who presented themselves as homeless even if they were not subsequently assessed. This includes individuals who presented before 56 days of becoming homeless, or at risk of homelessness, believed they were homeless but did not meet requirement, presented but were not eligible for homelessness assistance.
- 9. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 18-24 year olds were assessed for a Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act? While this assessment is a new duty brought in by the HRA, it is a duty under part 7 of the Housing Act as amended by the HRA.
- 10. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 18-24 year olds received an initial decision of being owed: a Prevention duty under HRA b Relief duty under HRA
- 11. Prevention duty ended:
 - a With accommodation secured b Leading to relief duty c Any other reason
- 12. Relief ended:
 - a With accommodation secured b for any other reason (not including those who progress to an assessment under the Housing Act 1996)
- 13. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 18-24 year olds were assessed for a statutory main housing duty under part 7 of the Housing Act? By this we mean following unsuccessful prevention and/or relief outcomes, how many young people underwent a final assessment under part 7 of the Housing Act in order to assess their eligibility for a statutory main housing duty
- 14. In your authority in 2024-2025, how many 18-24 year olds were accepted as statutorily homeless and owed a statutory main housing duty under part 6 of the Housing Act 1996? After undergoing a final assessment, how many young people were accepted as statutorily homeless and offered a statutory main housing duty.

Section 3:

15. In your authority in Quarter 3 of 2024 (1st October - 31st December 2024), how many 16-24 year olds presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness, as a main applicant? This does not include general housing advice. By presenting we mean all who presented themselves as homeless even if they were not subsequently assessed. This might include individuals who presented before 56 days of becoming homeless, or at risk of homelessness, believed they were homeless but did not meet requirement, presented but were not eligible for homelessness assistance.

We are also requesting totals for 2024-25 for questions 1-14 broken down by gender (male, female, other/unknown/not recorded), and by the following nationality categories (UK, EEA, non-EEA and Unknown).

Please note that P1E returns are not suitable for this request as they do not provide data broken down by age.

Response

Please see attached spreadsheet with data included as requested.

Please note that any blank boxes have a 0 return.

Table 1: 16-17 Age Group											
No. of unique individuals who:	Total	Gender: Male Total UK EEA Non-EEA Unknown		Total	UK	Fei EEA	male Non- EEA	Unknown			
Presented themselves as homeless or at risk of homelessness, as main applicant*	1	1	1								
2) Were assessed a) For Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act***	1	1	1								
Please answer Q3-7 for those under 2a only b) For further support under the Children's Act											
a) Prevention duty under HRA	1	1	1								

3) Received an initial decision of being owed:	b) Relief duty under HRA						
4) Prevention duty ended:	a) With accommodation secured						
	b) Leading to relief duty						
	c) For any other reason	1	1	1			
5) Relief duty ended:	a) With accommodation secured						
	b) For any other reason (not including progression to assessment under Housing Act 1996)						
6) Were assesse 7 of the Housing	ed for a statutory main housing duty under part g Act***						
	ed as statutorily main homeless and owed a ng duty under part 6 of the Housing Act						

Table 2: 18-24 Age Group												
No. of unique individuals who:		Gender: Male					Female					
		Total	UK	EEA	Non-EEA	Unknown	Total	UK	EEA	Non-EEA	Unknown	
8) Presented themselves as homeless or at risk of homelessness, as main applicant*	64	29	21		4	4	35	32	2		1	
9) Were assessed for Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act***	64	29	21		4	4	35	32	2		1	
10) Received an initial a) Prevention duty under HRA	43	20	14		4	2	23	21	1		1	

decision of being owed:	b) Relief duty under HRA	21	9	7		2	12	11	1	
11) Prevention duty ended:	a) With accommodation secured	22	10	7	2	1	12	11	*	1
	b) Leading to relief duty	12	5	2	2	1	7	6	1	
	c) For any other reason	9	5	5			4	4		
12) Relief duty ended:	a) With accommodation secured	6	2	2			4	4		
	b) For any other reason (not including progression to assessment under Housing Act 1996)	4	3	3			1	1		
13) Were assess Housing Act***	ed for a statutory main housing duty under part 7 of the	11	4	3		1	7	6	1	
	ed as statutorily main homeless and owed a statutory der part 6 of the Housing Act	7	2							
				1		1	5	4	1	

Table 3: Quarter 3: 1st October - 31st December 2024					
15) Presented themselves as homeless or at risk of homelessness, as main applicant*	14				