

Social housing lost to Right-to-Buy by borough

BRIEFING

London has lost 287,384 social rented homes through the Right to Buy, since its introduction in 1980.

26,332 of these have been lost since 2005/06. This table breaks down which boroughs these homes were sold in. We note that Right to Buy sales are dropping in London, presumably due to house prices.

The Government is currently planning to extend the Right to Buy to housing association tenants through shared ownership, though there are not yet full details on how this would work.

We argue for the suspension of the Right to Buy until London's backlog of unmet social housing need has been fully addressed. This is a position supported by the Chartered Institute of Housing.

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Total
Southwark	751	207	177	43	23	23	24	94	250	304	245	278	171	2,590
Barking and Dagenham	249	229	197	54	51	69	71	96	224	220	224	190	214	2,088
Newham	211	141	102	16	6	14	15	59	138	251	350	281	146	1,730
Tower Hamlets	400	99	130	43	7	26	8	12	86	254	257	262	136	1,720
Greenwich	127	97	70	13	15	17	18	129	252	247	244	225	203	1,657
Islington	258	142	108	21	11	15	16	31	139	234	160	118	81	1,333
Haringey	226	71	79	12	14	19	8	79	147	218	143	155	90	1,261
Lewisham	343	181	109	13	4	11	18	17	102	122	116	117	65	1,218
Lambeth	181	162	129	30	10	22	18	2	105	251	172	75	40	1,197
Hackney	202	126	127	27	3	16	10	19	74	180	207	120	56	1,167
Enfield	67	50	45	12	12	9	8	56	100	179	121	128	139	926
Camden	137	112	114	13	8	14	7	21	76	143	114	86	44	889
Havering	89	70	52	12	13	18	15	49	96	84	106	135	113	852
Hillingdon	76	38	36	7	5	14	7	47	106	191	130	99	64	820
Croydon	39	46	38	4	5	8	8	36	52	135	143	148	88	750
Ealing	51	53	35	15	8	7	10	39	130	142	93	85	56	724
Waltham Forest	53	48	27	6	1	10	4	34	138	130	88	93	52	684
Hounslow	43	30	21	8	2	10	3	12	56	150	156	113	72	676
Wandsworth	106	54	38	3	11	5	2	55	128	85	44	33	46	610
Barnet	47	21	30	5	5	4	6	34	103	123	76	66	37	557
Hammersmith and Fulham	116	40	36	8	2	7	7	9	59	77	80	56	30	527
Brent	66	31	43	4	6	5	4	13	92	78	58	58	49	507
Redbridge	68	21	18	3	2	4	7	28	61	56	50	53	53	424
Sutton	15	9	12	3	2	5	2	35	65	75	59	51	37	369
Westminster	40	26	23	4	5	15	10	19	60	53	42	28	20	345
Harrow	32	16	6	3	9	5	0	14	36	37	34	31	27	250
Kingston upon Thames	14	15	15	6	1	6	3	12	42	34	35	34	23	240
Kensington and Chelsea	13	15	14	1	1	2	1	3	31	25	34	9	9	158
City of London	3	7	3	2	0	0	1	1	14	9	6	10	7	63
TOTALS	4,023	2,157	1,833	391	242	380	311	1,055	2,962	4,087	3,587	3,137	2,168	26,332

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