

Table 115a Numbers of recipients and average housing benefit in Great Britain: all cases

	Numbers of recipients (000s)															Average housing benefit per recipient (£ per week)															
	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	
England:																															
Rent rebates	2,475	2,311	2,380	2,325	2,242	2,135	2,009	1,812	1,683	1,607	1,491	1,468	1,455	1,376	1,311	16.26	20.18	34.39	35.70	37.30	38.00	40.00	42.30	45.40	47.70	49.90	54.00	57.00	61.00	64.72	
Rent allowances	848	927	1,573	1,663	1,628	1,590	1,576	1,530	1,524	1,553	1,670	1,765	1,860	1,982	2,091	18.73	25.86	51.51	53.46	55.40	56.60	57.90	59.40	60.60	65.80	65.20	68.70	72.70	75.30	78.95	
Scotland:																															
Rent rebates	496	467	434	424	405	388	375	349	327	311	232	231	227	219	208	13.76	17.71	26.25	28.60	31.90	32.70	34.40	36.00	37.40	40.10	38.60	42.20	43.70	46.10	49.12	
Rent allowances	77	86	109	122	128	132	131	131	134	139	206	216	216	212	222	19.92	23.13	42.07	43.69	42.20	42.60	44.40	46.10	49.30	52.80	47.60	52.30	54.80	54.80	59.79	
Wales:																															
Rent rebates	161	151	151	149	145	141	135	127	123	119	115	110	109	108	106	16.87	20.37	32.23	33.61	35.00	35.00	36.90	38.80	40.90	42.70	44.30	46.30	48.30	50.30	53.37	
Rent allowances	44	55	88	92	91	89	87	84	83	84	82	90	91	93	95	17.44	22.24	42.80	45.18	45.40	46.40	47.80	49.20	51.70	55.80	55.60	56.50	59.40	62.60	66.24	
Great Britain:																															
Rent rebates	3,132	2,928	2,964	2,898	2,792	2,664	2,519	2,288	2,131	2,038	1,838	1,808	1,788	1,704	1,624	15.85	19.80	33.09	34.56	35.91	37.00	39.00	41.20	43.90	46.30	48.10	52.00	54.80	58.40	61.98	
Rent allowances	969	1,067	1,770	1,878	1,847	1,811	1,795	1,745	1,741	1,775	1,958	2,071	2,169	2,287	2,408	18.78	25.45	50.49	52.42	54.15	55.10	56.40	57.60	60.00	64.30	63.00	66.40	70.30	72.90	76.69	

Sources: Social Security Statistics, Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit Summary Statistics, Department for Work and Pensions.

Notes: All figures based on May in each year. Rent rebates cover local authority and new town tenants. Rent allowances cover housing association and private tenants.

Table 115b Numbers of recipients and average housing benefit in Great Britain: cases also in receipt of income support

	Numbers of recipients (000s)																Average housing benefit per recipient (£ per week)															
	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		
England:																																
Rent rebates	1,515	1,347	1,505	1,472	1,409	1,327	1,260	1,159	1,120	1,106	1,048	1,072	1,068	1,017	974	18.61	22.98	38.90	40.40	41.50	42.50	44.40	46.40	49.20	51.50	53.00	56.70	60.10	64.40	68.10		
Rent allowances	492	516	1,116	1,164	1,111	1,057	1,044	1,019	1,032	1,079	1,179	1,269	1,328	1,411	1,485	21.72	31.28	56.40	58.90	60.80	62.30	63.50	64.90	67.00	71.60	69.10	72.80	77.10	79.50	83.40		
Scotland:																																
Rent rebates	280	263	263	259	249	237	231	217	214	210	161	166	164	160	154	15.73	20.39	30.40	32.70	35.40	37.20	38.50	39.90	40.90	43.70	41.40	45.20	46.40	48.90	52.00		
Rent allowances	43	44	75	82	86	87	87	86	92	97	146	160	159	158	166	24.77	29.54	44.00	44.90	46.30	47.00	48.50	50.60	53.90	57.70	52.20	55.40	58.10	57.60	62.70		
Wales:																																
Rent rebates	97	86	95	95	92	89	86	83	84	84	83	83	83	84	83	19.34	23.26	36.70	37.90	38.50	38.80	40.40	42.20	43.90	45.70	46.70	48.50	50.70	52.90	56.10		
Rent allowances	28	31	63	66	65	62	62	60	61	62	62	69	69	70	72	19.84	26.15	46.00	47.80	48.60	50.00	51.30	52.80	55.30	60.10	58.60	59.50	62.80	66.20	70.30		
Great Britain:																																
Rent rebates	1,891	1,696	1,863	1,826	1,750	1,653	1,577	1,460	1,418	1,400	1,292	1,321	1,315	1,261	1,210	18.16	22.60	37.60	39.20	40.50	41.50	43.30	45.20	47.60	50.00	51.20	54.70	57.80	61.60	65.20		
Rent allowances	563	592	1,254	1,312	1,262	1,206	1,193	1,166	1,185	1,237	1,387	1,498	1,556	1,640	1,723	21.88	30.88	55.10	57.50	59.20	60.60	61.80	63.20	65.40	69.90	66.80	70.30	74.50	76.80	80.90		

Sources: Social Security Statistics, Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit Summary Statistics; Department for Work and Pensions.

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Table 115c Numbers of recipients and average housing benefit in Great Britain: cases not also in receipt of income support

	Numbers of recipients (000s)																Average housing benefit per recipient (£ per week)															
	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	1988	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		
England:																																
Rent rebates	960	964	875	853	834	808	749	652	564	501	443	395	385	359	336	12.54	16.28	28.14	28.87	30.21	30.70	32.40	35.10	37.80	39.50	42.40	46.60	48.30	51.70	54.90		
Rent allowances	356	411	445	500	518	533	532	511	492	474	491	496	534	570	606	14.59	19.07	38.92	41.33	43.45	45.00	46.50	47.50	49.50	52.60	56.00	58.20	61.60	64.90	68.00		
Scotland:																																
Rent rebates	216	204	175	165	156	151	144	132	113	101	72	65	63	59	55	11.22	14.26	21.88	22.28	24.23	29.50	28.20	29.40	30.70	32.60	32.10	34.80	36.60	38.50	40.90		
Rent allowances	34	41	34	40	42	45	44	45	42	42	60	57	56	54	55	13.77	16.32	31.66	34.65	36.14	37.10	33.60	37.40	39.00	41.50	36.50	43.40	45.40	46.60	51.20		
Wales:																																
Rent rebates	65	65	57	55	53	52	48	44	39	35	31	26	25	24	23	13.18	16.56	27.09	28.13	28.23	25.20	30.20	32.60	34.40	35.80	37.90	39.70	40.60	41.50	43.70		
Rent allowances	16	24	24	27	26	27	26	24	22	22	20	21	22	23	23	13.13	17.02	34.41	35.84	35.80	35.70	39.40	40.20	41.70	43.50	46.60	46.40	48.80	51.10	53.70		
Great Britain:																																
Rent rebates	1,241	1,232	1,106	1,073	1,043	1,011	941	828	716	638	546	487	473	442	414	12.33	15.95	27.12	27.82	29.22	30.24	31.65	34.00	36.50	38.20	40.80	44.60	46.30	49.40	52.50		
Rent allowances	406	476	503	566	585	605	602	580	556	538	571	573	613	646	684	14.47	18.72	38.21	40.60	42.58	44.00	45.25	46.40	48.40	51.40	53.60	56.30	59.60	62.90	66.10		

Sources and Notes: See Table 115b.