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Private Sector Rent Statistics, Scotland, 2010 to 2021

Main findings for average rent changes in the latest year (2020 to 2021)¹:

- In the year to end September 2021, average 2 bedroom rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation² rate of 1.5% in 10 out of 18 areas of Scotland, with the largest increases being 7.1% in West Dunbartonshire and 6.8% in the Ayrshires. An additional four areas saw an increase above 0.5% but below CPI inflation of 1.5%. Three areas saw little change in average rents compared with the previous year (annual changes within +/-0.5%), whilst the average rent in Lothian decreased by 2.9%.
- These regional trends combine to show an estimated 0.6% annual increase in average 2 bedroom monthly rents at a Scotland level.
- At a Scotland level there were estimated increases in average rents for 1 bedroom (0.6%), 2 bedroom (0.6%) and 4 bedroom (1.2%) properties, with average rents for 3 bedroom properties showing no change (0.0%), and rents for 1 bedroom shared properties falling by 0.4%.

Main findings for average rent changes between 2010 and 2021:

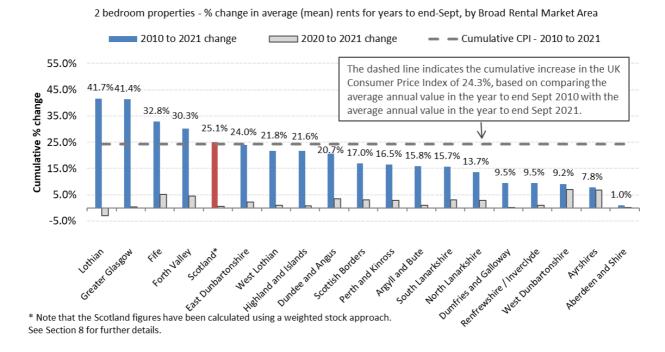
- Lothian and Greater Glasgow have seen cumulative increases in average rents above the rate of inflation between 2010 and 2021³ across all property sizes.
- Forth Valley and Fife have seen cumulative increases in average rents above the rate of inflation for all property sizes except 1 bedroom properties.
- Argyll and Bute and North Lanarkshire have seen cumulative increases in average rents of less than the rate of inflation across all property sizes between 2010 and 2021.

¹ Note that average rents that have changed within +/- 0.5% can be considered as being fairly similar to previous periods, given that there can be some variation each year in the profile and number of records included in the rental sample within each area.

² An increase in CPI inflation of 1.5%, based on the average CPI value across the latest 12 month period Oct-20 to Sep-21 compared with the average value in the previous year Oct-19 to Sep-20.

³ An increase in CPI inflation of 24.3%, based on the average CPI value across the latest 12 month period Oct-20 to Sep-21 compared with the average value in the year Oct-09 to Sep-10.

Chart 1: Lothian and Greater Glasgow have seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 2 bedroom rents between 2010 and 2021, although Lothian has seen a drop of 2.9% in the latest year



This publication presents statistics on private sector rent levels in Scotland over the years 2010 to 2021 (years to end September) for different property sizes across each of the 18 Broad Rental Market Areas in Scotland⁴. It contains information on average rents as well as rents at the higher and lower end of the market⁵.

The publication uses data from the Rent Service Scotland market evidence database, which is collected for the purposes of determining annual Local Housing Allowance levels and Local Reference Rent.

The main users of this publication are likely to include those involved in housing policy and practice, researchers, tenants, landlords, letting agents, and other individuals with an interest in the private rented sector.

Note that the rental information contained in the market evidence database is largely based on advertised rents, therefore it is important to note that the statistics presented in this publication do not represent any rent changes for existing tenants.

As with the previous publication, Scotland figures have been calculated using a weighted stock approach based on separate Scottish Household Survey estimates on the profile of rental stock by area and property size over time. Further information on this is available in Section 8.

⁴ A definition and map of Broad Rental Market Areas is included in this publication in the <u>Section</u> on Broad Rental Market Area Profiles

⁵ Information is provided on means, medians, lower quartiles and upper quartiles. These statistical terms are defined in Annex B – Glossary of Terms

1. Key findings, based on 2 bedroom properties

The most common type of property in the private rented sector is a 2 bedroom property, with nearly half (49 per cent) of all private rented properties in Scotland estimated to be this size⁶. Findings relating to other sizes of properties can differ to this, and are provided later in this publication.

- In the year to end September 2021, average 2 bedroom rents increased above UK CPI inflation of 1.5%⁷ in 10 out of 18 areas, with the largest increases being 7.1% in West Dunbartonshire and 6.8% in the Ayrshires.
- An additional four areas saw an increase above 0.5% but below CPI inflation of 1.5%. Three areas saw little change in average rents compared with the previous year, with annual changes within +/-0.5%, whilst the average 2 bedroom rent in Lothian decreased by 2.9%.
- These regional trends combine to show an estimated 0.6% increase in average 2 bedroom monthly rents at a Scotland level, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.
- In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 2 bedroom properties across Scotland (£942). Other areas with high rents included Greater Glasgow (£797) and East Dunbartonshire (£721). Areas with the lowest average rents for 2 bedroom properties included the Ayrshires (£500) and Dumfries and Galloway (£477).
- Figures on changes to rents over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative increase in the UK Consumer Price Index of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.
- Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, four areas (Lothian, Greater Glasgow, Fife and Forth Valley) have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation.
- Over the same period, 14 areas have seen increases below the level of CPI inflation, with average rents in Aberdeen and Shire just 1% higher in 2021 compared to 2010.
- These regional trends combine to show an estimated 25.1% cumulative increase for average 2 bedroom properties in Scotland between 2010 and 2021, reaching £693 in 2021.

⁶ See Table 3.6d 'Housing characteristics by tenure - Number of bedrooms (Scotland, 2019)' at SHS Data Explorer (shinyapps.io)

⁷ ONS Consumer Price Inflation Tables, published on 20 October 2021 Consumer price inflation, <u>UK - Office for National Statistics</u>. The annual increase of 1.5% is based on the average CPI value across the latest 12 month period Oct-20 to Sep-21 compared with the average value in the previous year Oct-19 to Sep-20. In a similar way, the cumulative 11 year increase of 24.3% is based on the average CPI value across the latest 12 month period Oct-20 to Sep-21, compared with the average value in the previous year Oct-19 to Sep-20.

The changes in average rents for 2 bedroom properties between 2020 to 2021, and 2010 to 2021, are illustrated in the maps in Figure A and Figure B, respectively.

Figure A shows that when looking at the 2 bedroom property size category between 2020 and 2021, that average rents have increased above CPI inflation of 1.5% in Ayrshires (6.8%), Dundee and Angus (3.4%), East Dunbartonshire (2.3%), Fife (5.2%), Forth Valley (4.6%), North Lanarkshire (2.7%), Perth and Kinross (2.9%), Scottish Borders (3.0%), South Lanarkshire (3.0%), and West Dunbartonshire (7.1%).

Average rents have increased by more than 0.5% but by less than CPI of 1.5% in Argyll and Bute (0.9%), Highland and Islands (0.8%), Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (1.0%) and West Lothian (0.9%), whilst average rents have shown little change (within +/-0.5%) in Aberdeen and Shire (0.0%), Dumfries and Galloway (0.1%) and Greater Glasgow (0.3%), and the average rent has fallen by more than 0.5% in Lothian (-2.9%).

Figure B shows that when looking at the 2 bedroom property size category between 2010 and 2021, that average rents have increased above CPI inflation of 24.3% in Fife (32.8%), Forth Valley (30.3%), Greater Glasgow (41.4%) and Lothian (41.7%).

Average rents have increased by more than 20% but below CPI inflation of 24.3% in Dundee and Angus (20.7%), East Dunbartonshire (24.0%), Highland and Islands (21.6%) and West Lothian (21.8%). Average rents have increased by more than 10% but less than 20% in Argyll and Bute (15.8%), North Lanarkshire (13.7%), Perth and Kinross (16.5%), Scottish Borders (17.0%) and South Lanarkshire (15.7%), whilst average rents have increased by less than 10% in Aberdeen and Shire (1.0%), Ayrshires (7.8%), Dumfries and Galloway (9.5%), Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (9.5%) and West Dunbartonshire (9.2%).

Figure A: Change in average (mean) rents for 2 bedroom properties between 2020 and 2021

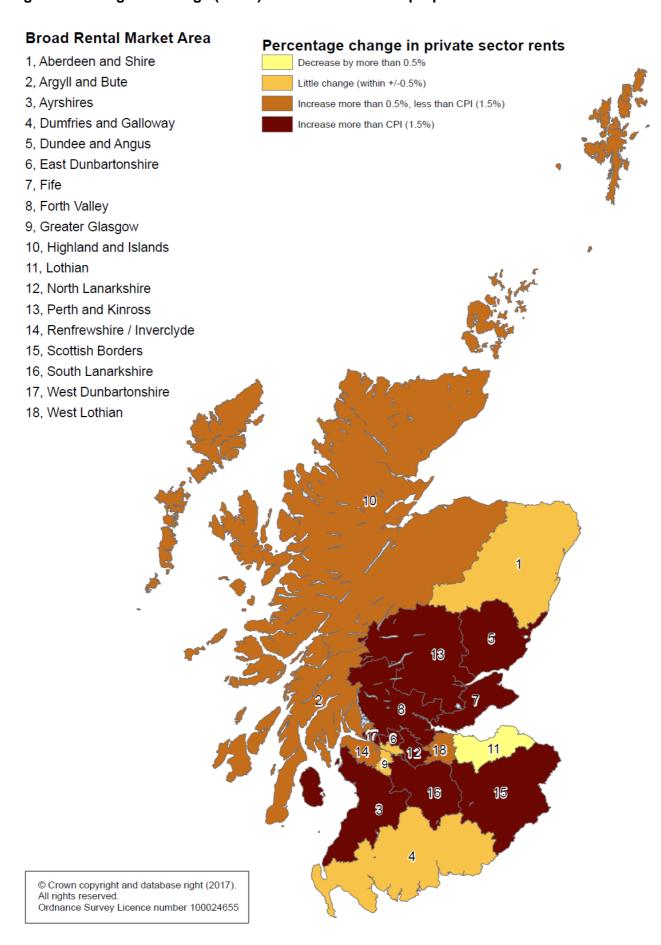
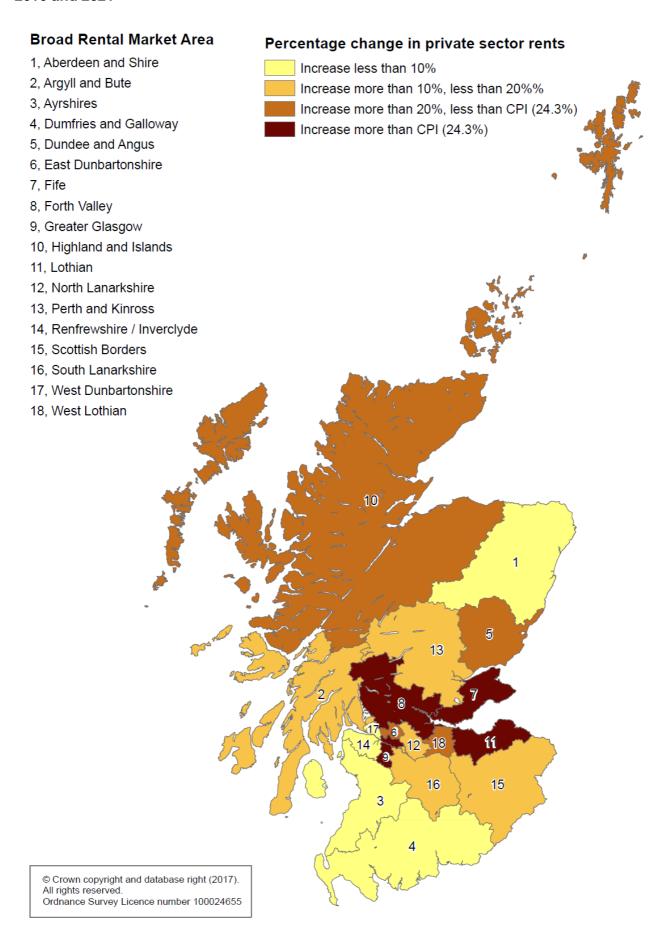


Figure B: Percentage change in average (mean) rents for 2 bedroom properties between 2010 and 2021



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2. Background

This publication uses data from the Rent Service Scotland 'Market Evidence Database'. This database is used to meet the needs of determining annual Local Housing Allowance levels and Local Reference Rent, and data from it is also published in the form of 30th percentile rental prices⁸ at Broad Rental Market Area level.

The market evidence data on private rents is sourced through a variety of means, including private landlord and letting agent returns, mailshot initiatives, as well as advertised rental information. In the latest year to end September 2021, an estimated 87% of records were based on advertised rents, with the remainder being based on sitting tenant rents from landlord returns.

Given the high proportion of records obtained from advertised rents, it is important to note that the statistics presented in this publication therefore do not represent rent increases for existing tenants.

The rental values in this publication are based on data collected on about 25,000 to 35,000 individual rents each year, representing about 8% to 10% of private rented dwellings. It is important to note that the data collected on individual rents may encompass different property types and addresses for each data collection year.

As with the previous publication, Scotland figures have been calculated using a weighted stock approach based on separate Scottish Household Survey estimates on the profile of rental stock over time in terms of area and property size (number of bedrooms). Further information on this is available in Section 8. Also see Annex E for further information on methodological differences to the ONS Index of Private Rents.

Caution is advised when considering rent levels and trends for property sizes within Broad Rental Market Areas which are based on small sample sizes.

This publication does not present rental values averaged across all property sizes for Broad Rental Market Areas or at a Scotland level. This is because changes to sampling proportions by property size within each Broad Rental Market Area over the years would likely introduce bias into overall averages when comparing trends over time. In addition, each Broad Rental Market Area has a different profile of rental properties by size, which would also distort overall comparisons between Broad Rental Market Areas.

This publication uses data from the Rent Service Scotland market evidence database, which:

 excludes any rents related to social housing, mid-market rents, halls of residence, and private tenancies known to be the subject of housing benefit and regulated tenancies.

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⁸ Local Housing Allowance Rates: 2021-2022 - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)

In addition:

- Rental information on studio/bedsit properties, properties with 5 or more bedrooms, and bed and breakfast lodgings has been excluded from this publication due to small sample sizes.
- Rents for a bedroom in a shared property are presented as 'rent only' figures,
 i.e. do not include the additional cost of shared services where these are
 known.

Further details on the data collection methodology, including sample sizes and sampling proportions is given in Annex C.

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3. Main Findings for 1 Bedroom Properties

In the year to end September 2021, average 1 bedroom rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation rate of 1.5% in 9 out of 18 areas of Scotland, with the largest increases being in Ayrshires (7.5%), Forth Valley (6.6%) and the Scottish Borders (5.7%), with North Lanarkshire also seeing an increase of 0.7% in the latest year but below CPI.

Five areas saw little change (within +/-0.5%) in average rents compared with the previous year, including Aberdeen and Shire, Argyll and Bute, Greater Glasgow, Highland and Islands, and South Lanarkshire.

Average rents decreased by more than 0.5% in Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (-2.4%), East Dunbartonshire (-0.6%) and Lothian (-0.6%).

Average rents for 1 bedroom properties at the Scotland level increased by an estimated 0.6% between 2020 and 2021, to reach £546 in 2021, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.

Figures on longer term changes to rents for 1 bedroom properties over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative increase in UK CPI of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.

Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, two areas have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation. Lothian has seen the highest increase in private rents for 1 bedroom properties, with average rents rising by 45.2% (cumulative increase over 11 years) and average rents in the Greater Glasgow area rising by 38.1% between 2010 and 2021.

These cumulative increases equate to annualised growth rates of 3.4% for Lothian and 3.0% for Greater Glasgow, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

For the remaining areas of Scotland, cumulative changes have been below CPI inflation. Aberdeen and Shire has seen a fall of 13.9% in average rents, which is likely to reflect decreased demand for rental properties in recent years following the downturn in the oil industry.

These regional trends combine to show an estimated 23.5% cumulative increase for 1 bedroom properties between 2010 and 2021 (equating to an annualised growth rate of 1.9%), to reach £546 in 2021. See Table 1 and Chart 2 below.

Table 1: 1 Bedroom Properties - Average (mean) monthly rents (£): Cumulative changes 2010 to 2021, by Broad Rental Market Area

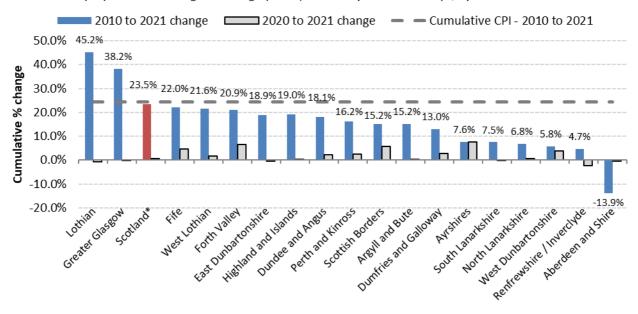
				2010 to 2021	2020 to 2021
	2010	2020	2021	change	change
Lothian	520	760	755	45.2%	-0.6%
Greater Glasgow	437	605	604	38.2%	0.0%
Scotland*	442	542	546	23.5%	0.6%
Fife	379	441	462	22.0%	4.7%
West Lothian	428	513	521	21.6%	1.6%
Forth Valley	387	439	468	20.9%	6.6%
East Dunbartonshire	450	538	534	18.9%	-0.6%
Highland and Islands	415	493	494	19.0%	0.2%
Dundee and Angus	351	405	414	18.1%	2.3%
Perth and Kinross	377	428	439	16.2%	2.5%
Scottish Borders	336	366	387	15.2%	5.7%
Argyll and Bute	382	440	440	15.2%	0.1%
Dumfries and Galloway	359	395	406	13.0%	2.7%
Ayrshires	375	376	404	7.6%	7.5%
South Lanarkshire	382	412	411	7.5%	-0.3%
North Lanarkshire	373	396	398	6.8%	0.7%
West Dunbartonshire	397	404	420	5.8%	3.8%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	374	401	392	4.7%	-2.4%
Aberdeen and Shire	529	457	455	-13.9%	-0.5%

See Reference Tables (Tables 7 to 18) for a more detailed breakdown of quartile and average rents for each year.

^{*} Note that the Scotland figures have been calculated using a weighted stock approach. See Section 8 for further details.

Chart 2: Lothian and Greater Glasgow have seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 1 bedroom rents between 2010 and 2021, whilst Aberdeen and Shire average rents have dropped over the eleven years

1 bedroom properties - % change in average (mean) rents for years to end-Sept, by Broad Rental Market Area

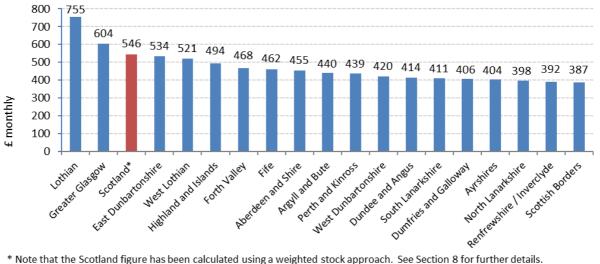


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In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 1 bedroom properties across Scotland (£755), with Greater Glasgow having rents of £604. Areas with the lowest average rents for 1 bedroom properties included North Lanarkshire (£398), Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (£392), and the Scottish Borders (£387). See Chart 3 below.

Chart 3: In 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly 1 bedroom rent (£755), with Scottish Borders having the lowest (£387)

1 bedroom properties - average (mean) monthly rents in 2021 (year to end-Sept), by Broad Rental Market Area



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4. Main Findings for 2 Bedroom Properties

In the year to end September 2021, average 2 bedroom rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation rate of 1.5% in 10 out of 18 areas, with the largest increases being in West Dunbartonshire (7.1%) and the Ayrshires (6.8%).

A further four areas saw increases in average rents but below CPI, including Highland and Islands (0.8%), Argyll and Bute (0.9%), West Lothian (0.9%), and Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (1.0%).

Three areas showed little change (within +/-0.5%) on the previous year, including Aberdeen and Shire, Dumfries and Galloway, and Greater Glasgow, whilst average rents decreased by more than 0.5% in the Lothian area (-2.9%).

Average rents for 2 bedroom properties at the Scotland level increased by an estimated 0.6% between 2020 and 2021, to reach £693 in 2021, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.

Figures on longer term changes to rents for 2 bedroom properties over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative increase in UK CPI of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.

Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, four areas (Lothian, Greater Glasgow, Fife and Forth Valley) have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation. Lothian has seen the highest increase in private rents for 2 bedroom properties, with average rents rising by 41.7% (cumulative increase over 11 years), although average rents have dropped in 2021 compared with 2020 (a decrease of 2.9%), and Glasgow has seen a cumulative increase of 41.4%.

These cumulative increases equate to annualised growth rates of 3.2% for both Lothian and Greater Glasgow, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

For the remaining areas of Scotland, cumulative increases have been below CPI inflation and have ranged from 1.0% in Aberdeen and Shire to 24.0% in East Dunbartonshire.

These regional trends combine to show an estimated 25.1% cumulative increase for 2 bedroom properties between 2010 and 2021 (equating to an annualised growth rate of 2.1%), to reach £693 in 2021. See Table 2 and Chart 4 below.

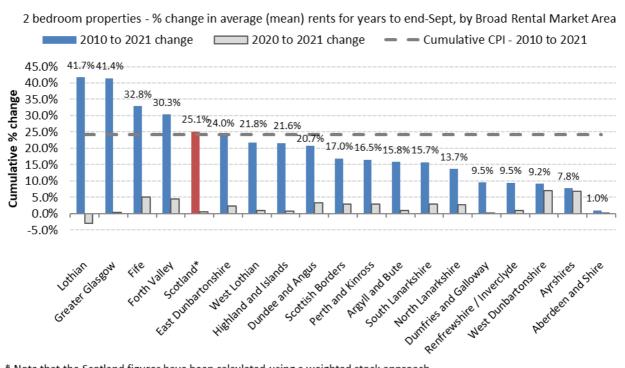
Table 2: 2 Bedroom Properties - Average (mean) monthly rents (£): Cumulative changes

2010 to 2021, by Broad Rental Market Area

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				2010 to	2020 to
				2021	2021
	2010	2020	2021	change	change
Lothian	665	969	942	41.7%	-2.9%
Greater Glasgow	564	794	797	41.4%	0.3%
Fife	464	586	616	32.8%	5.2%
Forth Valley	492	614	642	30.3%	4.6%
Scotland*	554	689	693	25.1%	0.6%
East Dunbartonshire	581	704	721	24.0%	2.3%
West Lothian	527	636	642	21.8%	0.9%
Highland and Islands	503	607	612	21.6%	0.8%
Dundee and Angus	497	581	601	20.7%	3.4%
Scottish Borders	442	502	516	17.0%	3.0%
Perth and Kinross	506	573	590	16.5%	2.9%
Argyll and Bute	503	577	583	15.8%	0.9%
South Lanarkshire	481	540	556	15.7%	3.0%
North Lanarkshire	455	503	517	13.7%	2.7%
Dumfries and Galloway	435	476	477	9.5%	0.1%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	473	512	518	9.5%	1.0%
West Dunbartonshire	492	502	537	9.2%	7.1%
Ayrshires	464	469	500	7.8%	6.8%
Aberdeen and Shire	643	649	649	1.0%	0.0%

See Reference Tables (Tables 7 to 17) for a more detailed breakdown of quartile and average rents for each year.

Chart 4: Lothian and Greater Glasgow have seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 2 bedroom rents between 2010 and 2021, although Lothian has seen a drop in the latest year

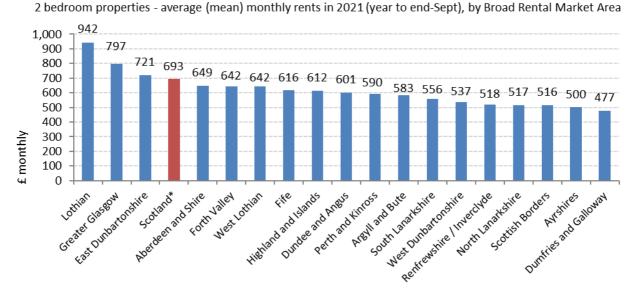


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In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 2 bedroom properties across Scotland (£942), with Greater Glasgow having an average rent of £797 and East Dunbartonshire an average rent of £721. Areas with the lowest average rents for 2 bedroom properties included the Ayrshires (£500) and Dumfries and Galloway (£477). See Chart 5 below.

Chart 5: In 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly 2 bedroom rent (£942), with Dumfries and Galloway having the lowest (£477)



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5. Main Findings for 3 Bedroom Properties

In the year to end September 2021, average 3 bedroom rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation rate of 1.5% in 9 out of 18 areas, with the highest increasing being seen in Fife (8.4%), Scottish Borders (5.1%), and East Dunbartonshire (4.2%). A further two areas saw increases in average rents but below CPI, including Forth Valley (0.6%) and Highland and Islands (1.4%).

Two areas saw little change (within +/-0.5%) in average rents compared with the previous year, including Dumfries and Galloway and West Dunbartonshire.

Average rents decreased by more than 0.5% in Greater Glasgow (-1.2%), Aberdeen and Shire (-2.1%), Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (-2.5%), Lothian (-3.2%) and Argyll and Bute (-11.0%).

Average rents for 3 bedroom properties at the Scotland level showed no change (0.0%) between 2020 and 2021, remaining at £843 in 2021, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.

Figures on longer term changes to rents for 3 bedroom properties over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative increase in UK CPI of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.

Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, eight areas have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation, ranging from an increase of 26.9% in West Lothian up to 41.8% in Lothian.

These cumulative increases equate to a range of annualised growth rates between 2.2% in West Lothian to 3.2% in Lothian, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

For the remaining ten areas of Scotland, cumulative increases have been below CPI inflation, and have ranged from 3.4% in Argyll and Bute up to 24.0% in Highland and Islands.

These regional trends combine to show an estimated 25.3% cumulative increase for 3 bedroom properties between 2010 and 2021 (equating to an annualised growth rate of 2.1%), to £844 in 2021. See Table 3 and Chart 6 below.

Table 3: 3 Bedroom Properties - Average (mean) monthly rents (£): Cumulative changes 2010 to 2021, by Broad Rental Market Area

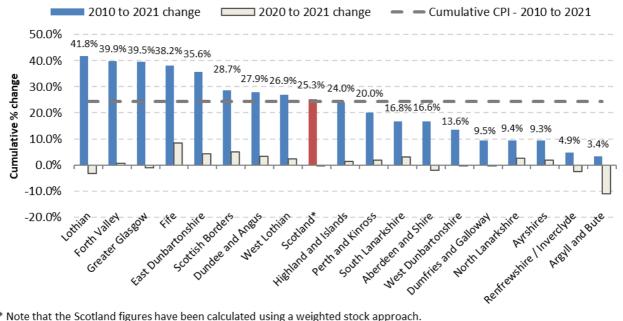
				2010 to	2020 to
				2021	2021
	2010	2020	2021	change	change
Lothian	918	1,344	1,301	41.8%	-3.2%
Forth Valley	643	893	899	39.9%	0.6%
Greater Glasgow	728	1,028	1,016	39.5%	-1.2%
Fife	563	718	778	38.2%	8.4%
East Dunbartonshire	750	976	1,017	35.6%	4.2%
Scottish Borders	515	630	663	28.7%	5.1%
Dundee and Angus	633	783	809	27.9%	3.4%
West Lothian	616	764	781	26.9%	2.3%
Scotland*	674	844	844	25.3%	0.0%
Highland and Islands	595	727	737	24.0%	1.4%
Perth and Kinross	647	762	777	20.0%	2.0%
South Lanarkshire	627	710	732	16.8%	3.1%
Aberdeen and Shire	744	886	867	16.6%	-2.1%
West Dunbartonshire	591	674	672	13.6%	-0.4%
Dumfries and Galloway	500	547	547	9.5%	-0.1%
North Lanarkshire	549	585	600	9.4%	2.5%
Ayrshires	556	597	608	9.3%	1.8%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	612	658	642	4.9%	-2.5%
Argyll and Bute	638	741	659	3.4%	-11.0%

See Reference Tables (Tables 7 to 17) for a more detailed breakdown of quartile and average rents for each year.

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Chart 6: Lothian, Forth Valley, Greater Glasgow, Fife and East Dunbartonshire have seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 3 bedroom rents between 2010 and 2021

3 bedroom properties - % change in average (mean) rents for years to end-Sept, by Broad Rental Market Area

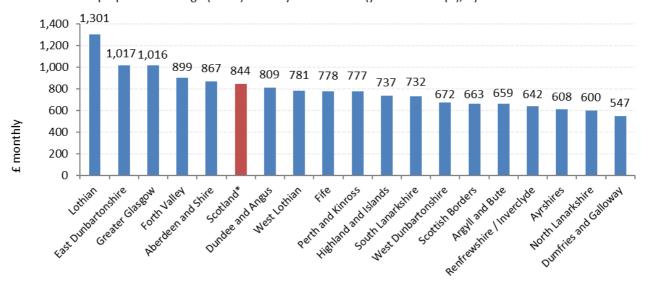


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In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 3 bedroom properties across Scotland (£1,301). Areas with the lowest average rents for 3 bedroom properties included the Ayrshires (£608), North Lanarkshire (£600) and Dumfries and Galloway (£547). See Chart 7 below.

Chart 7: In 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly 2 bedroom rent (£1,301), with Dumfries and Galloway having the lowest (£547)

3 bedroom properties - average (mean) monthly rents in 2021 (year to end-Sept), by Broad Rental Market Area



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6. Main Findings for 4 Bedroom Properties

Note that some areas have a relatively low number of 4 bedroom property records recorded, and therefore some caution is needed when interpreting the findings given that the averages presented can be based on a small number of underlying records.

In the year to end September 2021, average 4 bedroom rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation rate of 1.5% in 11 out of 18 areas, with the largest increases being in Fife (16.5%), Renfrewshire / Inverclyde (13.2%) and West Dunbartonshire (13.2%).

A further three areas saw increases in average rents but below CPI, including Greater Glasgow (0.6%), Highland and Islands (1.2%) and Dundee and Angus (1.3%).

Average rents decreased by more than 0.5% in the remaining areas, with decreases seen for Perth and Kinross (-3.4%), Lothian (-4.5%), Argyll and Bute (-5.5%), and Forth Valley (-8.8%).

Average rents for 4 bedroom properties at the Scotland level were estimated to increase by 1.2% between 2020 and 2021, to reach £1,358 in 2021, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.

Figures on longer term changes to rents for 4 bedroom properties over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative increase in UK CPI of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.

Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, nearly all (16 out of 18) areas have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation, ranging from an increase of 25.3% in Highland and Islands up to 72.0% in Fife.

These cumulative increases equate to a range of annualised growth rates between 2.1% in Highland and Islands to 5.1% in Fife, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

For the remaining two areas of Scotland, cumulative increases have been below CPI inflation, in Argyll and Bute (15.0%) and North Lanarkshire (22.6%).

These regional trends combine to show an estimated 44.7% cumulative increase for 4 bedroom properties between 2010 and 2021 (equating to an annualised growth rate of 3.4%), to reach £1,358 in 2021. See Table 4 and Chart 8 below.

Table 4: 4 Bedroom Properties - Average (mean) monthly rents (£): Cumulative changes

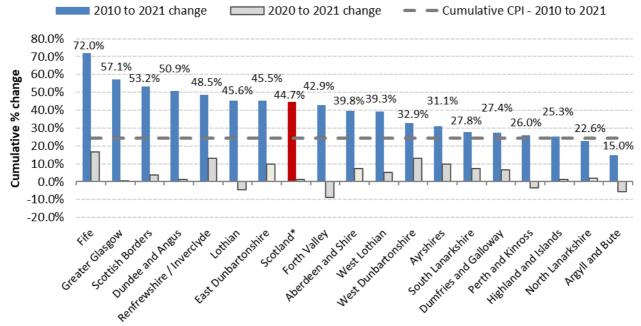
2010 to 2021, by Broad Rental Market Area

				2010 to	2020 to
				2021	2021
	2010	2020	2021	change	change
Fife	773	1,142	1,330	72.0%	16.5%
Greater Glasgow	1,067	1,667	1,677	57.1%	0.6%
Scottish Borders	690	1,018	1,057	53.2%	3.8%
Dundee and Angus	811	1,208	1,224	50.9%	1.3%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	834	1,093	1,238	48.5%	13.2%
Lothian	1,291	1,966	1,879	45.6%	-4.5%
East Dunbartonshire	1,135	1,506	1,651	45.5%	9.7%
Scotland*	939	1,342	1,358	44.7%	1.2%
Forth Valley	857	1,343	1,225	42.9%	-8.8%
Aberdeen and Shire	944	1,231	1,319	39.8%	7.2%
West Lothian	834	1,105	1,162	39.3%	5.1%
West Dunbartonshire	821	965	1,092	32.9%	13.2%
Ayrshires	758	906	994	31.1%	9.7%
South Lanarkshire	924	1,099	1,181	27.8%	7.4%
Dumfries and Galloway	620	741	790	27.4%	6.6%
Perth and Kinross	858	1,119	1,080	26.0%	-3.4%
Highland and Islands	751	929	940	25.3%	1.2%
North Lanarkshire	776	933	952	22.6%	2.0%
Argyll and Bute	924	1,125	1,063	15.0%	-5.5%

See Reference Tables (Tables 7 to 17) for a more detailed breakdown of quartile and average rents for each year.

Chart 8: Fife has seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 4 bedroom rents between 2010 and 2021, with an increase of 16.5% in the latest year

4 bedroom properties - % change in average (mean) rents for years to end-Sept, by Broad Rental Market Area

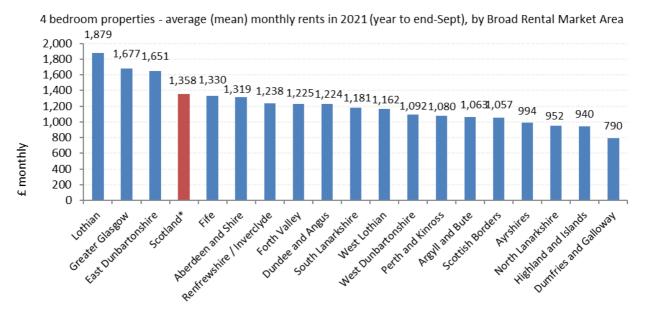


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In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 4 bedroom properties across Scotland (£1,879). The area with the lowest average rents for 4 bedroom properties was Dumfries and Galloway (£790). See Chart 9 below.

Chart 9: In 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly 4 bedroom rent (£1,879), with Dumfries and Galloway having the lowest (£790)



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7. Main Findings for 1 Bedroom Shared Properties

Note that some areas have a relatively low number of 1 bedroom shared property records recorded, and therefore some caution is needed when interpreting the findings given that the averages presented can be based on a small number of underlying records.

In the year to end September 2021, average 1 bedroom shared rents increased above the average 12 month UK CPI inflation rate of 1.5% in 8 out of 18 areas, with the largest increases being in East Dunbartonshire (22.4%) and Argyll and Bute (13.5%).

Two areas saw little change (within +/-0.5%) in average rents compared with the previous year, including Aberdeen and Shire, and Highland and Islands.

Average rents decreased by more than 0.5% in eight areas, ranging from a drop of 0.6% in Dundee and Angus to a decrease of 7.7% in Perth and Kinross.

Average rents for 1 bedroom shared properties at the Scotland level have decreased by an estimated 0.4% between 2020 and 2021, to reach £398 in 2021, which compares to an average increase in UK CPI of 1.5% across the year to September 2021.

Figures on longer term changes to rents for 1 bedroom shared properties over the period from 2010 to 2021 should be considered in the context of the cumulative

increase in UK CPI of 24.3% from the year to end September 2010 to the year to end September 2021.

Over the 11 year period from 2010 to 2021, nine areas have seen rent increases above the level of CPI inflation, ranging from an increase of 25.3% in Dundee and Angus up to 47.0% in Lothian.

These cumulative increases equate to a range of annualised growth rates between 2.1% in Dundee and Angus up to 3.6% in Lothian, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

For the remaining nine areas of Scotland, cumulative increases have been below CPI inflation, and have ranged from 9.9% in Aberdeen and Shire to 23.6% in West Dunbartonshire.

These regional trends combine to show an estimated 30.4% cumulative increase for 1 bedroom shared properties between 2010 and 2021 (equating to an annualised growth rate of 2.4%), to reach £398 in 2021. See Table 5 and Chart 10 below.

Table 5: 1 Bedroom Shared Properties - Average (mean) monthly rents (£): Cumulative

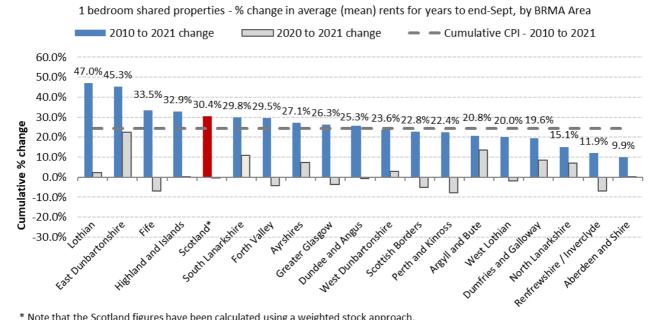
changes 2010 to 2021, by Broad Rental Market Area

				2010 to	2020 to
				2021	2021
	2010	2020	2021	change	change
Lothian	320	460	470	47.0%	2.2%
East Dunbartonshire	300	356	436	45.3%	22.4%
Fife	271	388	361	33.5%	-6.9%
Highland and Islands	287	381	382	32.9%	0.2%
Scotland*	305	400	398	30.4%	-0.4%
South Lanarkshire	309	362	401	29.8%	10.9%
Forth Valley	276	373	357	29.5%	-4.3%
Ayrshires	302	358	384	27.1%	7.3%
Greater Glasgow	313	410	395	26.3%	-3.5%
Dundee and Angus	263	331	329	25.3%	-0.6%
West Dunbartonshire	289	347	357	23.6%	3.0%
Scottish Borders	256	330	314	22.8%	-5.0%
Perth and Kinross	262	347	320	22.4%	-7.7%
Argyll and Bute	316	336	381	20.8%	13.5%
West Lothian	279	340	334	20.0%	-1.7%
Dumfries and Galloway	278	307	332	19.6%	8.4%
North Lanarkshire	297	320	342	15.1%	6.9%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	296	357	332	11.9%	-7.0%
Aberdeen and Shire	328	360	361	9.9%	0.2%

See Reference Tables (Tables 7 to 17) for a more detailed breakdown of quartile and average rents for each year.

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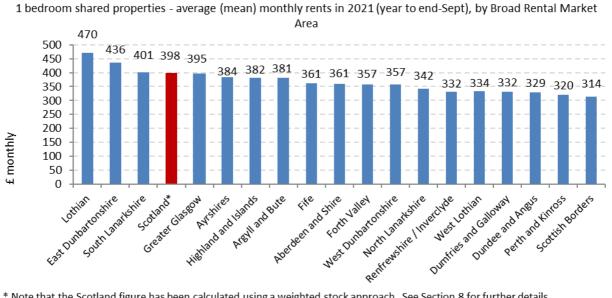
Chart 10: Lothian and East Dunbartonshire have seen the largest cumulative % rises in average 1 bedroom shared rents between 2010 and 2021



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In the year to end September 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly rents for 1 bedroom shared properties across Scotland (£470). Areas with the lowest average rents for 1 bedroom shared properties included Perth and Kinross (£320) and Scottish Borders (£314). See Chart 11 below.

Chart 11: In 2021, Lothian had the highest average monthly 1 bedroom shared rent (£470), with Scottish Borders having the lowest (£314)



^{*} Note that the Scotland figure has been calculated using a weighted stock approach. See Section 8 for further details.

8. Scotland-level Average Rents

Note that as with the previous publication, Scotland figures have been calculated using a weighted stock approach based on separate Scottish Household Survey data on the profile of stock by area and property size over time, although for this publication the weights used for the rental year 2020 have been rolled forward for the rental year 2021 due to the latest annual Scottish Household Survey figures being unavailable.

The use of a weighted stock approach aims to help ensure that the national average figures presented reflect the underlying composition of private rental properites over time, and to minimise any effects of changes to sample numbers achieved for particular property sizes or areas in any given years.

Table 6 and Chart 12 below provide a summary of Scotland level changes to average (mean) rental prices over the years 2010 to 2021.

Table 6: Summary of average (mean) private rents (£ monthly): Scotland, 2010 to 2021 (years to end Sept)

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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
1 Bedroom Property	442	451	449	457	480	498	503	515	520	532	542	546
2 Bedroom Property	554	570	573	594	619	636	632	649	659	681	689	693
3 Bedroom Property	674	693	704	717	737	759	776	788	827	826	844	844
4 Bedroom Property	939	985	1,010	1,092	1,096	1,109	1,104	1,138	1,237	1,316	1,342	1,358
1 Bedroom in Shared Property	305	299	306	318	330	344	356	363	376	390	400	398

Percentage Changes:												
	2010 to	2011 to	2012 to	2013 to	2014 to	2015 to	2016 to	2017 to	2018 to	2019 to	2020 to	2010 to
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2021
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1 Bedroom Property	2.0%	-0.4%	1.8%	4.9%	3.8%	1.1%	2.3%	1.0%	2.4%	1.8%	0.6%	23.5%
2 Bedroom Property	2.9%	0.5%	3.7%	4.2%	2.7%	-0.7%	2.7%	1.6%	3.3%	1.1%	0.6%	25.1%
3 Bedroom Property	2.9%	1.5%	2.0%	2.7%	3.0%	2.3%	1.5%	4.9%	-0.1%	2.2%	0.0%	25.3%
4 Bedroom Property	4.9%	2.6%	8.1%	0.3%	1.2%	-0.5%	3.1%	8.7%	6.4%	2.0%	1.2%	44.7%
1 Bedroom in Shared Property	-2.1%	2.3%	4.0%	3.6%	4.4%	3.5%	1.9%	3.4%	3.9%	2.5%	-0.4%	30.4%

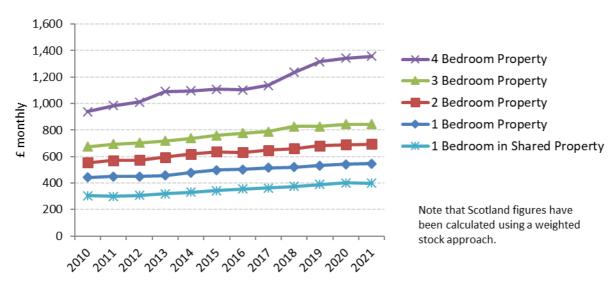
Notes:

Figures exclude any studio properties, properties with 5 or more bedrooms, or room rents associated with bed and breakfast Figures for rooms in shared properties represent "rent only", i.e. exclude any payments for shared services.

Note that Scotland figures have been calculated using a weighted stock approach.

Chart 12: When looking at average rents across Scotland as a whole, each property size category has seen a cumulative increase between 2010 and 2021, with 4 bedroom properties seeing the largest overall % increase

Scotland average (mean) monthly rents (£) 2010 to 2021 (years to end-Sept)



From Table 6, it can be seen that estimated average (mean) rents at a Scotland level have increased for all property sizes over the period from 2010 to 2021 (cumulative increases over 11 years).

The greatest cumulative increase over the 10 years from 2010 to 2021 has been for 4 bedroom properties (estimated 44.7% increase). Average rents for 1 bedroom shared properties have seen a cumulative estimated increase of 30.4%, whilst average rents for 3 bedroom properties have increased by 25.3%, average rents for 2 bedroom properties have increased by 25.1%, and average rents for 1 bedroom properties have increased by 23.5%.

These cumulative increases equate to annualised growth rates of 1.9%, 2.1%, 2.1%, 3.4% and 2.4% for 1 to 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared properties respectively, when calculated on a compound annual increase basis between 2010 and 2021.

In the latest year, average rents are estimated to have risen for 1 bedroom (0.6%), 2 bedroom (0.6%) and 4 bedroom (1.2%) properties, with average rents for 3 bedroom properties showing no change (0.0%), and rents for 1 bedroom shared properties falling by 0.4%.

Summary of weighted stock methodology used in this publication:

Stock based weights for rented properties have been derived from Scottish Household Survey data, with the aim that this is to help ensure that the national average figures presented reflect any changes to the underlying composition of private rental properites over time, and to minimise any effects of changes to sample numbers achieved for particular property sizes or areas in any given years.

Weights for stock by Broad Rental Market Area have been built up by using an approximate mapping of local authority areas to Broad Rental Market Areas.

The weights from the survey data have been constructed using 3 year rolling data periods to help with precision of results at Broad Rental Market Area and to smooth out annual variations seen in the survey results. Each 3 year data period being centred on the rental year to be estimated with a lag applied of 2 years, due to the time delay between 3 year survey results being available and the latest rental year in question. For example in the previous publication, for the rental year 2020, a 3 year data period 2017 to 2019 was used to construct the stock based weights, which equates to the year 2020 lagged by two years (i.e. to be centred on 2018).

One aspect to note for this publication is that given that the Scottish Household Survey results for the year 2020 are not available⁹, the previous set of weights based on the 3 year data period 2017 to 2019 have been rolled forward as the basis for the rental year 2021.

For each property size category, the stock based weights are based on the proportion of private rented households in this category that are located in each of the Broad Rental Market Areas. These weights are then used as part of a weighted average calculation in constructing the Scotland level average rent estimates.

For example for 2 bedroom properties, if the 3 year survey data estimates that 10% of private rented properties of this size are located in a particular Broad Rental Market Area, then this 10% figure is multiplied by the average (mean) rental amount for this area when constructing the overall weighted average calculation.

The same methodology has been applied across all other property size categories, except for 1 bedroom shared properties where the weightings are instead based on the estimated proportions of owner occupier or private rented households in each areas that contain two or more adults who are not related or who are not in a married / civil partnership or a co-habiting partnership.

This aims to identify households where there may be an individual room being rented in some form. A combination of owner occupier and private rented households have been used as the basis for these weights given that individual rooms being rented are likely to be mix of lodger type situations where the tenure of the property is owner occupier with an individual room being rented out, along with private rented properties in which rooms may be rented out individually.

and to consider what it is appropriate to publish.

⁹ As set out in the Scottish Government Official statistics forthcoming publications update at Official statistics: forthcoming publications - gov.scot (www.gov.scot), it was originally intended that the key findings from the 2020 Scottish Household Survey (SHS) would be published in October 2021. However due to the move to telephone/video interviewing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the publication has been delayed to allow the weighting methodology to be reviewed

9. Broad Rental Market Area Profiles

This section provides profiles for private rents in each of the 18 Broad Rental Market Areas¹⁰.

The commentary focusses on annual changes and 11 year cumulative changes for average (mean) rents by property sizes, as well as changes over time to the bottom end (lower quartile) and top end (upper quartile) of the rental markets.

The commentary does not cover changes to median rents given that these often show similar trends to mean rents, however users may also wish to look at the median figures and trends in the profile tables and charts¹¹.

The map on the following page illustrates the different geographical areas covered by each Broad Rental Market Area. It is also possible to search for the Broad Rental Market Area associated with a particular postcode¹² including the provision of detailed PDF maps of each area.

Excel versions of each of the Broad Rental Market Area Profiles along with an online Interactive Excel Workbook, in which different rental measures, Broad Rental Market Areas and property sizes can be selected and compared in the same chart, are both available from the Housing Statistics webpage.

¹⁰ A Broad Rental Market Area for Local Housing Allowance purposes is defined as an area in which a person could reasonably be expected to live having regard to facilities and services for the purposes of health, education, recreation, personal banking and shopping, taking account of the distance of travel, by public and private transport, to and from those facilities and services

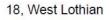
¹¹ Means, medians, and lower and upper quartiles are defined in Annex B – Glossary of Terms.

¹² <u>Search for Local Housing Allowance rates by postcode or local authority : DirectGov - LHA Rates (voa.gov.uk)</u>

Broad Rental Market Area

- 1, Aberdeen and Shire
- 2, Argyll and Bute
- 3, Ayrshires
- 4, Dumfries and Galloway
- 5, Dundee and Angus
- 6, East Dunbartonshire
- 7, Fife
- 8, Forth Valley
- 9, Greater Glasgow
- 10, Highland and Islands
- 11, Lothian
- 12, North Lanarkshire
- 13, Perth and Kinross
- 14, Renfrewshire / Inverclyde
- 15, Scottish Borders
- 16, South Lanarkshire
- 17, West Dunbartonshire

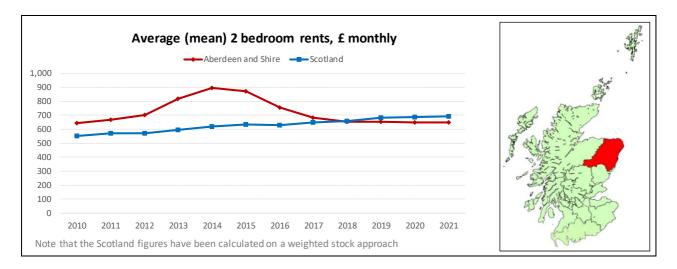
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Broad Rental Market Area Profile - Aberdeen and Shire

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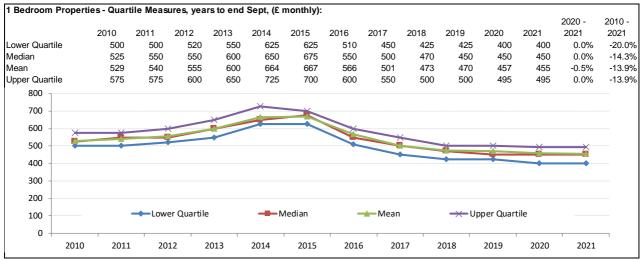


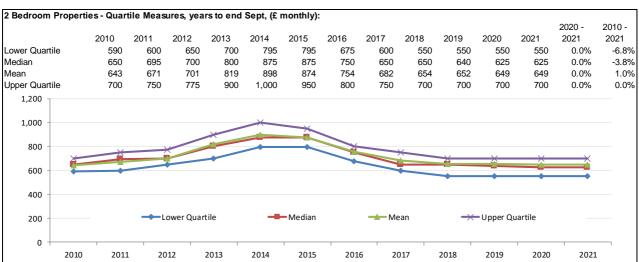
The average (mean) 2 bedroom rent in Aberdeen and Shire in 2021 was £649 per month, lower than the Scotland average of £693, and which is a reflection of rents in Aberdeen and Shire falling since 2014 due to the downturn in the oil industry, and remaining relatively stable from 2018 onwards while the Scotland average has increased each year over this time period.

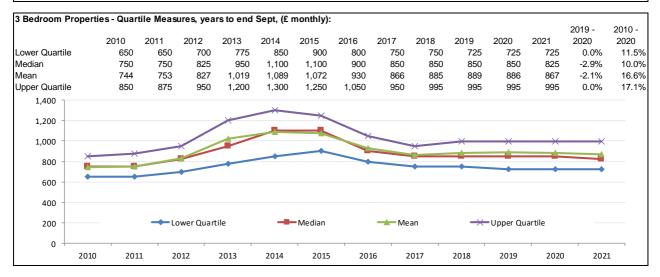
Average rents in Aberdeen and Shire in the latest year compared to the previous year have showed little change for 1 bedroom (-0.5%), 2 bedroom (0.0%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (0.2%), with a drop in the average rent for 3 bedroom properties (-2.1%) but an increase in the average rent for a 4 bedroom property (7.2%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

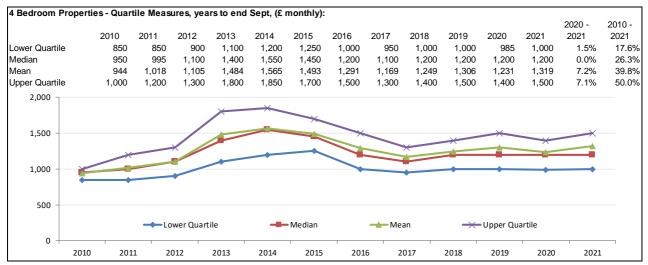
This follows decreases between 2015 and 2017 in average rents across all property size categories, likely to be due to decreased demand for rental properties following the downturn in the oil industry. Average rents in 2021 are still higher than in 2010 except for 1 bedroom properties, for which rents are now 13.9% lower than in 2010. For 4 bedroom properties, rents in 2021 are 39.8% higher than in 2010, which is higher than CPI inflation (24.3%) over this period.

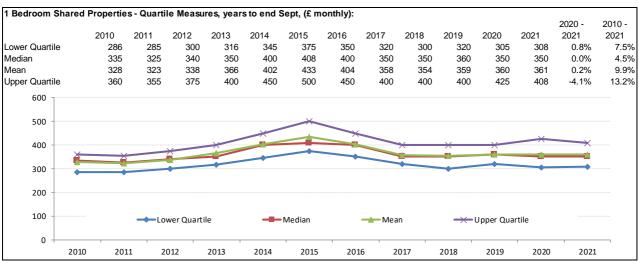
For 3 and 4 bedroom properties, greater increases at the top end (upper quartile) than the bottom end (lower quartile) between 2012 and 2014 caused the gap between the top and bottom ends to widen. This gap has since narrowed, although it slightly increased again in 2021 for 4 bedroom properties.

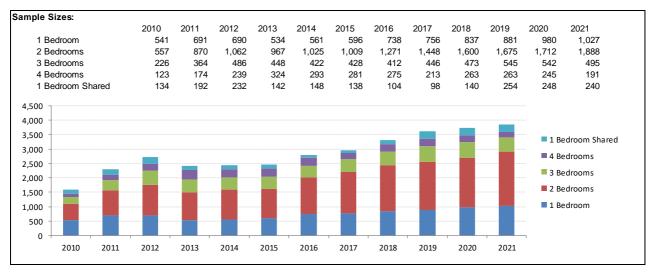






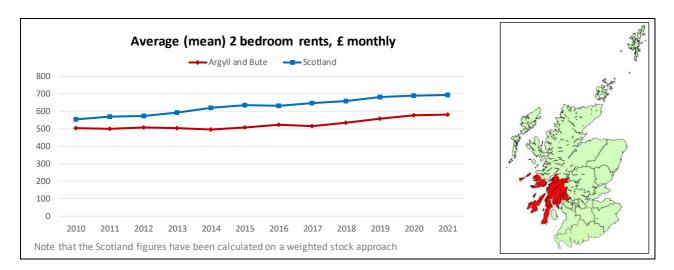






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - Argyll and Bute

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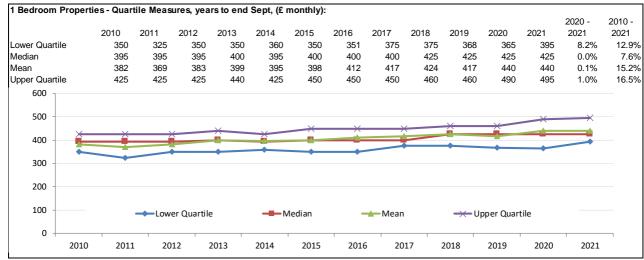


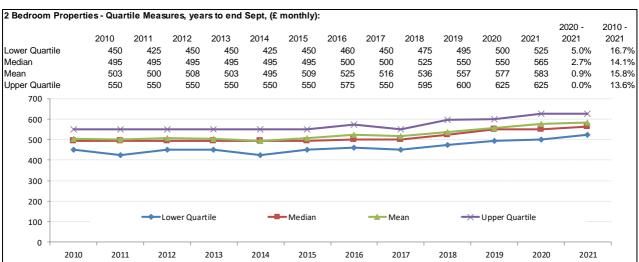
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in Argyll and Bute have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. Although the gap has grown over the years, this has decreased slightly in the latest three years with the average rent in 2021 being £583 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

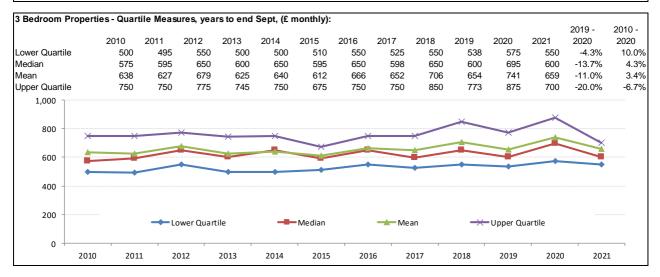
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents in Argyll and Bute have showed little change for 1 bedroom properties (0.1%), whilst average rents have increased for 2 bedroom (0.9%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (13.5%), and have dropped for 3 bedroom (-11.0%) and 4 bedroom (-5.5%) properties, compared to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 3 bedroom, 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared properties given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

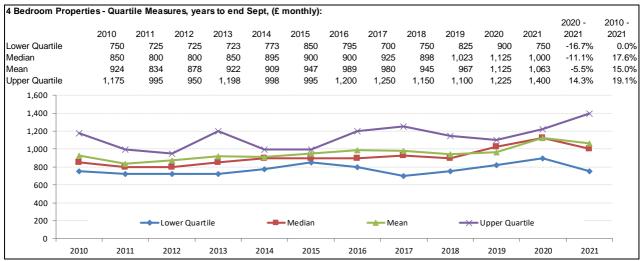
Between 2010 and 2021, average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 3.4% for 3 bedroom properties to 20.8% for 1 bedroom shared properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

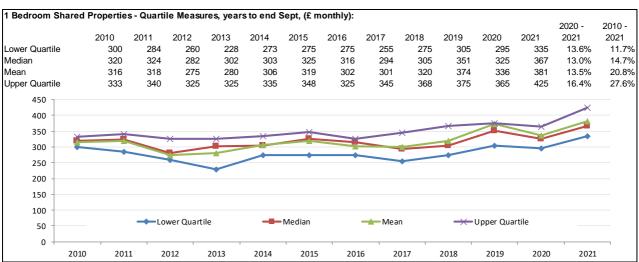
3, 4 and 1 bedroom shared properties have each seen some variation each year since 2010 in the gap between the higher end (upper quartile) and lower end (lower quartile) of the market, although some of this may be due to the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

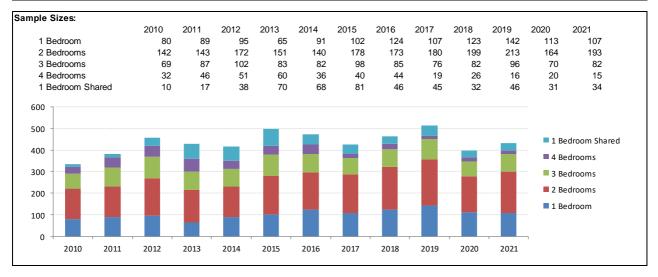






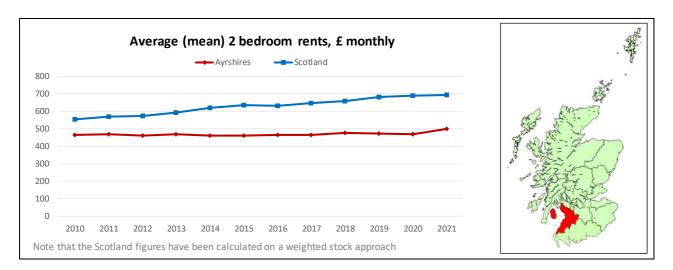






Broad Rental Market Area Profile – Ayrshires

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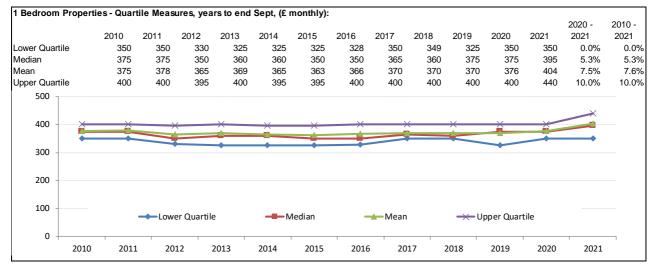


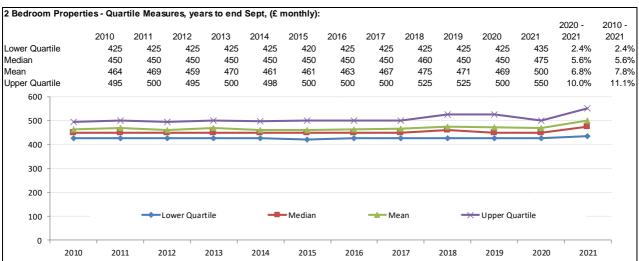
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. Although the gap has grown over the years, it has narrowed slightly in the latest year 2021, with the average rent in 2021 being £500 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

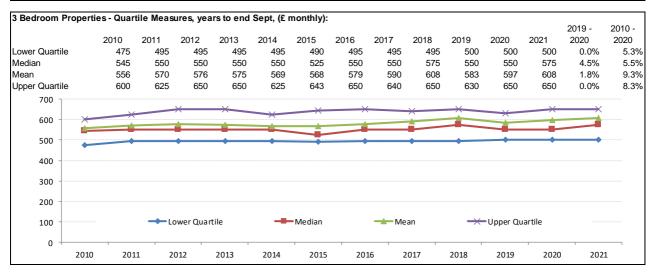
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased across each property size category, with increases seen for 1 bedroom (7.5%), 2 bedroom (6.8%), 3 bedroom (1.8%), 4 bedroom (9.6%), and 1 bedroom shared properties (7.3%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

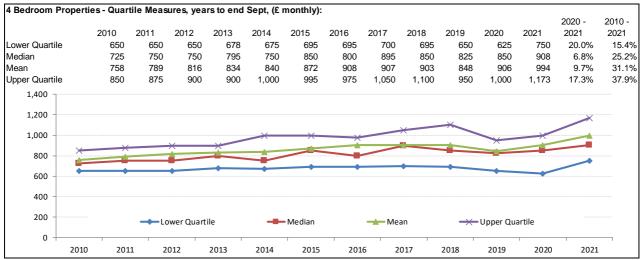
Between 2010 and 2021, average rents have increased for all property sizes, with the largest increase being for 4 bedroom properties (31.1%), higher than CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

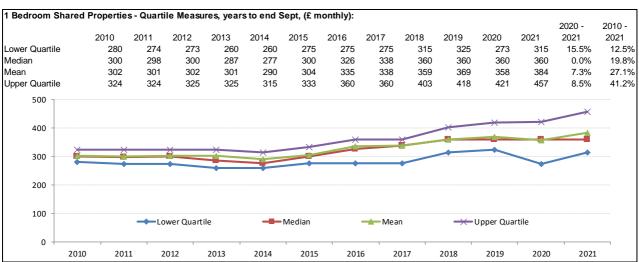
For 1 bedroom shared properties, a greater increase at the top end (upper quartile) than the bottom end (lower quartile) has caused the gap between the top end and bottom ends to widen in recent years.







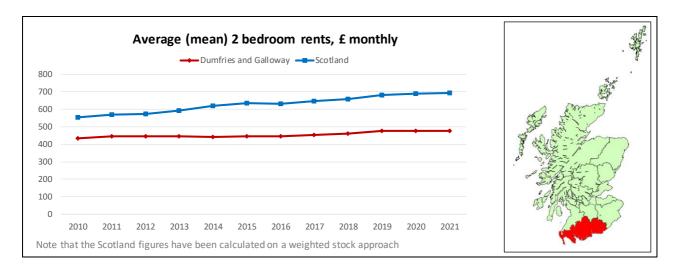






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - Dumfries and Galloway

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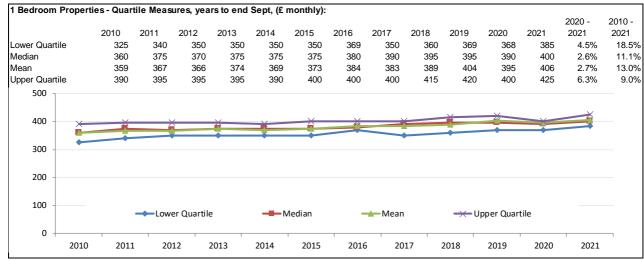


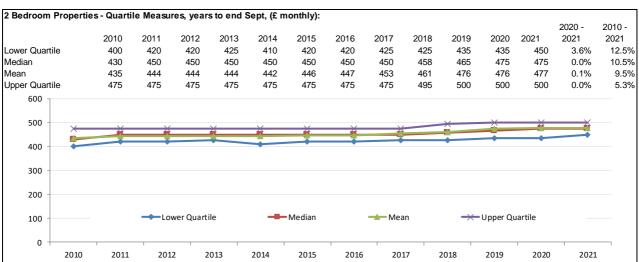
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010, and the gap has grown over the years, with the average rent in 2021 being £477 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

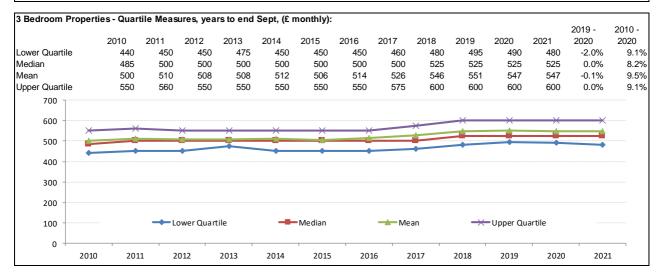
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have showed little change for 2 bedroom (0.1%) and 3 bedroom (-0.1%) properties, whilst average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (2.7%), 4 bedroom (6.6%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (8.4%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom properties given the smaller sample numbers for this category.

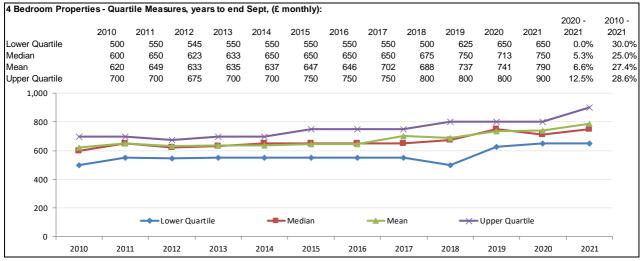
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 9.5% for both 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom properties up to 27.4% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

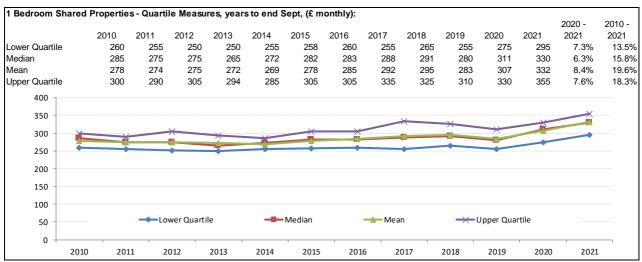
Over the latest three years, 4 bedroom properties have seen rents at the bottom end (lower quartile) increase narrowing the gap between the lower end and the upper end, although some of these changes may be due to the smaller sample size for this property category.

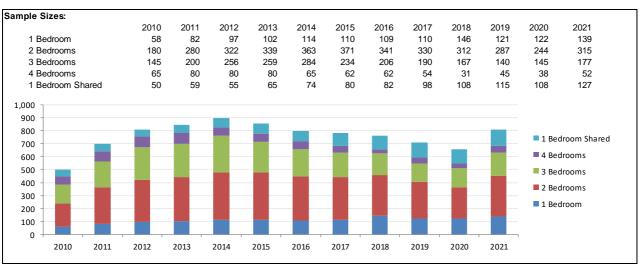












Broad Rental Market Area Profile – Dundee and Angus

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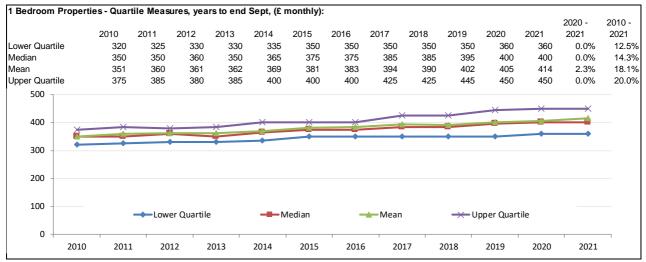


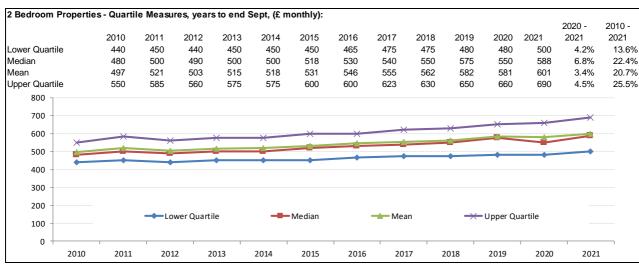
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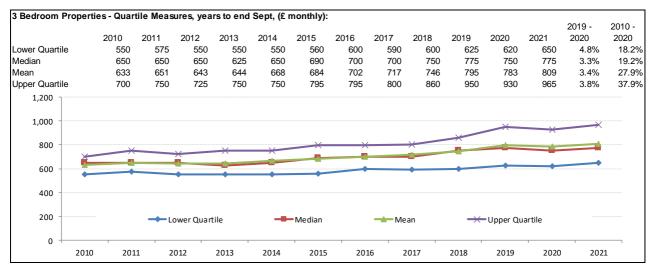
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (2.3%), 2 bedroom (3.4%), 3 bedroom (3.4%) and 4 bedroom (1.3%) properties, with the average rent decreasing for 1 bedroom shared properties (-0.6%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

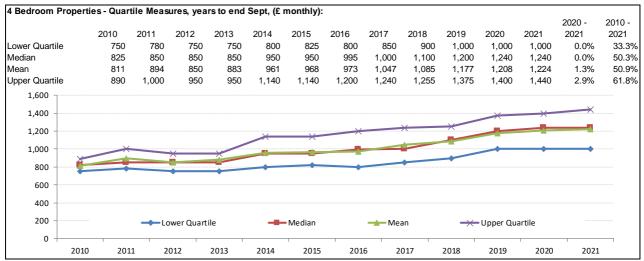
Between 2010 and 2021, average rents have increased across all property size categories, with increases ranging from 18.1% for 1 bedroom properties to 50.9% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

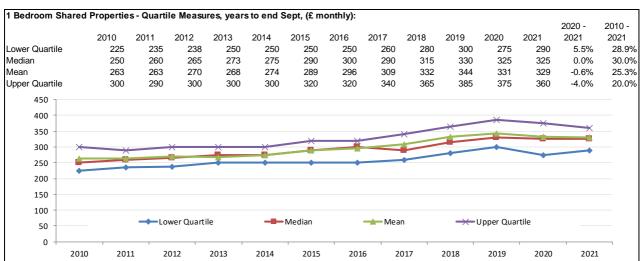
For 3 and 4 bedroom properties, increases between 2010 and 2021 have been greater at the top end (upper quartile) than the bottom end (lower quartile), causing the gap between top and bottom ends of the market to widen.

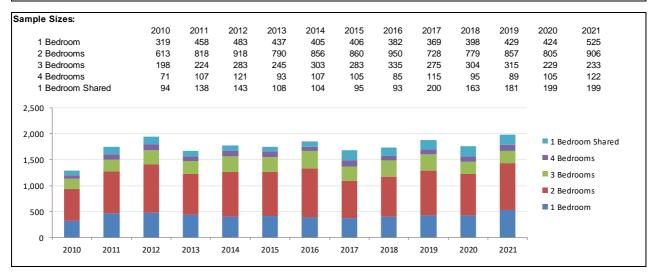






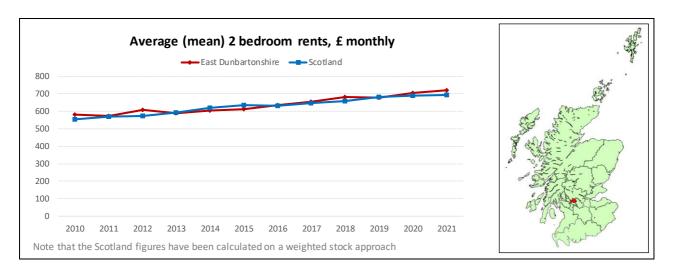






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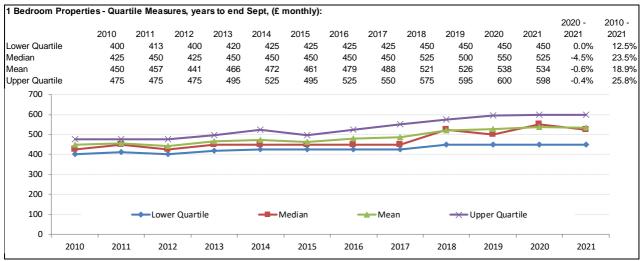


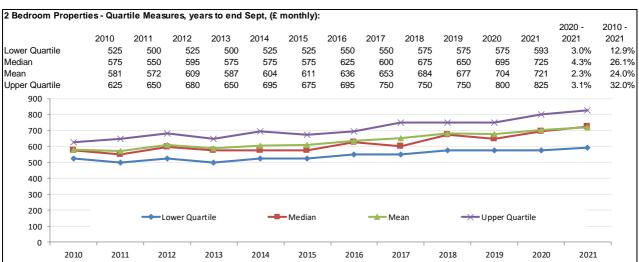
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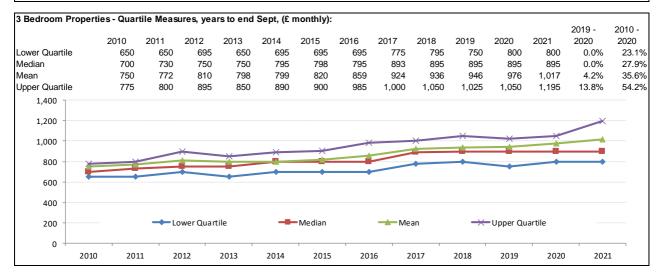
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for increased for 2 bedroom (2.3%), 3 bedroom (4.2%), 4 bedroom (9.7%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (22.4%), but have fallen for 1 bedroom properties (-0.6%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for all property size categories except 2 bedroom properties, given the smaller sample numbers for most categories.

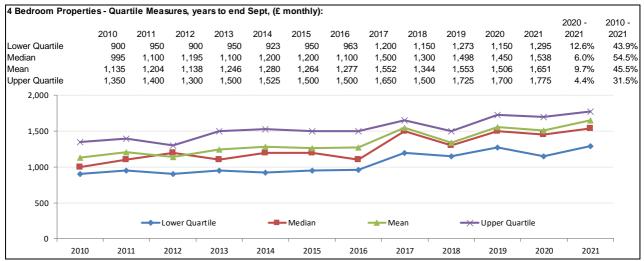
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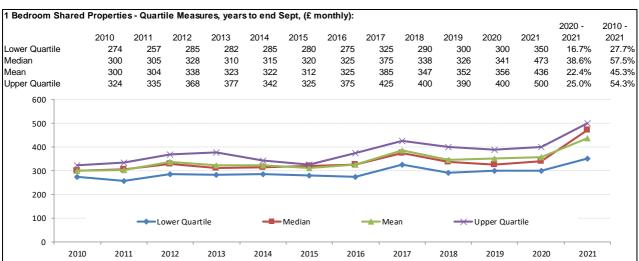
For 1 bedroom, 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom properties, rents between 2010 and 2021 have increased more at the top end (upper quartile) that at the bottom end (lower quartile) of the market, causing a slight widening of the gap between the top and bottom end of the market.

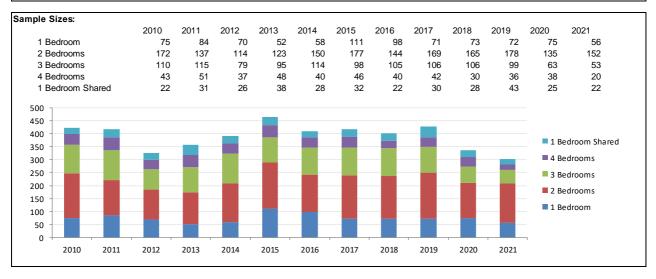






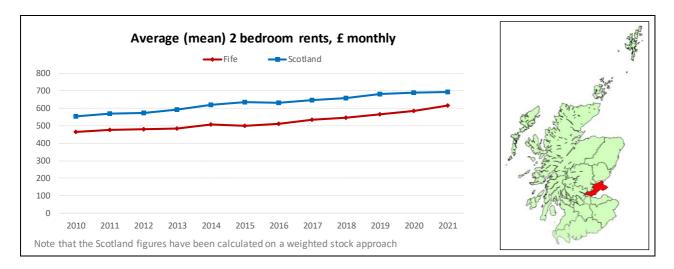






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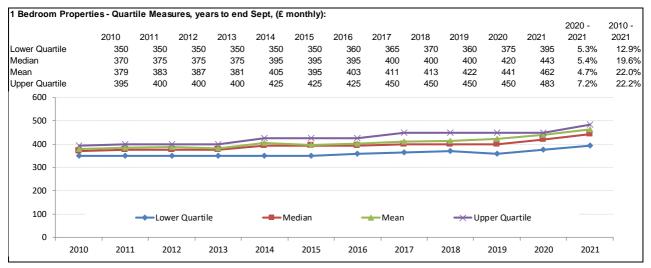


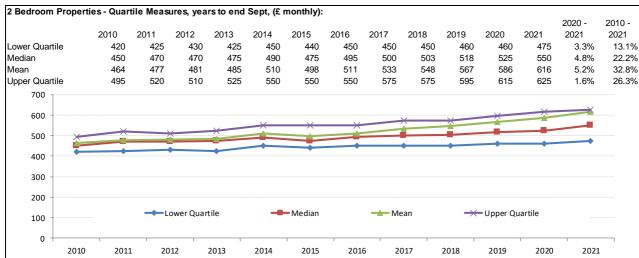
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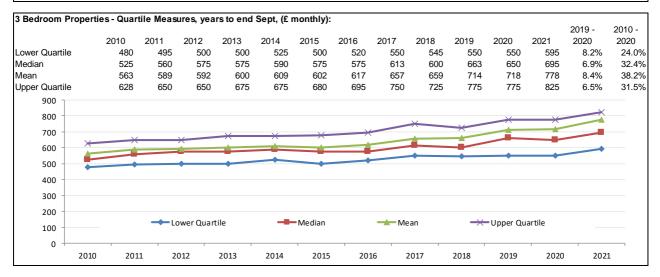
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (4.7%), 2 bedroom (5.2%), 3 bedroom (8.4%), and 4 bedroom (16.5%) properties, and have decreased for 1 bedroom shared properties (6.9%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

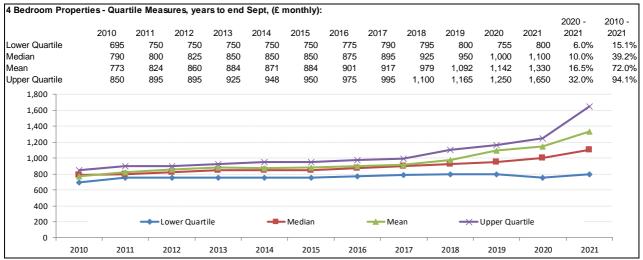
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased across all property sizes, ranging from an increase of 22.0% for 1 bedroom properties to an increase of 72.0% for 4 bedroom properties. This compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

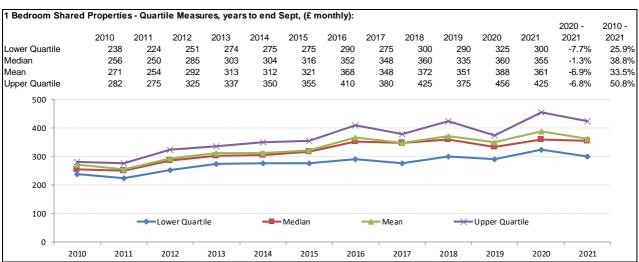
Over the last four years, 4 bedroom properties have seen increases in the top end (upper quartile) of rents compared with the bottom end (lower quartile) which has widened the gap in rents between the top and bottom ends of the market.

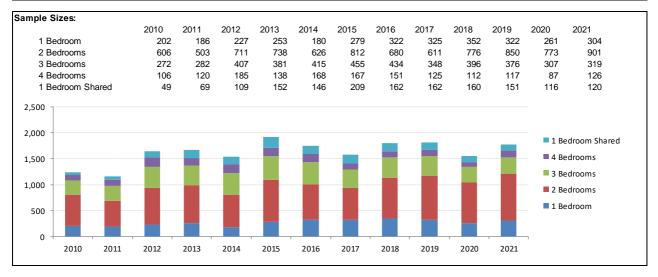






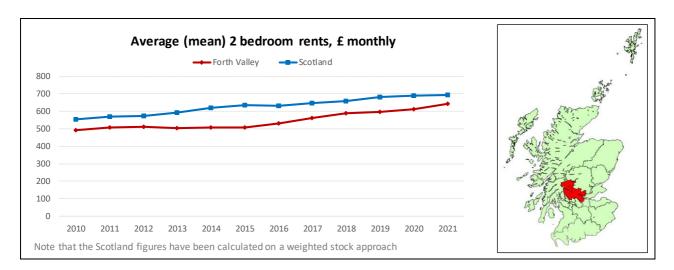






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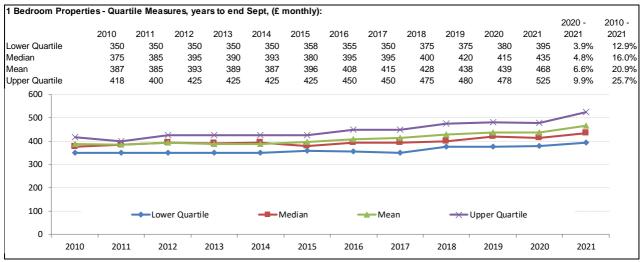


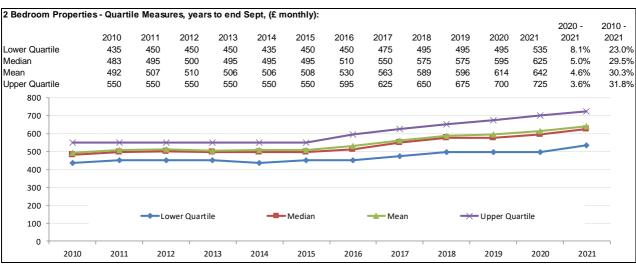
Average 2 (mean) bedroom rents in Forth Valley have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010, with the average rent in 2021 being £642 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693. The gap grew between 2011 and 2015, but has since narrowed, particularly in the latest year.

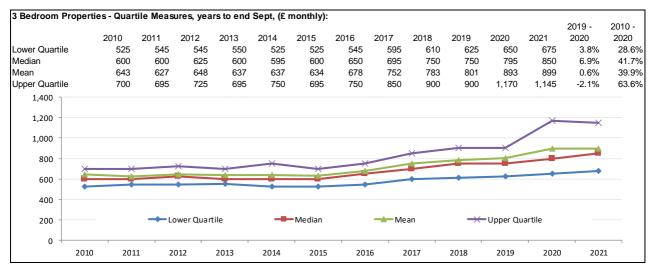
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (6.6%), 2 bedroom (4.6%) and 3 bedroom (0.6%) properties, but have dropped for 4 bedroom (-8.8%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (-4.3%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

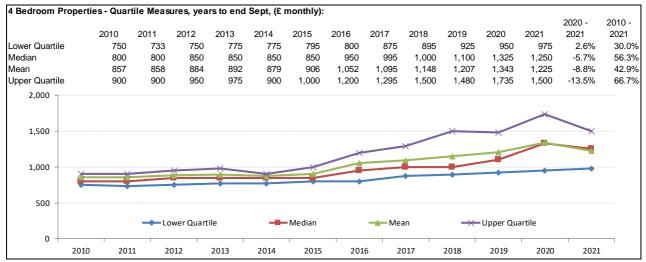
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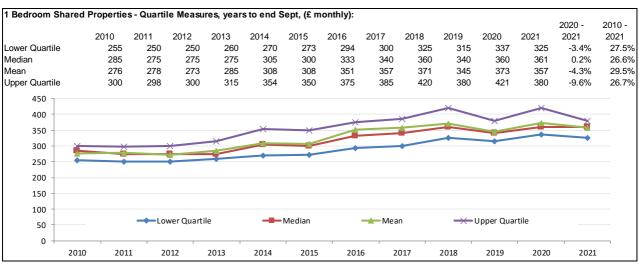
Across 2 and 3 bedroom properties, since 2010 there have generally been greater increases in the top end rents (upper quartile) than the bottom end (lower quartile), resulting in the gap between top and bottom ends of the market widening.

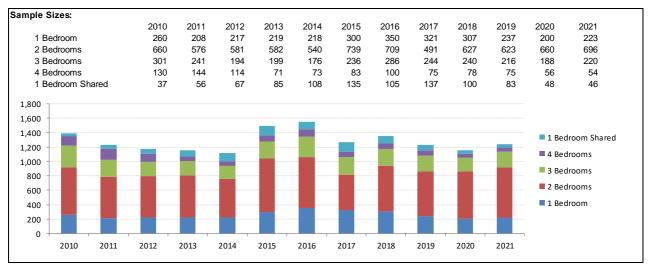






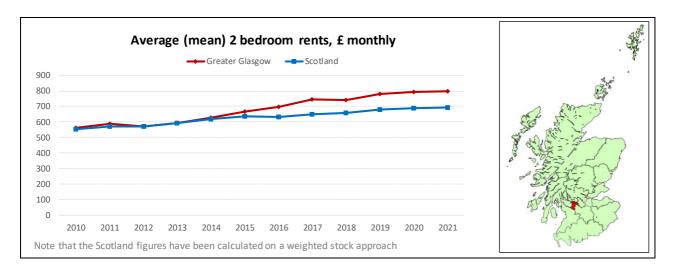






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - Greater Glasgow

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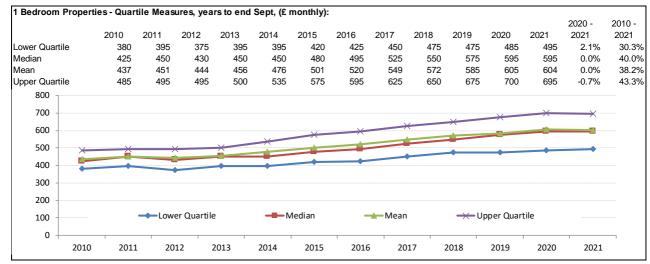


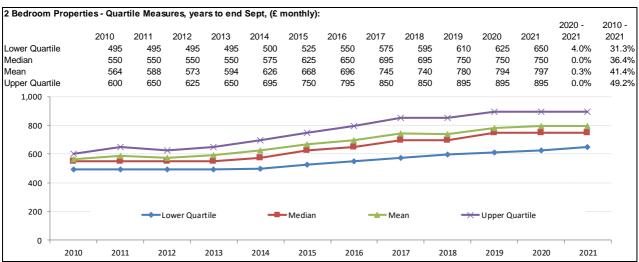
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in Greater Glasgow have been higher than the Scotland average since 2015, with the average rent in 2021 being £797 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

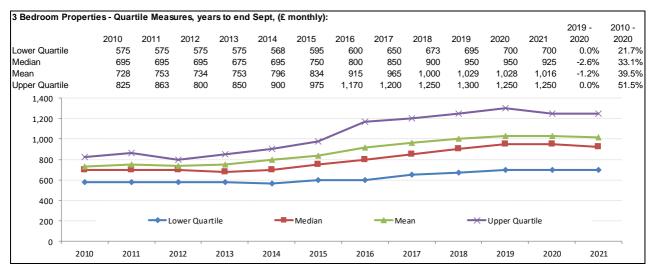
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 4 bedroom properties (0.6%), whilst average rents have shown little change for 1 bedroom (0.0%) and 2 bedroom (0.3%) properties, and have decreased for 3 bedroom (-1.2%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (-3.5%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

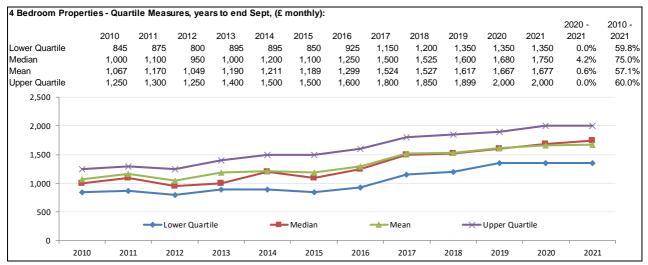
Between 2010 and 2021, average rents have increased for all property size categories, with increases ranging from 26.3% for 1 bedroom shared properties to 57.1% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

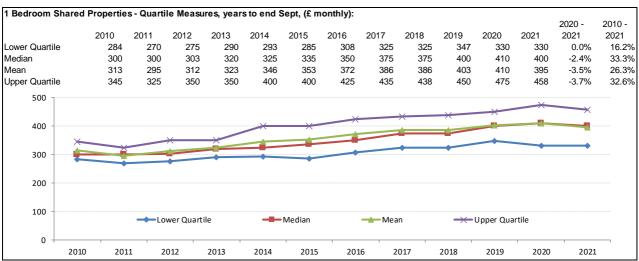
For most property sizes there have generally been greater increases in the top end (upper quartile) of rents between 2010 and 2021, which has widened the gap in rents compared to the bottom end of the market (lower quartile), although this apprears to have stabilised over the most recent year.

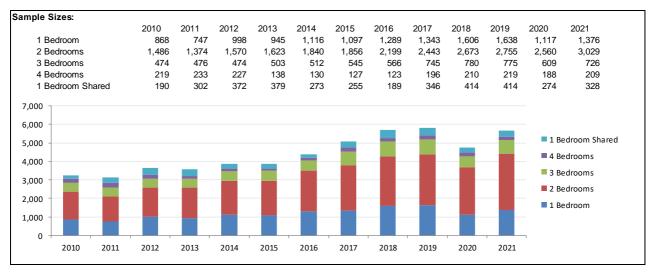






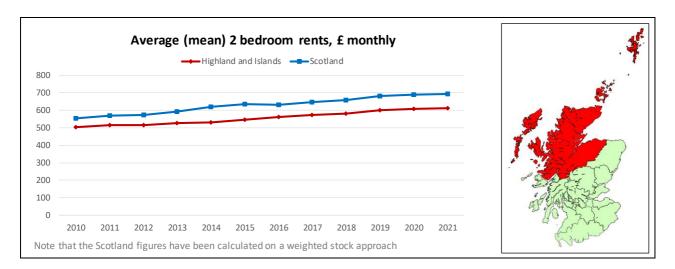






Broad Rental Market Area Profile – Highland and Islands

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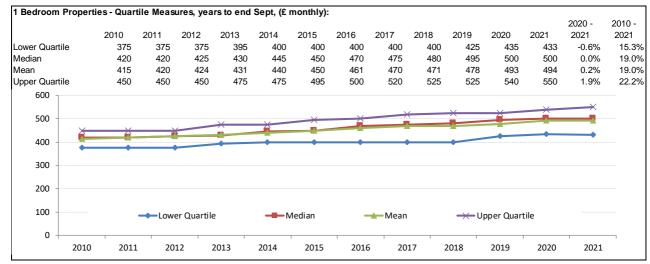


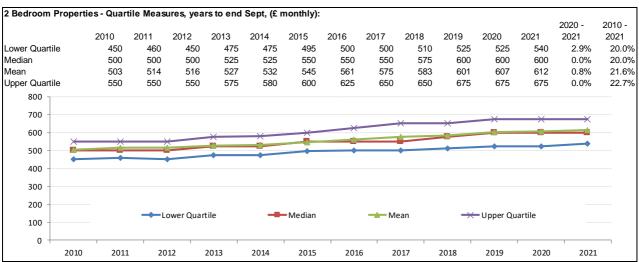
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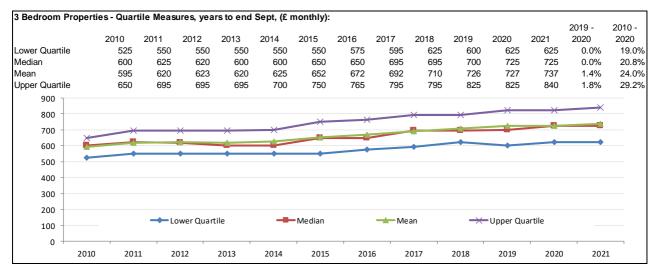
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 2 bedroom (0.8%), 3 bedroom (1.4%) and 4 bedroom (1.2%) properties, whilst average rents have shown little change for 1 bedroom (0.2%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (0.2%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for the 4 bedroom property size category, given the smaller sample numbers for this category.

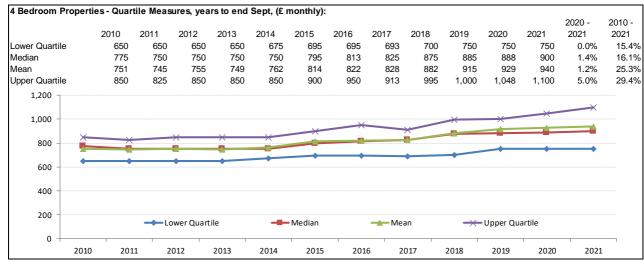
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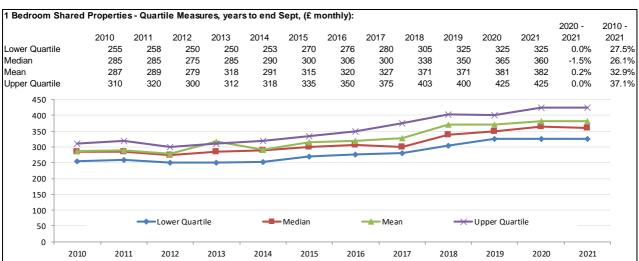
For all property sizes there have generally been slightly greater increases at the top end (upper quartile) than the bottom end (lower quartile) of the market between 2010 and 2021, which has resulted in a widening gap between top and bottom ends of the market.

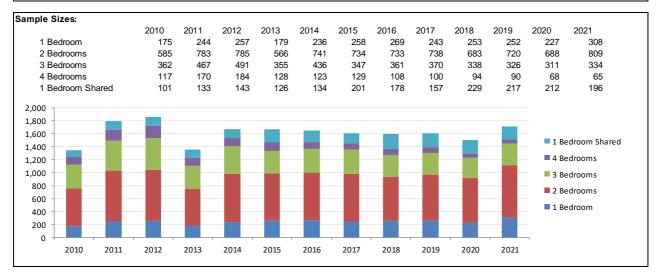












Broad Rental Market Area Profile – Lothian

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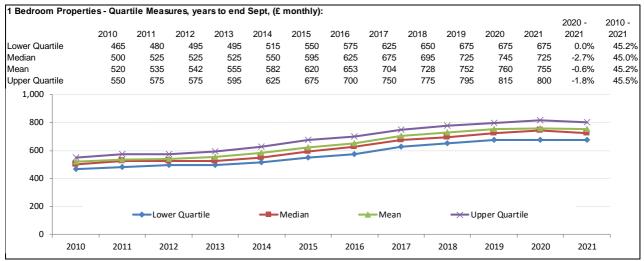


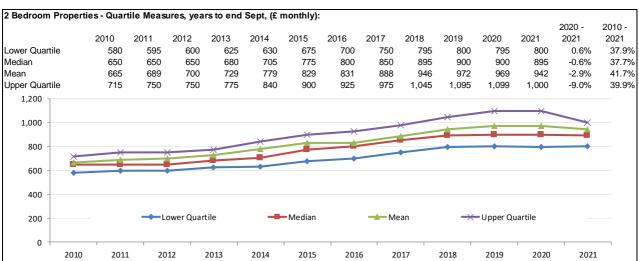
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in the Lothian area have been higher than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. This difference has grown since 2013, although has narrowed slightly in the latest year, with the average rent in 2021 being £942 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

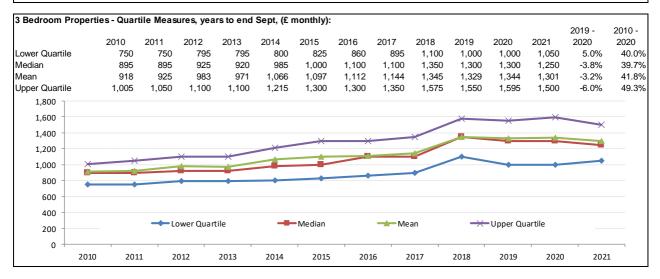
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have decreased for 1 bedroom (-0.6%), 2 bedroom (-2.9%), 3 bedroom (-3.2%) and 4 bedroom (-4.5%) properties, whilst the average rent has increased for 1 bedroom shared properties (2.2%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period.

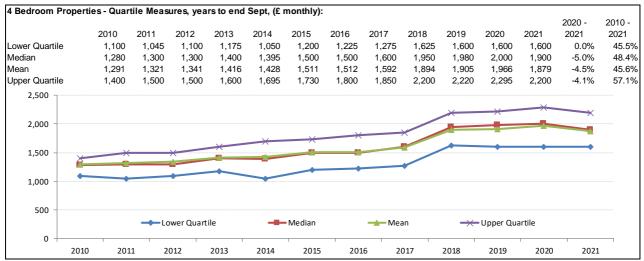
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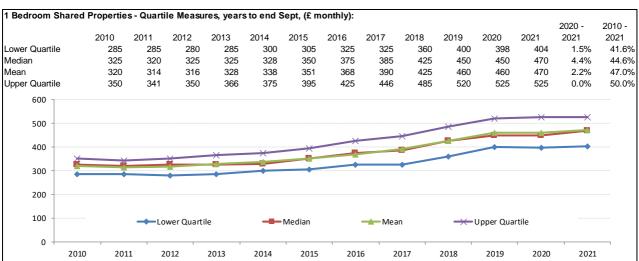
For all property sizes, since 2010 increases in the top end (upper quartile) of rents have generally been greater than increases in the bottom end (lower quartile), which has widened the gap in rents, although the gap has since narrowed in the most recent year for 2, 3, and 4 bedroom properties.

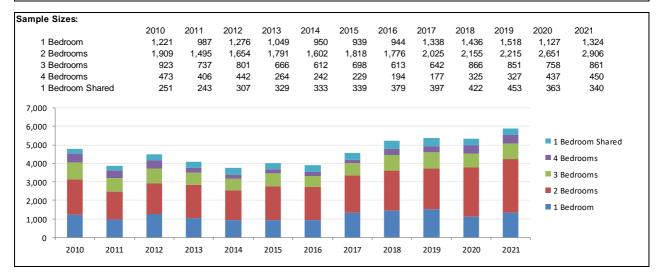






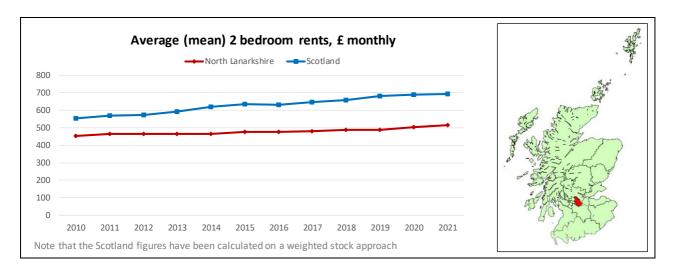






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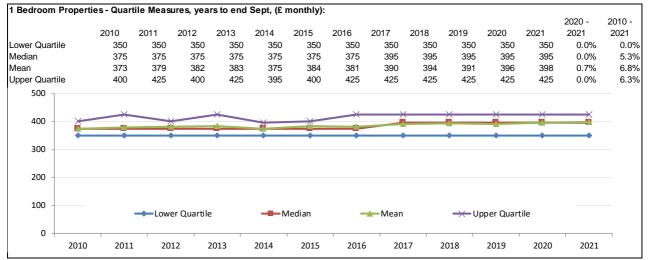


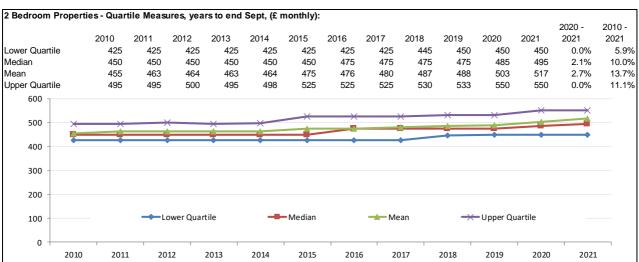
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in North Lanarkshire have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. This gap has widened since 2012, although has since narrowed slightly over the last two years, with the average rent in 2021 being £517 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

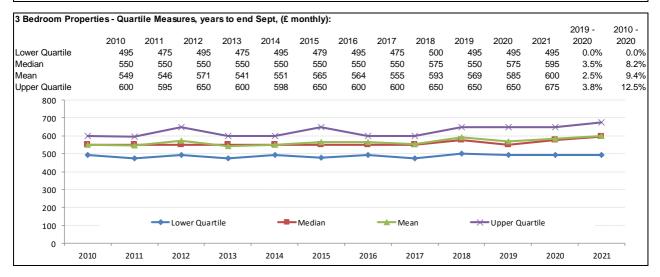
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for all property sizes, with increases seen for 1 bedroom (0.7%), 2 bedroom (2.7%), 3 bedroom (2.5%), 4 bedroom (2.0%) and 1 bedroom shared (6.9%) properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

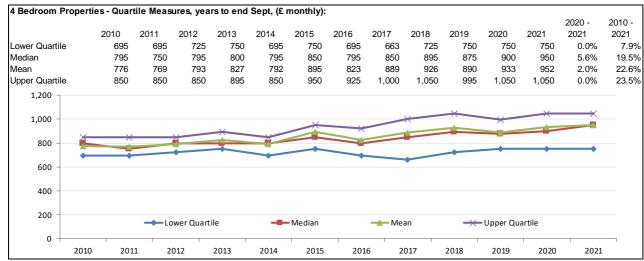
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 6.8% for 1 bedroom properties to 22.6% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

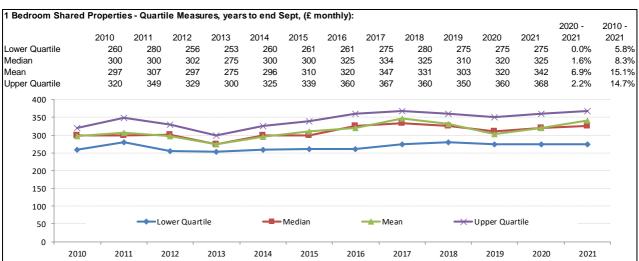
For 4 bedroom properties, since 2010 increases in the top end (upper quartile) of rents have generally been greater than increases in the bottom end (lower quartile), which has widened the gap in rents, although some caution is needed in interpreting this trend given the smaller sample numbers for this category.

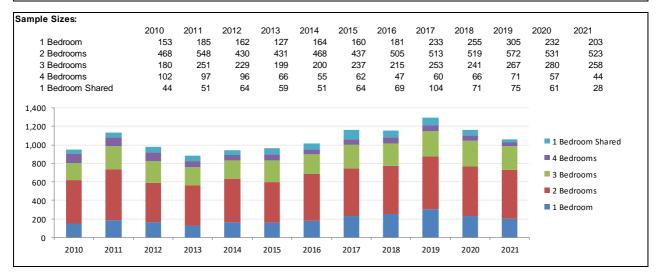






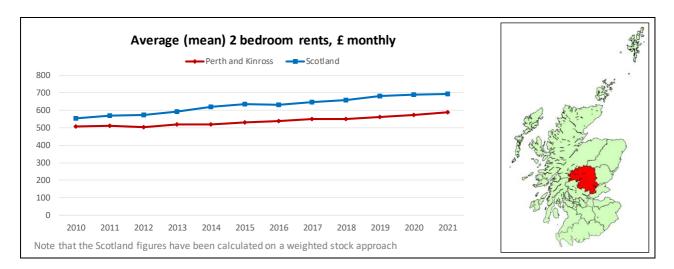






Broad Rental Market Area Profile – Perth and Kinross

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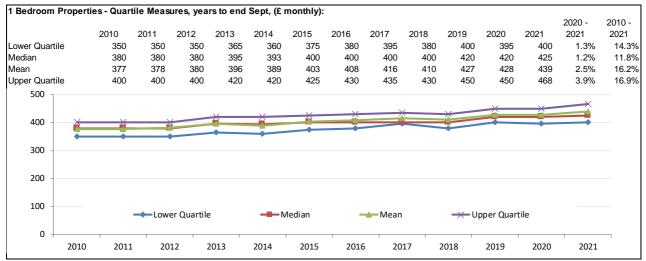


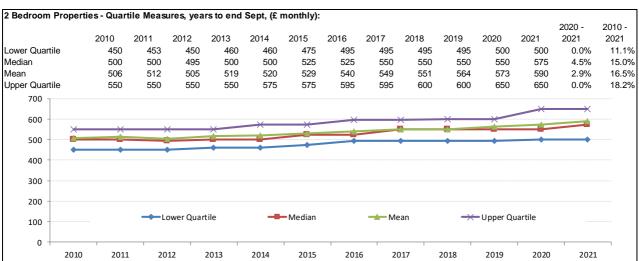
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in Perth and Kinross have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. The gap has widened since 2013, although has narrowed slightly in the most recent year, with the average rent in 2021 being £590 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

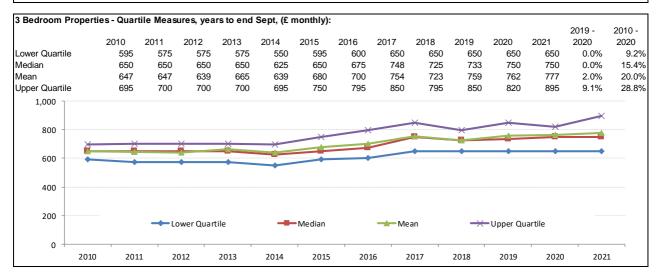
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (2.5%), 2 bedroom (2.9%), and 3 bedroom (2.0%) properties, with decreases for 4 bedroom (-3.4%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (-7.7%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

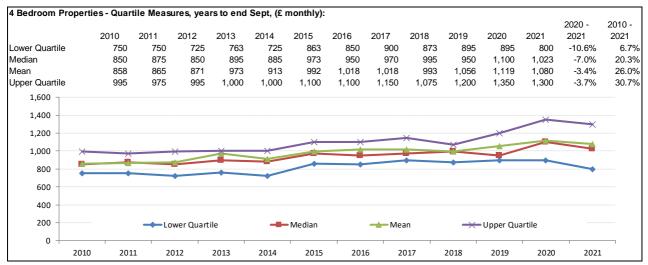
Between 2010 and 2021 there have been increases in average rents for all property sizes, ranging from 16.2% for 1 bedroom properties to 26.0% for 4 bedroom properties. This compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

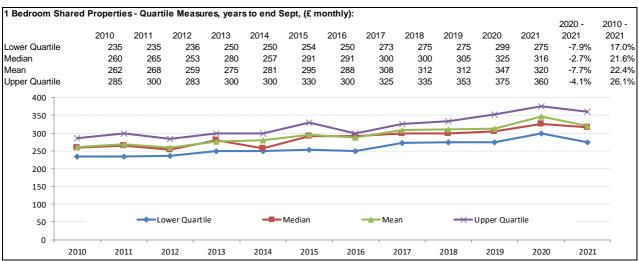
For 2 and 4 bedroom properties, since 2019 there has been a greater increase in the top end (upper quartile) rents compared to the bottom end (lower quartile), which has caused a slight increase in the gap between the top and the bottom of the market.

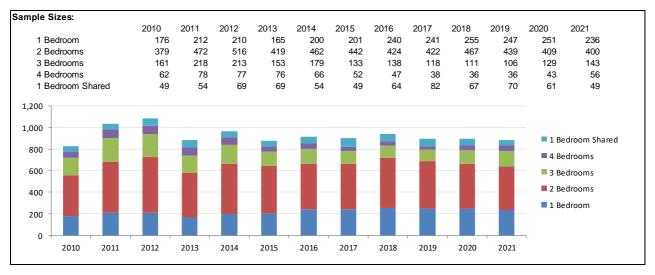






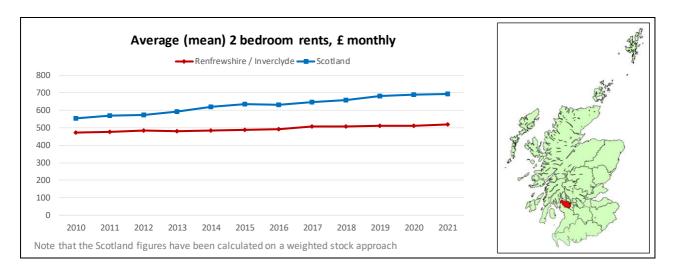






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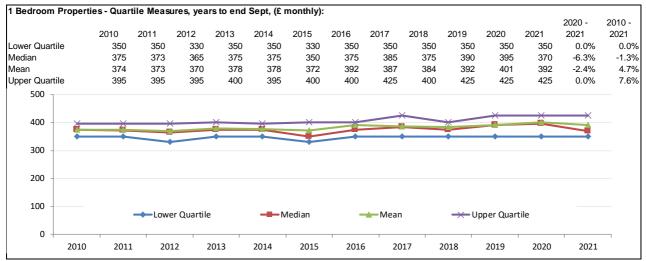


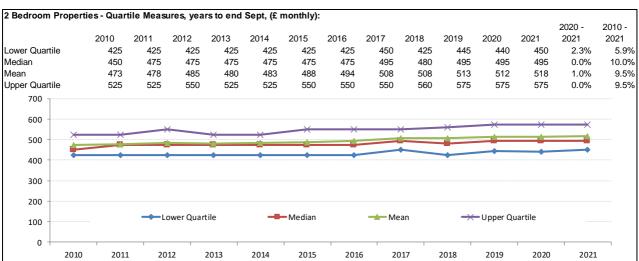
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in Renfrewshire / Inverclyde have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010, and the gap has widened since 2012, with the average rent in 2020 being £518 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

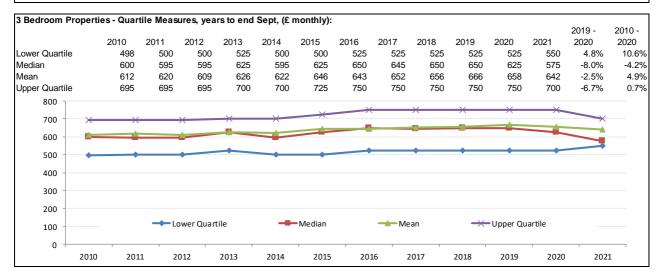
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for 2 bedroom (1.0%) and 4 bedroom properties (13.2%), and have decreased for 1 bedroom (-2.4%), 3 bedroom (-2.5%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (-7.0%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

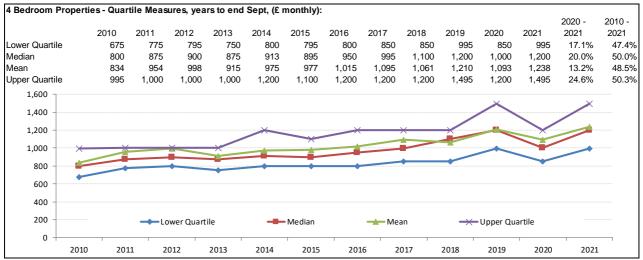
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 4.7% for 1 bedroom properties to 48.5% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

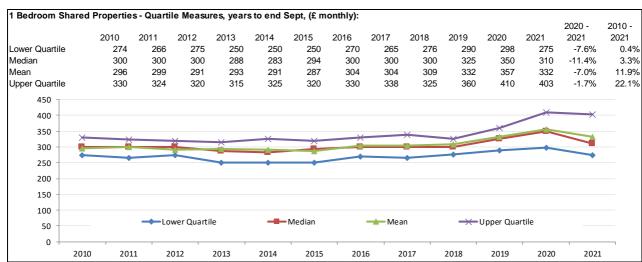
For 3 bedroom properties sizes, there has been a decrease in the top end (upper quartile) rents and an increase in the the bottom end (lower quartile) in the latest year, causing the gap between the top and the bottom of the market to narrow.

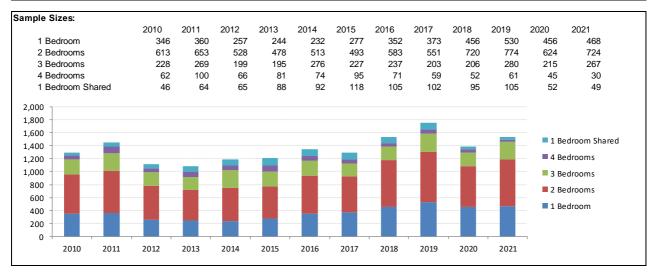






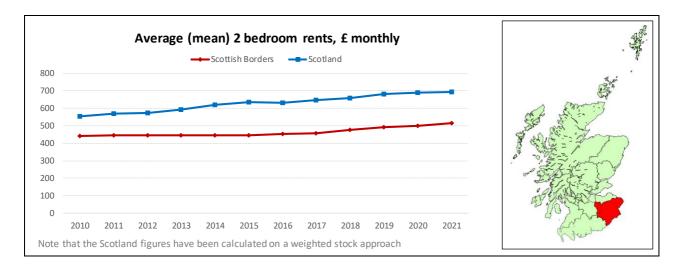






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - Scottish Borders

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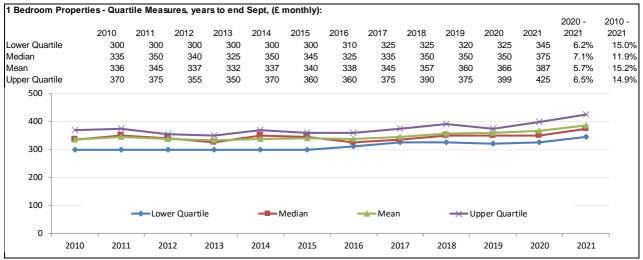


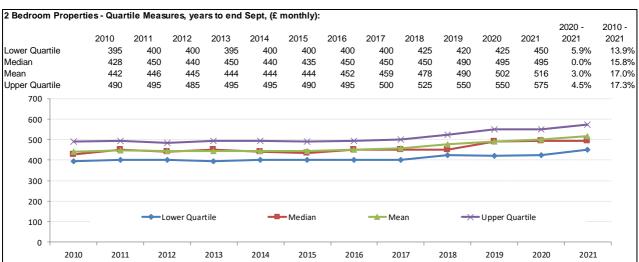
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in the Scottish Borders have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010, with the average rent in 2021 being £516 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

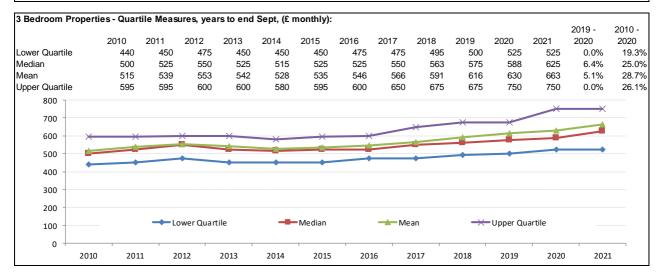
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (5.7%), 2 bedroom (3.0%), 3 bedroom (5.1%) and 4 bedroom (3.8%) properties, and have decreased for 1 bedroom shared properties (-5.0%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

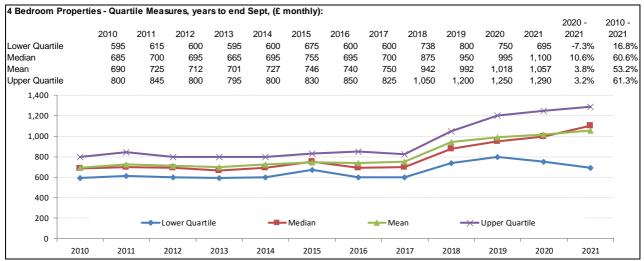
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, with increases ranging from 15.2% for 1 bedroom properties to 53.2% for 4 bedroom shared properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

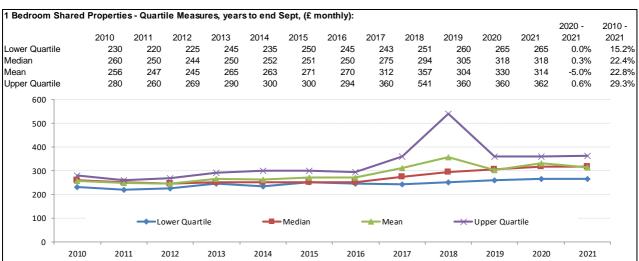
Since 2019, the gap between the top end rents (upper quartile) and the bottom end (lower quartile) has increased for 3 bedroom and 4 bedroom properties.

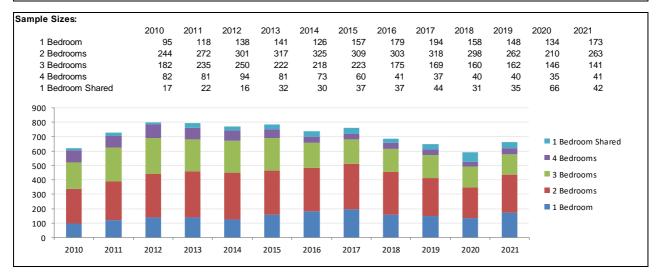






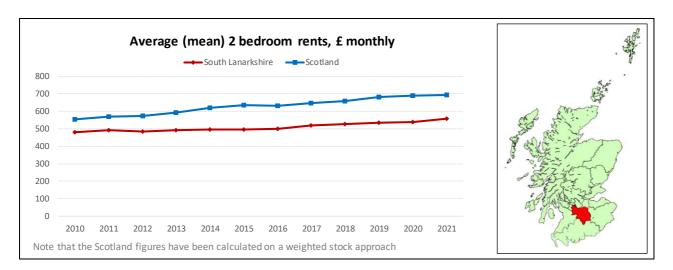






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - South Lanarkshire

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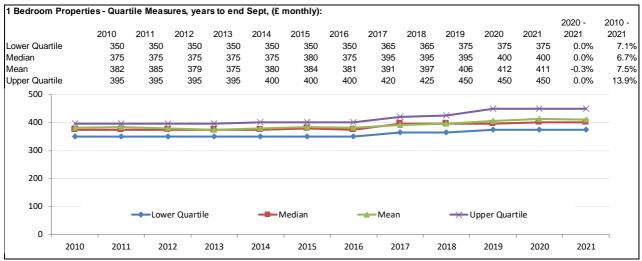


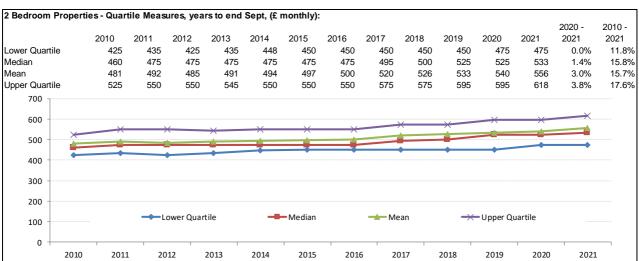
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in South Lanarkshire have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. The gap has widened since 2011, although has narrowed slightly in the latest year, with the average rent in 2021 being £556 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

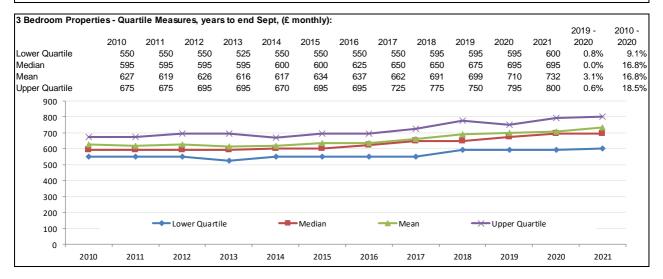
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 2 bedroom (3.0%), 3 bedroom (3.1%), 4 bedroom (7.4%), and 1 bedroom shared properties (10.9%), whilst average rents have shown little change for 1 bedroom properties (-0.3%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

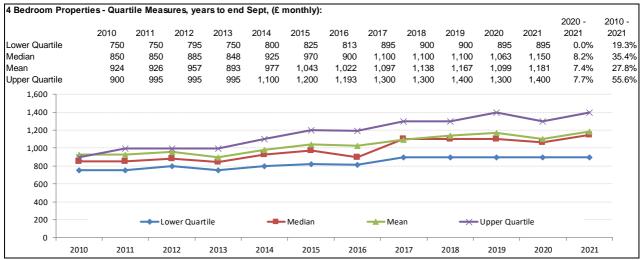
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 7.5% for 1 bedroom properties to 29.8% for 1 bedroom shared properties. This compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

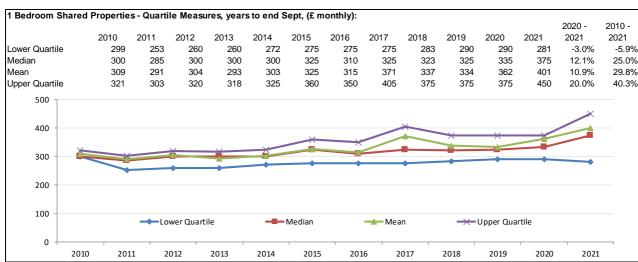
For all property sizes, since 2010 increases in the top end (upper quartile) of rents have generally been slightly greater than increases in the bottom end (lower quartile), which has widened the gap in rents slightly.

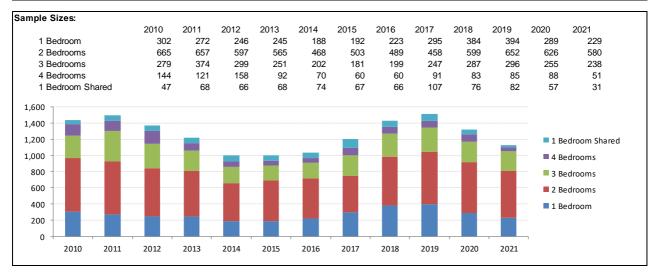






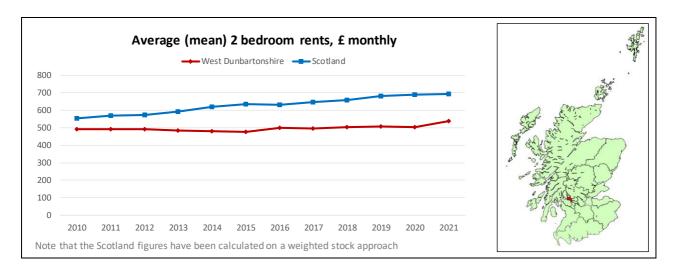






Broad Rental Market Area Profile - West Dunbartonshire

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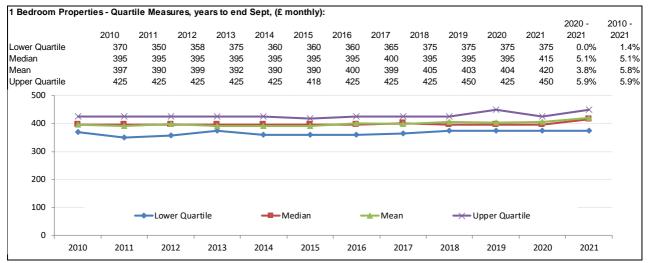


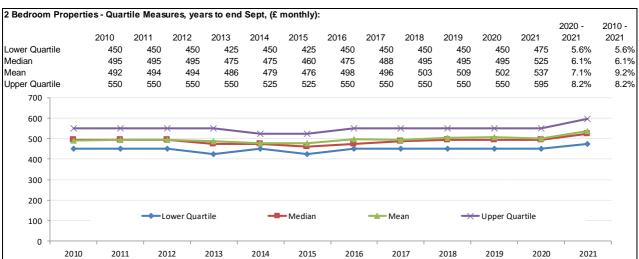
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in West Dunbartonshire have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010. The gap has widened since 2012, although has since narrowed in the most recent year, with the average rent in 2021 being £537 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

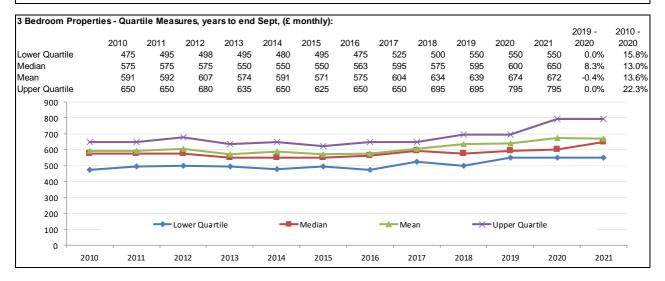
Between 2020 and 2021 average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (3.8%), 2 bedroom (7.1%), 4 bedroom (13.2%) and 1 bedroom shared properties (3.0%), with average rents showing little change for 3 bedroom properties (-0.4%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 3 and 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories, particularly the 4 bedroom category which has seen some very small sample sizes in recent years.

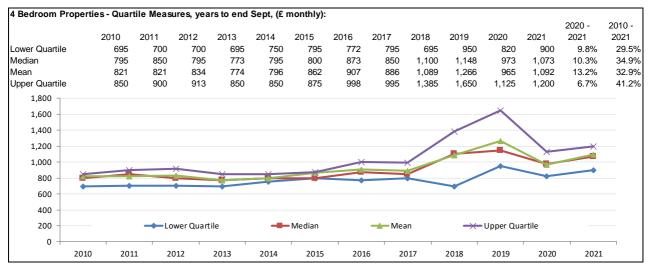
Between 2010 and 2021 average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 5.8% for 1 bedroom properties up to 32.9% for 4 bedroom properties. This compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

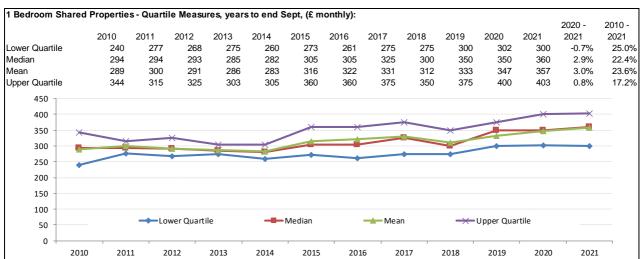
For 3 bedroom properties, since 2019 increases in the top end (upper quartile) greater than for those in the bottom end (lower quartile) have widened the gap between the top and bottom of the market.

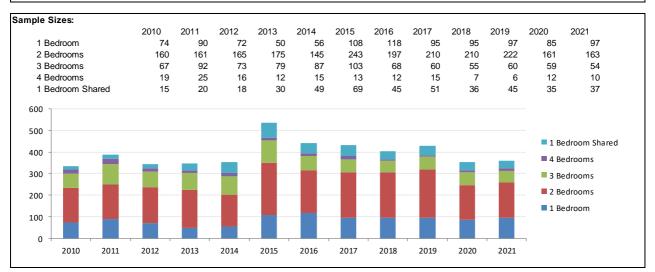






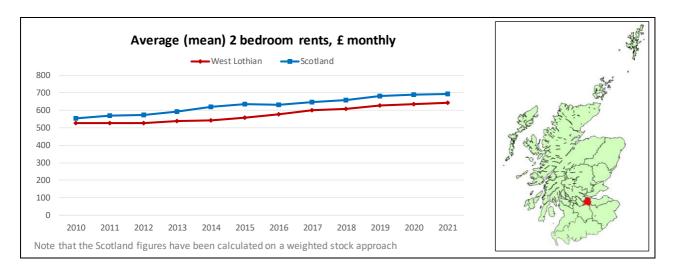






Broad Rental Market Area Profile – West Lothian

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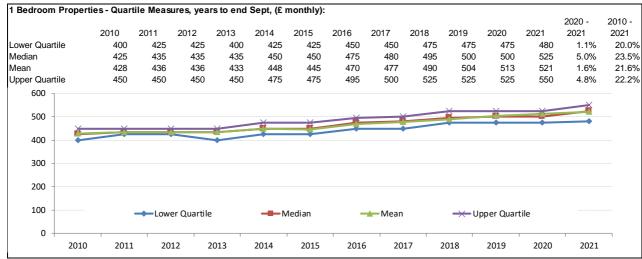


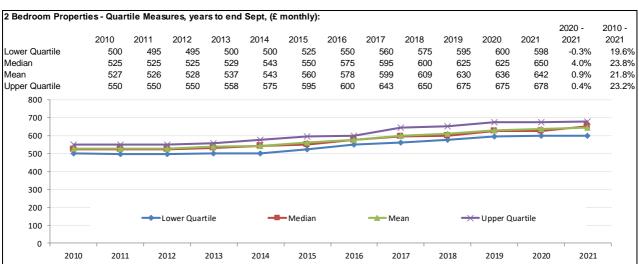
Average (mean) 2 bedroom rents in West Lothian have been lower than the Scotland average in each year since 2010, with the average rent in 2021 being £642 per month, compared to the Scotland average of £693.

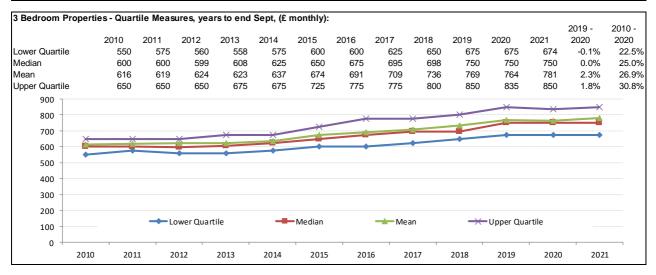
Between 2020 and 2021, average rents have increased for 1 bedroom (1.6%), 2 bedroom (0.9%), 3 bedroom (2.3%) and 4 bedroom (5.1%) properties, and have decreased for 1 bedroom shared properties (-1.7%), which compares to CPI inflation of 1.5% across this time period. Although some caution is needed when interpreting the changes over time for 4 bedroom and 1 bedroom shared property size categories, given the smaller sample numbers for these categories.

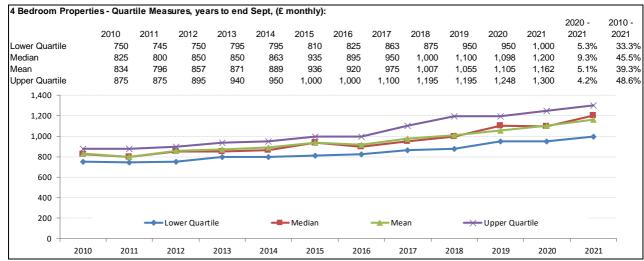
Between 2010 and 2021, average rents have increased for all property sizes, ranging from 20.0% for 1 bedroom shared properties up to 39.3% for 4 bedroom properties, which compares to CPI inflation of 24.3% across this time period.

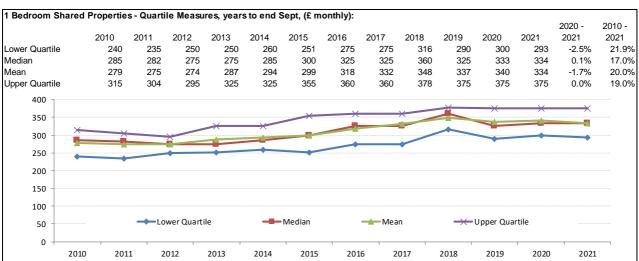
For 3 and 4 bedroom properties, increases at the top end of the market (upper quartile) between 2010 and 2021 have generally been higher than increases in the bottom end (lower quartile) increasing the gap in rents between the top and bottom of the market slightly.

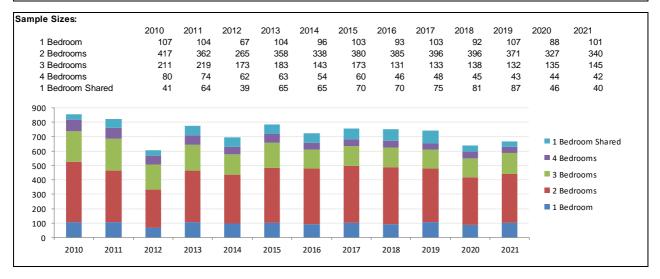












10. Reference Tables

Table 7 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2010 (year to end Sept)

	1 Bedroon	<u>n Properti</u>	<u>es</u>			<u> 2 Bedroom Properties</u>				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	5,411	n/a	n/a	442	n/a	10,615	n/a	n/a	554	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	541	500	525	529	575	557	590	650	643	700
Argyll and Bute	80	350	395	382	425	142	450	495	503	550
Ayrshires	359	350	375	375	400	759	425	450	464	495
Dumfries and Galloway	58	325	360	359	390	180	400	430	435	475
Dundee and Angus	319	320	350	351	375	613	440	480	497	550
East Dunbartonshire	75	400	425	450	475	172	525	575	581	625
Fife	202	350	370	379	395	606	420	450	464	495
Forth Valley	260	350	375	387	418	660	435	483	492	550
Greater Glasgow	868	380	425	437	485	1,486	495	550	564	600
Highland and Islands	175	375	420	415	450	585	450	500	503	550
Lothian	1,221	465	500	520	550	1,909	580	650	665	715
North Lanarkshire	153	350	375	373	400	468	425	450	455	495
Perth and Kinross	176	350	380	377	400	379	450	500	506	550
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	346	350	375	374	395	613	425	450	473	525
Scottish Borders	95	300	335	336	370	244	395	428	442	490
South Lanarkshire	302	350	375	382	395	665	425	460	481	525
West Dunbartonshire	74	370	395	397	425	160	450	495	492	550
West Lothian	107	400	425	428	450	417	500	525	527	550

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	1 Bedroor	n Shared	<u>Properties</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	1,235	n/a	n/a	305	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	134	286	335	328	360
Argyll and Bute	10	300	320	316	333
Ayrshires	38	280	300	302	324
Dumfries and Galloway	50	260	285	278	300
Dundee and Angus	94	225	250	263	300
East Dunbartonshire	22	274	300	300	324
Fife	49	238	256	271	282
Forth Valley	37	255	285	276	300
Greater Glasgow	190	284	300	313	345
Highland and Islands	101	255	285	287	310
Lothian	251	285	325	320	350
North Lanarkshire	44	260	300	297	320
Perth and Kinross	49	235	260	262	285
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	46	274	300	296	330
Scottish Borders	17	230	260	256	280
South Lanarkshire	47	299	300	309	321
West Dunbartonshire	15	240	294	289	344
West Lothian	41	240	285	279	315
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 8 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2011 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Upper Lower Number of Lower Upper records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 5,471 Scotland* n/a n/a n/a 10,841 n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,374 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,495 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties 4						4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper	
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	
Scotland*	5,268	n/a	n/a	693	n/a	2,243	n/a	n/a	985	n/a	
Aberdeen and Shire	364	650	750	753	875	174	850	995	1,018	1,200	
Argyll and Bute	87	495	595	627	750	46	725	800	834	995	
Ayrshires	417	495	550	570	625	136	650	750	789	875	
Dumfries and Galloway	200	450	500	510	560	80	550	650	649	700	
Dundee and Angus	224	575	650	651	750	107	780	850	894	1,000	
East Dunbartonshire	115	650	730	772	800	51	950	1,100	1,204	1,400	
Fife	282	495	560	589	650	120	750	800	824	895	
Forth Valley	241	545	600	627	695	144	733	800	858	900	
Greater Glasgow	476	575	695	753	863	233	875	1,100	1,170	1,300	
Highland and Islands	467	550	625	620	695	170	650	750	745	825	
Lothian	737	750	895	925	1,050	406	1,045	1,300	1,321	1,500	
North Lanarkshire	251	475	550	546	595	97	695	750	769	850	
Perth and Kinross	218	575	650	647	700	78	750	875	865	975	
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	269	500	595	620	695	100	775	875	954	1,000	
Scottish Borders	235	450	525	539	595	81	615	700	725	845	
South Lanarkshire	374	550	595	619	675	121	750	850	926	995	
West Dunbartonshire	92	495	575	592	650	25	700	850	821	900	
West Lothian	219	575	600	619	650	74	745	800	796	875	

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	1 Bedroor	n Shared I	<u>Properties</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	1,650	n/a	n/a	299	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	192	285	325	323	355
Argyll and Bute	17	284	324	318	340
Ayrshires	67	274	298	301	324
Dumfries and Galloway	59	255	275	274	290
Dundee and Angus	138	235	260	263	290
East Dunbartonshire	31	257	305	304	335
Fife	69	224	250	254	275
Forth Valley	56	250	275	278	298
Greater Glasgow	302	270	300	295	325
Highland and Islands	133	258	285	289	320
Lothian	243	285	320	314	341
North Lanarkshire	51	280	300	307	349
Perth and Kinross	54	235	265	268	300
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	64	266	300	299	324
Scottish Borders	22	220	250	247	260
South Lanarkshire	68	253	285	291	303
West Dunbartonshire	20	277	294	300	315
West Lothian	64	235	282	275	304
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 9 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2012 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Upper Upper Lower Number of Lower Quartile Median records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Mean Quartile 5,846 11,298 Scotland* n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,062 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,570 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,276 1,654 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroor	<u>n Properti</u>	<u>es</u>			4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	5,337	n/a	n/a	704	n/a	2,357	n/a	n/a	1,010	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	486	700	825	827	950	239	900	1,100	1,105	1,300
Argyll and Bute	102	550	650	679	775	51	725	800	878	950
Ayrshires	328	495	550	576	650	108	650	750	816	900
Dumfries and Galloway	256	450	500	508	550	80	545	623	633	675
Dundee and Angus	283	550	650	643	725	121	750	850	850	950
East Dunbartonshire	79	695	750	810	895	37	900	1,195	1,138	1,300
Fife	407	500	575	592	650	185	750	825	860	895
Forth Valley	194	545	625	648	725	114	750	850	884	950
Greater Glasgow	474	575	695	734	800	227	800	950	1,049	1,250
Highland and Islands	491	550	620	623	695	184	650	750	755	850
Lothian	801	795	925	983	1,100	442	1,100	1,300	1,341	1,500
North Lanarkshire	229	495	550	571	650	96	725	795	793	850
Perth and Kinross	213	575	650	639	700	77	725	850	871	995
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	199	500	595	609	695	66	795	900	998	1,000
Scottish Borders	250	475	550	553	600	94	600	695	712	800
South Lanarkshire	299	550	595	626	695	158	795	885	957	995
West Dunbartonshire	73	498	575	607	680	16	700	795	834	913
West Lothian	173	560	599	624	650	62	750	850	857	895

	<u> 1 Bedroor</u>	n Shared I	<u>Properties</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	1,926	n/a	n/a	306	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	232	300	340	338	375
Argyll and Bute	38	260	282	275	325
Ayrshires	97	273	300	302	325
Dumfries and Galloway	55	250	275	275	305
Dundee and Angus	143	238	265	270	300
East Dunbartonshire	26	285	328	338	368
Fife	109	251	285	292	325
Forth Valley	67	250	275	273	300
Greater Glasgow	372	275	303	312	350
Highland and Islands	143	250	275	279	300
Lothian	307	280	325	316	350
North Lanarkshire	64	256	302	297	329
Perth and Kinross	69	236	253	259	283
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	65	275	300	291	320
Scottish Borders	16	225	244	245	269
South Lanarkshire	66	260	300	304	320
West Dunbartonshire	18	268	293	291	325
West Lothian	39	250	275	274	295
Notes:					

^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 10 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2013 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Upper Upper Lower Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 11,005 Scotland* 5,112 n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,623 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,049 1,791 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroor	<u>n Properti</u>	<u>es</u>			4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	4,863	n/a	n/a	717	n/a	1,951	n/a	n/a	1,092	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	448	775	950	1,019	1,200	324	1,100	1,400	1,484	1,800
Argyll and Bute	83	500	600	625	745	60	723	850	922	1,198
Ayrshires	347	495	550	575	650	136	678	795	834	900
Dumfries and Galloway	259	475	500	508	550	80	550	633	635	700
Dundee and Angus	245	550	625	644	750	93	750	850	883	950
East Dunbartonshire	95	650	750	798	850	48	950	1,100	1,246	1,500
Fife	381	500	575	600	675	138	750	850	884	925
Forth Valley	199	550	600	637	695	71	775	850	892	975
Greater Glasgow	503	575	675	753	850	138	895	1,000	1,190	1,400
Highland and Islands	355	550	600	620	695	128	650	750	749	850
Lothian	666	795	920	971	1,100	264	1,175	1,400	1,416	1,600
North Lanarkshire	199	475	550	541	600	66	750	800	827	895
Perth and Kinross	153	575	650	665	700	76	763	895	973	1,000
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	195	525	625	626	700	81	750	875	915	1,000
Scottish Borders	222	450	525	542	600	81	595	665	701	795
South Lanarkshire	251	525	595	616	695	92	750	848	893	995
West Dunbartonshire	79	495	550	574	635	12	695	773	774	850
West Lothian	183	558	608	623	675	63	795	850	871	940

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	1 Bedroor	n Shared I	<u>Properties</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	2,025	n/a	n/a	318	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	142	316	350	366	400
Argyll and Bute	70	228	302	280	325
Ayrshires	120	260	287	301	325
Dumfries and Galloway	65	250	265	272	294
Dundee and Angus	108	250	273	268	300
East Dunbartonshire	38	282	310	323	377
Fife	152	274	303	313	337
Forth Valley	85	260	275	285	315
Greater Glasgow	379	290	320	323	350
Highland and Islands	126	250	285	318	312
Lothian	329	285	325	328	366
North Lanarkshire	59	253	275	275	300
Perth and Kinross	69	250	280	275	300
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	88	250	288	293	315
Scottish Borders	32	245	250	265	290
South Lanarkshire	68	260	300	293	318
West Dunbartonshire	30	275	285	286	303
West Lothian	65	250	275	287	325
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 11 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2014 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Upper Upper Lower Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 5,197 11,206 Scotland* n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,025 1,000 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,116 1,840 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,602 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties 4						4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper	
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	
Scotland*	5,007	n/a	n/a	737	n/a	1,799	n/a	n/a	1,096	n/a	
Aberdeen and Shire	422	850	1,100	1,089	1,300	293	1,200	1,550	1,565	1,850	
Argyll and Bute	82	500	650	640	750	36	773	895	909	998	
Ayrshires	346	495	550	569	625	115	675	750	840	1,000	
Dumfries and Galloway	284	450	500	512	550	65	550	650	637	700	
Dundee and Angus	303	550	650	668	750	107	800	950	961	1,140	
East Dunbartonshire	114	695	795	799	890	40	923	1,200	1,280	1,525	
Fife	415	525	590	609	675	168	750	850	871	948	
Forth Valley	176	525	595	637	750	73	775	850	879	900	
Greater Glasgow	512	568	695	796	900	130	895	1,200	1,211	1,500	
Highland and Islands	436	550	600	625	700	123	675	750	762	850	
Lothian	612	800	985	1,066	1,215	242	1,050	1,395	1,428	1,695	
North Lanarkshire	200	495	550	551	598	55	695	795	792	850	
Perth and Kinross	179	550	625	639	695	66	725	885	913	1,000	
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	276	500	595	622	700	74	800	913	975	1,200	
Scottish Borders	218	450	515	528	580	73	600	695	727	800	
South Lanarkshire	202	550	600	617	670	70	800	925	977	1,100	
West Dunbartonshire	87	480	550	591	650	15	750	795	796	850	
West Lothian	143	575	625	637	675	54	795	863	889	950	

	1 Bedroor	n Shared I	<u>Properties</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	1,938	n/a	n/a	330	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	148	345	400	402	450
Argyll and Bute	68	273	303	306	335
Ayrshires	107	260	277	290	315
Dumfries and Galloway	74	255	272	269	285
Dundee and Angus	104	250	275	274	300
East Dunbartonshire	28	285	315	322	342
Fife	146	275	304	312	350
Forth Valley	108	270	305	308	354
Greater Glasgow	273	293	325	346	400
Highland and Islands	134	253	290	291	318
Lothian	333	300	328	338	375
North Lanarkshire	51	260	300	296	325
Perth and Kinross	54	250	257	281	300
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	92	250	283	291	325
Scottish Borders	30	235	252	263	300
South Lanarkshire	74	272	300	303	325
West Dunbartonshire	49	260	282	283	305
West Lothian	65	260	285	294	325
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 12 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2015 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Upper Number of Upper Lower Number of Lower Quartile records Quartile Median Mean records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 12,042 Scotland* 5,682 n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,009 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,097 1,856 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,818 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroor	3 Bedroom Properties						4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Νu	umber of	Lower			Upper	
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	re	ecords	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	
Scotland*	5,079	n/a	n/a	759	n/a		1,777	n/a	n/a	1,109	n/a	
Aberdeen and Shire	428	900	1,100	1,072	1,250		281	1,250	1,450	1,493	1,700	
Argyll and Bute	98	510	595	612	675		40	850	900	947	995	
Ayrshires	380	490	525	568	643		106	695	850	872	995	
Dumfries and Galloway	234	450	500	506	550		62	550	650	647	750	
Dundee and Angus	283	560	690	684	795		105	825	950	968	1,140	
East Dunbartonshire	98	695	798	820	900		46	950	1,200	1,264	1,500	
Fife	455	500	575	602	680		167	750	850	884	950	
Forth Valley	236	525	600	634	695		83	795	850	906	1,000	
Greater Glasgow	545	595	750	834	975		127	850	1,100	1,189	1,500	
Highland and Islands	347	550	650	652	750		129	695	795	814	900	
Lothian	698	825	1,000	1,097	1,300		229	1,200	1,500	1,511	1,730	
North Lanarkshire	237	479	550	565	650		62	750	850	895	950	
Perth and Kinross	133	595	650	680	750		52	863	973	992	1,100	
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	227	500	625	646	725		95	795	895	977	1,100	
Scottish Borders	223	450	525	535	595		60	675	755	746	830	
South Lanarkshire	181	550	600	634	695		60	825	970	1,043	1,200	
West Dunbartonshire	103	495	550	571	625		13	795	800	862	875	
West Lothian	173	600	650	674	725		60	810	935	936	1,000	

	1 Bedroor	n Shared	Properties		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	2,178	n/a	n/a	344	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	138	375	408	433	500
Argyll and Bute	81	275	325	319	348
Ayrshires	139	275	300	304	333
Dumfries and Galloway	80	258	282	278	305
Dundee and Angus	95	250	290	289	320
East Dunbartonshire	32	280	320	312	325
Fife	209	275	316	321	355
Forth Valley	135	273	300	308	350
Greater Glasgow	255	285	335	353	400
Highland and Islands	201	270	300	315	335
Lothian	339	305	350	351	395
North Lanarkshire	64	261	300	310	339
Perth and Kinross	49	254	291	295	330
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	118	250	294	287	320
Scottish Borders	37	250	251	271	300
South Lanarkshire	67	275	325	325	360
West Dunbartonshire	69	273	305	316	360
West Lothian	70	251	300	299	355
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 13 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2016 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Upper Upper Number of Lower Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 6,299 12,578 Scotland* n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,271 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires Dumfries and Galloway Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,289 2,199 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,776 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties 4					4 Bedroom Properties					
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Num	ber of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	rec	ords	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	4,907	n/a	n/a	776	n/a		1,607	n/a	n/a	1,104	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	412	800	900	930	1,050		275	1,000	1,200	1,291	1,500
Argyll and Bute	85	550	650	666	750		44	795	900	989	1,200
Ayrshires	341	495	550	579	650		101	695	800	908	975
Dumfries and Galloway	206	450	500	514	550		62	550	650	646	750
Dundee and Angus	335	600	700	702	795		85	800	995	973	1,200
East Dunbartonshire	105	695	795	859	985		40	963	1,100	1,277	1,500
Fife	434	520	575	617	695		151	775	875	901	975
Forth Valley	286	545	650	678	750		100	800	950	1,052	1,200
Greater Glasgow	566	600	800	915	1,170		123	925	1,250	1,299	1,600
Highland and Islands	361	575	650	672	765		108	695	813	822	950
Lothian	613	860	1,100	1,112	1,300		194	1,225	1,500	1,512	1,800
North Lanarkshire	215	495	550	564	600		47	695	795	823	925
Perth and Kinross	138	600	675	700	795		47	850	950	1,018	1,100
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	237	525	650	643	750		71	800	950	1,015	1,200
Scottish Borders	175	475	525	546	600		41	600	695	740	850
South Lanarkshire	199	550	625	637	695		60	813	900	1,022	1,193
West Dunbartonshire	68	475	563	575	650		12	772	873	907	998
West Lothian	131	600	675	691	775		46	825	895	920	1,000

	1 Bedroor	n Shared I	Properties		
	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	1,931	n/a	n/a	356	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	104	350	400	404	450
Argyll and Bute	46	275	316	302	325
Ayrshires	115	275	326	335	360
Dumfries and Galloway	82	260	283	285	305
Dundee and Angus	93	250	300	296	320
East Dunbartonshire	22	275	325	325	375
Fife	162	290	352	368	410
Forth Valley	105	294	333	351	375
Greater Glasgow	189	308	350	372	425
Highland and Islands	178	276	306	320	350
Lothian	379	325	375	368	425
North Lanarkshire	69	261	325	320	360
Perth and Kinross	64	250	291	288	300
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	105	270	300	304	330
Scottish Borders	37	245	250	270	294
South Lanarkshire	66	275	310	315	350
West Dunbartonshire	45	261	305	322	360
West Lothian	70	275	325	318	360
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 14 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2017 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Upper Number of Upper Lower Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile 6,868 12,817 Scotland* n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,448 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires Dumfries and Galloway Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,343 2,443 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,338 2,025 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties 4					4 Bedroom Properties					
	Number of	Lower			Upper		Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile		records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	4,942	n/a	n/a	788	n/a		1,561	n/a	n/a	1,138	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	446	750	850	866	950		213	950	1,100	1,169	1,300
Argyll and Bute	76	525	598	652	750		19	700	925	980	1,250
Ayrshires	317	495	550	590	640		97	700	895	907	1,050
Dumfries and Galloway	190	460	500	526	575		54	550	650	702	750
Dundee and Angus	275	590	700	717	800		115	850	1,000	1,047	1,240
East Dunbartonshire	106	775	893	924	1,000		42	1,200	1,500	1,552	1,650
Fife	348	550	613	657	750		125	790	895	917	995
Forth Valley	244	595	695	752	850		75	875	995	1,095	1,295
Greater Glasgow	745	650	850	965	1,200		196	1,150	1,500	1,524	1,800
Highland and Islands	370	595	695	692	795		100	693	825	828	913
Lothian	642	895	1,100	1,144	1,350		177	1,275	1,600	1,592	1,850
North Lanarkshire	253	475	550	555	600		60	663	850	889	1,000
Perth and Kinross	118	650	748	754	850		38	900	970	1,018	1,150
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	203	525	645	652	750		59	850	995	1,095	1,200
Scottish Borders	169	475	550	566	650		37	600	700	750	825
South Lanarkshire	247	550	650	662	725		91	895	1,100	1,097	1,300
West Dunbartonshire	60	525	595	604	650		15	795	850	886	995
West Lothian	133	625	695	709	775		48	863	950	975	1,100

1 Bedroom Shared Properties										
	Number of	Lower			Upper					
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile					
Scotland*	2,381	n/a	n/a	363	n/a					
Aberdeen and Shire	98	320	350	358	400					
Argyll and Bute	45	255	294	301	345					
Ayrshires	146	275	338	338	360					
Dumfries and Galloway	98	255	288	292	335					
Dundee and Angus	200	260	290	309	340					
East Dunbartonshire	30	325	375	385	425					
Fife	162	275	348	348	380					
Forth Valley	137	300	340	357	385					
Greater Glasgow	346	325	375	386	435					
Highland and Islands	157	280	300	327	375					
Lothian	397	325	385	390	446					
North Lanarkshire	104	275	334	347	367					
Perth and Kinross	82	273	300	308	325					
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	102	265	300	304	338					
Scottish Borders	44	243	275	312	360					
South Lanarkshire	107	275	325	371	405					
West Dunbartonshire	51	275	325	331	375					
West Lothian	75	275	325	332	360					
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 15 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2018 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Lower Upper Number of records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile Scotland* 7,574 n/a n/a 13,973 n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,600 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 1,606 2,673 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,436 2,155 1,045 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

3 Bedroom Properties 4					4 Bedroon	n Propertie	<u>s</u>			
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	5,277	n/a	n/a	827	n/a	1,694	n/a	n/a	1,237	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	473	750	850	885	995	263	1,000	1,200	1,249	1,400
Argyll and Bute	82	550	650	706	850	26	750	898	945	1,150
Ayrshires	327	495	575	608	650	101	695	850	903	1,100
Dumfries and Galloway	167	480	525	546	600	31	500	675	688	800
Dundee and Angus	304	600	750	746	860	95	900	1,100	1,085	1,255
East Dunbartonshire	106	795	895	936	1,050	30	1,150	1,300	1,344	1,500
Fife	396	545	600	659	725	112	795	925	979	1,100
Forth Valley	240	610	750	783	900	78	895	1,000	1,148	1,500
Greater Glasgow	780	673	900	1,000	1,250	210	1,200	1,525	1,527	1,850
Highland and Islands	338	625	695	710	795	94	700	875	882	995
Lothian	866	1,100	1,350	1,345	1,575	325	1,625	1,950	1,894	2,200
North Lanarkshire	241	500	575	593	650	66	725	895	926	1,050
Perth and Kinross	111	650	725	723	795	36	873	995	993	1,075
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	206	525	650	656	750	52	850	1,100	1,061	1,200
Scottish Borders	160	495	563	591	675	40	738	875	942	1,050
South Lanarkshire	287	595	650	691	775	83	900	1,100	1,138	1,300
West Dunbartonshire	55	500	575	634	695	7	695	1,100	1,089	1,385
West Lothian	138	650	698	736	800	45	875	1,000	1,007	1,195

	1 Bedroom Shared Properties										
	Number of	Lower			Upper						
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile						
Scotland*	2,378	n/a	n/a	376	n/a						
Aberdeen and Shire	140	300	350	354	400						
Argyll and Bute	32	275	305	320	368						
Ayrshires	125	315	360	359	403						
Dumfries and Galloway	108	265	291	295	325						
Dundee and Angus	163	280	315	332	365						
East Dunbartonshire	28	290	338	347	400						
Fife	160	300	360	372	425						
Forth Valley	100	325	360	371	420						
Greater Glasgow	414	325	375	386	438						
Highland and Islands	229	305	338	371	403						
Lothian	422	360	425	425	485						
North Lanarkshire	71	280	325	331	360						
Perth and Kinross	67	275	300	312	335						
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	95	276	300	309	325						
Scottish Borders	31	251	294	357	541						
South Lanarkshire	76	283	323	337	375						
West Dunbartonshire	36	275	300	312	350						
West Lothian	81	316	360	348	378						
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^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 16 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2019 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Lower Upper Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile Scotland* 7,897 14,535 n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,675 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley 1,638 2.755 Greater Glasgow Highland and Islands Lothian 1,518 2.215 1,095 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

3 Bedroom Properties 4 Bedroom Properties Number of Lower Upper Number of Upper Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile Scotland* 5,476 n/a n/a n/a 1,729 1.316 n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1.000 1.200 1,306 1.500 Argyll and Bute 1,023 1,100 Avrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** 1.200 1.177 1,375 Dundee and Angus 1.000 East Dunbartonshire 1,025 1,273 1,498 1,553 1,725 Fife 1.092 1,165 Forth Valley 1,100 1,207 1,480 1,300 Greater Glasgow 1.029 1,350 1.600 1.617 1,899 Highland and Islands 1,000 1,000 1,300 1,329 1,600 1,980 1,905 2,220 Lothian 1.550 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross 1,056 1,200 Renfrewshire / Inverclyde 1,200 1,210 1,495 Scottish Borders 1,200 South Lanarkshire 1,100 1,167 1,400 West Dunbartonshire 1,148 1,266 1,650 West Lothian 1,100 1,055 1,195

1 Bedroom Shared Properties										
	Number of	Lower			Upper					
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile					
Scotland*	2,581	n/a	n/a	390	n/a					
Aberdeen and Shire	254	320	360	359	400					
Argyll and Bute	46	305	351	374	375					
Ayrshires	124	325	360	369	418					
Dumfries and Galloway	115	255	280	283	310					
Dundee and Angus	181	300	330	344	385					
East Dunbartonshire	43	300	326	352	390					
Fife	151	290	335	351	375					
Forth Valley	83	315	340	345	380					
Greater Glasgow	414	347	400	403	450					
Highland and Islands	217	325	350	371	400					
Lothian	453	400	450	460	520					
North Lanarkshire	75	275	310	303	350					
Perth and Kinross	70	275	305	312	353					
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	105	290	325	332	360					
Scottish Borders	35	260	305	304	360					
South Lanarkshire	82	290	325	334	375					
West Dunbartonshire	45	300	350	333	375					
West Lothian	87	290	325	337	375					

Notes:

^{*} Note that the Scotland figures presented in this table include Mean figures calculated using a weighted stock approach (see Section 8)

Table 17 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2020 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties

Number of Lower 2 Bedroom Properties Upper Number of records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile Scotland* 6,548 n/a n/a 13,947 n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,712 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley Greater Glasgow 2,560 1,117 Highland and Islands Lothian 1,127 2,651 1,099 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties					4 Bedroom Properties				
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	4,879	n/a	n/a	844	n/a	1,705	n/a	n/a	1,342	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	542	725	850	886	995	245	985	1,200	1,231	1,400
Argyll and Bute	70	575	695	741	875	20	900	1,125	1,125	1,225
Ayrshires	438	500	550	597	650	99	625	850	906	1,000
Dumfries and Galloway	145	490	525	547	600	38	650	713	741	800
Dundee and Angus	229	620	750	783	930	105	1,000	1,240	1,208	1,400
East Dunbartonshire	63	800	895	976	1,050	38	1,150	1,450	1,506	1,700
Fife	307	550	650	718	775	87	755	1,000	1,142	1,250
Forth Valley	188	650	795	893	1,170	56	950	1,325	1,343	1,735
Greater Glasgow	609	700	950	1,028	1,250	188	1,350	1,680	1,667	2,000
Highland and Islands	311	625	725	727	825	68	750	888	929	1,048
Lothian	758	1,000	1,300	1,344	1,595	437	1,600	2,000	1,966	2,295
North Lanarkshire	280	495	575	585	650	57	750	900	933	1,050
Perth and Kinross	129	650	750	762	820	43	895	1,100	1,119	1,350
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	215	525	625	658	750	45	850	1,000	1,093	1,200
Scottish Borders	146	525	588	630	750	35	750	995	1,018	1,250
South Lanarkshire	255	595	695	710	795	88	895	1,063	1,099	1,300
West Dunbartonshire	59	550	600	674	795	12	820	973	965	1,125
West Lothian	135	675	750	764	835	44	950	1,098	1,105	1,248

	1 Bedroom Shared Properties										
	Number of	Lower			Upper						
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile						
Scotland*	2,081	n/a	n/a	400	n/a						
Aberdeen and Shire	248	305	350	360	425						
Argyll and Bute	31	295	325	336	365						
Ayrshires	79	273	360	358	421						
Dumfries and Galloway	108	275	311	307	330						
Dundee and Angus	199	275	325	331	375						
East Dunbartonshire	25	300	341	356	400						
Fife	116	325	360	388	456						
Forth Valley	48	337	360	373	421						
Greater Glasgow	274	330	410	410	475						
Highland and Islands	212	325	365	381	425						
Lothian	363	398	450	460	525						
North Lanarkshire	61	275	320	320	360						
Perth and Kinross	61	299	325	347	375						
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	52	298	350	357	410						
Scottish Borders	66	265	318	330	360						
South Lanarkshire	57	290	335	362	375						
West Dunbartonshire	35	302	350	347	400						
West Lothian	46	300	333	340	375						
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Table 18 - Private Rents (£ Monthly), by Broad Rental Market Area, 2021 (year to end Sept)

1 Bedroom Properties 2 Bedroom Properties Number of Lower Upper Number of Lower records Quartile Median Mean Quartile records Quartile Median Mean Quartile Scotland* 7,399 n/a n/a 15,573 n/a n/a n/a n/a Aberdeen and Shire 1,027 1,888 Argyll and Bute Ayrshires **Dumfries and Galloway** Dundee and Angus East Dunbartonshire Fife Forth Valley 1,376 Greater Glasgow 3,029 Highland and Islands 1,000 Lothian 1,324 2,906 North Lanarkshire Perth and Kinross Renfrewshire / Inverclyde Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire West Dunbartonshire West Lothian

	3 Bedroom Properties					4 Bearoor	<u>n Propertie</u>	<u>s</u>		
	Number of	Lower			Upper	Number of	Lower			Upper
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile
Scotland*	5,151	n/a	n/a	844	n/a	1,654	n/a	n/a	1,358	n/a
Aberdeen and Shire	495	725	825	867	995	191	1,000	1,200	1,319	1,500
Argyll and Bute	82	550	600	659	700	15	750	1,000	1,063	1,400
Ayrshires	405	500	575	608	650	76	750	908	994	1,173
Dumfries and Galloway	177	480	525	547	600	52	650	750	790	900
Dundee and Angus	233	650	775	809	965	122	1,000	1,240	1,224	1,440
East Dunbartonshire	53	800	895	1,017	1,195	20	1,295	1,538	1,651	1,775
Fife	319	595	695	778	825	126	800	1,100	1,330	1,650
Forth Valley	220	675	850	899	1,145	54	975	1,250	1,225	1,500
Greater Glasgow	726	700	925	1,016	1,250	209	1,350	1,750	1,677	2,000
Highland and Islands	334	625	725	737	840	65	750	900	940	1,100
Lothian	861	1,050	1,250	1,301	1,500	450	1,600	1,900	1,879	2,200
North Lanarkshire	258	495	595	600	675	44	750	950	952	1,050
Perth and Kinross	143	650	750	777	895	56	800	1,023	1,080	1,300
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	267	550	575	642	700	30	995	1,200	1,238	1,495
Scottish Borders	141	525	625	663	750	41	695	1,100	1,057	1,290
South Lanarkshire	238	600	695	732	800	51	895	1,150	1,181	1,400
West Dunbartonshire	54	550	650	672	795	10	900	1,073	1,092	1,200
West Lothian	145	674	750	781	850	42	1,000	1,200	1,162	1,300

<u> 1 Bedroom Shared Properties</u>										
	Number of	Lower			Upper					
	records	Quartile	Median	Mean	Quartile					
Scotland*	2,056	n/a	n/a	398	n/a					
Aberdeen and Shire	240	308	350	361	408					
Argyll and Bute	34	335	367	381	425					
Ayrshires	128	315	360	384	457					
Dumfries and Galloway	127	295	330	332	355					
Dundee and Angus	199	290	325	329	360					
East Dunbartonshire	22	350	473	436	500					
Fife	120	300	355	361	425					
Forth Valley	46	325	361	357	380					
Greater Glasgow	328	330	400	395	458					
Highland and Islands	196	325	360	382	425					
Lothian	340	404	470	470	525					
North Lanarkshire	28	275	325	342	368					
Perth and Kinross	49	275	316	320	360					
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	49	275	310	332	403					
Scottish Borders	42	265	318	314	362					
South Lanarkshire	31	281	375	401	450					
West Dunbartonshire	37	300	360	357	403					
West Lothian	40	293	334	334	375					
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Annex A – Trends in the Size of the Private Rented Sector in Scotland

Latest available Scottish Household Survey figures up to 2019 show that the private rented sector in Scotland has more than doubled in size since 1999, and now accounts for around a seventh of all homes in Scotland¹³. However, whilst private rented stock has increased substantially in size in the period between 2002 and 2016, the number of private rented households has since dropped slightly between 2016 and 2018.

The figures show that the proportion of households in the private rented sector grew steadily from five per cent in 1999 (120,000 households) to 15 per cent in 2016 (370,000 households), an increase of a quarter of a million households. The proportion has since dropped slightly to 14 per cent in 2018, to stand at 340,000 households, after which it has remained at a similar size in the latest year 2019.

Chart A1 below illustrates these trends, along with figures for other tenures. The percentage of households in owner occupation grew from 61 per cent in 1999 to 66 per cent in 2005, was stable at around 65 and 66 per cent until 2009 but then declined by an estimated 90,000 households between 2009 and 2014 to 60 per cent. The level has since remained around 61 and 62 per cent each year, but has grown back in absolute numbers by 80,000 between 2014 and 2019.

The percentage of households in the social rented sector declined from 32 per cent in 1999 to 23 per cent in 2007, an estimated drop of 150,000 households, but has since stabilised and has remained at between 22 and 24 per cent of all households since then, which represents an estimated increase of approximately 50,000 households since 2007.

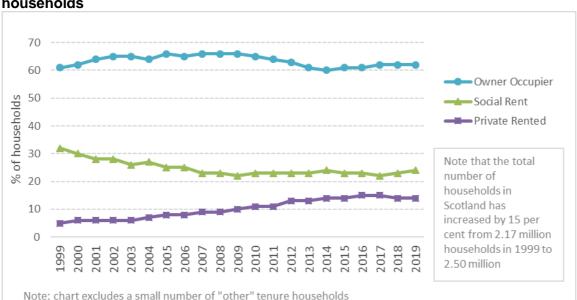


Chart A1 - Scottish Household Survey estimates of household tenure by year, as % of all households

¹³ See SHS 2019 results in Table 3.1a at https://scotland.shinyapps.io/sg-scottish-household-survey-data-explorer/

Separate stock by tenure estimates are available from annual housing statistics publications, with the latest available publication covering stock estimates up to the year 2018¹⁴.

Annex B – Glossary of Terms

- Broad Rental Market Area (BRMA) a Broad Rental Market Area for Local Housing Allowance purposes is defined as an area in which a person could reasonably be expected to live having regard to facilities and services for the purposes of health, education, recreation, personal banking and shopping, taking account of the distance of travel, by public and private transport, to and from those facilities and services. There are 18 Broad Rental Market Areas in Scotland. A map is given in Section 9 on Broad Rental Market Area Profiles. It is also possible to search for the Broad Rental Market Area associated with a particular postcode¹⁵.
- Local Housing Allowance (LHA) the Local Housing Allowance (LHA) system provides a way of working out Housing Benefit for claimants who rent from a private landlord. Local authorities use LHA rates based on the size of household and the area in which a person lives to work out the amount of rent which can be met with Housing Benefit. Information on current LHA calculations and rates is published at Local Housing Allowance Rates: 2021-2022 gov.scot (www.gov.scot).
- Lower Quartile the lower quartile is a way of summarising the spread of rental values into a single figure, and represents (for each particular area and size of property) the rental value at which 25% of rents are below this figure and 75% of rents are above it.
- Market Evidence Database the database that holds lettings information collected as part of the Rent Service Scotland's responsibility to administer the rent officer functions related to Housing Benefit, such as Local Housing Allowance.
- **Mean** a measure of central tendency often referred to as the average. Given a series of values the arithmetic mean is calculated by summing all these values together and dividing by the count of these values.
- Median when a series of numbers are arranged by order of magnitude the
 median represents the middle value (i.e. 50% of rents are below this and 50%
 of rents are above it). Where there is an even number of values the median is
 the mean of the two values closest to value in the centre of that distribution.
- Rent Officer an independent, statutory officer appointed by Scottish
 Ministers. They are responsible for providing advice to Local Authorities in
 assessing claims for Housing Benefit made before 7th April 2008; undertaking
 Fair Rent valuations for regulated tenancies; gathering rental information;

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¹⁴ https://www.gov.scot/publications/housing-statistics-stock-by-tenure/

¹⁵ <u>Search for Local Housing Allowance rates by postcode or local authority : DirectGov - LHA</u> Rates (voa.gov.uk)

analysing local rental markets to provide Local Authorities with Local Housing Allowance figures and maintaining the Rent Service Scotland 'Market Evidence Database'.

• **Upper Quartile** – the upper quartile is a way of summarising the spread of rental values into a single figure, and represents the rental value at which 75% of rents are below this figure and 25% of rents are above it.

Annex C – Methodology (Source Data, Sampling Methodology, Sample Sizes)

This publication uses data from the Rent Service Scotland 'Market Evidence Database', which is a database used to meet the needs of determining annual Local Housing Allowance levels.

The market evidence data on private rents is sourced through a variety of means, including advertised rental information, private landlord and letting agent returns, and mailshot initiatives.

The database excludes any rents related to social housing, mid-market rents, halls of residence, and private tenancies known to be the subject of housing benefit and regulated tenancies.

In the latest year to end September 2021, an estimated 87% of records were based on advertised rents, with the remainder being based on sitting tenant rents from landlord returns.

The data collected includes a minimum level of address, property attributes and tenancy details. Rents relating to studio/bedsit properties, properties with 5 or more bedrooms, and bed and breakfast lodgings have been excluded from this publication due to small sample sizes. Rents for bedrooms in shared properties are presented as 'rent only' figures, i.e. do not include the additional cost of shared services where these are known.

If a particular property has more than one piece of market evidence available in a given year, then only the most recent item of evidence for that year has been used in the average rent calculations for this publication.

The private rented sector is de-regulated, meaning that landlords are free to charge an open market rent for their property. There is currently no legal obligation for landlords or agents to provide Government, or any other organisations, with details of the rents achieved on their lettings. Therefore rent officers have to actively seek, collect, validate and maintain a suitable dataset.

There is no requirement for rent officers to collect 100% of rents that are agreed between landlord and tenant. Neither is it realistic to assume that all landlords and letting agents would be able to co-operate with this requirement.

Rent Officers instead aim to capture a representative sample of around 10% of private rents based on the total number of records obtained (the amount of records used in average rent calculations may be slightly less than this due to removal of

any multiple records for a single property/address in a given year). Landlord registration data and census data is used as a baseline for establishing and monitoring the total sample proportion that is aimed to be achieved.

As rent officers do not have access to every letting that takes place in the market the use of a random sample is not feasible, and given the variations in the size of the markets in each Broad Rental Market Area a simple quota based sample would be unlikely to produce representative results either. The sample should ideally reflect the profile of the market in terms of the type of property, its distribution, and the letting sources within each Broad Rental Market Area.

There are no definitive measures for these so rent officers monitor local market activity and take every opportunity to acquire feedback from landlords, agents and tenants. This market intelligence means that rent officers are able to continually evaluate the composition of the list of rents used for Local Housing Allowance, and where necessary divert resources from their regular program of data collection to address any perceived weakness in the data.

This combined approach of regular and targeted collection based on market intelligence aims to produce a representative sample for each property size for each Broad Rental Market Area. This approach in turn reflects the structure of the legislation which allows for rent officer judgment on a number of these factors.

The private rented sector is very complex and is continually changing as it reacts to market forces. The overall target of a 10% sample therefore only represents a guide figure at Broad Rental Market Area level. Local knowledge, confidence testing and interpretation of other available data may be applied to refine the guide level. This contributes towards achieving a representative sample for each property size category at a Broad Rental Market Area level.

It is important to note that the data collected on individual rents may encompass different property types and addresses for each data collection year. The Broad Rental Market Area Profiles in Section 9 show the sample sizes for each rental area. It can be seen that there have been some variations in the number of records by rental areas over time, and also the proportions by size of property. Some of this may be due to changes in the underlying rental stock over time, and some may be due to sampling variations over time.

Also note that some methodological improvements were made to the previous publication, which have been carried forward again to this publication, in relation to how Scotland level average rent figures have been estimated. These include the use of a weighted stock approach, which is set in further detail in Section 8.

Table C1 and Chart C1 below illustrate the different sample data profiles by rental market area.

It can be seen that the sample data profiles differ by rental area. For example for Dumfries and Galloway, 1 bedroom properties make up 17% of all sample records and 3 bedroom properties make up 22% of the total. This compares to Perth and Kinross for which 27% of records are 1 bedroom properties, and 16% of records

are 3 bedroom properties. This emphasises that it is generally not appropriate to compare an overall "average" rent figure (averaged across all property sizes) between different areas of the country.

Table C1 - Sample Sizes by Broad Rental Market Area and size of property, 2021 (year to

end Sept)

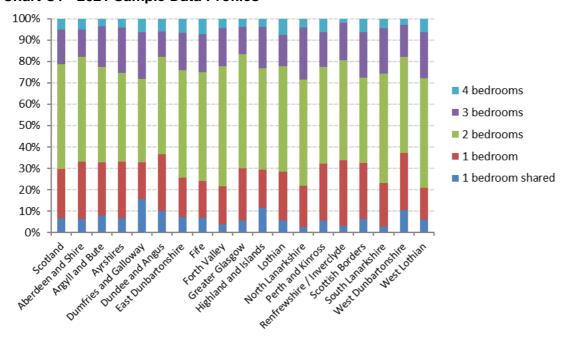
	1 bedroom				
	shared	1 bedroom	2 bedrooms	3 bedrooms	4 bedrooms
Scotland	2,056	7,399	15,573	5,151	1,654
Aberdeen and Shire	240	1,027	1,888	495	191
Argyll and Bute	34	107	193	82	15
Ayrshires	128	503	785	405	76
Dumfries and Galloway	127	139	315	177	52
Dundee and Angus	199	525	906	233	122
East Dunbartonshire	22	56	152	53	20
Fife	120	304	901	319	126
Forth Valley	46	223	696	220	54
Greater Glasgow	328	1,376	3,029	726	209
Highland and Islands	196	308	809	334	65
Lothian	340	1,324	2,906	861	450
North Lanarkshire	28	203	523	258	44
Perth and Kinross	49	236	400	143	56
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	49	468	724	267	30
Scottish Borders	42	173	263	141	41
South Lanarkshire	31	229	580	238	51
West Dunbartonshire	37	97	163	54	10
West Lothian	40	101	340	145	42

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Total figures exclude any studio properties, properties with 5 or more bedrooms, or room rents associated with bed and breakfast lodgings

If there is more than one piece of market evidence for a particular address in a given year, then only the most recent piece of evidence is counted

Chart C1 - 2021 Sample Data Profiles



It is also important to note that there are some sample data profiles that have changed over time by property size, which may also introduce some bias into comparing overall Broad Rental Market Area averages over time.

Chart C2 shows an example of this for Argyll and Bute, for which the sample data profile has changed over time both in the total number of records and the proportion in each property size category. The proportion of records relating to 1 bedroom shared properties increased from 3% in 2010 to 16% in 2013, after which this percentage has dropped to 8% in 2021. Whilst the proportion of records relating to 2 bedroom properties decreased from 43% to 34% from 2010 to 2014 but then increased to 45% in 2021. This would likely add bias to the trends if an overall "average" rent figure was calculated (averaged across all property sizes) each year.

Chart C2 - An Example of Sample Data Profiles that can Change Over Time - Argyll and Bute broad rental market area

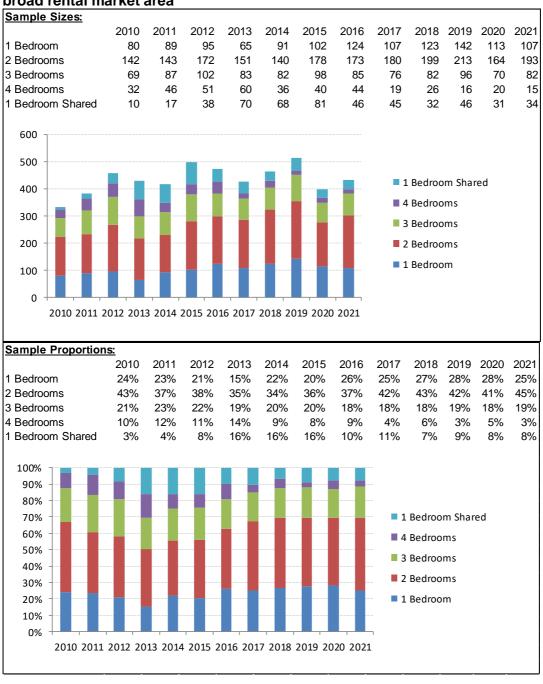


Table C3 and Chart C3 show the proportions of the total samples that are within each Broad Rental Market Area each year, by property size.

For most property sizes each rental area has a relatively consistent proportion each year, however there have been some changes over time. For example in the 2020, the proportion of all 2 bedroom records that are located in Lothian increased by 4 percentage points compared to the previous year, and the proportion of all 4 bedroom records that are located in Lothian increased by 7 percentage points compared to the previous year.

Table C3 - Sample numbers as proportions of the Scotland total 1 bedroom properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	10%	13%	12%	10%	11%	10%	12%	11%	11%	11%	15%	14%
Argyll and Bute	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Ayrshires	7%	6%	5%	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%
Dumfries and Galloway	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Dundee and Angus	6%	8%	8%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	7%
East Dunbartonshire	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Fife	4%	3%	4%	5%	3%	5%	5%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%
Forth Valley	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%	5%	4%	3%	3%	3%
Greater Glasgow	16%	14%	17%	18%	21%	19%	20%	20%	21%	21%	17%	19%
Highland and Islands	3%	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%
Lothian	23%	18%	22%	21%	18%	17%	15%	19%	19%	19%	17%	18%
North Lanarkshire	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%
Perth and Kinross	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	6%	7%	4%	5%	4%	5%	6%	5%	6%	7%	7%	6%
Scottish Borders	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
South Lanarkshire	6%	5%	4%	5%	4%	3%	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	3%
West Dunbartonshire	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
West Lothian	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

2 bedroom properties

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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	5%	8%	9%	9%	9%	8%	10%	11%	11%	12%	12%	12%
Argyll and Bute	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Ayrshires	7%	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%
Dumfries and Galloway	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Dundee and Angus	6%	8%	8%	7%	8%	7%	8%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
East Dunbartonshire	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Fife	6%	5%	6%	7%	6%	7%	5%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Forth Valley	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Greater Glasgow	14%	13%	14%	15%	16%	15%	17%	19%	19%	19%	18%	19%
Highland and Islands	6%	7%	7%	5%	7%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Lothian	18%	14%	15%	16%	14%	15%	14%	16%	15%	15%	19%	19%
North Lanarkshire	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Perth and Kinross	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	6%	6%	5%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	5%
Scottish Borders	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
South Lanarkshire	6%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
West Dunbartonshire	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
West Lothian	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%

3 bedroom properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	5%	7%	9%	9%	8%	8%	8%	9%	9%	10%	11%	10%
Argyll and Bute	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Ayrshires	8%	8%	6%	7%	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	8%	9%	8%
Dumfries and Galloway	3%	4%	5%	5%	6%	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Dundee and Angus	4%	4%	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%
East Dunbartonshire	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Fife	6%	5%	4%	8%	8%	9%	9%	7%	8%	7%	6%	6%
Forth Valley	6%	5%	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%
Greater Glasgow	10%	9%	9%	10%	10%	11%	12%	15%	15%	14%	12%	14%
Highland and Islands	8%	9%	9%	7%	9%	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Lothian	19%	14%	15%	14%	12%	14%	12%	13%	16%	16%	16%	17%
North Lanarkshire	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%
Perth and Kinross	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	5%	5%	4%	4%	6%	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%
Scottish Borders	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
South Lanarkshire	6%	7%	6%	5%	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
West Dunbartonshire	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
West Lothian	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%

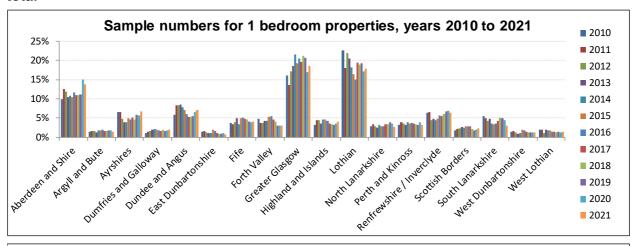
4 bedroom properties

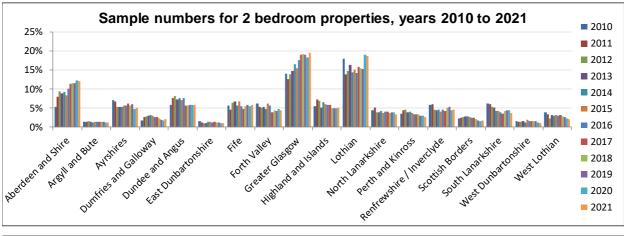
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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	6%	8%	10%	17%	16%	16%	17%	14%	16%	15%	14%	12%
Argyll and Bute	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Ayrshires	6%	6%	5%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%
Dumfries and Galloway	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Dundee and Angus	3%	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%	7%
East Dunbartonshire	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Fife	5%	5%	8%	7%	9%	9%	9%	8%	7%	7%	5%	8%
Forth Valley	6%	6%	5%	4%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	4%	3%	3%
Greater Glasgow	11%	10%	10%	7%	7%	7%	8%	13%	12%	13%	11%	13%
Highland and Islands	6%	8%	8%	7%	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	5%	4%	4%
Lothian	23%	18%	19%	14%	13%	13%	12%	11%	19%	19%	26%	27%
North Lanarkshire	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%
Perth and Kinross	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%
Scottish Borders	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
South Lanarkshire	7%	5%	7%	5%	4%	3%	4%	6%	5%	5%	5%	3%
West Dunbartonshire	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%
West Lothian	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%

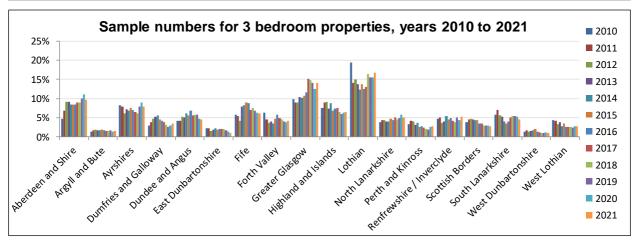
1 bedroom shared properties

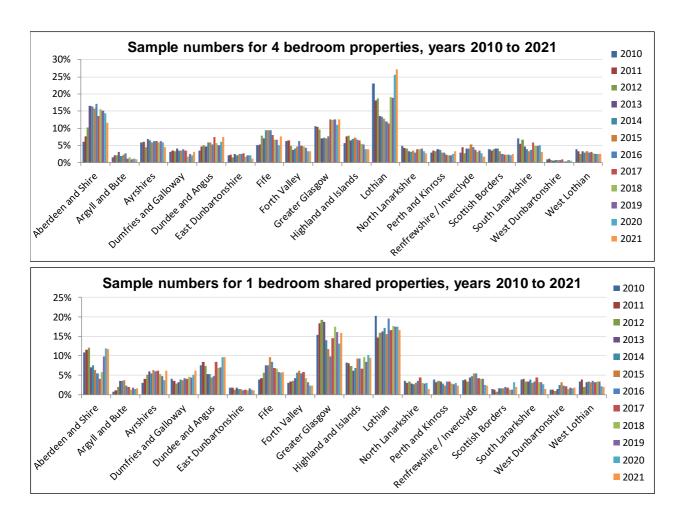
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	11%	12%	12%	7%	8%	6%	5%	4%	6%	10%	12%	12%
Argyll and Bute	1%	1%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Ayrshires	3%	4%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%	4%	6%
Dumfries and Galloway	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	6%
Dundee and Angus	8%	8%	7%	5%	5%	4%	5%	8%	7%	7%	10%	10%
East Dunbartonshire	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Fife	4%	4%	6%	8%	8%	10%	8%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%
Forth Valley	3%	3%	3%	4%	6%	6%	5%	6%	4%	3%	2%	2%
Greater Glasgow	15%	18%	19%	19%	14%	12%	10%	15%	17%	16%	13%	16%
Highland and Islands	8%	8%	7%	6%	7%	9%	9%	7%	10%	8%	10%	10%
Lothian	20%	15%	16%	16%	17%	16%	20%	17%	18%	18%	17%	17%
North Lanarkshire	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	1%
Perth and Kinross	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	4%	4%	3%	4%	5%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	2%	2%
Scottish Borders	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	2%
South Lanarkshire	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%
West Dunbartonshire	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
West Lothian	3%	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%

Chart C3 - Sample Numbers in Broad Rental Market Areas, as proportions of the Scotland total









Given the variability in some years of the sampling numbers by area and property size as shown in Table C3 and Charts C3, separate weights by area and property size have been calculated based on Scottish Household Survey (SHS) data, see Table C4 and Charts C4 below. These SHS weights have been used to estimate Scotland level average rents in this publication (see Section 8 for more information on this).

Table C4 - SHS derived weights

1 bedroom properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	10.3	10.6	9.1	7.8	8.4	10.4	10.1	9.9	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0
Argyll and Bute	2.1	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
Ayrshires	4.5	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.7	5.2	4.6	4.2	4.4	3.9	3.5	3.5
Dumfries and Galloway	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7
Dundee and Angus	7.9	8.4	9.1	9.2	7.0	6.3	7.0	7.2	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5
East Dunbartonshire	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0
Fife	5.7	6.3	6.0	4.9	4.8	5.4	4.7	5.3	4.8	6.7	6.1	6.1
Forth Valley	2.4	2.8	3.7	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.1	3.1
Greater Glasgow	19.7	19.8	19.0	19.1	21.0	19.3	18.7	17.5	18.8	20.8	21.4	21.4
Highland and Islands	3.5	4.0	4.2	4.0	3.2	2.8	3.3	3.7	3.8	4.2	4.2	4.2
Lothian	26.0	24.9	24.6	25.1	26.1	25.4	25.7	25.2	23.6	22.9	22.8	22.8
North Lanarkshire	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.3	2.2	2.9	3.4	3.4	2.8	2.6	2.2	2.2
Perth and Kinross	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.0	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.8	2.2	2.2
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	4.2	2.8	4.3	5.1	5.3	4.5	4.9	5.4	5.7	4.4	3.7	3.7
Scottish Borders	1.2	1.7	1.4	2.4	2.5	2.8	1.9	1.8	1.3	1.3	2.3	2.3
South Lanarkshire	2.0	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.6	3.0	2.5	2.3	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.7
West Dunbartonshire	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.7	2.2	1.7	1.4	1.4
West Lothian	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.4	0.9	1.7	1.4	1.3	0.6	1.4	1.4

2 bedroom properties

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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	7.8	7.7	8.4	8.9	9.4	8.8	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.7	8.4	8.4
Argyll and Bute	2.4	1.9	1.3	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
Ayrshires	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.8	5.1	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.2
Dumfries and Galloway	2.8	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.8
Dundee and Angus	6.5	6.4	6.0	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.1	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.9
East Dunbartonshire	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9
Fife	5.0	5.3	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.8	6.0	6.6	6.3	6.8	6.8
Forth Valley	5.2	4.2	3.9	4.1	4.6	4.7	4.9	5.3	6.1	6.0	5.3	5.3
Greater Glasgow	18.5	18.5	18.2	17.5	17.0	17.3	17.6	17.7	16.9	17.1	17.4	17.4
Highland and Islands	6.6	6.4	5.7	5.2	5.9	5.7	5.9	5.0	5.1	5.5	5.4	5.4
Lothian	23.9	23.3	23.7	22.7	21.8	21.8	20.2	19.4	18.7	19.5	19.9	19.9
North Lanarkshire	3.0	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.1	2.4	3.6	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.1	4.1
Perth and Kinross	3.6	3.8	2.9	2.6	2.4	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1	2.8	2.8
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	2.5	2.9	3.3	4.0	4.2	4.6	4.7	5.0	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2
Scottish Borders	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.2	1.7	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.7	2.0	2.0
South Lanarkshire	2.8	3.2	3.5	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.8	4.1	4.4	4.6	5.0	5.0
West Dunbartonshire	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.9	0.9
West Lothian	1.6	2.1	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.9

3 bedroom properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	8.9	9.6	9.1	8.0	6.6	7.5	7.9	8.7	8.4	8.6	8.0	8.0
Argyll and Bute	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.4
Ayrshires	6.8	6.8	7.2	6.9	7.6	7.0	6.5	7.5	9.0	8.9	8.3	8.3
Dumfries and Galloway	4.3	3.9	4.5	3.9	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.3	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.4
Dundee and Angus	6.2	5.3	5.8	5.5	5.8	5.9	6.7	7.0	5.9	5.9	5.0	5.0
East Dunbartonshire	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.0
Fife	6.6	7.7	8.0	9.4	8.9	8.2	6.8	7.3	6.7	6.6	5.5	5.5
Forth Valley	3.7	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.9	4.3	5.5	5.9	6.6	6.0	6.0
Greater Glasgow	13.7	14.2	14.3	14.3	13.1	12.2	11.0	11.5	11.3	11.2	12.0	12.0
Highland and Islands	11.2	9.6	9.5	8.6	8.7	9.9	10.2	9.2	8.6	9.1	10.5	10.5
Lothian	15.7	17.2	15.8	16.0	16.2	16.5	18.1	15.5	14.1	12.3	13.1	13.1
North Lanarkshire	2.5	2.5	3.7	3.9	5.0	4.3	4.5	4.5	5.1	5.6	4.5	4.5
Perth and Kinross	3.0	3.4	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.5	2.7	2.8	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.4
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.6	3.3	3.0	3.7	4.4	5.0	5.0
Scottish Borders	4.3	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.3	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.4
South Lanarkshire	3.6	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.8	3.8	3.7	4.6	4.6
West Dunbartonshire	0.1	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.3
West Lothian	3.6	3.3	2.7	3.2	3.5	3.7	4.3	3.9	4.6	3.8	3.8	3.8

4 bedroom properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	12.3	13.4	13.8	12.9	12.2	11.4	12.2	12.5	11.1	12.2	9.7	9.7
Argyll and Bute	2.3	1.9	2.8	3.2	3.8	3.5	2.8	3.0	2.4	2.0	2.9	2.9
Ayrshires	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.2	3.3	2.1	3.7	5.2	5.6	3.2	3.1	3.1
Dumfries and Galloway	6.6	4.6	4.3	5.4	6.3	6.9	5.7	3.8	3.5	2.9	4.0	4.0
Dundee and Angus	4.3	5.6	2.8	3.3	3.7	5.9	5.4	5.1	4.0	5.3	7.7	7.7
East Dunbartonshire	1.9	1.8	1.5	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
Fife	7.7	6.9	8.6	10.6	10.3	6.9	4.2	3.1	6.9	8.9	8.7	8.7
Forth Valley	7.1	6.7	6.7	5.9	4.4	3.9	2.8	2.6	4.1	4.3	3.0	3.0
Greater Glasgow	10.3	11.2	9.4	10.2	9.7	9.3	9.0	8.2	8.5	8.6	9.1	9.1
Highland and Islands	10.8	9.7	8.4	6.9	9.6	11.6	11.4	12.9	10.0	10.4	8.5	8.5
Lothian	20.2	20.2	23.7	24.0	22.4	21.4	19.7	19.4	20.0	23.0	23.2	23.2
North Lanarkshire	2.9	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.9	2.4	3.4	3.8	2.5	3.5	4.9	4.9
Perth and Kinross	3.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	1.6	2.7	4.6	5.3	5.8	5.0	4.1	4.1
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	2.1	1.4	2.4	1.6	2.6	2.2	3.3	2.7	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.0
Scottish Borders	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.9	2.9	3.3	2.7	3.1	4.2	3.5	2.5	2.5
South Lanarkshire	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.9	2.9	4.5	4.9	5.1	3.1	3.6	3.6
West Dunbartonshire	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.7	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.0
West Lothian	1.4	3.2	2.9	4.2	2.1	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.9	1.3	1.4	1.4

1 bedroom shared properties

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Aberdeen and Shire	11.0	11.7	11.6	12.4	11.9	12.3	13.5	14.2	13.9	12.2	11.4	11.4
Argyll and Bute	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.6
Ayrshires	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.5
Dumfries and Galloway	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.0	1.0
Dundee and Angus	5.6	6.0	6.2	7.9	8.3	7.7	6.0	6.8	6.3	6.1	5.6	5.6
East Dunbartonshire	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.5	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.5
Fife	4.4	3.9	4.2	5.7	6.8	5.2	4.2	3.0	3.7	4.6	4.1	4.1
Forth Valley	5.3	4.7	5.5	3.4	3.4	4.9	5.6	5.9	4.7	4.9	5.7	5.7
Greater Glasgow	25.5	26.6	26.3	27.9	23.8	23.3	20.9	23.8	26.5	29.4	30.5	30.5
Highland and Islands	4.4	3.8	4.1	3.2	4.1	3.7	5.1	3.5	3.7	3.1	3.6	3.6
Lothian	28.9	29.9	28.5	25.3	24.4	27.1	28.6	25.8	24.1	24.0	25.7	25.7
North Lanarkshire	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.0	1.0
Perth and Kinross	2.0	1.2	1.3	0.7	1.6	1.6	3.1	2.9	2.7	1.5	1.7	1.7
Renfrewshire / Inverclyde	1.8	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.8	2.1	2.1
Scottish Borders	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6
South Lanarkshire	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.9	1.7	2.3	2.4	3.6	2.7	2.7
West Dunbartonshire	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.3
West Lothian	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.5	3.3	3.1	2.1	1.9	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.5

The Scottish Household Survey (SHS) weights have been built up by using an approximate mapping of local authority areas to Broad Rental Market Areas.

The weights from the survey data have been constructed using 3 year rolling data periods to help with precision of results at Broad Rental Market Area and to smooth out annual variations seen in the survey results. Each 3 year data period being centred on the rental year to be estimated with a lag applied of 2 years, due to the time delay between 3 year survey results being available and the latest rental year in question.

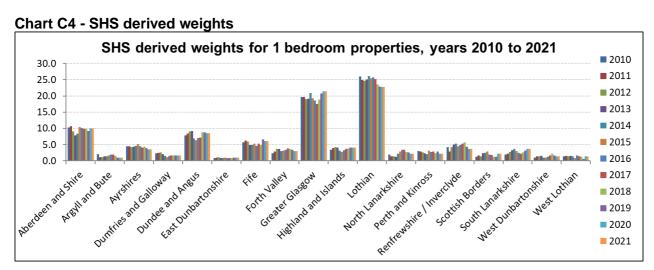
For example in the previous publication, for the rental year 2020, a 3 year data period 2017 to 2019 was used to construct the stock based weights, which equates to the year 2020 lagged by two years (i.e. to be centred on 2018).

One aspect to note for this publication is that given that the Scottish Household Survey results for the year 2020 are not available¹⁶, the previous set of weights based on the 3 year data period 2017 to 2019 have been rolled forward as the basis for the rental year 2021.

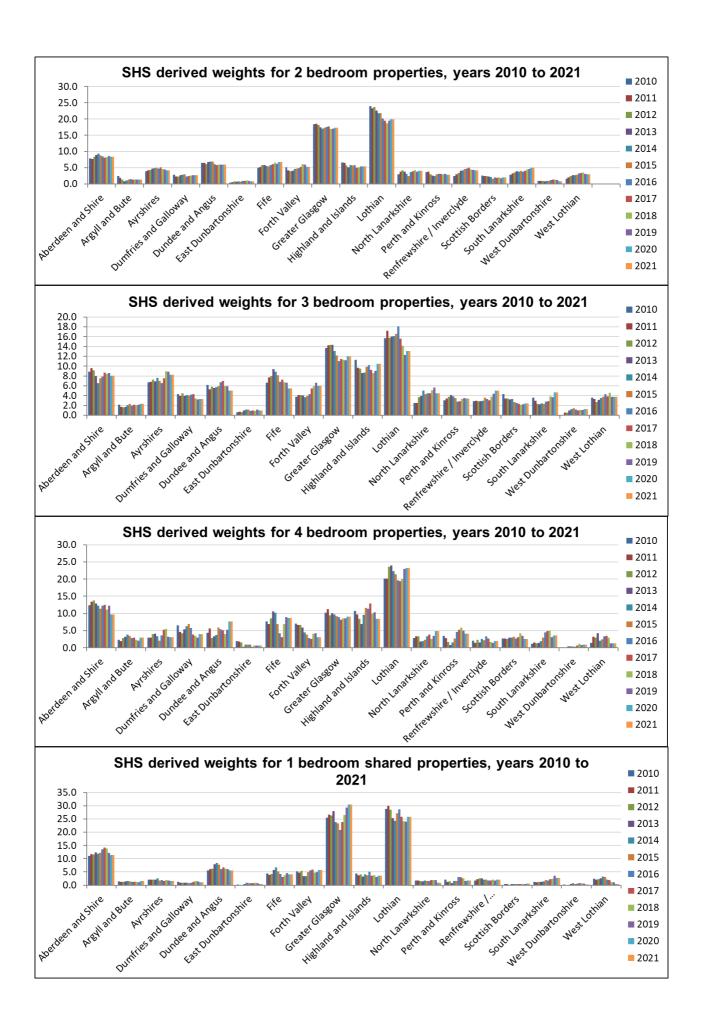
For each property size category, the stock based weights have been calculated based on the proportion of private rented households in each category that are located in each of the Broad Rental Market Areas.

The exception is for 1 bedroom shared properties, where the weightings are instead based on the estimated proportions of owner occupier or private rented households in each areas that contain two or more adults who are not related or who are not in a married / civil partnership or a co-habiting partnership, with the aim to identify households where there may be an individual room being rented in some form.

To note one limitation of the weighting approach applied is that there may be some level of mis-match between the SHS weights (covering all PRS stock) and the sample of records collected from Rent Service Scotland (i.e. excluding those with housing benefit and regulated tenancies)



¹⁶ As set out in the Scottish Government Official statistics forthcoming publications update at Official statistics: forthcoming publications - gov.scot (www.gov.scot), it was originally intended that the key findings from the 2020 Scottish Household Survey (SHS) would be published in October 2021. However due to the move to telephone/video interviewing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the publication has been delayed to allow the weighting methodology to be reviewed and to consider what it is appropriate to publish.



Annex D – Comparability to Other Government Sources of Rental Data

Rent Service Scotland 30th Percentile Rent Figures:

Annual information on the **30th percentile** of weekly private sector rents by bedroom size is published on the Scottish Government website¹⁷, alongside corresponding information on Local Housing Allowance (LHA) Rates.

There may be a small number of minor differences in the data that has been used for 30th percentile calculations compared with the data used for this publication, because the Market Evidence Database is a live database and therefore over time there may be some records that are updated to reflect that more up-to-date information becomes available. In addition, there may be some minor differences to how the data is extracted for statistical purposes, including the use of additional statistical quality assurance or due to different points in time that the data is extracted, compared to management information reports obtained from the operational database.

The 30th percentile rents are also presented as weekly rents, rather than the calendar month figures presented in this statistical publication. Monthly rents are seen as a more user friendly way of presenting the data in this publication given that private rents are typically paid in periods of calendar months.

ONS Index of Private Housing Rental Prices:

The ONS Index of Private Housing Rental Prices (IPHRP)¹⁸ is a monthly experimental price index. It tracks the prices paid for renting property from private landlords in the UK, including an index at a Scotland level.

Whilst the ONS Index uses same raw data as the Rent Service Scotland 'Market Evidence Database' in compiling the Scotland level results, there are some important differences to how the data are processed and used:

- The ONS Index uses the rental data to create a matched-sample dataset to ensure that only like-for-like properties are compared over time.
- The ONS matched-sample dataset retains rental records for a period of time (an assumption based on average tenancy length), and it is therefore an attempt to measure rental price changes for all rents (a 'stock' based measure) and not just a measure of recent rental market evidence (a 'flow' based measure).
- The ONS Index is mix-adjusted in that it uses expenditure weights to adjust to the overall distribution of types of properties in the rental market (by expenditure).

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¹⁷ Local Housing Allowance Rates: 2021-2022 - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)

¹⁸ Index of Private Housing Rental Prices, UK - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)

• The Index does not provide any information on actual rental levels, and the Index values provided are not available at a sub-Scotland basis.

Further details of the methodology used to calculate the IPHRP can be found in a June 2013 IPHRP article, supplemented by a January 2015 article on <a href="Improvements to the measurement of Owner Occupiers' Housing Costs and Private Housing Rental Prices. Additional information is available in documents on Quality Assurance of Administrative Data. ONS have also produced a recent January 2021 article on Comparisons of measures of private rental growth in the UK.

Given the different methodologies used we would not always expect the ONS Index and Private Sector Rent Statistics for Scotland to show the same results. The ONS Index results provide estimates of like-for-like changes over time in rental prices across all private rented households (whether existing tenants or new lets) in Scotland, but do not provide any information on actual rent levels or on trends below the Scotland level. Whereas the Private Sector Rent Statistics for Scotland publication allows an assessment of market-evidence average rents, along with changes over time at a BRMA level and by property size, although some caution is needed in interpreting the results given that the composition and quality of private rental stock can vary by area and can change over time.

Following the Digital Economy Act 2017, the ONS gained access to Valuation Office Agency (VOA) private rental microdata. ONS are now carrying out some work to re-develop the IPHRP and private rental market summary statistics (PRMS) to produce mix-adjusted average rental prices that are comparable over time and geography down to lower geographic levels, to better meet user needs.

While work has been ongoing to finalise the methodology, ONS will now need to spend more time ensuring the production system is developed on a strategic platform and is sustainable. This has resulted in the initial timetable for the rents development work being out of date. More information and an updated timetable for these developments is available in the Private rental prices development plan: January 2021.

ONS Private Rental Market Statistics for England:

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) publish <u>Private rental market summary statistics in England</u> (PRMS), which is published twice-yearly. Whilst it presents similar looking statistics to this publication, there are some differences which may affect any comparisons including that the ONS statistics present average rents for English Government Region and Local Authority areas, and not by Broad Rental Market Area.

In addition, rent for 1 bedroom shared properties is presented as gross rather than net of any shared services, and also properties with 5 or more bedrooms are included, not excluded.

Private Rental Market Statistics for Wales:

The Welsh Government publish annual statistics¹⁹ on rents paid in the private sector in Wales. These present average rents by Local Authority areas, and not by Broad Rental Market Area, and rent for 1 bedroom shared properties is presented as gross rather than net of any shared services, which may impact on any comparisons made.

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¹⁹ Private sector rents | GOV.WALES

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