

Table 5: Estimates of the number of households by household type, Scotland, 1981-2005¹⁻⁴

Household size	Household type	1981	1991	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Change 99-05	
											Number	%
1 person households	1 adult: male	119,000	221,000	285,000	295,000	306,000	310,000	319,000	332,000	321,000	37,000	13%
	1 adult: female	274,000	362,000	406,000	409,000	416,000	414,000	421,000	434,000	442,000	36,000	9%
2 person households	2 adults	507,000	607,000	624,000	626,000	651,000	659,000	671,000	668,000	683,000	59,000	10%
	1 adult, 1 child	20,000	52,000	74,000	77,000	76,000	80,000	78,000	85,000	86,000	12,000	16%
3+ person households	1 adult, 2+ children	21,000	51,000	63,000	56,000	62,000	63,000	61,000	56,000	57,000	-6,000	-9%
	2+ adults, 1+ children	595,000	520,000	489,000	489,000	479,000	470,000	465,000	462,000	472,000	-18,000	-4%
	3+ adults	251,000	230,000	225,000	224,000	205,000	215,000	213,000	212,000	210,000	-15,000	-6%
All households		1,786,000	2,043,000	2,166,000	2,177,000	2,195,000	2,210,000	2,228,000	2,249,000	2,271,000	106,000	5%

Percentage of households by household type

Household size	Household type	1981	1991	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
1 person households	1 adult: male	7%	11%	13%	14%	14%	14%	14%	15%	14%
	1 adult: female	15%	18%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
2 person households	2 adults	28%	30%	29%	29%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
	1 adult, 1 child	1%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%
3+ person households	1 adult, 2+ children	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
	2+ adults, 1+ children	33%	25%	23%	22%	22%	21%	21%	21%	21%
	3+ adults	14%	11%	10%	10%	9%	10%	10%	9%	9%
All households		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

1 The figures for 1981 are from the Census. For the 1981 Census, households with children just included children aged 0-15; for the 1991 and 2001 Censuses, the definition of a dependent child also included those aged 16-18 in full time education.

2 The figures for 1991 are from the Census and mid-year population estimates (Table 1)

3 The figures for 1999-2005 are from the Scottish Household Survey (SHS). These figures are adjusted to each year's household estimates (Table 1), and adjusted to the 2001 Census to adjust for any under- or over-count in the SHS.

The SHS has a sample size of around 15,000 households per year. More information about it is available from www.scotland.gov.uk/shs

4 Figures are rounded to the nearest 1,000.