

Table 10: Occupied and vacant dwellings by Strategic Development Planning Authority (SDPA) area and National Park, 2008

	SDPA area				National Park		Scotland
	Glasgow and Clyde Valley	Aberdeen City and Shire	SESplan	TAYplan	Cairngorms	LLTNP ¹	
Total number of dwellings	833,420	215,038	570,839	228,955	9,200	6,927	2,460,883
% Occupied dwellings ²	97%	96%	96%	94%	84%	90%	96%
% Vacant dwellings ³	2.8%	2.6%	2.5%	4.2%	3.6%	2.4%	2.8%
% Second homes ⁴	0.3%	1.3%	1.2%	2.2%	12.7%	7.4%	1.4%
% Dwellings with a single adult discount ⁵	41%	35%	37%	37%	30%	28%	38%
% Dwellings with 'occupied exemptions' ⁶	2.3%	3.7%	2.9%	3.6%	0.4%	0.7%	2.5%

1. LLTNP is the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park

2. Occupied dwellings are the total number of dwellings, minus vacant dwellings and second homes.

3. Vacant dwellings include unoccupied dwellings that are exempt from Council Tax, and dwellings subject to a long-term empty property discount.

4. Second homes include dwellings subject to second home discount (including holiday homes and self-catering accommodation available to let for less than 140 days per year)

5. Dwellings with a single adult discount include dwellings subject to a discount of 25%. This may include, for example, dwellings with a single adult, or one adult living with one or more children, or adults who are 'disregarded' for Council Tax purposes.

6. Dwellings with 'occupied exemptions' include dwellings which are occupied but exempt from Council Tax. This mainly comprises dwellings only occupied by students, and armed forces accommodation. It also includes dwellings which are the sole residence only of people aged under 18 or severely mentally impaired persons, trial flats used by registered housing associations, and prisons.

Section 4.6 describes the areas covered by each SDPA area

Section 4.7 describes the areas covered by each National Park area