

Table 3: Characteristics of dwellings by urban/rural classification, 2012

Urban/Rural Classification ¹		Large urban areas	Other urban areas	Accessible small towns	Remote small towns	Accessible rural areas	Remote rural areas	Scotland
Council Tax band of dwelling ²	Bands A-C	62%	67%	62%	69%	46%	56%	61%
	Bands D-E	26%	24%	26%	23%	31%	31%	26%
	Bands F-H	12%	10%	12%	7%	23%	14%	12%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Dwelling type	Flats	59%	32%	24%	27%	11%	8%	38%
	Terraced	16%	28%	26%	24%	19%	13%	21%
	Semi-detached	15%	21%	25%	24%	25%	23%	20%
	Detached	9%	18%	25%	23%	45%	54%	21%
	Unknown	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of rooms per dwelling ³	1-3 rooms	51%	42%	38%	39%	28%	26%	42%
	4-6 rooms	44%	54%	55%	50%	58%	56%	50%
	7 or more rooms	4%	4%	6%	6%	13%	10%	6%
	Unknown	1%	0%	1%	6%	1%	7%	1%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Median number of rooms per dwelling ³		3	4	4	4	4	4	4
Dwellings per hectare		10.45	4.83	1.75	1.18	0.15	0.03	0.32
Population, by age group ⁴	Children	17%	18%	18%	17%	18%	17%	17%
	Working age	66%	62%	60%	58%	61%	58%	63%
	Pensionable age	18%	20%	22%	25%	21%	25%	20%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Footnotes

1) This table uses the Scottish Government Urban/Rural Classification 2011-2012.

2) Each dwelling is placed in one of eight Council Tax bands (A to H), with dwellings in band H being the most expensive.

3) No information is available on the number of rooms in a dwelling for most dwellings in Shetland Islands.

4) Children includes all those aged 0-15. Working age includes males aged 16-64 and females aged 16 to approximately 60.64 (to take into account changes being made to state pension age). Pensionable age includes all those eligible for a state pension i.e. males aged 65 and over and females aged approximately 60.65 and over.

Sources:

Dwelling characteristics - Dwelling Estimates from the Assessors' Portal. Areas in hectares - National Records of Scotland (NRS) in-house measure.

Population - NRS 2011 Small Area Population Estimates (which uses the 2001 Census results) by Urban/Rural Classification.

Please go to Sources, Methods and Definitions for definitions of the dwelling characteristics listed in the table. Please note that figures might not add up to 100% exactly, due to rounding.