

HOUSING SERVICES

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Request

We received your request on 17 January 2024 for the following information:

Hi I would like information on the number of females who have applied for housing on the grounds of leaving their home through domestic violence, and the same for male victims of domestic violence leaving their home due violence applying for housing. The length of time females victims of domestic violence wait to be housed through nihe once nihe received there housing application in a permanent home, not temporary or emergency accommodation.

The length of time male victims of domestic violence wait to be housed through nihe once nihe received there housing application in a permanent home, not temporary or emergency accommodation.

If that information is available for each region of n.Ireland for the most recent years statistics available.

Thank you.

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Our response

1. I would like information on the number of females who have applied for housing on the grounds of leaving their home through domestic violence, and the same for male victims of domestic violence leaving their home due violence applying for housing.

As the Housing Executive has already provided data for the 2022/23 year under FOI_160 a further expansion of the data has been provided below.

Within the period April 2020 to March 2022 a total of 2,171 households were accepted by the Housing Executive as homeless on the basis of Domestic abuse.

A gender breakdown of the head of household per year is provided in the table below.

	Domestic Violence		
Financial Year	Female	Male	Grand Total
2020-21	1025	140	1165
2021-22	851	151	1006

2. The length of time females victims of domestic violence wait to be housed through NIHE once NIHE received there housing application in a permanent home, not temporary or emergency accommodation.

Homelessness Policy & Strategy do not hold any information in relation to this request.

3. The length of time male victims of domestic violence wait to be housed through nihe once nihe received there housing application in a permanent home, not temporary or emergency accommodation.

Please see the response to Q.2 above

4. If that information is available for each region of N.Ireland for the most recent years statistics available.

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This concludes our response.