

05 August 2024

Our Ref: FOI 435

Request

We received your request on 07 June 2024 for the following information:

*Single foreign nationalist women compare to UK women mainly from Northern Ireland
That are getting houses in Northern Ireland.*

We received your clarification response on 25th July 2024:

*I'm seeking information about single foreign females getting homes to compare to the
single females from Northern Ireland getting homes*

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

Our response

The table below provides data on the number of allocations to single female applicants on the waiting list in Northern Ireland by nationality (grouped) for a 5-year period from 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2024. The figures are based on the recorded nationality of the applicant. The table should be viewed in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Table 1: Number of Allocations to Single Female Applicants from 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2024 at N. Ireland Level by Nationality (grouped)	
Nationality (grouped)	No. of allocations
British / Irish / Northern Irish	6,327
Other	260
Unknown	512
Refused	9
Total	7,108

Notes:

- This response is based on the most recently published data from our Housing Management System (allocations up to 31/03/2024).
- Allocations are aggregated over a 5-year period from 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2024 and include allocations to both Housing Executive and housing association properties.
- In relation to your question, we have defined single as a combination of Single Person Household and Elderly/Older Small Household Type, which includes the categories:
 - Single Female >16 and <18
 - Single Female 18 – 25
 - Single Female 26 – 59
 - Elderly/Older Female 60+
- Household Composition/Type is recorded on our systems at the point of application and may not reflect the composition of the household at the point of allocation.
- UK GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018 - It is important to note the GDPR & Data Protection Act 2018 regarding the potential risk of identifying individuals and individual households. Guidance from NISRA suggests that equality monitoring information should not be disclosed in sensitive cases where individuals or individual households could be identified. Also, the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) 'Anonymisation: Managing Data Protection Risk' Code of Practice states 'where less than 10 responses have been given to an answer that identifies something factual, all variables relating to that question have been suppressed'. However, 'it should be noted that attitudinal questions are not bound by this rule, in addition to responses of 'Don't know', 'Refused', 'Other' or similar'. As the information provided is considered sensitive, some statistical disclosure controls may have been placed on the tables with the omission of data in cases where there are less than ten Applicants.