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How many people on the housing list qualify for two and three bedroomed properties?

Please note that under the City of Edinburgh Council's Allocation Policy a single person or a couple are eligible for a one or two-bedroom home.

The below table and shows figures as at 16 February 2021.

Ideal Number of Bedrooms	Total
2	16,982
3	2,752

How many of people eligible for two and three bedroomed properties have gold priority?

How many people eligible for two and three bedroomed properties have silver priority?

**Gold Priority** - Applicants whose current home no longer meets their mobility needs and it cannot be adapted. Gold Priority is generally only given to people who have been assessed as requiring a ground floor home.

**Silver Priority includes the following categories –**

**Homelessness** - Applicants who have been assessed by the Council as statutorily homeless.

**Overcrowding** - Applicants who need to move due to the following circumstances:

- Two or more extra bedrooms are required for the size of the household
- Or
- Have one bedroom and live with one or more children under the age of 16

Each of the partner landlords operate their own allocation policy, therefore their bedroom sharing guidelines may be different.

The Council bedroom sharing guidelines are detailed in the Letting Policy available at:

<https://edindexhousing.co.uk/media/Letting-Policy-September-2020.pdf>

Your household circumstances will be fully checked by a housing officer before any offer of housing is made.

**Under occupancy** - Applicants who currently live in a Council or Housing Association home with three or more bedrooms, no longer need all of them and would like to downsize.

**Demo/Officer Panel** - Awarded to tenants of a block that is due for demolition or applicants who, following a panel decision, have been identified as having exceptional housing need.

The below table shows figures as at 16 February 2021.

Ideal Number of Bedrooms	Gold Priority	Silver Priority
2	262	4,045
3	57	623

How many two and three bedroomed Properties specifically for social rent, excluding mid-market, will you have built by the end of 2021.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide the information requested as the cost to the Council of locating, retrieving and providing the information exceeds the statutory maximum of £600.

The detailed information on the number of bedrooms in each of the properties to have been built by the end of 2021 is not centrally recorded. It is estimated that by the end of March 2021 the City of Edinburgh Council and housing association partners will have built 1,757 social-rented homes in Edinburgh over the last 5 years. A manual search of records would be required to collate the bedroom numbers. It is estimated this process would take approximately 43 hours to complete.

What is the average wait for a two and three bedroomed property if you bid every week?

The average waiting time for a two-bedroom property in 2019/2020 was 952 days.

The average waiting time for a three-bedroom property in 2019/2020 was 1160 days.

Under a choice-based letting system, the average time an applicant will wait to be housed will be dependent on whether the applicant has a priority awarded to their application due to housing need, the availability of homes that meet their needs that become available, the range of property types/areas the household is prepared to consider, and how actively they are bidding.