

37059 Use of Expanded Polystyrene Insulation

Request for information about the use of Expanded Polystyrene insulation (EPS) in

- your housing stock, and where

- external wall cladding insulation has been retrofitted to existing homes to improve the insulation, including through existing Home Energy Efficiency Programmes for Scotland, such as the ABS and other programmes now closed.

For both please indicate:

On how many properties EPS has been installed?

Please refer to the table below which provides the number of Council house properties that have had External Wall Insulation (EWI) installed within each funding year:

Funding Year	No. of EWI installs
2014-15	665
2015-16	172
2016-17	395
2017-18	376
2018-19	317
2019-20	175
2020-21	296
2021-22	160
Grand Total	2,556

Of the properties which had it installed, how many had

- fire retardant and
- non-fire retardant EPS installed?

1,767 are recorded as having a fire retardant EWI system installed. There is no record held for the remaining 789 properties. However, these would comply with Building Regulations at the time of install and would contain a number of Insulation materials (Mineral Wool, PIR and /or Phenolic Insulation, which when tested as a system provide a Class 0 rated product

How many of those properties EPS been removed from?

None.

Of the properties which had EPS installed, how many had 6mm or more of render cover installed?

1,767 of the properties with an EWI system installed had 6mm or more of render (basecoat and finish coat).