

64009 Property Purchases

Please provide the following information for the last three full financial years:

Number of private properties purchased by City of Edinburgh Council in each financial year.

The following responses include properties purchased by our Acquisitions and Disposals team and new build properties purchased 'off the shelf':

2025-26 – 349 purchases

2024/25 – 435 purchases

2023/24 – 109 purchases

Number of single private properties purchased in private developments in each financial year.

A single private dwelling is, for example, a flat purchased in a block of flats or tenement which has shared access with owners other than the Council, shared stairways and joint liability for service charges, repairs etc. It also includes a single property such as a house, detached, terraced, semi-detached, with its own front door.

2025-26 – 150 purchases

2024/25 – 218 purchases

2023/24 – 96 purchases

These figures are included in A1 above but are 'single private dwellings' as per the definition provided.

Number of whole blocks of developments purchased in each financial year.

A block development means a property where the Council has purchased all dwellings in a block of flats or dwellings and holds the freehold title in its entirety.

2025-26 – 9 purchases

2024/25 – 15 purchases

2023/24 – 0 purchases

The sum of the purchase prices and any ancillary fees for the purchase by the City of Edinburgh Council in each financial year.

2025/26 - £111,661,775

2024/25 - £110,388,244

2023/24 - £17,138,459