

FACS statistics quarterly report summary

This accessible text document provides an overview of Family and Community Services (FACS) social housing quarterly data. It accompanies the [interactive dashboard](#), published on the FACS website.

October – December 2017 quarterly overview

Social housing quarterly data are grouped into four main themes:

1. **Fair access to social housing** - data on newly housed households, households in greatest need (i.e. priority waitlist applicants), and households assisted with temporary accommodation.
2. **Stability and security of tenure** - data for Public and Aboriginal Housing tenure, types of residential agreements, and housing transfers.
3. **Supporting pathways to independence** - data for households assisted with housing products other than social housing and households who left social housing to the private rental market or home ownership.
4. **Meeting social housing needs** - the number of bedrooms allocated for households in Public and Aboriginal Housing.

1. Fair access to social housing for those who need it

- The number of **households newly entering social housing** was 2,291 in the quarter. This is equal to a decrease of 12.1 per cent from the last quarter. Compared to the same quarter last year of 2,029, there was an increase of 12.9 per cent.
- Of **new allocations to households in greatest need** by Aboriginality in the quarter, 23.1 per cent went to Aboriginal households and 76.9 per

cent went to non-Aboriginal households/households with unknown Aboriginality status.

- Of **new allocations to households in greatest need** by the age group of the head of households in the quarter, 0.2 per cent were aged under 18, 11.3 per cent were aged 18 to 24, 60.2 per cent were aged 25 to 54, and 28.3 per cent were aged 55 and over.
- Of **new allocations to households in greatest need**, 59.9 per cent went to Single-person households, 24.0 per cent went to Single parent with dependent children, 4.9 per cent went to Couple households, 6.1 per cent went to Other family with dependent children, and 5.0 per cent went to Other households.
- The number of **households assisted with temporary accommodation** decreased to 7,159 in the quarter. This is equal to a drop of 1.6 per cent from the last quarter. Compared to the same quarter last year of 7,444, the decrease was 3.8 per cent.

2. Stability and security of tenure

- 51.5 per cent of tenants were living in Public Housing for more than 10 years, at the end of the quarter. 42.8 per cent of tenants were living in Aboriginal Housing for more than 10 years, as at 31 December 2017.
- The share of households with a **continuous tenancy agreement** was 52.3 per cent in Public Housing and 44.2 per cent in Aboriginal Housing, as at 31 December 2017.
- The total number of **household transfers** for Public and Aboriginal Housing decreased to 819. This is equal to a decrease of 5.3 per cent from the last quarter. Compared to the same quarter last year of 744, there was an increase of 10.1 per cent.

3. Supporting pathways to independence

- The number of **households assisted with other housing products** increased to 9,747 in the quarter. This equals to a rise of 5.1 per cent

from the last quarter. Compared to the same quarter last year of 9,809, there was a decrease of 0.6 per cent or 61 households.

- The number of **households leaving social housing** to the private rental market or home ownership decreased to 465 this quarter. This is equal to a decrease of 12.8 per cent from the previous quarter. Compared to the same quarter last year of 496, there was a decrease of 31 households or 6.3 per cent.

4. Meeting social housing needs

- The number of households newly allocated **Public Housing** in the quarter included:
 - 42 per cent – studio/one bedroom property
 - 27 per cent – property with two bedrooms
 - 26.7 per cent – three bedrooms
 - 4.2 per cent – four or more bedrooms
- The number of households newly allocated **Aboriginal Housing** in the quarter included:
 - 5.4 per cent – studio/one bedroom property
 - 8.1 per cent – property with two bedrooms
 - 63.5 per cent – three bedrooms
 - 23 per cent – four or more bedrooms

Endnotes

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