



Request

1. I would like to know the number of people on the waiting list for social housing as of June 17, 2025.
2. I would also like to know the average wait time for social housing in each housing type: studio, one-bed, two-bed, three-bed and four-bed.

Response

12,719

Data taken from active applications on the housing register as at 7th July 2025;

1 bed need – 1067 days
2 bed need – 1070 days
3 bed need – 1191 days
4 bed need – 1276 days

Wigan Council operates a needs based allocations scheme and not a waiting list. Properties are allocated in accordance with an applicants housing need and group/points are awarded based on individual circumstances. Wigan operates a choice based lettings scheme, whereby, applicants are required to place a bid on properties they are interested in.