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HOUSING PIPELINE



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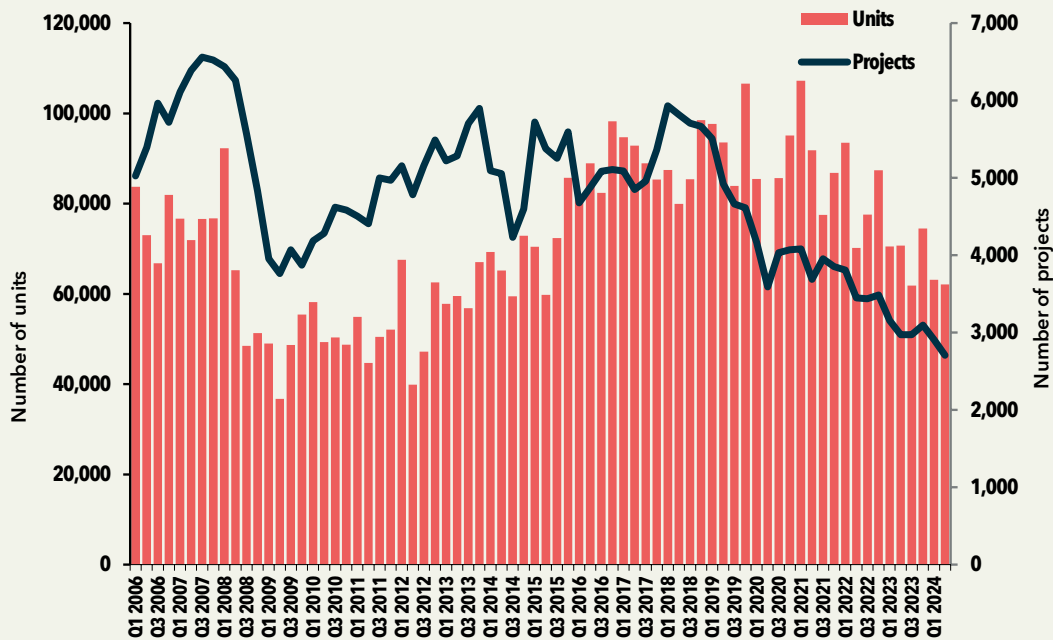
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**Approvals declined during the second quarter of 2024, continuing the downward trend since the start of the year. At 2,707, the number of housing projects granted planning permission in the second quarter dropped by 7% against the preceding quarter and were 9% lower than a year ago.**

The number of units approved during the second quarter slipped by 2% against the previous three months to total 62,103 units and was 12% lower than during the second quarter of 2023.

Housing schemes of ten or more units during the second quarter accounted for 91% of approved units. At 56,488, the number of units on such schemes was 1% lower than during the preceding quarter and was 12% down than a year earlier. The remaining 9% of units were on smaller new build projects of up to nine units including self-build schemes together with homes included within non-residential projects and from the conversion of non-residential properties.

Chart 1: Residential planning approvals (Great Britain)

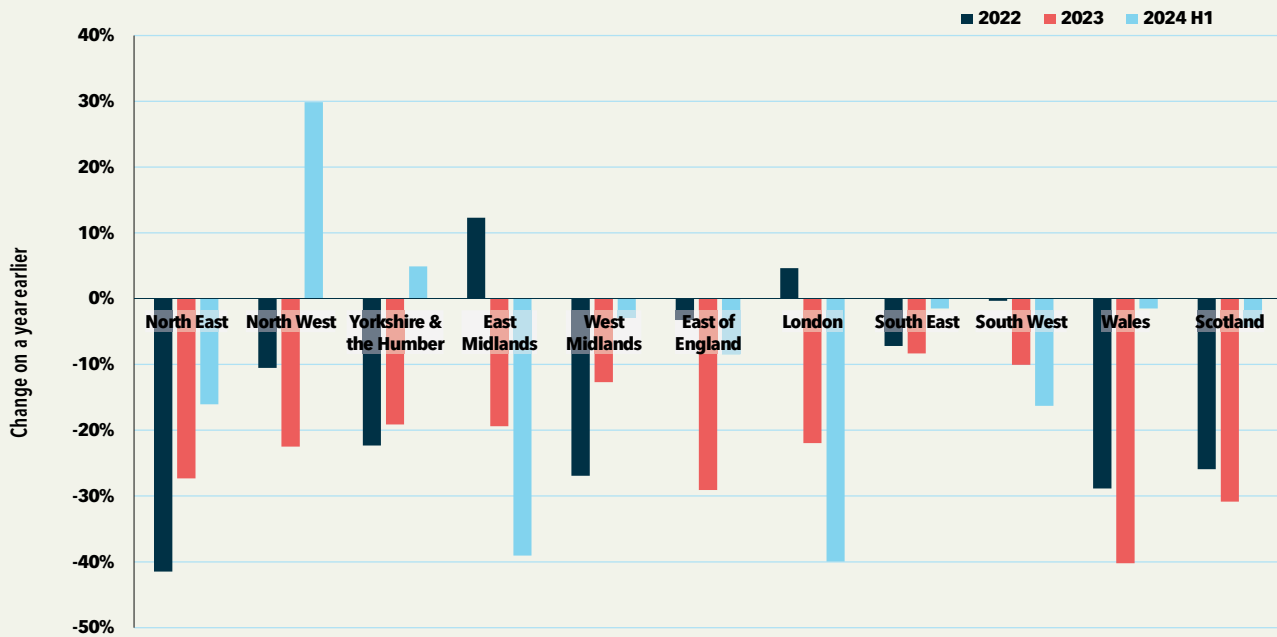


N.B. Includes residential projects of all sizes, residential units on non-residential schemes and conversions. Source: Glenigan

At 1,733 the number of private sector housing projects (schemes of 3 or more units) securing approval was 9% lower than in the first quarter and was 12% down on a year earlier. At 55,827 the number of units on private sector projects granted planning permission was little changed against the previous three months but was 11% lower than a year earlier.

1. The range of projects covered by this report has been extended and now includes new build housing projects of all sizes, including schemes of less than 10 units, the conversion of non-residential buildings and residential units on mixed use developments.

Chart 2: Residential planning approvals by region (No. of units)



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At 82, the number of social housing projects (of three or more units) fell by 37% during the second quarter, reversing the growth seen during the previous three months, and was 15% lower than a year ago. At 5,167, the number of units was 21% down on the preceding quarter and 27% lower than a year earlier.

Table 1: Number of residential units approved

	North of England	Midlands	Southern England	England - All	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
2020	70,442	59,228	159,943	289,613	7,271	32,820	329,704
2021	78,303	58,908	178,810	316,021	11,806	35,509	363,336
2022	62,708	54,448	176,783	293,939	8,399	26,301	328,639
2023	55,137	47,597	143,859	246,593	7,062	23,863	277,518
2024 H1	30,995	19,383	58,288	108,666	4,036	12,516	125,218
Change on a year earlier							
2020	-6%	-16%	-12%	-12%	-39%	-22%	-14%
2021	11%	-1%	12%	9%	62%	8%	10%
2022	-20%	-8%	-1%	-7%	-29%	-26%	-10%
2023	-22%	-16%	-18%	-19%	-40%	-31%	-21%
2024 H1	13%	-23%	-18%	-12%	-1%	-4%	-11%

N.B. Residential projects of all sizes and residential units on non-residential projects and conversions.

Regionally, the North West, Yorkshire & the Humber, West Midlands, East of England and Scotland saw a rise in the number of units approved during the second quarter, rising by 4%, 39%, 10%, 6% and 20% respectively against the preceding quarter. Elsewhere, the number of units approved declined, with the North East (-36%), London (-20%), East Midlands (-19%), South West (-17%) and Wales (-11%) seeing the sharpest declines.

## HOUSING APPROVALS

The tables provide a regional breakdown of new building planning approvals since 2016

Table 2: Number of housing units securing detailed planning approval by region & country

	North of England			Midlands		
	North East	North West	Yorkshire & the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East of England
Q1 2016	2,582	13,090	4,411	6,852	6,478	7,296
Q2 2016	5,152	12,382	5,463	4,344	8,336	9,582
Q3 2016	1,926	13,853	6,576	5,235	4,857	8,352
Q4 2016	4,794	12,603	8,402	5,432	6,113	11,186
Q1 2017	2,921	12,898	6,004	10,027	8,386	9,701
Q2 2017	4,468	11,768	5,605	7,490	9,126	8,287
Q3 2017	4,192	10,436	6,457	7,344	5,317	10,428
Q4 2017	2,384	10,237	8,869	6,616	6,377	8,508
Q1 2018	3,101	9,857	6,341	6,831	7,323	7,451
Q2 2018	2,270	8,273	6,527	7,238	6,127	6,778
Q3 2018	2,445	9,830	6,932	6,693	7,747	10,116
Q4 2018	3,157	9,757	6,661	8,591	8,970	9,975
Q1 2019	1,892	9,240	6,706	7,578	9,492	12,471
Q2 2019	3,800	8,370	7,346	10,945	8,119	8,219
Q3 2019	1,706	7,322	5,335	7,682	6,399	9,392
Q4 2019	4,783	10,849	7,720	6,977	12,912	10,574
Q1 2020	1,326	8,948	6,346	7,760	6,500	9,151
Q2 2020	1,440	5,380	3,517	6,811	6,016	6,497
Q3 2020	3,411	13,515	7,049	9,621	6,420	9,587
Q4 2020	2,533	10,673	6,304	7,765	8,335	9,670
Q1 2021	4,401	13,454	6,695	9,224	10,097	11,288
Q2 2021	4,535	8,345	6,346	5,611	6,248	8,800
Q3 2021	2,409	9,095	7,475	7,533	4,988	9,207
Q4 2021	2,482	7,479	5,587	6,683	8,524	9,372
Q1 2022	2,929	8,273	5,853	11,202	6,109	10,714
Q2 2022	1,483	9,594	4,222	6,521	4,575	8,899
Q3 2022	1,834	9,496	4,284	7,577	6,821	7,952
Q4 2022	1,847	6,976	5,917	7,327	4,316	9,844
Q1 2023	1,788	7,502	5,110	7,530	4,464	7,062
Q2 2023	3,343	5,615	4,092	6,588	6,627	7,996
Q3 2023	1,204	7,393	4,798	4,165	4,928	5,906
Q4 2023	2,645	5,215	6,432	6,731	6,564	6,050
Q1 2024	2,624	8,363	4,031	4,764	5,144	6,695
Q2 2024	1,683	8,672	5,622	3,842	5,633	7,089

\*Moving Annual Total for England

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

As a result of changes made by Glenigan to how they collect data on the number of permissions granted, there are some significant changes to the number of permissions reported in the Housing Pipeline reports from Q4 2020 onwards for quarters prior to that date, and to information in previous Housing Pipeline reports.

The procedural changes mean that the data collection is now more extensive and accurate than it was previously and so the numbers reported in the reports from Q4 2020, are a better reflection of the actual number of permissions being granted. The revised methodology has been agreed with the Department of Housing, Communities and Local Government, who Glenigan also provide planning permission data for and so this data set will match the official Government numbers. In its *Taking stock: The geography of housing need, permissions and completions report published in May 2021*, Lichfields considered in detail why planning permission data reported prior to Q4 2020 was not wholly accurate (and included, for example re-submitted applications) and so not a fair reflection of the number of actual plots given a permission.

**Southern England**

London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	*MAT England
12,200	12,548	6,945	72,402	2,432	6,347	81,181	<b>269,508</b>
12,570	13,495	8,741	80,065	2,408	6,490	88,963	<b>295,713</b>
14,961	10,301	8,858	74,919	1,794	5,684	82,397	<b>304,749</b>
14,318	16,278	7,511	86,637	4,038	7,553	98,228	<b>314,023</b>
15,964	13,524	7,037	86,462	2,302	5,945	94,709	<b>328,083</b>
15,413	11,379	7,776	81,312	2,350	9,205	92,867	<b>329,330</b>
12,181	15,684	7,342	79,381	2,478	7,105	88,964	<b>333,792</b>
9,984	15,814	7,843	76,632	2,526	6,202	85,360	<b>323,787</b>
13,217	15,649	6,717	76,487	2,489	8,455	87,431	<b>313,812</b>
12,128	12,828	8,406	70,575	2,435	6,927	79,937	<b>303,075</b>
13,249	12,511	7,054	76,577	2,434	6,375	85,386	<b>300,271</b>
16,578	16,440	8,632	88,761	3,031	6,725	98,517	<b>312,400</b>
17,951	15,910	6,794	88,034	2,953	6,658	97,645	<b>323,947</b>
11,412	12,674	8,238	79,123	2,482	11,956	93,561	<b>332,495</b>
11,901	12,809	7,608	70,154	4,144	9,644	83,942	<b>326,072</b>
14,831	15,145	6,810	90,601	2,310	13,700	106,611	<b>327,912</b>
16,526	9,959	8,577	75,093	3,319	7,033	85,445	<b>314,971</b>
11,991	8,135	4,176	53,963	1,346	8,177	63,486	<b>289,811</b>
9,822	11,729	5,436	76,590	1,488	7,609	85,687	<b>296,247</b>
19,436	12,737	6,514	83,967	1,118	10,001	95,086	<b>289,613</b>
19,699	14,684	6,933	96,475	2,469	8,278	107,222	<b>310,995</b>
17,622	13,844	7,419	78,770	2,273	10,766	91,809	<b>335,802</b>
9,688	9,802	6,524	66,721	2,960	7,838	77,519	<b>325,933</b>
15,489	11,327	7,112	74,055	4,104	8,627	86,786	<b>316,021</b>
20,902	11,493	6,228	83,703	2,478	7,283	93,464	<b>303,249</b>
9,621	9,931	7,737	62,583	1,475	6,147	70,205	<b>287,062</b>
15,781	11,481	5,080	70,306	2,146	5,128	77,580	<b>290,647</b>
19,087	13,179	8,854	77,347	2,300	7,743	87,390	<b>293,939</b>
12,559	9,649	6,804	62,468	2,123	5,911	70,502	<b>272,704</b>
10,574	9,682	7,018	61,535	1,974	7,168	70,677	<b>271,656</b>
9,732	10,668	5,104	53,898	1,375	6,579	61,852	<b>255,248</b>
16,841	12,600	5,614	68,692	1,590	4,205	74,487	<b>246,593</b>
7,734	9,607	6,325	55,287	2,140	5,688	63,115	<b>239,412</b>
6,159	9,434	5,245	53,379	1,896	6,828	62,103	<b>231,256</b>

Table 3: Number of housing projects securing detailed planning approval by region &amp; country

	North of England			Midlands		
	North East	North West	Yorkshire & the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East of England
Q1 2016	112	385	304	375	371	611
Q2 2016	107	400	326	395	430	676
Q3 2016	128	444	312	386	376	741
Q4 2016	113	410	365	349	402	690
Q1 2017	118	443	336	411	402	687
Q2 2017	123	363	344	384	358	677
Q3 2017	140	434	312	352	329	718
Q4 2017	113	405	393	424	438	805
Q1 2018	131	490	455	506	469	903
Q2 2018	140	432	428	544	460	871
Q3 2018	106	459	405	533	430	793
Q4 2018	116	461	417	511	463	764
Q1 2019	94	438	402	513	457	762
Q2 2019	89	366	400	467	388	740
Q3 2019	91	354	330	435	352	639
Q4 2019	122	355	311	378	341	664
Q1 2020	93	359	287	355	301	566
Q2 2020	59	245	230	278	287	523
Q3 2020	94	363	265	305	308	567
Q4 2020	94	340	300	328	313	564
Q1 2021	95	322	270	338	313	571
Q2 2021	90	275	305	285	265	507
Q3 2021	72	279	292	332	282	633
Q4 2021	74	270	270	311	295	581
Q1 2022	82	275	243	286	263	559
Q2 2022	57	252	242	304	259	444
Q3 2022	74	276	201	337	270	479
Q4 2022	72	270	239	320	269	438
Q1 2023	64	254	224	269	238	451
Q2 2023	72	238	185	227	232	373
Q3 2023	59	242	221	242	209	380
Q4 2023	66	244	225	266	244	372
Q1 2024	66	245	174	216	258	348
Q2 2024	68	240	196	178	188	350

\*Moving Annual Total for England

Southern England							
London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	*MAT England
552	967	474	4,151	199	325	4,675	<b>18,618</b>
555	952	546	4,387	197	294	4,878	<b>18,193</b>
622	984	582	4,575	199	312	5,086	<b>18,090</b>
684	1,018	531	4,562	213	334	5,109	<b>17,675</b>
634	994	553	4,578	183	328	5,089	<b>18,102</b>
630	953	526	4,358	170	321	4,849	<b>18,073</b>
565	1,084	536	4,470	158	331	4,959	<b>17,968</b>
576	1,095	614	4,863	205	295	5,363	<b>18,269</b>
593	1,116	700	5,363	250	317	5,930	<b>19,054</b>
617	1,084	712	5,288	200	327	5,815	<b>19,984</b>
625	1,070	728	5,149	232	324	5,705	<b>20,663</b>
539	1,067	758	5,096	248	323	5,667	<b>20,896</b>
601	1,033	632	4,932	263	312	5,507	<b>20,465</b>
462	887	594	4,393	195	333	4,921	<b>19,570</b>
584	878	503	4,166	192	302	4,660	<b>18,587</b>
549	935	449	4,104	178	330	4,612	<b>17,595</b>
486	780	470	3,697	191	277	4,165	<b>16,360</b>
468	734	394	3,218	114	257	3,589	<b>15,185</b>
462	811	445	3,620	131	282	4,033	<b>14,639</b>
463	748	459	3,609	151	308	4,068	<b>14,144</b>
491	767	435	3,602	155	324	4,081	<b>14,049</b>
374	717	396	3,214	131	343	3,688	<b>14,045</b>
405	761	437	3,493	161	300	3,954	<b>13,918</b>
415	783	408	3,407	156	289	3,852	<b>13,716</b>
451	742	475	3,376	126	305	3,807	<b>13,490</b>
383	689	425	3,055	109	283	3,447	<b>13,331</b>
419	628	375	3,059	131	248	3,438	<b>12,897</b>
401	655	423	3,087	121	276	3,484	<b>12,577</b>
355	580	376	2,811	115	230	3,156	<b>12,012</b>
343	589	380	2,639	116	216	2,971	<b>11,596</b>
301	630	357	2,641	104	229	2,974	<b>11,178</b>
347	673	356	2,793	113	189	3,095	<b>10,884</b>
290	582	393	2,572	136	200	2,908	<b>10,645</b>
308	518	348	2,394	114	199	2,707	<b>10,400</b>

Table 4: England – No. of housing PROJECTS by project size

	10 or more	3-9 units	1 & 2 Units	Misc*	Total
Q1 2016	890	1,728	1,521	12	4,151
Q2 2016	905	1,800	1,665	17	4,387
Q3 2016	908	2,008	1,644	15	4,575
Q4 2016	1,010	2,001	1,528	23	4,562
Q1 2017	1,052	2,014	1,497	15	4,578
Q2 2017	932	1,910	1,507	9	4,358
Q3 2017	930	1,964	1,556	20	4,470
Q4 2017	894	1,974	1,976	19	4,863
Q1 2018	965	1,876	2,505	17	5,363
Q2 2018	851	1,876	2,544	17	5,288
Q3 2018	825	1,875	2,434	15	5,149
Q4 2018	937	1,786	2,363	10	5,096
Q1 2019	944	1,688	2,285	15	4,932
Q2 2019	822	1,676	1,884	11	4,393
Q3 2019	787	1,759	1,610	10	4,166
Q4 2019	860	2,058	1,177	9	4,104
Q1 2020	777	1,655	1,258	7	3,697
Q2 2020	592	1,431	1,185	10	3,218
Q3 2020	768	1,571	1,271	10	3,620
Q4 2020	842	1,724	1,032	11	3,609
Q1 2021	870	1,653	1,071	8	3,602
Q2 2021	722	1,469	1,016	7	3,214
Q3 2021	682	1,663	1,139	9	3,493
Q4 2021	667	1,662	1,073	5	3,407
Q1 2022	763	1,633	975	5	3,376
Q2 2022	630	1,452	960	13	3,055
Q3 2022	628	1,485	943	3	3,059
Q4 2022	680	1,484	913	10	3,087
Q1 2023	628	1,382	797	4	2,811
Q2 2023	544	1,308	778	9	2,639
Q3 2023	511	1,224	900	6	2,641
Q4 2023	599	1,319	868	7	2,793
Q1 2024	535	1,279	751	7	2,572
Q2 2024	491	1,125	776	2	2,394

\*These are housing units or projects that are not primarily for housing but do supply secondary housing space e.g on commercial developments.



Table 5: England – No. of housing UNITS by project size

	10 or more	3-9 units	1 & 2 Units	Misc*	Total
Q1 2016	63,373	7,127	1,787	115	72,402
Q2 2016	70,494	7,422	1,943	206	80,065
Q3 2016	64,763	8,157	1,941	58	74,919
Q4 2016	76,069	8,271	1,832	465	86,637
Q1 2017	75,965	8,665	1,792	40	86,462
Q2 2017	71,439	8,039	1,814	20	81,312
Q3 2017	69,251	8,048	1,841	241	79,381
Q4 2017	65,840	8,217	2,335	240	76,632
Q1 2018	65,758	7,740	2,937	52	76,487
Q2 2018	59,653	7,802	3,022	98	70,575
Q3 2018	65,776	7,709	2,878	214	76,577
Q4 2018	78,246	7,475	2,811	229	88,761
Q1 2019	77,992	7,170	2,694	178	88,034
Q2 2019	70,039	6,828	2,218	38	79,123
Q3 2019	60,988	7,267	1,878	21	70,154
Q4 2019	81,201	8,007	1,375	18	90,601
Q1 2020	66,719	6,899	1,461	14	75,093
Q2 2020	46,835	5,738	1,359	31	53,963
Q3 2020	68,328	6,300	1,447	515	76,590
Q4 2020	76,100	6,631	1,202	34	83,967
Q1 2021	88,724	6,402	1,265	84	96,475
Q2 2021	71,952	5,605	1,195	18	78,770
Q3 2021	59,498	5,868	1,316	39	66,721
Q4 2021	66,721	6,080	1,244	10	74,055
Q1 2022	76,306	5,957	1,157	283	83,703
Q2 2022	56,013	5,371	1,145	54	62,583
Q3 2022	63,593	5,596	1,112	5	70,306
Q4 2022	70,770	5,472	1,056	49	77,347
Q1 2023	56,373	5,145	940	10	62,468
Q2 2023	55,790	4,750	914	81	61,535
Q3 2023	48,121	4,392	1,032	353	53,898
Q4 2023	62,752	4,855	1,025	60	68,692
Q1 2024	49,605	4,797	869	16	55,287
Q2 2024	48,319	4,083	900	77	53,379

\*These are housing units or projects that are not primarily for housing but do supply secondary housing space e.g on commercial developments.

# NOTES

This report is based upon an analysis of housing projects being tracked by Glenigan and held on its database of construction projects. We have now extended the range of projects covered by this report in order to provide a more complete assessment of the residential development pipeline.

The following restrictions and filters apply to the analysis:

1. New build projects of all sizes are covered by the report (Coverage was previously restricted to approvals for 10 or more units.)
2. Housing schemes are included where the development is primarily identified as being: Apartments/ flats, Bungalows, Houses/ Luxury Housing or Sheltered Housing, Key Worker Accommodation or Sheltered Housing.
3. Conversions of non-residential properties for housing are included.
4. Private and social housing data includes schemes of 3 or more units.
5. Total residential approvals include 1 & 2 unit schemes together with residential units on mixed use developments.
6. Elderly people's homes, hostels and student accommodation have been excluded from the analysis.
7. Approvals are recorded at the detailed planning stage. Where a project has secured outline planning approval and the detailed consent is being resolved through the approval of reserve matters the date of 'detailed consent' is deemed to be that of the approval of reserve matters. In the case of some projects, the reserve matters are approved piecemeal; in these circumstances the earliest approval date has been used in order to avoid double counting.
8. The approvals data excludes Amendment of Planning Applications, Certificates of Lawfulness, Non-Building Applications, Removal or Variations of Conditions and responses by neighbouring planning authorities.
9. The late publication of planning approval decisions by local authorities may lead to the revision of planning approval data for the latest 12 months.

## **ABOUT HBF**

The Home Builders Federation (HBF) is the representative body of the home building industry in England and Wales. HBF's members' accounts for 80% of all new homes built in England and Wales in any one year, and include companies of all sizes, ranging from multi-national, household names through regionally based businesses to small local companies.

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The housing approvals data analysed in this report is drawn from Glenigan's extensive database of current and planned construction projects. Glenigan's detailed coverage of planned housing projects across the UK offers valuable strategic and tactical insights into developers' active sights and pipeline, with sites tracked through to completion.

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