

50,000 affordable homes: a health impact assessment

The Scottish Government has made a commitment to deliver 50,000 new affordable homes over the life of the current parliament. There is growing awareness of the importance of good-quality, affordable housing to support good health. This health impact assessment aimed to identify and assess the likely health impacts of the commitment and to make recommendations to enhance these impacts. The work was completed by the **Scottish Health and Inequalities Impact Assessment Network** and the full report can be downloaded from <https://goo.gl/dT8T6N>.



Issue	Homelessness	Housing affordability	Housing condition	Energy efficiency	Specialist housing	Neighbourhood environment	Communities	Employment and economy	Construction
Pathway	Homelessness Time in temporary accommodation	Access to affordable housing Energy-efficient homes that have appropriate ventilation	Homes that meet Scottish Housing Standards and are fit for purpose Overcrowding Housing satisfaction Facilities	Energy-efficient homes that have appropriate ventilation Fuel poverty Use of home for studying and leisure	Homes that meet Lifetime Homes/ Varying Needs standards Accessible homes/ supported accommodation	Walkability Traffic and pollution exposure Access to greenspace Access to services, amenities and employment	Time to form new social networks Stigma related to affordable housing Affect people's sense of control	Jobs in construction Longer-term jobs in services and trades	Risks Noise, dust, pollution and vehicle movements
Who	People who present as homeless People released from prison	People who move into new homes	People who move into new homes	People who move into new homes	People with care needs who move into new homes	People moving into new homes	People moving into new homes People living in communities near new affordable homes	People who gain employment	Construction workers People living near construction
Impact	Physical and mental health Educational attainment Re-offending	Disposable income	Physical and mental health Educational attainment	Cardiorespiratory diseases, allergic conditions and mental health conditions Winter mortality Educational attainment	Independence Care and support Falls	Physical activity, access to services Physical health and mental health	Impacts on mental health	Income	Injuries Exposure to noise, pollution, HGV traffic
Type of impact									