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## Request/Response

The information below pertains to Housing Benefits only, not Council Tax reduction.

- (i) The total number of discretionary housing payments made over the period 06/04/2020 -19/01/2021 - 190 claims/households and 869 individual payments.
- (ii) The total number of discretionary housing payments made over the period 06/04/2020 – 19/01/2021 made to
  - (i) private renters was 53 cases/households and 239 individual payments
  - (ii) social renters was 52 cases/households and 239 individual payments
  - (iii) Temporary accommodation cases 5 cases/households and 15 individual payments
  - (iv) not known 46 cases/households and 197 individual payments (UC DHP cases – see note below\*)
- (iii) If available, the total number of discretionary housing payments per month made by your council over the period
  - April: 121 individual payments made to 89 households
  - May: 90 individual payments made to 72 households
  - June: 77 individual payments made to 75 households
  - July: 104 individual payments made to 75 households
  - August: 66 individual payments made to 63 households
  - September: 67 individual payments made to 61 households
  - October: 97 individual payments made to 70 households
  - November: 74 individual payments made to 64 households
  - December: 99 individual payments made to 81 households
  - January: 74 individual payments made to 67 households
- (iv) The total amount in cash terms issued in discretionary housing payments over 06/04/2020- 19/01/2021 - £174,792.18
- (v) The total number of discretionary housing payments made over the period April 2019 - March 2020 - 192 claims/households and 872 individual payments
- (vi) The total number of discretionary housing payments made over the period April 2019 - March 2020 made to (i) private renters (ii) social renters – We do not hold a break down for this year.
- (vii) If available, the total number of discretionary housing payments per month made by your council over the period April 2019 - March 2020 was
  - April: 69 individual payments made to 66 households
  - May: 64 individual payments made to 49 households
  - June: 63 individual payments made to 61 households
  - July: 62 individual payments made to 62 households
  - Aug: 74 individual payments made to 59 households
  - Sept: 62 individual payments made to 59 households
  - Oct: 80 individual payments made to 57 households
  - Nov: 56 individual payments made to 54 households
  - Dec: 63 individual payments made to 57 households
  - Jan: 83 individual payments made to 63 households

Feb : 97 individual payments made to 87 households  
Mar: 99 individual payments made to 93 households

- (viii) The total amount in cash terms issued in discretionary housing payments over the period April 2019 - March 2020 - **£150,975.90**

\* - UC DHP cases – cases where Housing costs are met by Universal Credit, but DHP is still paid by the Local Authority. We may not have the Landlord recorded on our system, and in this case, these are included in this number. Not all UC DHP cases are included here, as some of them have previously been paid Housing Costs by us, and we do hold the details on our system.