

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12th OCTOBER 2010**

Question

Would the Minister advise members of the number of persons who have registered for States owned social housing since 2005, indicating the number of years of residency of the principal householder, and would he also identify the number of those persons who remain on the waiting list?

Answer

The table below gives a breakdown of the number of new applications that were accepted onto the Waiting list from 2005 to date. It also shows the total number of applications that were active on the Waiting list at the close of each year.

Applications	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	To October 2010
Number of new applications in year	269	248	330	310	396	252
Applicants on the waiting list at year end	225	265	243	254	309	446

Of those that have applied in each year, the following numbers remain on the Waiting List as at 7th October 2010:-

2005	100% of those that applied in 2005 have been housed. There are no applicants from 2005 waiting for accommodation.
2006	99.9% of those that applied in 2006 have been housed. There are 3 applicants from 2006 on the waiting list. All 3 have been made offers of accommodation which they have not accepted for a variety of reasons.
2007	97% of those that applied in 2007 have been housed. There are 10 applicants from 2007 on the waiting list. All but three of these have had offers of accommodation which they have not accepted for a variety of reasons.
2008	81.6% of those that applied in 2008 have been housed. There are 57 applicants from 2008 on the waiting list. 36 of these have been made offers of accommodation which they have not accepted for a variety of reasons.
2009	78.8% of those that applied in 2009 have been housed. There are 84 applicants from 2009 on the waiting list.
2010	32.1% of those who applied this year have already been housed. There are 171 of this years applicants presently on the waiting list.

All applicants accepted onto the States Rental Waiting List must qualify to rent property under the 1949 Housing Law. The actual length of their residence in the Island is not material for their application for social housing and is therefore not recorded. Allocations for States rental accommodation are made on the basis of "need" as opposed to length of residence.