

Abbreviations and glossary

BAME	Black and Minority Ethnic
BRMA	Broad Rental Market Area – geographical area defined by the Valuation Office Agency for the purpose of setting Local Housing Allowance rates
CACI	Data source for household incomes
Concealed households	The Census definition is 'a family living in a multi-family household, in addition to the primary family'. This excludes now-adult offspring of families, who may still be living with them. We have included elements of this group in our calculations of housing need – details in the technical appendix
CORE	Continuous Recording System – monitoring system recording details of social / affordable / intermediate and supported lettings
DCLG	Department for Communities and Local Government
DLA	Disability Living Allowance – tax-free benefit payable to some people to help with the extra costs associated with disability; now being phased out and replaced with Personal Independence Payments
DWP	Department of Work and Pensions
EAC	Elderly Accommodation Counsel – holders of database on older persons' accommodation
EHCS	English House Condition Survey
EHS	English Housing Survey (replaced the EHCS)
Extra Care housing	Types of self-contained and independent housing developed for frailer older people, with varying levels of care available on-site
Family Reference Person (FRP)	Term included in the Census 2011. Family Reference Person (FRP) is the parent in a lone parent family, and in a couple family it is chosen by economic activity (in order, whether s/he has full-time job, part-time job, is unemployed, retired, other) and then age and then first person on the form.
FALP	Further Alterations to the London Plan, 2014 – the latest set of amendments to the London Plan, now out for consultation
FE	Further Education
GLA	Greater London Authority
HCA	Homes and Communities Agency – the funding and regulatory body for Registered Providers
HB	Housing Benefit
HE	Higher Education
HESA	Higher Education Statistics Agency – holding data on universities and colleges
HHSRS	Housing Health and Safety Rating System – augmented and replaced the Decent Homes Standard
HMA	Housing Market Area – the geographical area to which an SHMA should relate; see Chapter 2 for detailed explanation
Household Reference Person (HRP)	Terms included in Census 2011, replacing former term 'Head of Household'. If there is only one person in the household, then they are the HRP. If the household contains only one family, the HRP is the family reference person. If there is more than one family, it is chosen from the FRPs using the same criteria. If there is no family, the HRP is chosen from the individuals using the same criteria.
HSSA	Housing Strategy Statistical Appendix – now replaced by the LAHS
LAHS	Local Authority Housing Statistics
LHA	Local Housing Allowance – maximum levels of rent by bedsize eligible for Housing Benefit, based on BRMA geographical areas

Housing LIN	Housing Learning and Improvement Network – source of data and information on older person’s housing
NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework – sets out the Government’s planning policies for England, including housing planning policies, and sets out the requirement for local authorities to undertake SHMAs as part of the evidence base for Local Plans
NPPG	National Planning Policy Guidance – provides more detailed guidance on the scope and methodology for SHMAs
NROSH	National Register of Social Housing – a database of details of individual local authority and Registered Provider accommodation; discontinued 2012
ONS	Office for National Statistics
PANSI	Projecting Adult Needs and Services Information system – database of demographic information on working age adults with disabilities
POPPI	Projecting Older People Population Information system – database of demographic information on older people
PRS	Private rented sector
RP	Registered Provider – a provider of social affordable housing and intermediate housing, registered with the HCA. This includes housing associations and private bodies.
RSR	Regulatory and Statistical Return - for housing associations
SDR	Statistical Data Return - replaced the RSR
SELHP	South East London Housing Partnership
SHLAA	Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment
SHMA	Strategic Housing Market Assessment – part of the housing evidence base to feed into the Local Plan
SHOP	Strategic Housing for Older People resource pack
Social / affordable rented or renting	<p>We use the term ‘social / affordable rented’ to include :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social rented housing - owned by local authorities and private registered providers (as defined in section 80 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008), for which guideline target rents are determined through the national rent regime. It may also be owned by other persons and provided under equivalent rental arrangements to the above, as agreed with the local authority or with the Homes and Communities Agency. • Affordable rented housing is let by local authorities or private registered providers of social housing to households who are eligible for social rented housing, and subject to rent controls that require a rent of no more than 80% of the local market rent (including service charges, where applicable). It will also encapsulate capped and discounted rents as described in the <i>Mayor’s Housing Covenant – 2015-18 Programme</i>, where locally applicable. <p>It therefore excludes intermediate rented housing provided at a cost above social rent, but below market levels.</p>
Social sector	We use this terms to describe the collective local authority and Registered Provider sector housing
Sweat Equity	A stake in a self-build project earned by carrying our labour on the project
UC	Universal Credit – being rolled out, to replace a range of benefits including Housing Benefit
VOA	Valuation Office Agency – the service responsible for setting Local Housing Allowances in Broad Rental Market Areas