

Statistics Release

HOME CARE SERVICES, SCOTLAND 2007

Introduction

The purpose of this Statistics Release is to present the latest national figures for home care services provided or purchased by local authorities in Scotland. All local authorities in Scotland provide Home Care services which give people the support, practical help and personal care that they need to live as independently as possible in the community.

All figures relate to the week ending 31 March 2007 and are provisional and, as such, may be subject to change. The final figures will be published in future publications.

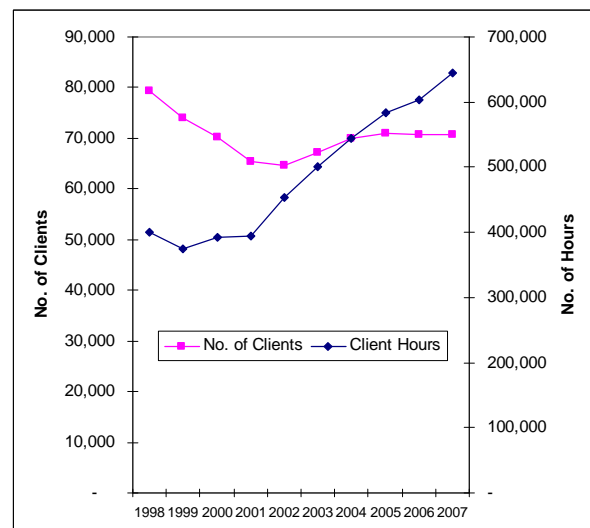
Main points

- In the week ending 31st March 2007, there were 70,710 home care clients. The number of home care clients has levelled off in the last two years after an increase in clients each year since 2002 (Chart 1).
- The number of hours of home care provided to clients continues to increase, by around 7 per cent over the latest year to over 645,000 hours (Chart 1).
- The average hours received by each client in a week continues to show a steady increase from 5.1 in 1998 to 9.1 in 2007 (Chart 2).
- The number of older people (aged 65 and over) receiving an intensive service (more than 10 hours per week) was around 18 clients per 1000 population as at March 2007. This has steadily been rising since 1998 (Chart 3).
- Local Authorities increasingly are purchasing home care services from the private and voluntary sector rather than providing services themselves. There has been a steady decline in hours of home care provided solely from LA providers

from 89 per cent in 1998 to 53 per cent in 2007 (Chart 5).

- Around 28 per cent of all clients received a service of 10 hours or more per week. This has increased steadily from 11 per cent in 1998 (Chart 6).

Chart 1: Home Care Clients and Hours Provided, 1998- 2007



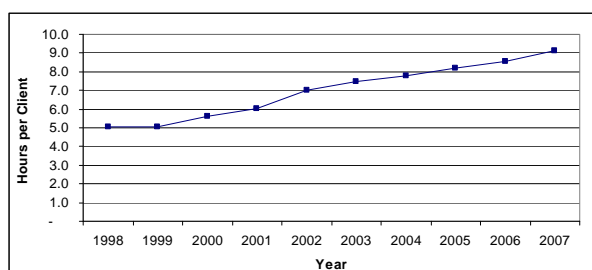
The groups of people who used home care services in 2007 are similar to last year: -

- 80 per cent of clients were aged 65 years and over.
- 67 per cent were female and 33 per cent were male
- Almost four-fifths (78 per cent) of clients had physical disabilities (including frailty associated with ageing).
- 61% of people using the service lived alone compared to 66% as at March 2006.

Home Care Services

There was an estimated 645,041 hours of service provided to 70,710 clients in 2007. The number of clients dropped from 79,294 in 1998 to 64,546 in 2002, it then increased to 71,094 in 2005 and has fallen slightly to 70,710 in 2007 (see Chart 1). The number of client hours has increased by 72 per cent since 1999. In 1999 clients received, on average, 5.1 hours of home care per week. This has risen steadily to 9.1 hours for 2007 (See Annex 2 and Chart 2).

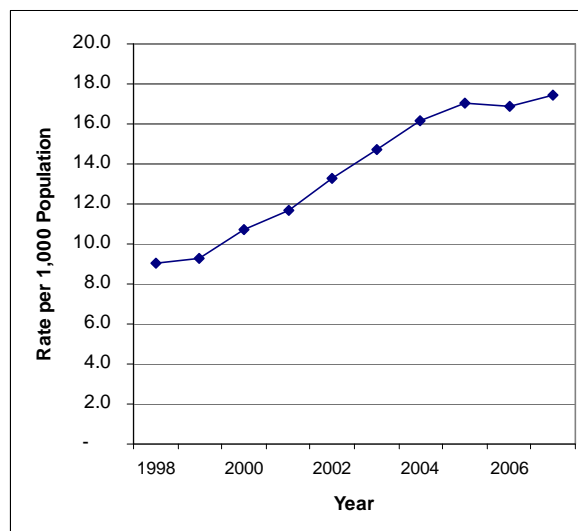
Chart 2: Average Number of Hours Provided per Client, 1998-2007



In 2005, the data collection was refined to collect information on older people receiving 10+ hours per week. Previously these figures were estimated.

The estimated number of older people receiving intensive home care (more than 10 hours per week) increased each year between 1998 and 2005 but decreased by less than 1 per cent (102 clients) between 2005 and 2006 before increasing again in 2007. In 2007 there were 17.5 clients per 1,000 population aged 65 or over that received intensive home care - compared with 16.8 in 2006 and 9.0 in 1998 (See Annex 2).

Chart 3: Clients aged 65+ receiving 10 hours + per 1,000 population aged 65+, 1998-2007



Of the estimated 70,710 clients who received a home care service provided or purchased by a local authority in 2007, 27 per cent received at least part of their home care service from a private or voluntary provider - compared to only 6 per cent in 1998 (Table 1, Annex 5).

Chart 4: Proportion of Home Care Clients by Provider, 1998-2007

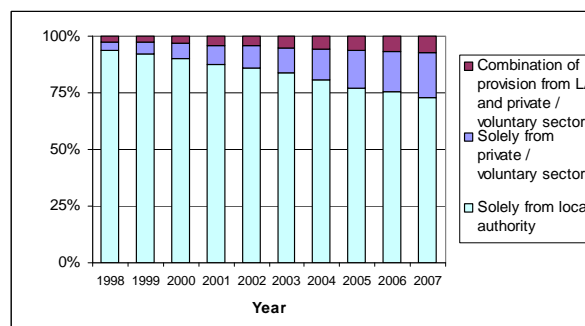
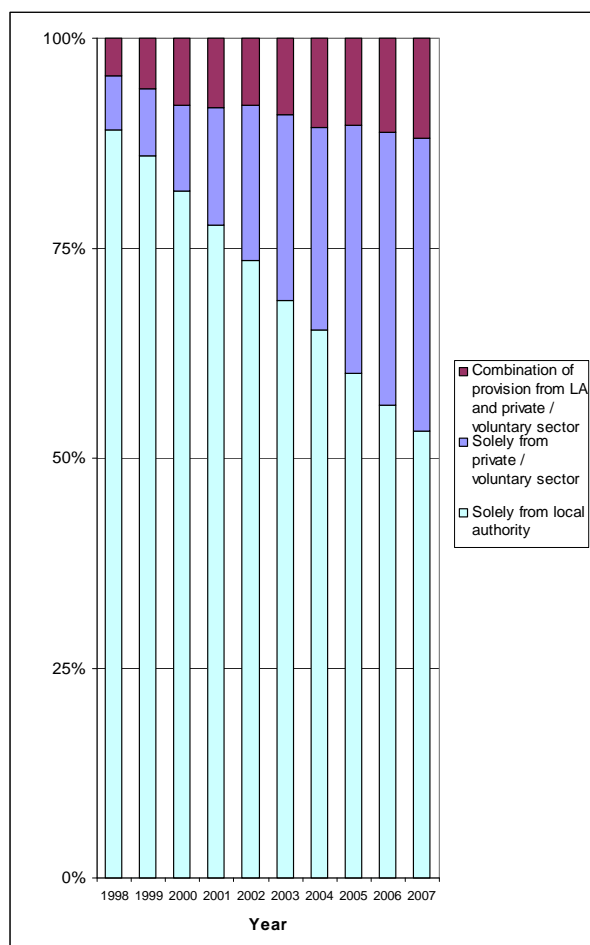


Chart 5: Proportion of the Hours of Home Care Service by Provider, 1998 – 2007



224,853 hours were provided to clients receiving home care services solely from the private or voluntary sector. This has increased by 30 per cent since 2005 when 173,330 hours were provided.

Additionally, 76,683 hours (12 per cent) were provided by some combination of local authority, private and voluntary provision (See Table 1 & Chart 5).

The proportion of service provided solely by local authorities has been decreasing steadily from 89 per cent in 1998 to 53 per cent in 2007. The majority of this decrease is due to the increase in service provided or purchased solely from the voluntary and private sectors (see Annex 5).

Profile of Clients Receiving Home Care Services

Approximately 78 per cent of clients receiving home care services provided or purchased by local authorities were people with physical disabilities (including frailty associated with ageing). An estimated 67 per cent of clients were female and 33 per cent were male. An estimated 80 per cent of all clients were aged 65 years or over (See Table 2).

The average number of contact hours per client for those receiving local authority provided services only was 6.7 hours per week, compared to 16.1 hours for those receiving home care from a private or voluntary provider only (See Table 1).

Table 1: Number of Home Care Clients and Hours Provided / Purchased by Provider of Service, 2007

Provider of Service	No. of Clients	Client Hours	Hours per Client
Solely from local authority	51,577	343,506	6.7
Solely from private / voluntary sector	13,926	224,853	16.1
Combination of provision from LA and private / voluntary sector	5,207	76,683	14.7
TOTAL	70,710	645,041	9.1

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

Table 2: Age, Client Group and Gender of Clients Receiving Home Care Services, 2007

Client Group	Age Group				TOTAL CLIENTS
	0-64	65-74	75-84	85+	
People with Dementia	197	498	1,649	1,327	3,671
People with Mental Health Problems	1,701	481	576	294	3,052
People with Learning Disabilities	3,151	334	111	21	3,617
People with Physical Disabilities (includes frailty associated with ageing)	6,297	8,777	21,165	18,989	55,228
People with HIV or AIDS, alcohol or drug problems	370	202	104	21	697
Carers of dependent people in groups above	145	48	45	26	264
Carers/children not in groups above	602	6	3	36	647
People in other vulnerable groups	1,546	592	812	584	3,534
Male	6,621	4,407	7,228	5,027	23,283
Female	7,388	6,531	17,237	16,271	47,427
TOTAL CLIENTS	14,009	10,938	24,465	21,298	70,710

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

Approximately 61 per cent of clients in receipt of a home care service were living alone; an additional 5 per cent were living in households where 2 or more people received the service (See Table 3).

Table 3: Living Arrangements of Clients Receiving Home Care Services, 2007

Living Arrangements	Number of clients	%
Living alone	43,408	61
Two or more clients in household	3,597	5
In other living arrangements	23,705	34
TOTAL CLIENTS	70,710	100

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

Level of Home Care Services Provided

Just over a quarter of clients of home care services (28 per cent) received at least 10 hours of service provided or purchased by a local authority in 2007. This percentage has gradually increased over the last 9 years from

11 per cent in 1998 to 28 per cent in 2007. The number of clients receiving less than 4 hours has decreased over the same period from 60 per cent to 42 per cent.

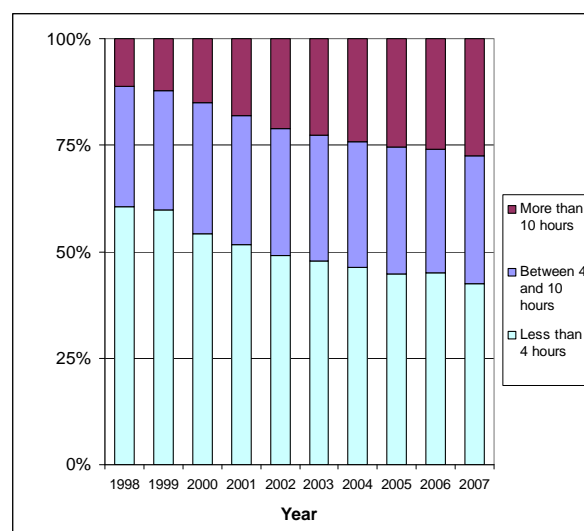
In 2007, 19 per cent of under 65's received 20 hours or more home care a week compared with 5 per cent of over 65's. This is a similar picture to 2005 when the data was first collected for the different age groups.

Table 4: Number of Home Care Clients by Level of Service Received, 2007

Level of Service	Aged Under 65		Aged 65 & Over	
	Number of Clients	%	Number of Clients	%
Less than 1 hour	326	2	2,343	4
1 hour to less than 2 hours	1,760	13	9,451	17
2 hours to less than 4 hours	3,079	22	13,056	23
4 hours to less than 6 hours	1,830	13	6,742	12
6 hours to less than 8 hours	1,357	10	6,483	11
8 hours to less than 10 hours	787	6	3,997	7
10 hours to less than 15 hours	1,467	10	8,055	14
15 hours to less than 20 hours	718	5	3,675	6
20 hours or more	2,685	19	2,899	5
TOTAL CLIENTS	14,009	100	56,701	100

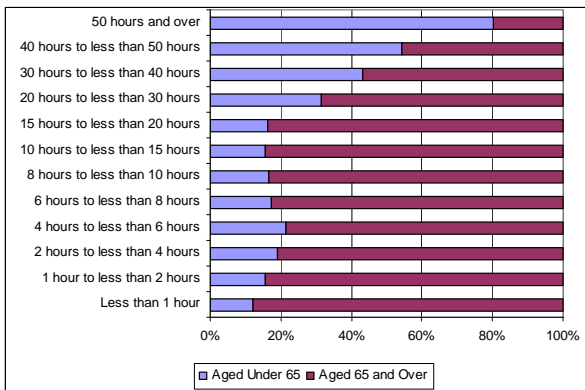
Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

Chart 6 Level of Service 1998-2007



People aged 65 and over account for 88 per cent of people receiving less than 1 hour of home care, compared to 20 per cent of people receiving 50 hours or over and 80 per cent of all people receiving home care. (see chart 7)

Chart 7: Ratio of people aged 65 and over to people aged under 65 by level of service, 2007



Background Information on the Collection of Home Care Services

A revised home care statistical collection was introduced in 1998. Local authorities are asked to provide details of all home care services provided by their own staff, and in addition, services bought in from other local authorities, and private / voluntary organisations. Information on client age, for level and type of service has been collected since 2005.

Data were collected with respect to the week ending 31 March 2007.

A return was received from each local authority in Scotland. A small amount of information had to be estimated for some local authorities. Four local authorities had difficulty in providing information on the living arrangements of the clients. Care should therefore be taken when interpreting figures in this area of provision as a small amount of data has been estimated.

Total hours may not add up to the sum of components due to rounding.

This year for the first time, East Dunbartonshire have included clients who receive home care as part of 'intensive support' through 'supported accommodation' and 'group living' packages. Therefore, East Dunbartonshire's figures are not directly comparable with previous year's figures.

More detailed tables on home care services are available from our website at:

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Further Information

Further details and analysis of the data presented in this Statistics Release are available on request from the address given below. The Statistics Release is available on the Internet by accessing the Scottish Executive web site <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/>.

Information at a disaggregate local authority level showing number of clients receiving a

service and number of hours service provided or purchased is shown in annex 1 of this Statistics Release.

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ANNEX 1: Total Number of Home Care Clients and Hours of Service Provided by Local Authority

Local Authority	Number of clients receiving a service			Total hours of service provided or purchased by LA		
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007
Aberdeen City	2,862	2,925	2,945	20,002	20,253	22,831
Aberdeenshire	2,107	2,264	2,366	22,162	20,888	22,619
Angus	1,839	2,029	2,024	6,014	6,635	7,288
Agyll & Bute	1,078	937	816	7,959	7,221	8,216
Clackmannanshire	814	774	796	8,272	7,505	8,196
Dumfries & Galloway	2,047	2,176	2,309	28,105	28,453	26,237
Dundee City	2,115	1,786	2,061	11,691	12,447	13,037
East Ayrshire	1,750	1,859	1,941	19,044	22,593	25,246
East Dunbartonshire	1,128	1,174	1,359	5,807	6,361	13,590
East Lothian	1,553	1,309	1,513	15,561	15,992	17,658
East Renfrewshire	1,050	924	991	7,420	7,696	6,357
Edinburgh, City of	5,672	5,413	4,944	39,571	39,419	41,440
Eilean Siar	744	664	660	6,268	5,683	5,460
Falkirk	2,169	2,325	2,334	14,438	19,364	22,037
Fife	7,294	7,305	7,265	49,075	53,989	68,913
Glasgow City	9,223	9,013	8,586	84,611	82,824	83,724
Highlands, The	2,764	2,633	2,252	16,113	15,875	15,134
Inverclyde	1,298	1,222	1,343	15,097	16,024	14,253
Midlothian	1,168	1,213	1,147	9,599	10,915	11,031
Moray	1,430	1,324	1,320	10,572	8,396	8,671
North Ayrshire	1,503	1,331	1,402	11,676	9,984	10,327
North Lanarkshire	4,371	4,339	4,247	39,826	33,907	35,053
Orkney Islands	505	538	414	3,095	2,752	2,248
Perth & Kinross	1,187	1,222	1,194	6,932	8,560	8,593
Renfrewshire	1,947	1,990	2,305	16,849	16,064	16,918
Scottish Borders	1,604	1,542	1,389	10,755	10,221	9,326
Shetland Islands	555	552	491	3,117	2,991	2,854
South Ayrshire	1,735	1,823	1,908	25,519	30,501	32,753
South Lanarkshire	3,158	3,507	3,845	34,318	46,169	51,368
Stirling	944	990	977	11,618	11,927	10,875
West Dunbartonshire	2,108	2,074	2,065	14,668	13,911	13,575
West Lothian	1,372	1,480	1,501	8,407	8,563	9,214
SCOTLAND	71,094	70,657	70,710	584,160	604,081	645,041

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

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ANNEX 2: Number of Home Care Clients and Hours Provided/Purchased, 1998-2007

	Year at 31 march									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
No. of Clients	79,294	74,058	70,210	65,533	64,546	67,266	69,986	71,094	70,657	70,710
Client Hours	401,227	375,299	393,071	394,567	452,758	501,030	543,383	584,160	604,081	645,041
Hours per Client	5.1	5.1	5.6	6.0	7.0	7.4	7.8	8.2	8.5	9.1
Clients aged 65+ receiving 10 hours+ per 1,000 population aged 65+	9.0	9.3	10.7	11.7	13.3	14.7	16.2	17.1	16.8	17.5

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

ANNEX 3: Home Care Clients by Level of Service, 1998-2007

Level of Service	Year at 31 March									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Less than 1 Hour	7,568	7,462	2,908	3,070	2,267	2,293	2,881	2,294	2,923	2,669
1 Hour to Less than 2 Hours	18,080	16,077	14,240	11,867	11,816	12,526	11,811	12,010	11,930	11,211
2 Hours to Less than 4 Hours	22,273	20,725	20,836	18,837	17,634	17,442	17,672	17,526	16,918	16,135
4 Hours to Less than 6 Hours	12,345	11,255	11,404	10,017	9,286	9,074	9,195	9,140	8,690	8,572
6 Hours to Less than 8 Hours	5,460	5,581	6,214	6,338	6,214	6,661	7,079	7,384	7,320	7,840
8 Hours to Less than 10 Hours	4,786	3,841	4,008	3,626	3,774	4,081	4,439	4,665	4,602	4,784
10 Hours to Less than 15 Hours	4,857	5,147	6,082	6,798	7,393	7,786	8,377	8,958	9,035	9,522
15 Hours to Less than 20 Hours	2,127	2,169	2,576	2,781	3,177	3,565	4,015	4,189	4,098	4,393
20 Hours or More	1,798	1,801	1,942	2,199	2,985	3,838	4,517	4,928	5,141	5,584
TOTAL CLIENTS	79,294	74,058	70,210	65,533	64,546	67,266	69,986	71,094	70,657	70,710

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

ANNEX 4: Distribution of Clients by Level of Service, 1998-2007

Level of Service	Year at 31 March									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
More than 10 hours	11%	12%	15%	18%	21%	23%	24%	25%	26%	28%
Between 4 and 10 hours	28%	28%	31%	30%	30%	29%	30%	30%	29%	30%
Less than 4 hours	60%	60%	54%	52%	49%	48%	46%	45%	45%	42%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

ANNEX 5: Home Care Clients and Hours Provided by Provider of Service, 1998-2007

	Year at 31 st March									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Number of Clients:										
Receiving Service Solely from Local Authority	74,198	68,116	63,271	57,219	55,513	56,342	56,662	54,935	53,478	51,577
Receiving Service Solely from Private / Voluntary Sector	2,896	4,131	4,590	5,578	6,178	7,549	9,430	11,680	12,233	13,926
Receiving Service from a Combination of LA and Private / Voluntary Sector	2,200	1,812	2,349	2,736	2,855	3,375	3,894	4,479	4,946	5,207
Distribution of Clients:										
Receiving Service Solely from Local Authority	94%	92%	90%	87%	86%	84%	81%	77%	76%	73%
Receiving Service Solely from Private / Voluntary Sector	4%	6%	7%	9%	10%	11%	13%	16%	17%	20%
Receiving Service from a Combination of LA and Private / Voluntary Sector	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	5%	6%	6%	7%	7%
Number of Hours:										
Receiving Service Solely from Local Authority	357,675	322,482	321,775	306,691	332,996	344,315	354,613	350,682	340,294	343,506
Receiving Service Solely from Private / Voluntary Sector	25,364	30,371	39,713	55,098	83,372	110,999	130,625	173,330	196,297	224,853
Receiving Service from a Combination of LA and Private / Voluntary Sector	18,187	22,445	31,598	32,778	36,390	45,716	58,144	60,147	67,490	76,683
Distribution of Hours:										
Receiving Service Solely from Local Authority	89%	86%	82%	78%	74%	69%	65%	60%	56%	53%
Receiving Service Solely from Private / Voluntary Sector	6%	8%	10%	14%	18%	22%	24%	30%	32%	35%
Receiving Service from a Combination of LA and Private / Voluntary Sector	5%	6%	8%	8%	8%	9%	11%	10%	11%	12%

Source: Home Care Statistical Return H1

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