

Threshold carried out a survey of over 150 tenants who had previously used its services. The purpose of the survey was to learn more about tenants' experience of renting in the private rented sector.

Why people rent

Only 15%
of tenants said they rent
out of choice.



85% of people rent
because they cannot afford to buy,
cannot get a mortgage or cannot get
social housing.

COVID-19



39% of
respondents felt
less secure in their
home than they did
prior to the Covid
19 restrictions.



31% of
tenants stated
their income had
reduced as a result
of COVID-19.

Only 37% of those who lost income applied for rent supplement or HAP to help pay rent.
10% of tenants are in rent arrears.

Additional Findings

Length of time in current property

20% of tenants stated they lived in their rental accommodation for 6 years or more.



41% of tenants stated they lived in their rental accommodation for less than a year.

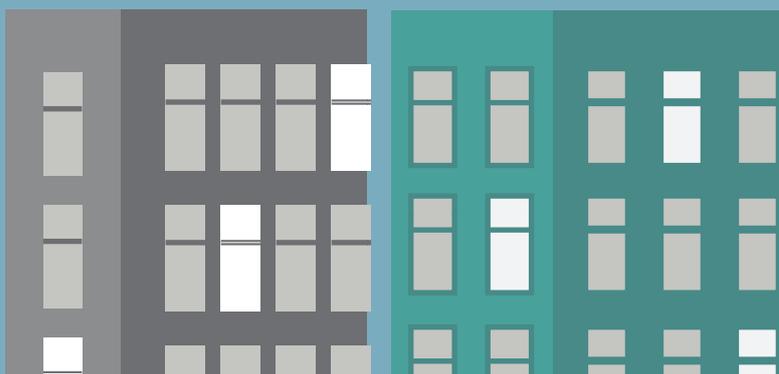


Why tenants left their previous rented accommodation

43% of tenants were forced to leave their home.



25% reported the landlord had issued a notice of termination, either for sale or the landlord's own use.



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Additional Findings

Rent increases

24% of tenants stated they had their rent increased in the preceding 12 months.

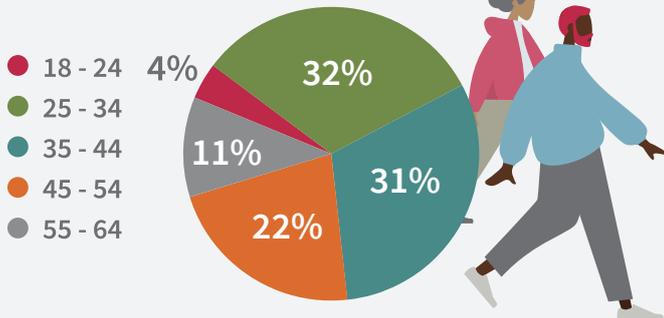
44% of these had their rent increased by more than 4%.

Standards & Repairs



53% of tenants said they had issues with standards and repairs. The most common of these were issues with damp and mould, followed by lighting or ventilation and then heating.

Age of respondents



Primary source of income

54% of respondents were in employment.

Family status

60% of respondents do not have children.

How Threshold helps tenants

94%

of tenants were satisfied with the assistance they received from Threshold.

89%

of tenants said they would recommend Threshold to someone experiencing difficulties in their tenancy.

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