



Supported housing for people with learning disabilities and autistic people in England

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The research found that:

Over 1.4m

Adults with a learning disability and autistic people.

Over 150,000

receive commissioned care and support.

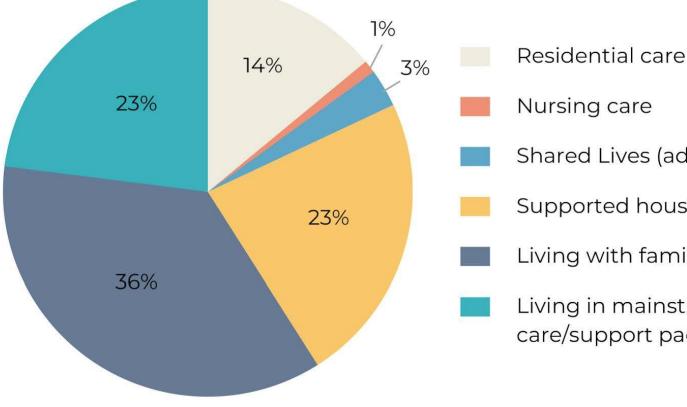
Over 35,000

live in supported housing with care and support - 66% shared and 34% self-contained.





Accommodation status of people aged 18+ with learning disabilities/autistic people, by accommodation type, 2021/22



Shared Lives (adult placement)

- Supported housing/supported living
- Living with family/friends/informal carers

Living in mainstream housing with care/support package





The research found that:

Over 80% live in Registered Provider accommodation.

Over 43%

receive 100+ hours of care and support.

Over 83%

classified as specified accommodation, 44% 'exempt', 56% 'managed properties'.

Over 58%

live in 'specialised supported housing'.





The research found that:

5,600

estimated new supported housing units developed in last 5 years with limited grant.

Only 13% funded by public grant subsidy

Minimum 1,800+

units a year in England needed

c£340m+

capital investment from public and private required





The government should:

Increase the level of capital funding and provide feasible grant levels.



The government should:

Set and publish annual targets for supported housing for people with learning disabilities and autistic people.



The government should:

Reform the Rent Standard rules for housing associations to support grant funding.

The government should:

Maintain the current housing benefit regime.



The government should:

Introduce proportionate new oversight regime to improve standards.

Local government should:

Develop and publish a strategy for the future provision of supported housing, every five years.



Local government should:

Collaboratively plan for further development of supported housing.

Local government should:

Work more strategically to reduce the level of under occupancy across the sector.



Supported housing providers should:

Work in **partnership with local authorities** to help plan supported housing.



Supported housing providers should:

Exceed minimum quality support and housing services standards set by legislation.

Supported housing providers should:

Ensure **full transparency** in terms of the costs of providing supported housing.

Supported housing providers should:

Evidence the value for money good quality specialist adapted housing for people with learning disabilities and autistic people provides.



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