

# Press release: December 2016

## Transaction Data

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This data provides information about the number and types of applications that Land Registry completed in December 2016.

In December:

- Land Registry completed more than 1,271,900 applications
- the South East topped the table of regional applications with 295,204
- Birmingham topped the table of local authority applications by area with 19,076

The Transaction Data shows Land Registry completed 1,271,984 applications from its customers in December. This included 1,251,331 applications by account holders, of which:

- 345,451 were applications in respect of registered land (dealings)
- 528,513 were applications to obtain an official copy of a register or title plan
- 198,658 were searches
- 83,762 were transactions for value

### **Applications by region**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Applications</b>
South East	295,204
Greater London	248,377
North West	136,147
South West	127,071
West Midlands	104,438
Yorks & Humber	98,378
East Midlands	90,198
Wales	61,791
North	58,045
East Anglia	52,238
England and Wales (not assigned)	72
Isles of Scilly	25
Total	1,271,984

## Top three local authority areas for applications

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Birmingham	19,076
City of Westminster	18,944
Leeds	15,133

## Top three customers for transactions

Top three customers	Transactions for value
My Home Move Limited	1,733
Countrywide Property Lawyers	903
O'Neill Patient	796

## Top three customers for searches

Top three customers	Searches
Enact	8,588
O'Neill Patient	7,072
Optima Legal Services	6,647

[Access the full dataset](#)

## Notes to editors

1. Transaction Data is published on the 15th working day of each month. The January Transaction Data will be published at 11am on Tuesday 21 February 2017 at [data.gov.uk](http://data.gov.uk).
2. The monthly Transaction Data shows how many applications for first registrations, leases, transfers of part, dealings, official copies and searches lodged by Land Registry account customers were completed. For an explanation of the terms used, see [abbreviations used in the transaction data](#).
3. Transactions for value include freehold and leasehold sales.
4. Most searches carried out by a solicitor or conveyancer are to protect the purchase and/or mortgage. For example, a search will give the buyer priority for an application to Land Registry to register the purchase of the property.
5. As a government department established in 1862, executive agency and trading fund responsible to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, Land Registry keeps and maintains the Land Register for England and Wales. The Land Register has been open to

public inspection since 1990.

6. With the largest transactional database of its kind detailing more than 24 million titles, Land Registry underpins the economy by safeguarding ownership of many billions of pounds worth of property.
7. For further information about Land Registry visit [www.gov.uk/land-registry](http://www.gov.uk/land-registry).
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