

SNP set to miss affordable housing target

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The SNP is set to miss its own target of building 50,000 affordable homes by the end of 2021.

A report released today has revealed only 25,000 extra homes have been built so far, despite ministers being three years into the pledge.

And if the current building rates continue, the SNP government will fall thousands of homes short of the commitment.

It's the latest report to expose the nationalists' poor performance on housing and housebuilding, an area over which they've had sole control since 2007.

Scottish Conservative housing spokesman Graham Simpson said:

"This is another example of the SNP making a warm-worded promise, but failing to deliver for the people who really need these promises to be kept.

"The SNP government's performance on housing has been atrocious, and it's the most vulnerable people in society who are losing out.

"This pledge was made several years ago, but clearly there's no real intention from SNP ministers to see it through.

"This inaction is causing uncertainty for housing associations who don't really know what they're medium-term funding is going to be.

"That's what happens when you have an SNP government completely distracted by selfish, constitutional obsessions."