

BUILD-TO-RENT (BTR) MARKET SNAPSHOT





ARL July 2024

SUMMARY

Cardiff, Wales's capital and largest city, has a population of around 362,300 having grown 4.7% in the ten years to 2021. It is a major cultural and economic hub and had almost 34,000 students enrolled at its main university in 2021/22. Since our last BTR report on Cardiff in July 2023, Grainger's The Copper Works has completed bringing Cardiff's BTR operational units to 981 across four schemes. Additionally, Packaged Living's Trade Street Gardens and Urban Centric's Knox Court developments have received planning permission. There are almost 3,000 units in the current pipeline, which includes Watkin Jones/L&G's 715-unit Central Quay and Anchor Works, a 432-unit scheme to be operated by ila.

Rental values in Cardiff in Q1 2024 have increased since Q1 2023.

- Studio apartment rents have increased by 18% from £705 pcm to £565 pcm
- 1 beds have increased 8% from £874 pcm to £944 pcm
- 2 beds have increased 6% from £1,168 pcm to £1,240 pcm
- 3 beds have increased 19% from £1,445 pcm to £1,721 pcm

There has been a 31% increase in rental listings on Rightmove in Cardiff between Q4 2023 and Q1 2024.

Cardiff's 'BTR Uplift' (the gap between average and BTR rents) is 35% across studio, 1-bed, 2-bed and 3-bed apartments.



A Wood Street House (Watkin Jones/L&G/urbanbubble), Cardiff's largest operational BTR scheme



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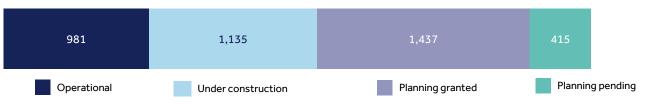






Latest average rents						
	Studios	1 beds	2 beds	3 beds		
The Copper Works	£1,015	£1,128	£1,604	N/A		
PLATFORM_Cardiff	N/A	£1,342	£1,762	N/A		
Verse	£1,147	£1,438	£1,650	N/A		
Wood Street House	None listed this quarter	£1,280	£1,617	£2,399		

▼ Cardiff BTR Operational & Pipeline tracker





LATEST CARDIFF RENTS

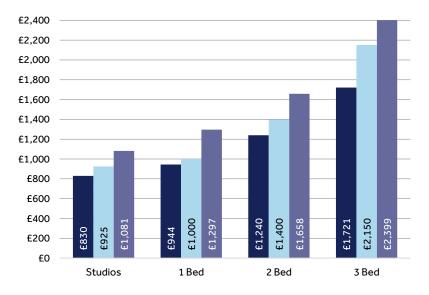
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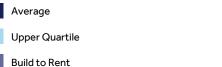
Studio Apartments	Average rent (PCM)	BTR Uplift:V Unit mix of Embedded market (current quarter) and Cardiff BTR		
Average	£830	700/		
Upper Quartile	£925	- + 30%	100%	
Build to Rent	£1,081	Studios		
1 Bed Apartments	Average rent (PCM)		80%	
Average	£944			
Upper Quartile	£1,000	- + 37%	60%	
Build to Rent	£1,297	1 beds	49%	46%
2 Bed Apartments	Average rent (PCM)		40%	
Average	£1,240			31%
Upper Quartile	£1,400	- +34%	20% ———	21%
Build to Rent	£1,658	2 beds		5%
3 Bed Apartments	Average rent (PCM)		3%	2%
Average	£1,721		Current qua	rter BTR unit mix
Upper Quartile	£2,150	₊39%	Studio apts	2 bed apts
Build to Rent	£2,399	3 beds	1 bed apts	3 bed apts



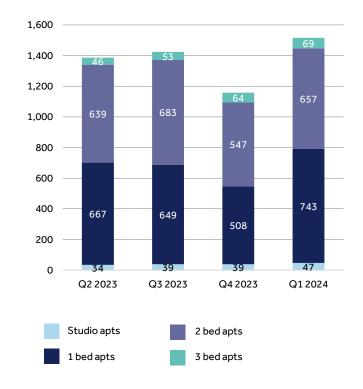
RENT GRAPHS

▼ Average and upper quartile embedded vs BTR rents during Q1 2024, Cardiff



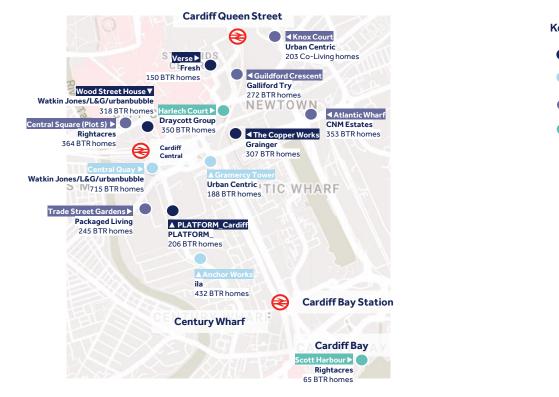


▼ Number of apartments on the market in last 4 quarters



BTR MARKET

▼ Map showing Operational and Pipeline BTR communities in Cardiff as of July 2024

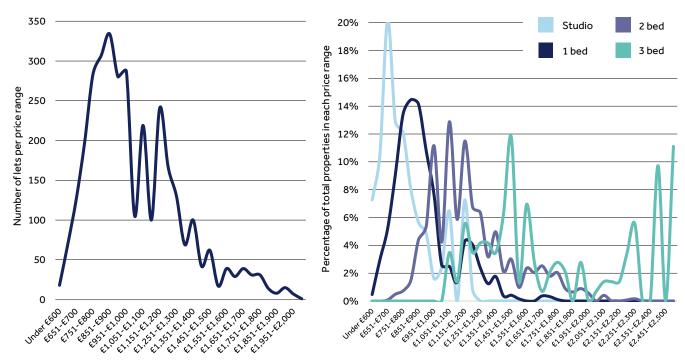






MARKET SCALE

✓ Market scale graphs showing the number of properties let between different price ranges (left) and percentage of properties in each price range (right) in Cardiff



Our Market Scale charts show how many studio to 3 bed apartments were let between a scale of price points over the last four quarters in Cardiff. We have surveyed over 3,400 listings from Rightmove to produce this data, using let agreed price data for a more accurate market position.

Since Q2 2023, 55% of rental properties listed in Cardiff were priced between £801 and £1,200 pcm. 35% of 3 bed apartments in Cardiff were priced at £2,000 pcm and above.

The growth of BTR in Cardiff is likely to enhance and expand this high-end rental market across all unit types.



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