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Introduction

"the idea that a lot of voters read manifestos is purely fictional, although of course in the case of some parties, their manifestos are pure fiction."

Theresa May, House of Commons, 6 May 2007

When Theresa May launches the Tory manifesto she will make her usual promises to the British people, promises about what the Tories will do for families, for the health service, for pensioners, schools and for the country. But, as the Conservatives make their latest solemn pledge there's one thing we must bear in mind: we've been here before.

Theresa May pretends otherwise, but she has been at the heart of the Conservative Government for the last seven years. She was there when the Conservatives published their 'Invitation to join the Government of Britain' in 2010; she was so central to the manifesto in 2015 that the Conservatives put her on the cover.

Theresa May's personal record is the record of this Conservative Government, and it's a record of failure and broken promises. From the economy to the NHS, and policing to schools, Theresa May's government has failed again and again to deliver on the pledges they made to the British people.

- **They promised** on the economy, but they have missed every debt and deficit target they have ever set themselves
- **They promised** to raise living standards, but working families are set to be on average over £1,400 a year worse off
- **They promised** to improve all standards of NHS care, but A&Es are in their worst state on record and hospitals are in financial crisis
- **They promised** to protect school spending, but per pupil spending is going down and class sizes are soaring

This document looks at these and other broken promises. It focusses largely on the last two years but the list would grow significantly longer than the 50 examples contained here if we included every broken promise over the last seven years.

These are the broken promises that have pushed the NHS and social care services into a state of emergency, seen waiting lists soar and left hospitals in financial crisis. Schools across the country face cuts and class sizes are rising, while those young people who want to go to university face huge debts. Home-ownership is at its lowest rate in 30 years, while house-building fell to the lowest peacetime rate since the 1920s.

As the Conservatives prepare to launch their manifesto, we should remember we've been here before. They made promises and they quickly broke them. They would do so again.

The Tories can't be trusted. Britain cannot afford five more years of broken promises.

Broken promises on the economy and living standards

The Tories promised to build an economy for those who are ‘just about managing’...

...**but** nothing could be further from the truth. Living standards are stagnant and too many of the jobs that are being created are in low-paid, insecure work. Real wages are lower now than they were in 2010 and working families are set to be an average of £1,400 a year worse off by 2020 as a result of tax and social security changes. This is at the same time as those at the top have received tens of billions of pounds worth of tax breaks.

Under the Tories, nearly six million people earn less than the living wage and too many workers worry about how many hours they will be working one week to the next. Yet the Tories have attempted tax hikes on the self-employed, and now refuse to rule out more taxes for working people even as they plough on with tax giveaways for the super-rich and giant corporations. The Tories’ broken promises are a threat to the UK economy, and to working people.

You can’t trust Tory promises

1. **Promise:** Raise living standards.ⁱ

Broken: Working families are set to be on average over £1,400 a year worse off, while those at the top have been given tax breaks worth tens of billions.ⁱⁱ

2. **Promise:** Make work pay.ⁱⁱⁱ

Broken: Cuts to Universal Credit work allowances will mean some working families are worse off by around £2,600 a year.^{iv}

3. **Promise:** Control national debt.^v

Broken: The OBR forecast that national debt will hit £2 trillion by the end of the decade.^{vi}

4. **Promise:** Ensure that debt keeps falling as a share of GDP.^{vii}

Broken: Public Sector Net Debt as a percentage of GDP has increased this year from 87.3 per cent in 2016/17 to 90.2 per cent in 2017/18.^{viii}

5. **Promise:** No increase in National Insurance contributions.^{ix}

Broken: In the Budget 2017, the Tories attempted to increase NICs for self-employed people.^x

6. **Promise:** Move to a budget surplus in 2019-20.^{xi}

Broken: The deficit for 2019/20 is now forecast to be £21.4 billion and Theresa May has

admitted that there will not be a surplus.^{xii}

7. **Promise:** Safeguard British interests in the single market.^{xiii}

Broken: It is official government policy to fully leave the single market.^{xiv}

8. **Promise:** Crack down on tax evasion and aggressive tax avoidance.^{xv}

Broken: The tax gap, the difference between the amount of tax that should be collected by HMRC against what is actually collected, has increased from three per cent in HMRC's 2015 analysis to 12.5 per cent in the 2016 analysis.^{xvi}

9. **Promise:** Protect our public services like the NHS and schools.^{xvii}

Broken: NHS England funding per head will be cut in real terms next year and the Tories are cutting per-pupil spending.^{xviii}

10. **Promise:** Keep council taxes low.^{xix}

Broken: The Government have allowed a 5 per cent increase on council tax for the next two years.^{xx}

11. **Promise:** Eliminate child poverty.^{xxi}

Broken: The Government abolished child poverty targets in the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 and the IFS have forecast nearly a million more children will be pushed into poverty because of the Government's policies.^{xxii}

12. **Promise:** Protect pensioner benefits.^{xxiii}

Broken: Spending on pensioner benefits is falling in real terms next year.^{xxiv}

13. **Promise:** Halve the disability employment gap.^{xxv}

Broken: The disability employment gap has fallen by less than a tenth since 2015.^{xxvi}

14. **Promise:** Full, genuine gender equality.^{xxvii}

Broken: Analysis from the House of Commons Library shows that 86 per cent of net savings to the Treasury from Tory tax and benefit changes between 2010 and 2020 will fall on women.^{xxviii}

15. **Promise:** Deliver Universal Credit.^{xxix}

Broken: The Office for Budget Responsibility has made successive revisions to its estimate for the roll-out of Universal Credit (UC). In November 2016, the OBR forecast UC will not be delivered until 2021-22.^{xxx}

Broken promises on the NHS

The Tories promised to improve standards in all areas of care...

...**but** our health service has been plunged into a state of emergency. Patients are paying the price of their failure. Our A&Es are overcrowded, hospital trusts are in financial crisis and one in four people now wait a week or more to see a GP or don't get an appointment at all.

Patients are being forced to wait too long in A&E, on trolleys, for operations and for vital cancer treatment. The Tories have done nothing to address shortages of staff in our health service, leaving hospitals understaffed and overstretched. The Tory Government's 2012 top-down re-organisation of the NHS has damaged our health service, putting profits before patient care. Meanwhile, older and vulnerable people are being let down, with deep cuts to social care leaving them without the support they need.

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16. **Promise:** Improve standards in all areas of care.^{xxxv}

Broken: The A&E 4-hour target has not been met since July 2015, the 18-week referral to treatment target has not been met since February 2016, the 62 day cancer waiting standard has not been met since December 2015 and the standard for the most urgent ambulance response times has not been met since May 2015.^{xxxii}

NHS England predicted in their updated Five Year Forward View document that waiting times for treatment will grow.^{xxxiii} In the same document, NHS England accepts that Trusts won't be expected to meet the four hour A&E target until March 2018.^{xxxiv}

17. **Promise:** Spend more in real terms every year on the NHS.^{xxxv}

Broken: Official figures show that real terms funding per head will be cut in 2018-19.^{xxxvi}

18. **Promise:** Give the NHS £8 billion.^{xxxvii}

Broken: The Prime Minister initially claimed that the NHS had been given an extra £10 billion, which she said was "more" than it asked for. However, she has been called out by Simon Stevens, Chief Executive of NHS England, who said it would be "stretching it" to say this.^{xxxviii}

Broken: The House of Commons Health Select Committee has disputed the figures, putting the increase at £4.5 billion.^{xxxix}

19. **Promise:** Ensure there are enough doctors and nurses.^{xi}

Broken: There is a workforce crisis in the NHS, with a shortage of 3,500 midwives and 24,000 nursing vacancies.^{xii} Applications for nursing degrees have fallen 23 per cent since the Government's decision to get rid of bursaries, storing up yet more problems for nurse numbers in years to come.^{xiii}

20. **Promise:** Integrate health and social care.^{xiiii}

Broken: A recent report from the National Audit Office has warned that integration of social care has been slower and less successful than envisaged and has not delivered for patients, the NHS or local authorities.^{xv}

21. **Promise:** Take action to recover the costs from health tourism.^{xvi}

Broken: They have so far failed to recover the full amount of these costs, and have been accused of depriving the NHS of vital funds as a result.^{xvii}

22. **Promise:** Implement recommendations of the Francis report.^{xviii}

Broken: The Government has backtracked on taking action to ensure safe staffing levels.^{xix}

23. **Promise:** Invest more in primary care.^{xx}

Broken: They have cut funding for community pharmacies, imposing a two-year funding package on community pharmacies, with a £113 million reduction in funding in 2016/17.ⁱ

24. **Promise:** Cap on charges for residential social care from April 2016.ⁱⁱ

Broken: They later announced that this cap on charges for residential social care would be delayed until 2020.ⁱⁱⁱ

25. **Promise:** Ensure that people can grow old in comfort and dignity.ⁱⁱⁱⁱ

Broken: The estimated number of pensioners living in relative low income after housing costs in 2015/16 was 1.9 million. This is an increase of 300,000 compared with 2010/11.^v

26. **Promise:** Eliminate mixed sex accommodation on hospital wards.^{vi}

Broken: In January 2017, there were over a thousand mixed sex accommodation breaches, up from 360 in January 2015.^{vii}

Broken promises on education

The Tories promised to give children ‘the best start in life’...

...**but** they are failing our young people. Spending on education fell by 14 per cent in real terms between 2010 and 2016, and there are even further cuts to budgets planned. Schools will have to make £3 billion worth of savings by 2020 – levels of cuts not seen since the mid-1990s. Faced with difficult choices of what to cut, it is the things that really make a difference in education, such as excellent teachers and access to a broad and balanced curriculum, which could be at risk.

At the same time, Theresa May plans to waste millions on new grammar schools which will only provide places for a minority of children. The Tories would create a two-tier system of schools, where only a minority of children are supported to achieve their aspirations and the majority of children are left behind.

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27. **Promise:** Give families where all parents are working, 30 hours of free childcare for their 3 and 4 year olds.^{lvii}

Broken: The Tories said 630,000 3 and 4 year olds would be eligible.^{lviii} According to the NAO only 390,000 families will benefit from extending the entitlement.^{lix}

28. **Promise:** Protect per pupil spending.^{lx}

Broken: Funding per pupil will see a real-terms reduction once inflation is taken into account.^{lxi}

29. **Promise:** Train an extra 17,500 maths and physics teachers over the next five years.^{lxii}

Broken: They missed their recruitment target for maths and physics teachers in both 2015 and 2016.^{lxiii}

30. **Promise:** Ensure there is a University Technical College within reach of every city.^{lxiv}

Broken: Seven UTCs have closed.^{lxv}

31. **Promise:** If you want to go to university, you can.^{lxvi}

Broken: They have trebled tuition fees, plan to introduce a framework that could increase them even more and replaced means-tested grants with more loans.^{lxvii}

32. **Promise:** Universities to remain world-leading and ensure that the UK continues to support world-leading science.^{lxviii}

Broken: Tory post-Brexit dithering is threatening our universities' world-class reputation. Many universities have already had to withdraw from European-wide

research projects and funding, and 15 per cent of the HE sector's workforce are from EU countries.^{lxix}

Broken promises on policing, crime and immigration

The Tories spent seven years promising to protect policing and cut net migration to the tens of thousands...

...but on Theresa May's watch thousands of police officers have been axed and net migration rose to the highest levels on record. Rather than admit mistakes, she continues with a failed approach of setting targets she can't reach, eroding public trust even further. And she has failed to tackle the growing problem of illegal immigration.

Tory cuts to border security have seen the loss of over 1,000 staff, Theresa May has reduced border surveillance and failed to ensure 100 per cent of passports are checked.

Progress in removing foreign national offenders has been too slow, leaving thousands living in our communities under inadequate supervision as they await deportation.

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33. **Promise:** Reduce net migration to the tens of thousands.^{lxx}

Broken: When Theresa was Home Secretary, net migration never came close to the tens of thousands, and in fact reached a record high of 336,000.^{lxxi}

34. **Promise:** Scrap the Human Rights Act and curtail the role of the European Court of Human Rights.^{lxxii}

Broken: Theresa May ruled out leaving the ECHR^{lxxiii}, while Tory sources claim plans to leave the ECHR will be shelved until at least 2020^{lxxiv}. Liz Truss has also admitted that there will be no British Bill of Rights until after Brexit.^{lxxv}

35. **Promise:** Introduce a new Victims' Law that will enshrine key rights for victims.^{lxxvi}

Broken: A Victims' Law did not feature at all in the 2016 Queen's Speech.^{lxxvii}

36. **Promise:** Back police officers to fight crime unimpeded.^{lxxviii}

Broken: Despite promising policing would not lead to fewer frontline officers^{lxxix}, the number of frontline police fell by over 12,000 between 2010 and 2015.^{lxxx}

37. **Promise:** Improve the response to cyber-crime and expand the number of volunteer 'Cyber Specials'.^{lxxxi}

Broken: No reforms to cyber-crime training have been brought forward. Instead the Home Office stopped funding two key training courses,^{lxxxii} while the Tories recently admitted there are only 40 Cyber Specials – less than one per police force.^{lxxxiii}

Broken promises on housing

The Tories promised to help you “buy a home of your own”...

...**but** they are presiding over a housing crisis and have failed to deliver the homes Britain desperately needs. Since 2010 we have had seven years of failure on housing, from higher rates of homelessness to lower home-ownership. The Tories have broken their promise to make it easier for people to get on the housing ladder.

Theresa May is failing on building affordable homes; failing to improve the private rented sector; and failing on tackling homelessness. It is clear that the Tories stand only for a few.

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38. **Promise:** Build 200,000 starter homes.^{lxxxiv}

Broken: Not a single starter home has yet been built.

39. **Promise:** Build more affordable housing.^{lxxxv}

Broken: The number of genuinely affordable homes for social rent which began construction last year was fewer than 1,000, compared to 40,000 started in Labour's last year in government.^{lxxxvi}

40. **Promise:** Deliver one-for-one replacements for homes sold through the Right-to buy.^{lxxxvii}

Broken: Only one replacement home is being built for every five sold.^{lxxxviii}

41. **Promise:** Build more homes that people can afford.^{lxxxix}

Broken: Under the Conservatives house-building fell to its lowest peacetime level since the 1920s.^{xc}

42. **Promise:** Double the number of first-time buyers and help more people own their own home.^{xc}

Broken: Home-ownership is down sharply, with almost 200,000 fewer home-owning households since 2010, the lowest rate of home ownership in 30 years.^{xcii}

Broken promises on energy and environment

The Tories promised to be the 'greenest government ever'...

...**but** their actions have shown otherwise. They abolished the Department for Energy and Climate Change, repeatedly scrapped support for renewable technologies, presided over delays to important capital projects and have left us on a course that would see us miss climate targets.

They have failed to offer reassurances about environmental protections and clarity on support for our farming and fishing industries post-Brexit, while their continued failure to tackle poor air quality is putting the health of millions at risk.

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43. **Promise:** Be the greenest government ever.^{xciii}

Broken: Green deal scrapped, scrapped green schemes, UK on course to miss 15 per cent renewable target by 2020.^{xciv xcv}

44. **Promise:** Commit £1 billion to carbon capture and storage.^{xcvi}

Broken: The Carbon Capture and Storage Scheme was scrapped.^{xcvii}

45. **Promise:** Maintain protections for national parks.^{xcviii}

Broken: The Tories voted to allow fracking under national parks.^{xcix}

46. **Promise:** Meeting our climate change commitments.^c

Broken: The Tories have left us on course to miss targets set by the Climate Change Act.^{ci}

47. **Promise:** 25 year plan for food and farming.^{cii}

Broken: The Tories failed to bring forward this plan.^{ciii}

48. **Promise:** 25 year plan for the environment.^{civ}

Broken: The Tories failed to bring forward this plan.^{cv}

Broken promises on defence

The Tories promised to “keep our Armed Forces strong”...

...**but** under the Tories, defence spending has plummeted, and a number of their broken promises have put Britain’s security at risk. The Tories pledged before 2010 to deliver “a bigger Army for a safer Britain”, yet the Army has now shrunk to its smallest size since the Napoleonic Wars. The defence budget was cut by 8.5 per cent in real terms from 2010.

Our country’s Armed Forces personnel and our defence sector cannot afford another five years of Tory cuts, mismanagement and botched procurement decisions. On top of this, a reckless Tory Brexit could have serious consequences for our defence capabilities.

Knee-jerk decisions, like scrapping Nimrod, HMS Ark Royal and the Harrier jump jets, have weakened our defences and cost British taxpayers hundreds of millions of pounds; while the Royal Air Force has been left without maritime patrol aircraft and dependent on allies to track Russian submarines off the British coast.

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49. **Promise:** Keep the size of the Army at 82,000.^{cvi}

Broken: In March, the number of trained Army regulars fell to 79,440.^{cvi}

50. **Promise:** Expand the Army Reserves to 35,000.^{cviii}

Broken: In March 2017, the total number of fully trained Army Reservists was 26,580.^{cix}

And the list goes on...

Promise: Transform our railway network.^{cx}

Broken: Under the Tories, 75 per cent of our railways are now wholly or partly controlled by foreign states or foreign companies.^{cx1}

Promise: No cuts to tax credits.^{cxii cxiii}

Broken: The Tories attempted billions of pounds worth of cuts to tax credits in the Summer Budget 2015.^{cxiv}

Promise: Real terms protection for police funding.^{cxv}

Broken: The UK Statistics Authority rebuked the Government for this claim, ruling that forces actually faced a real terms cut in their Whitehall funding.^{cxvi} And analysis by the House of Commons Library has shown that since 2015, there has been a £330m real terms reduction in central government fund.^{cxvii}

Promise: Make it clear that anyone convicted of a knife crime can expect to face a prison sentence.^{cxviii}

Broken: The Tories broke their promise to introduce an automatic jail sentence for those caught carrying a knife, with the then Justice Secretary Ken Clarke admitting: "We're not setting out absolute tariffs for particular things".^{cxix}

Promise: Introduce a mandatory "two strikes and you're out" minimum six-month prison sentence for carrying a knife.^{cxx}

Broken: 2,006 people who had a previous conviction for knife possession received a disposal other than immediate custody in the year ending December 2016.^{cxx1}

Promise: Publish a new national shipbuilding strategy in 2016.^{cxxii}

Broken: The strategy still hasn't been published.

Promise: Introduce a National Living Wage of £9 per hour by 2020.^{cxxiii}

Broken: Due to their economic failure they are set to miss this target.^{cxxiv}

Promise: Continue to support local libraries.^{cxxv}

Broken: The number of libraries has decreased and library funding cut.^{cxxvi}

Promise: Support action that helps vulnerable people get the assistance they need.^{cxxvii}

Broken: Rough sleeping has more than doubled since 2010 according to Government figures, rising from 1,768 in 2010 to 4,134 in 2016 after an unprecedented decline under Labour.^{cxxviii}

If they broke this many promises in just two years, imagine how many they will break with another five...

And don't forget the Tories' record of failure

The Tories' record of breaking promises is matched only by their record of total failure to tackle any of the great challenges facing this country.

We need a government that will deliver on their promises; not deliver failure. Tory failure is holding Britain back; they are failing the economy, failing on living standards, failing working people and failing the NHS.

- **They have presided over the slowest economic recovery since the 1920s.**
- **Living standards have stagnated, with real wages lower now than they were in 2010.**
- **Over half a million children are being taught class sizes of over 30.**
- **Working families are set to be an average of £1,400 a year worse off by 2020.**
- **They have missed every debt and deficit target they have set themselves.**
- **They promised not to increase VAT on working families and then did just that.**
- **Under the Tories house-building fell to its lowest peacetime rate since the 1920s.**
- **In England, the number of people forced to wait longer than four hours in A&E has increased from just over 350,000 in 2009/10 to 2.5 million in 2016/17.**
- **Under the Tories, waiting lists for treatment have soared. There are now a million more people waiting for treatment than when Labour left government in 2010.**

Britain cannot afford another five years of failure.

Notes

ⁱ "It is only by securing the recovery, dealing with our debts and creating jobs that we can continue to raise living standards", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (page 7)*

ⁱⁱ Working families with children are on average £1,426 a year worse off. This is an average of single parents in work (-£2,621), and couples with children (-£1,434) where one is in work and where both are in work (-£223).

	Change as a percent of net income	Change in annual net income	
Single, no work	-15.4%	-£	1,811
Single, in work	-0.3%	-£	79
Lone parent, no work	-21.0%	-£	3,833
Lone parent, in work	-10.2%	-£	2,621
Couple, no children, no work	-5.4%	-£	1,327
Couple with children, no work	-18.1%	-£	4,094
Couple, no children, one earner	-0.2%	-£	86
Couple with children, one earner	-3.6%	-£	1,434
Couple, no children, two earners	0.2%	£	109
Couple with children, two earners	-0.4%	-£	223
Single pensioner	-0.2%	-£	35
Couple pensioner	0.1%	£	33
Multi-family household, no children	-0.7%	-£	351
Multi-family household with children	-3.1%	-£	1,548
All	-1.6%	-£	553

ⁱⁱⁱ "Making work pay", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*

^{iv} *House of Commons Library, 'Universal Credit changes from April 2016', 16 November 2016, <http://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/ResearchBriefing/Summary/CBP-7446>*

^v "And failing to control our debt would be more than an economic failing; it would be a moral failing – leaving our children and grandchildren with debts that they could never hope to repay" *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 8)*

^{vi} *OBR, November 2016, <http://cdn.budgetresponsibility.org.uk/ExecSummNov2016EFO.pdf>*

^{vii} "This £30 billion of further consolidation is necessary to ensure that debt keeps falling as a share of GDP" *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 8)*

^{viii} *OBR, March 2017, <http://cdn.budgetresponsibility.org.uk/March2017EFO-231.pdf>*

^{ix} "This means that we can commit to no increases in VAT, Income Tax or National Insurance.", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 9)*

^x *Philip Hammond, Spring 2017 Budget Speech, 8 March 2017 - <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/spring-budget-2017-philip-hammonds-speech>*

^{xi} "From 2019-20, after a surplus has been achieved", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 9)*

^{xii} "We have not abandoned the intention to move towards a surplus. What I have said is that we will not be targeting that at the end of this parliament", *Theresa May, PMQs, 20 July 2016, <https://hansard.parliament.uk/Commons/2016-07-20/debates/OA5DDDFC-71A7-4532-827D-2334ABEDDBE3/Engagements>*

^{xiii} "Reclaim power from Brussels on your behalf and safeguard British interests in the Single Market", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 72)*

^{xiv} "But I want to be clear. What I am proposing cannot mean membership of the single market", *Theresa May, Speech at Lancaster House, 17 January 2017, <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-governments-negotiating-objectives-for-exiting-the-eu-pm-speech>*

^{xv} "We will crack down on tax evasion and aggressive tax avoidance", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 7)*

^{xvi} *HMRC, Measuring tax gaps 2016 edition*

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/561312/HMRC-measuring-tax-gaps-2016.pdf

^{xvii} "A strong economy allows us to invest in and protect our public services like the NHS and schools", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 8)*

^{xviii} *Response to Parliamentary Question, 26 January 2017,*

<http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-questions-answers/?dept=17&house=commons%2clords&max=20&member=4036&page=5&questiontype=AllQuestions>

^{xix} "we will help keep your council taxes low", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*

^{xx} *The Guardian, 15 December 2016, <https://www.theguardian.com/money/2016/dec/15/council-tax-bills-can-rise-by-3-for-two-years-to-help-fund-social-care-says-javid>*

^{xxi} "We will work to eliminate child poverty", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*

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- ^{xxii} *The IFS, 'Living standards, poverty and inequality in the UK: 2016–17 to 2021–22', 2 March 2017, <https://www.ifs.org.uk/publications/8957>*
- ^{xxiii} "Protect pensioner benefits", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*
- ^{xxiv} "The Department will be spending slightly less on pensioner benefits in 2018/19 than in 2017/18 (2016/17 prices: £118,365M in 2017/18 compared with £117,632M in 2018/19 – 0.6% less).", *Richard Harrington, 26 January 2017, Answer to Written Parliamentary Question, <http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Commons/2017-01-23/61134/>*
- ^{xxv} "We will aim to halve the disability employment gap", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*
- ^{xxvi} "We have seen improvements in the disability employment gap which now stands at around 31 percentage points, down from just below 34 percentage points in the same period in 2015." *Penny Mordaunt, 7 March 2017, Answer to Written Parliamentary Question <http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Commons/2017-03-02/66294/>*
- ^{xxvii} "We want to see full, genuine gender equality", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*
- ^{xxviii} *House of Commons Library Analysis, December 2016 <http://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/ResearchBriefing/Summary/CDP-2016-0251>*
- ^{xxix} "We will deliver Universal Credit", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 53)*
- ^{xxx} *The Office for Budget Responsibility, Economic Fiscal Outlook, November 2016 <http://cdn.budgetresponsibility.org.uk/Nov2016EFO.pdf>*
- ^{xxxi} "We will improve standards in all areas of care", *Conservative Party Manifesto 2015 (Page 38)*
- ^{xxxii} *NHS England, <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/combined-performance-summary/>*
- ^{xxxiii} "While the NHS and the Government remain committed to short waits for routine operations, our new Mandate rightly recognises that there is likely to be continued pressure on waiting times for routine care and some providers' waiting times will grow.", *NHS England, Next Steps on the NHS Five Year Forward View, <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/NEXT-STEPS-ON-THE-NHS-FIVE-YEAR-FORWARD-VIEW.pdf>*
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House Building in England and Wales by Period of Prime minister in Office 1919-2015
(excluding 1940-45)

Prime Minister	Average houses completed per year	
	England & Wales	England
Lloyd George (post war period 1919 to 1922)	44,000	n/a
Baldwin (1923)	86,000	n/a
Macdonald (1924)	137,000	n/a
Baldwin (1925-29)	187,400	n/a
Macdonald (1929-34)	230,500	n/a
Baldwin (1935-37)	335,500	n/a
Chamberlain (1937-39)	288,667	n/a
Attlee (1946-51)	150,177	141,907
Churchill (1952-54)	265,727	251,240
Eden (1955-56)	276,030	263,055
Macmillan (1957-63)	263,854	251,433
Douglas-Home (1964)	336,510	317,540
Wilson (1965-69)	351,008	331,984
Heath (1970-73)	292,093	277,175
Wilson (1974-75)	259,990	245,410
Callaghan (1976-1978)	269,627	255,463
Thatcher (1979-90)	190,974	181,378
Major (1991-96)	160,838	151,190
Blair (1997-2007)	156,625	148,149
Brown (2008-09)	143,400	136,490
Cameron (2010-2015)	123,560	117,675

Notes:

Each year allocated to Prime Minister who was in office for majority (6 months+) of that year

Owing to lags in construction, housing completed in early years of administration is likely to be determined by policies of p

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	Police grant report settlement 2015/16	Police grant report settlement 2017/18	Real terms change 2015/16 to 2017/18
Total England and Wales, Excluding amount of Special Payments to the GLA and the City of London (NICCs) in 2017/18 from 2015/16 figures	£7,452,619,732	£7,121,472,990	£331,146,742

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