

HOUSE COMPLETIONS IN HIGHLAND

April to September 2011

February 2012

SUMMARY

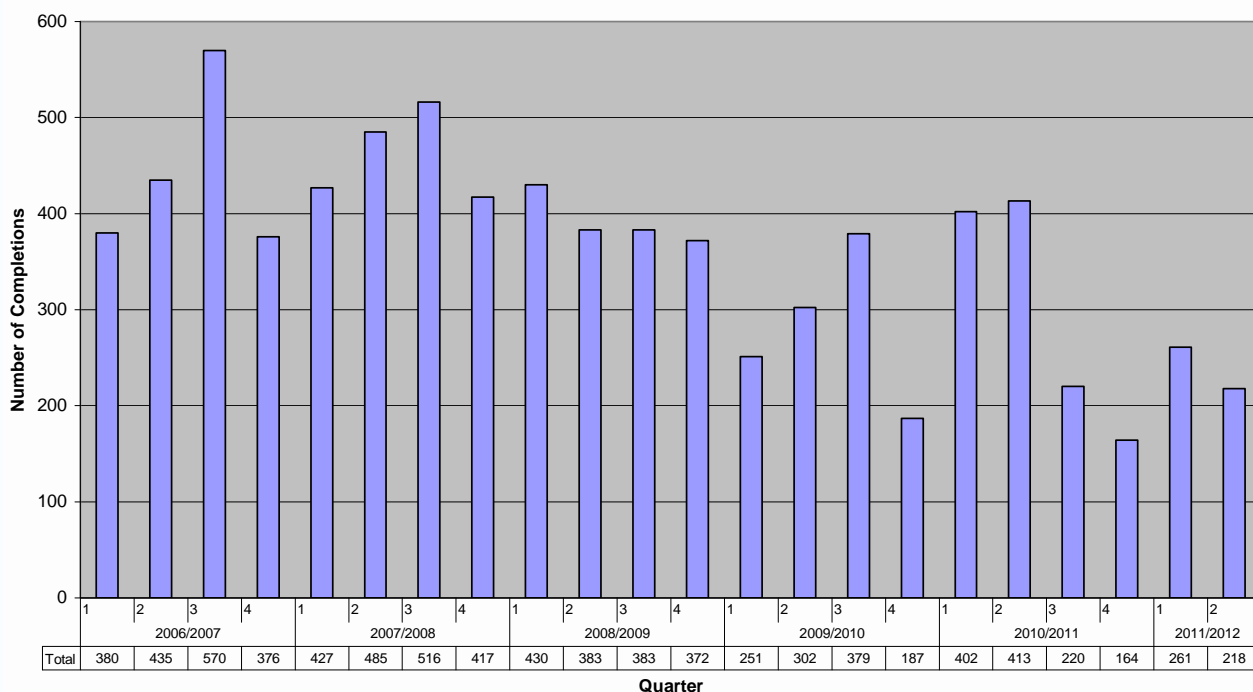
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- This shows a marked reduction from previous years for the same period and is the lowest number for these two quarters in the last 10 years
- The Council is working with partners to ensure that as far as possible completion rates are maintained at as high a rate as possible

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Whilst there are signs that builders are continuing to build houses this is happening at a slower rate, even for single house developments, which are very important in our rural areas.

Figure 1: Number of new houses completed in Highland by quarter 2006 – 2011/12

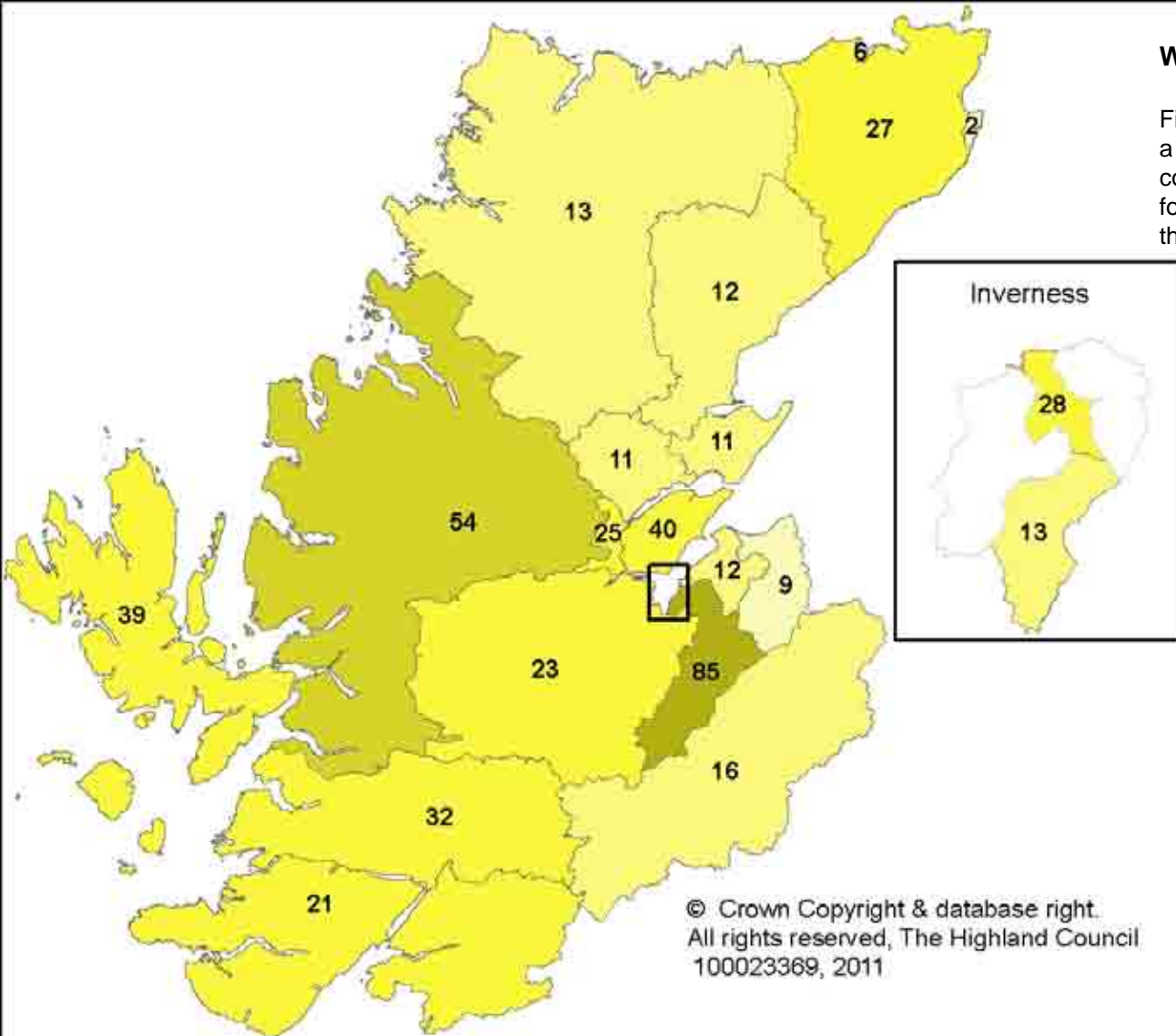


A detailed analysis by Council Ward can be seen overleaf in Figure 3. The key wards where development rates have remained relatively high were in Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh; Black Isle; Eilean a' Cheo`; Inverness South.

The figures are based on Building Standards completion certificates issued by the Council.

WARD FOCUS

Figure 2, left, shows a map of numbers of completions by ward for 2011 / 2012 for the first 2 quarters



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Figure 3: Housing completions for 2006/07 to 30/9/2011

Note: In a previous version of this briefing note the year columns were correct, but Highland Totals included two previous years. Highland Totals corrected on 29/2/2012

Ward	Ward Name	Year						Highland	Total
		2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012		
1	North, West and Central Sutherland	48	20	41	20	25	13	167	
2	Thurso	26	54	50	11	30	6	177	
3	Wick	44	38	23	7	23	2	137	
4	Landward Caithness	70	71	73	71	52	27	364	
5	East Sutherland and Edderton	29	27	64	52	40	12	224	
6	Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh	74	61	93	83	56	54	421	
7	Cromarty Firth	79	69	80	67	48	11	354	
8	Tain and Easter Ross	41	44	55	66	33	11	250	
9	Dingwall and Seaforth	36	84	118	54	57	25	374	
10	Black Isle	27	27	45	20	39	40	198	
11	Eilean a' Cheò	96	114	146	109	87	39	591	
12	Caol and Mallaig	31	60	48	40	38	32	249	
13	Aird and Loch Ness	89	153	137	73	115	23	590	
14	Inverness West	34	52	25	3	17		131	
15	Inverness Central	87	150	50	21	29	28	365	
16	Inverness Ness-Side	96	95	6	22	85	13	317	
17	Inverness Millburn	2	1	3	16	5		27	
18	Culloden and Ardersier	68	68	52	11	11	12	222	
19	Nairn	67	60	53	53	87	9	329	
20	Inverness South	482	406	286	208	205	85	1672	
21	Badenoch and Strathspey	177	151	72	67	84	16	567	
22	Fort William and Ardnamurchan	58	40	48	45	33	21	245	
	Highland	1761	1845	1568	1119	1199	479	7971	

Note 2011/12 Figures are Quarter 1 & 2 (April to September) only