

Rating unit projections

The projections have been developed to comply with Schedule 10 section 15A of the LGA 2002 and to allow DCC to use these projections in their long term planning process.

Rating unit categories	2025/2026	2026/2027	2027/2028	2028/2029	2029/2030	2030/2031	2031/2032	2032/2033	2033/2034
Residential and lifestyle	52,297	52,763	53,233	53,661	54,091	54,525	54,963	55,404	55,771
Commercial	4,589	4,629	4,671	4,708	4,746	4,784	4,823	4,861	4,893
Other	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159	5,159
Total rating units	62,045	62,551	63,063	63,528	63,996	64,468	64,945	65,424	65,823

The average annual increase in total rating units for the 10 year plan 2024-34 period is 479 rating units per year, approximately 0.8% per year. The approach differs for each type of rating unit, which is discussed below.

Residential and Lifestyle - the assumption is that each new dwelling creates a new rating unit. This means that in the long term, the current provision of vacant properties will be replenished as they are utilised. The 2023 rating unit base data is calculated using the DCC's rating information on land uses. The number of Residential and Lifestyle rating units was then increased by the percentage of growth in dwellings for each period.

Commercial Rating Units - The future demand for Commercial rating units is based on the projected household growth.

Other rating units - The remaining rating unit categories (Farmland, Churches, Schools, other) make up 8% of the total rating units. For simplicity, these rating units are assumed to remain the same.