

**Protecting the Public Purse  
The National Picture**

Fraud Type	2012/13			2011/12			% difference	
	Value	Cases	Value per case	Value	Cases	Value per case	Value	Number
	£		£	£		£		
Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit	120,000,000	47,000	2,553	117,000,000	54,000	2,167	2.56%	-12.96%
Council Tax discounts	19,600,000	54,000	363	21,000,000	61,000	344	-6.67%	-11.48%
Business Rates *	7,200,000	149	48,322	2,600,000	319	8,150	176.92%	-53.29%
Right to Buy	5,900,000	102	57,843	1,200,000	38	31,579	391.67%	168.42%
Abuse of Position	4,500,000	283	15,901	5,600,000	297	18,855	-19.64%	-4.71%
Social Care	4,000,000	200	20,000	2,200,000	122	18,033	81.82%	63.93%
Payroll, pensions, expenses	3,000,000	493	6,085	3,500,000	640	5,469	-14.29%	-22.97%
False insurance claims	3,000,000	74	40,541	2,100,000	132	15,909	42.86%	-43.94%
Blue Badges	1,500,000	2,901	517	2,400,000	4,809	499	-37.50%	-39.68%
Procurement	1,900,000	203	9,360	8,100,000	187	43,316	-76.54%	8.56%
Other	7,400,000	1,595	4,639	13,300,000	2,456	5,415	-44.36%	-35.06%
<b>Total</b>	<b>178,000,000</b>	<b>107,000</b>	<b>1,664</b>	<b>179,000,000</b>	<b>124,000</b>	<b>1,444</b>	<b>-0.56%</b>	<b>-13.71%</b>

\*Note – the figure for 2012-13 is inflated by a single fraud in a single council