

Prestonpans, East Lothian

Population 9,140

Prestonpans in East Lothian is probably best known for the Battle of Prestonpans in 1745. It dates from the 1600s and was a burgh. As the name suggests it produced salt. It was also known for pottery and brewing. Prestongrange was the port and it traded with Hanseatic League countries. Coal was found early and developed commercially most recently at Prestongrange Colliery which closed in 1962. Much new public housing was built in the town and more recently new private housing has been built with most residents commuting.

Social and council housing are the norm in this type of medium-sized town. Manufacturing and construction are the dominant forms of employment. Health and social work services are particularly active. There is a higher level of unemployment. Educational attainment is low. Car ownership is low, meaning that many residents in these towns are reliant on public transport.

Prestonpans is an interdependent to dependent town.

Its most similar towns are [Harthill](#), [Gorebridge](#), [Kelty](#), and [Blackburn \(West Lothian\)](#).

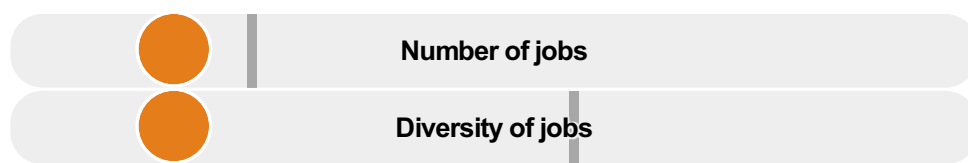
To gain more insight into Prestonpans, compare it to any of the other towns included in USP.

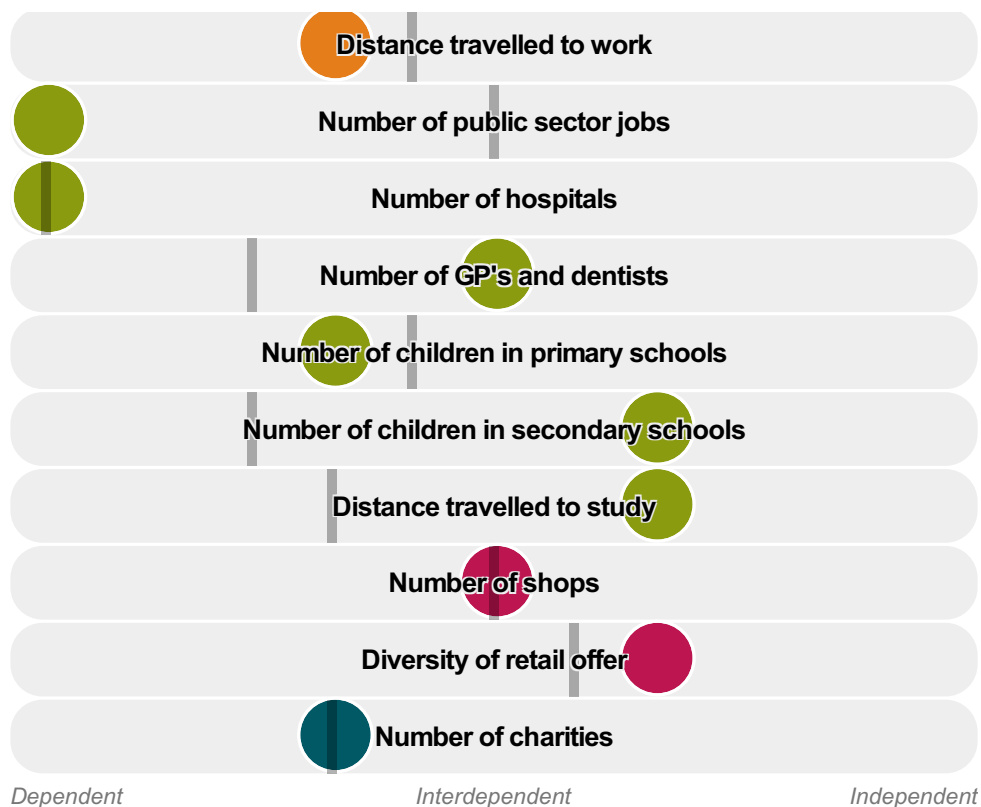
Inter-relationships

Dependent

Interdependent

Independent





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Combining inter-relationships and typology, Prestonpans is grouped with 10 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of charities, hospitals, children in primary schools, jobs, shops, and diversity of retail offer. It also has similarities in the distance travelled to work.

It differs in terms of the number of children in secondary schools. It also differs in the diversity of jobs, and the distance travelled to study. Prestonpans differs most from its group in the number of public sector jobs.

- Employment
- Public
- Commercial
- Social
- Average for the category

Change

Population change 2001 to 2011

28%

More than similar towns per head of population

Population

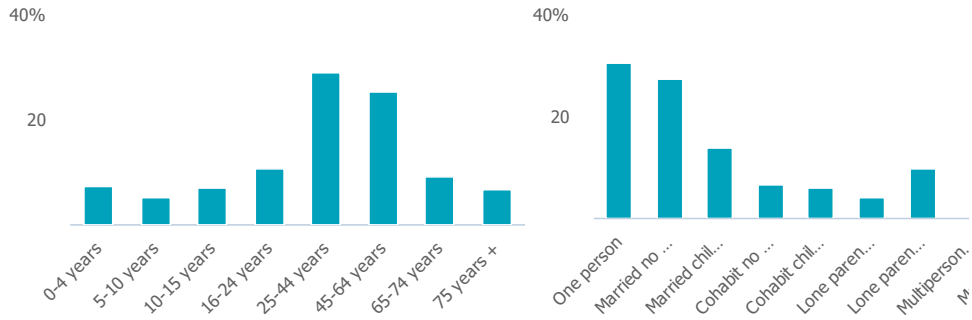
Population 2011

9k

More than similar towns

Age

Household composition



Employment

Jobs

1k

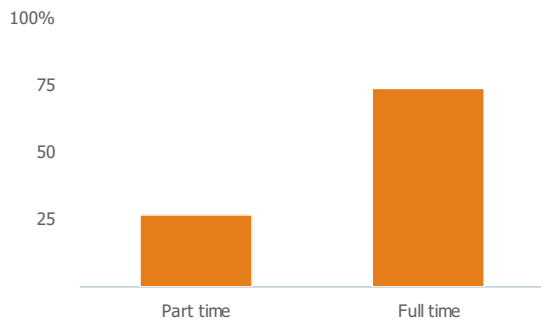
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Jobs change 2009 to 2014

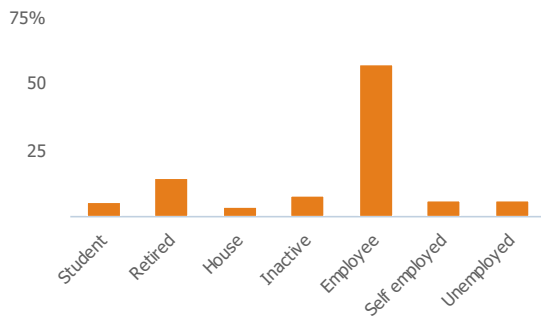
-4%

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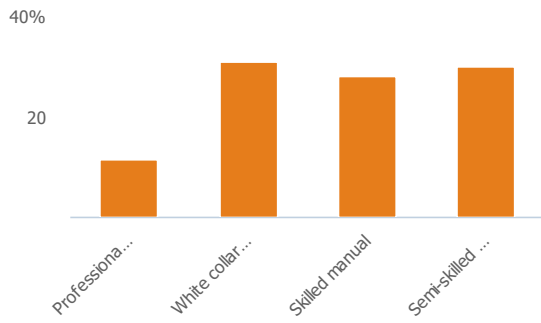
Employment type(% working full time vs part time aged 16-74)



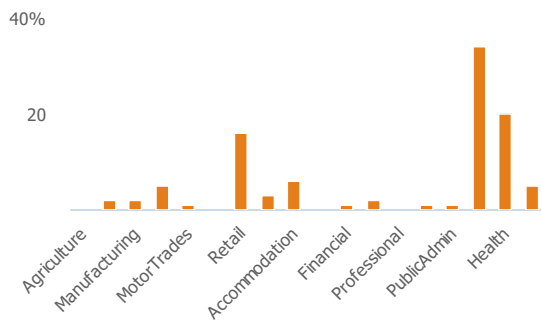
Occupation (% aged 16-74)



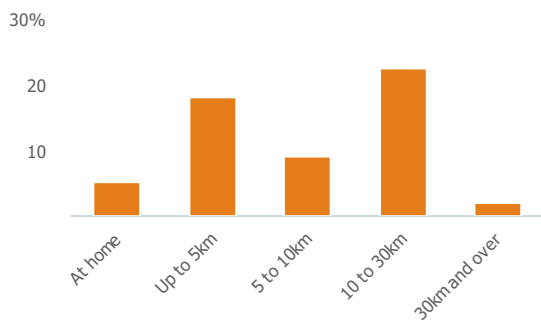
Social Grade (% households aged 16-64)



Sector Diversity

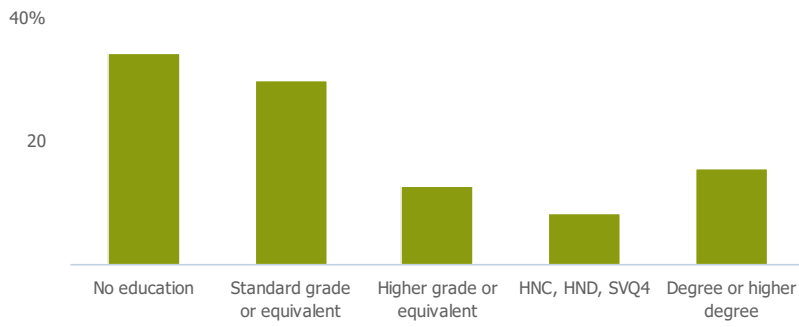


Distance travelled to work



Public

Education (% all people aged 16 and over)



Children in primary schools

705

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Commuter Flow Map

Coloured and grey lines/pins show the main and smaller commuter flows, respectively, between this town and the other towns in Scotland.

Commercial

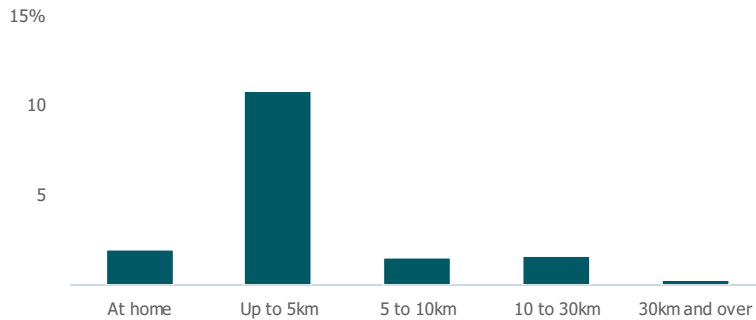
Number of people per shop

129

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Social

Distance travelled to study



Number of residents per charity

381

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Connectivity and environment assets

Average download speed (MBs)

21

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