Wishaw, North Lanarkshire

Population 30,391

Wishaw is in North Lanarkshire. It developed from a weaving village planned out in 1794 (originally Cambusnethan and Wishawtown) to become an industrial town in the 19th century with coal mining, iron, steel, smelting and distilling. Lorries, clock, rolling stock (R Y Pickering), sports goods have been manufactured here (including Anderson Boyes). In 1992 the iron and steel industry (British Steel) shut down. North Lanarkshire Council is now the major employer. Royal Mail has a distribution centre in Wishaw. The town has significant local retail and health services.

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

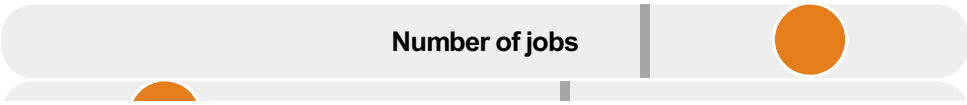
Wishaw is an interdependent town.

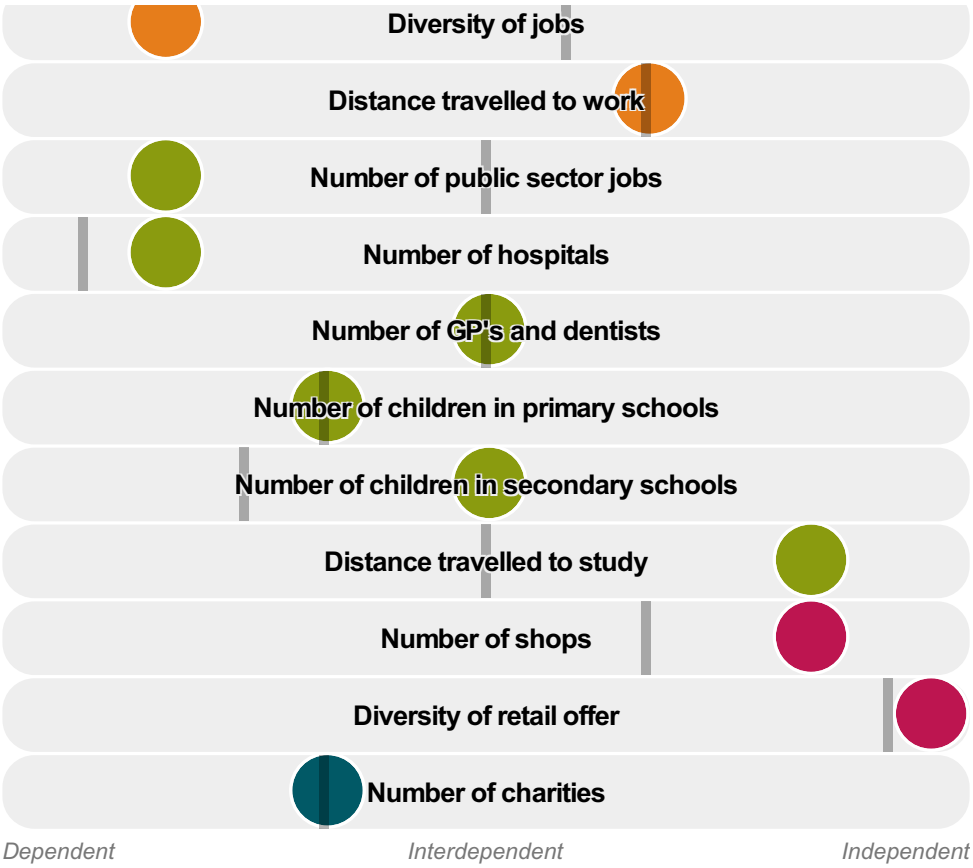
Its most similar towns are Irvine, Bellshill, Ardrossan, and Blantyre.

To gain more insight into Wishaw, 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, Wishaw is grouped with 11 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of charities, hospitals, children in primary schools, jobs, shops, GP's and dentists, and diversity of retail offer. It also has similarities in the distance travelled to work.

It differs in terms of the distance travelled to study. Wishaw differs most from its group in the number of public sector jobs; and the diversity of jobs.

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

Change

Population change 2001 to 2011

5%

More than similar towns per head of population

Population

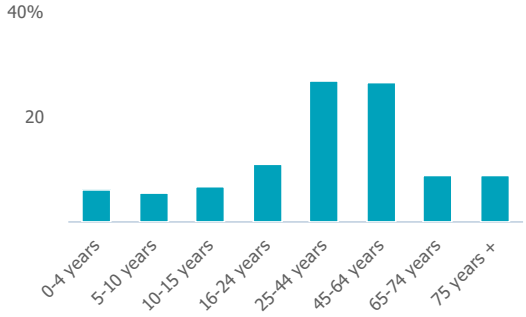
Population 2011

Population 2011

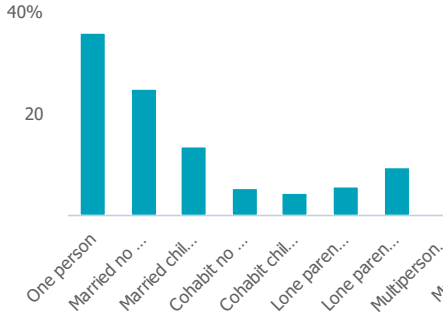
30k

More than similar towns

Age



Household compositi



Employment

Jobs

12k

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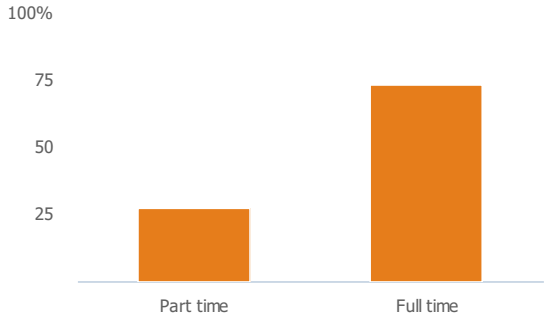
Jobs change 2009 to 2014

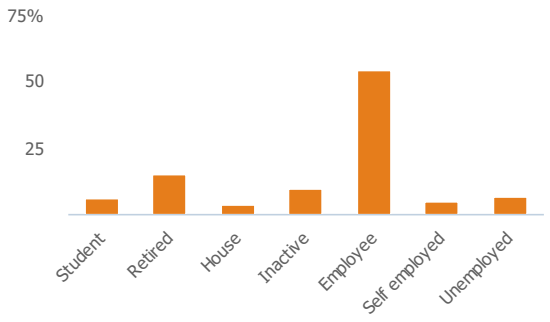
-10%

Less than similar towns per head of population

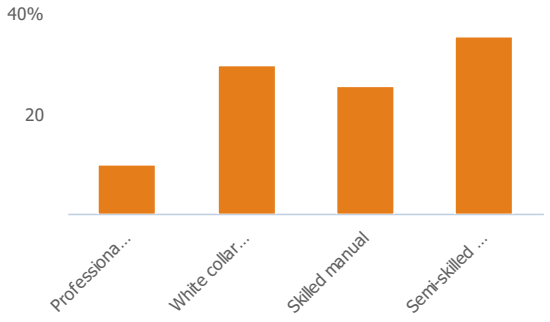
Employment type(% working full time vs part time aged 16-74)



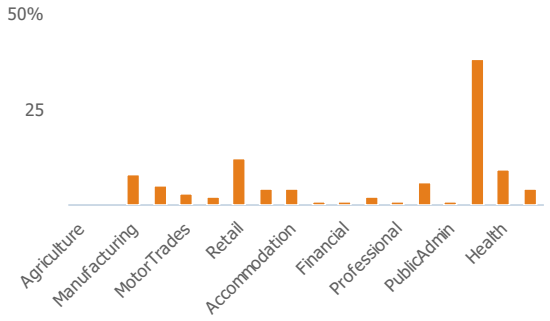
Occupation (% aged 16-74)



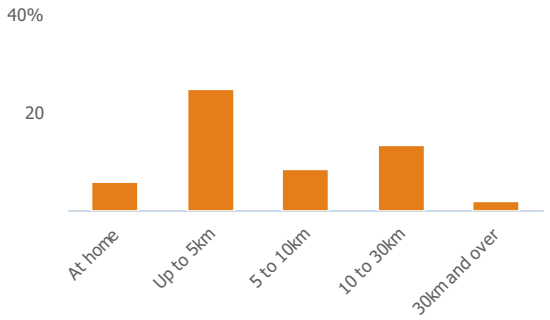
Social Grade (% households aged 16-64)



Sector Diversity

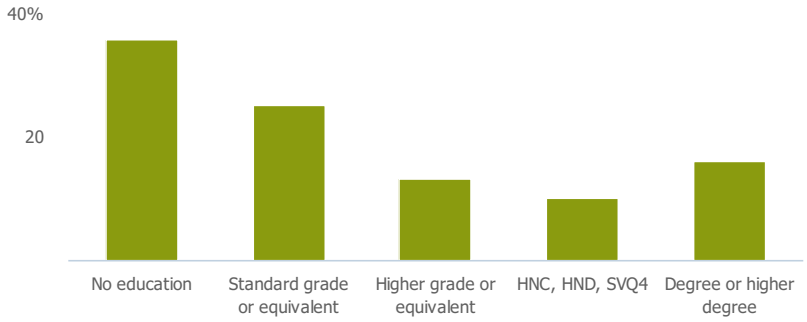


Distance travelled to work



Public

Education (% all people aged 16 and over)



Children in primary schools

2k

More than similar towns per head of population

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

87

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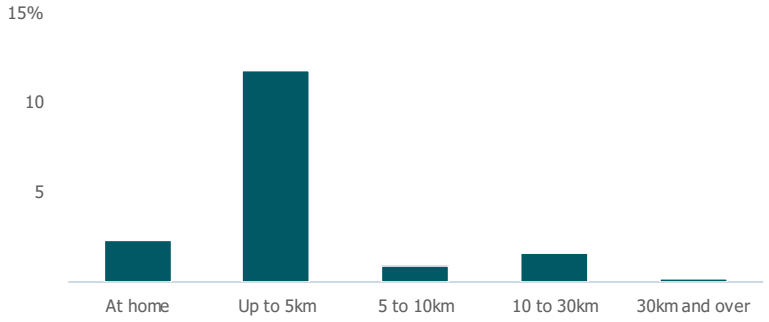
Social

Distance travelled to study



Number of residents per charity

573

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Connectivity and environment assets

Average download speed (MBs)

51

Less than similar towns per head of population

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