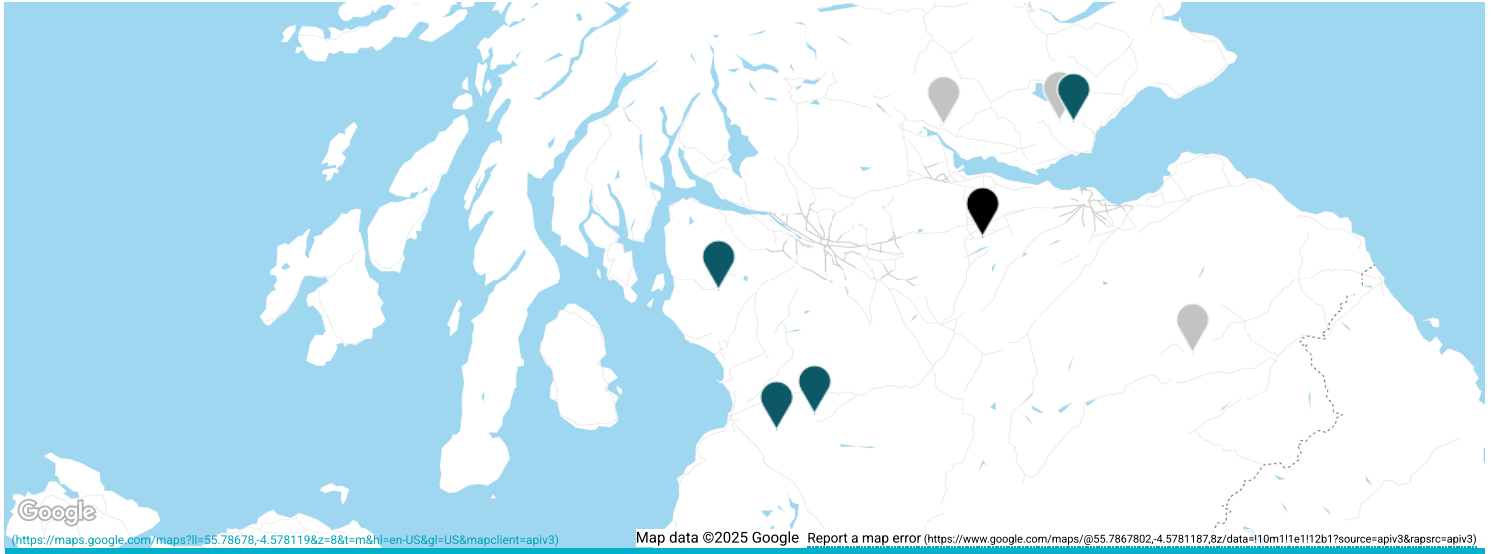




# Blackburn (West Lothian)

WEST LOTHIAN

POPULATION 5,273

Blackburn in West Lothian was a cotton manufacturing town. In the mid 19th century coal mining was developed. Much of the expansion of the town, however, was a result of the Glasgow overspill programme with new public housing being built. The closure of British Leyland has left the town without a secure economic base and it is increasingly a commuter town.

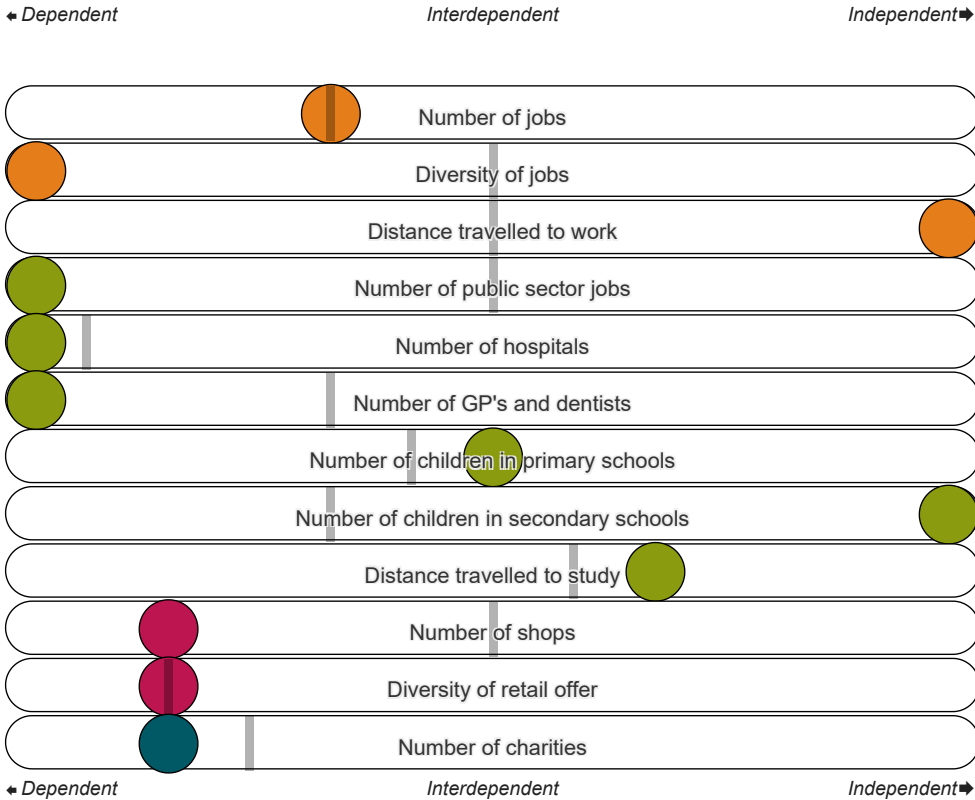
In medium towns like this one, people experience more challenging circumstances with higher rates of unemployment, poorer health, lack of a car, lower levels of education and lower social grades than other groups. A higher proportion live in social rented housing. There is a higher proportion of single person households and lone parents.

Blackburn (West Lothian) is an interdependent to dependent town.

Its most similar towns are [Auchinleck](#), [Cardenden and Auchterderran](#), [Drongan](#), and [Kilbirnie](#).

To gain more insight into Blackburn (West Lothian), compare it to any of the other towns included in USP.

## Inter-relationships



Blackburn (West Lothian) is an **interdependent to dependent town**.

Combining inter-relationships and typology, Blackburn (West Lothian) is grouped with 7 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of charities, hospitals, children in primary schools, jobs, and diversity of retail offer. It also has similarities in the distance travelled to study.

It differs in terms of the number of children in secondary schools, and shops. It also differs in the distance travelled to work. Blackburn (West Lothian) differs most from its group in the number of public sector jobs, and GP's and dentists; and the diversity of jobs.

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

**Population change 2011 to 2022****-1%**

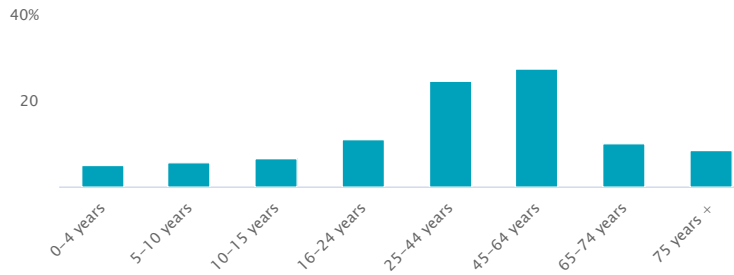
▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

**Household change 2011 to 2022****2%**

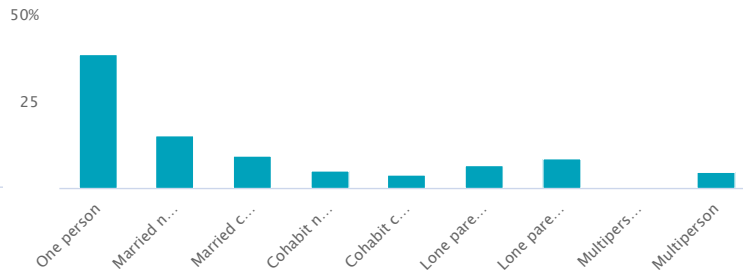
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# Population

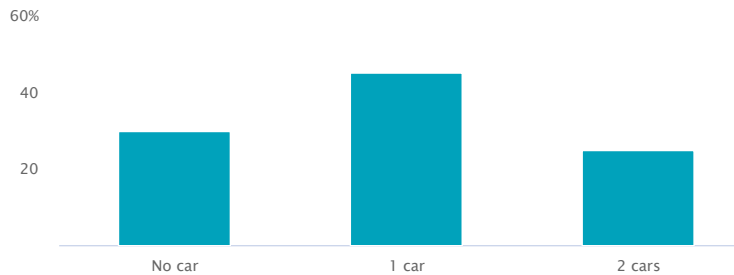
## Age



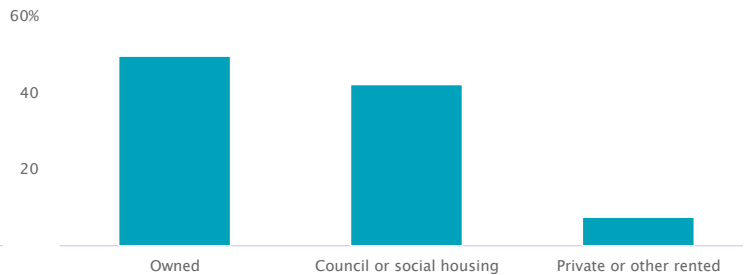
## Household composition



## Car ownership



## Tenure



## Population 2022

**5k**

▲ More  
than similar towns

## Households 2022

**3k**

▲ More  
than similar towns

## Population change 2011 to 2022

**-1%**

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

## Household change 2011 to 2022

**2%**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Very bad health

**3%**

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

## No central heating

**1%**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Occupancy rating of bedrooms 1 or less

**2%**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Disabled

**10%**

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population



# Employment

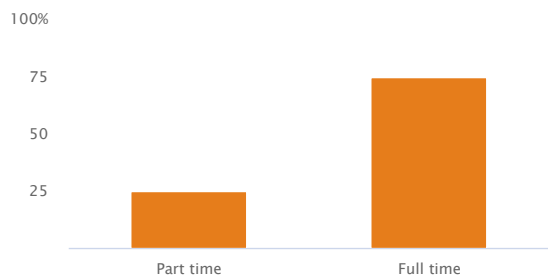
## Jobs

800

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

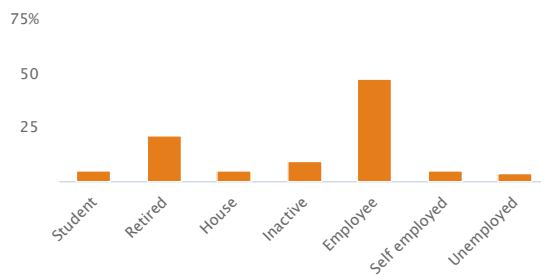
## Employment type

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



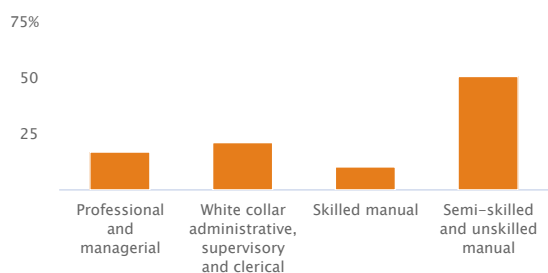
## Occupation

(% aged 16-74)

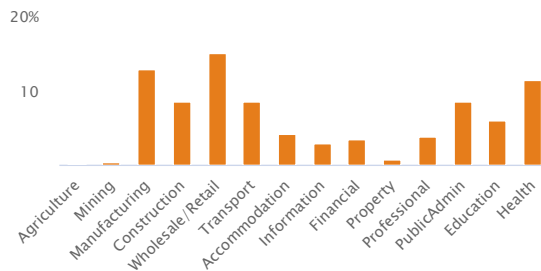


## Social Grade

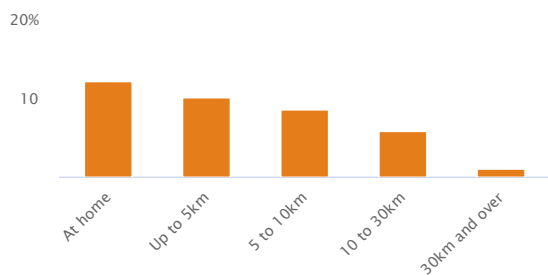
(% households aged 16-64)



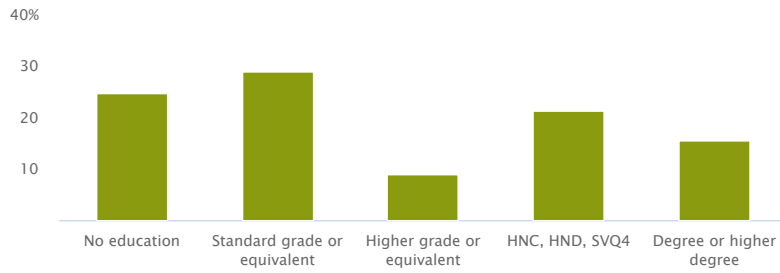
## Sector Diversity



## Distance travelled to work



**Education**  
(% all people aged 16 and over)



**Children in primary schools**

438

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

**Children in secondary schools**

1k

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

**Hospitals**

0

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**GP's and dentists**

0

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

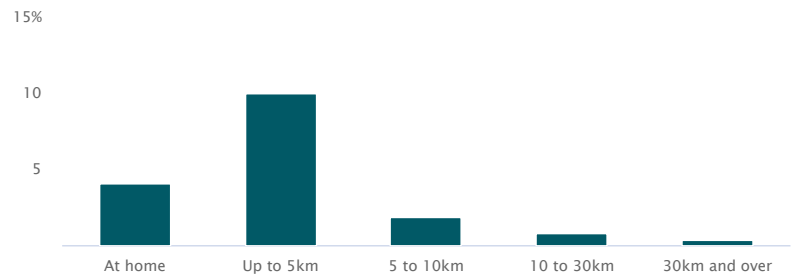
**Number of people per shop****527**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**Diversity of retail offer (%)****33**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

Distance travelled to study



Number of residents per charity



▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population





# Environment Indicators

Households with D, E, F  
energy performance  
certificate rating

18%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

Households with green  
energy heating system

0%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

Average house price (£)

162k

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population