





#### POPULATION 2,148

Forth is in South Lanarkshire. It was historically a handloom weaving village. It became a mining and quarrying town were then developed. It was known as Wilsontown after the local laird developed an ironworks in the 18th century. The mines closed in the 1950s and 1960s but open cast mining continued for some years. Now a major windfarm is located close to Forth but it has not generated jobs.

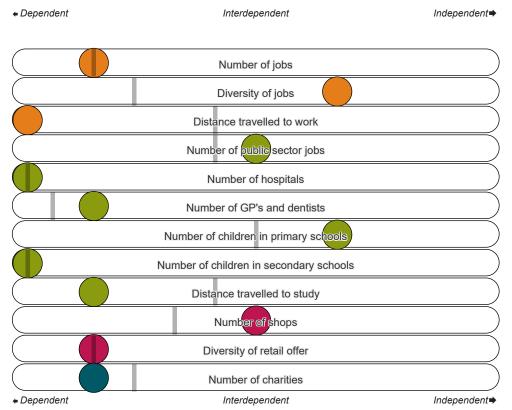
In this, and similar small towns, people experience more challenging circumstances with higher rates of unemployment, poorer health, lack of a car, lower levels of education and lower social grades than other groups. A higher proportion live in social rented housing. There is a higher proportion of single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

Forth is a dependent to interdependent town.

Its most similar towns are Addiewell, Allanton, Burnfoot, and Catrine.

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

# **Inter-relationships**



Forth is a **dependent to interdependent** town.

Combining inter-relationships and typology, Forth is grouped with 17 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of charities, hospitals, children in primary schools, children in secondary schools, jobs, public sector jobs, shops, GP's and dentists, and diversity of retail offer.

It differs in terms of the diversity of jobs, and the distance travelled to study. Forth differs most from its group in the distance travelled to work.

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



# Population change 2011 to 2022

-5%

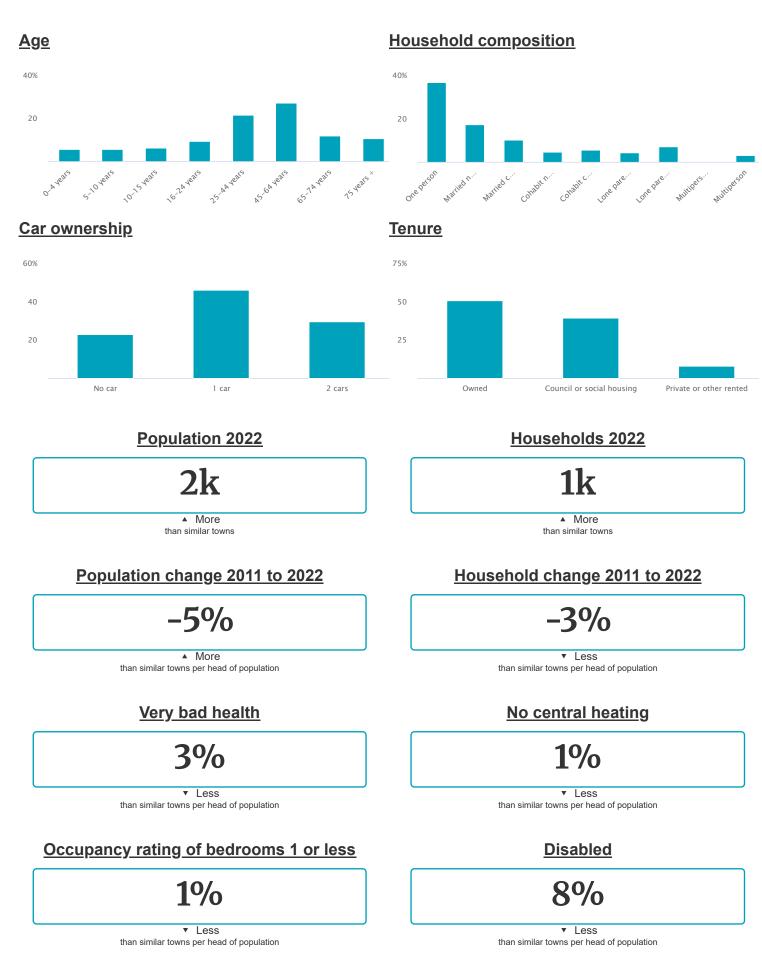
▲ More than similar towns per head of population

# Household change 2011 to 2022

-3%

▼ Less than similar towns per head of population







#### **Jobs**

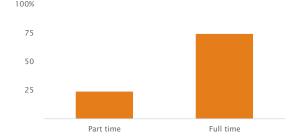
200

▼ Less

than similar towns per head of population

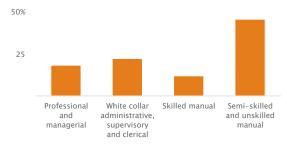
# **Employment type**

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

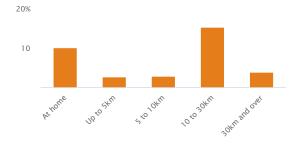


# **Social Grade**

(% households aged 16-64)

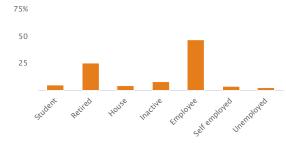


#### Distance travelled to work

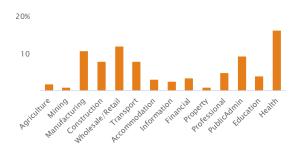


# **Occupation**

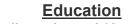
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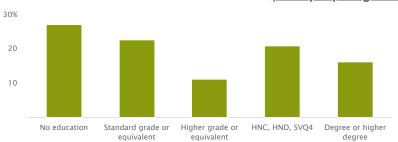
#### **Sector Diversity**







(% all people aged 16 and over)



# **Children in primary schools**

198

▲ More

than similar towns per head of population

# **Children in secondary schools**

0

Less

than similar towns per head of population

### **Hospitals**

0

The same

as similar towns per head of population

# **GP's and dentists**

1

▲ More

than similar towns per head of population



# Number of people per shop

215

▲ More

than similar towns per head of population

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

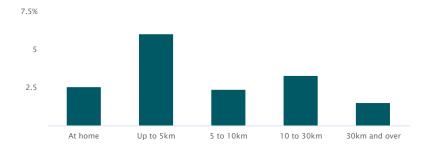
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▲ More

than similar towns per head of population



# **Distance travelled to study**



# Number of residents per charity

716

▼ Less

than similar towns per head of population



Households with D, E, F
energy performance
certificate rating

31%

▲ More

than similar towns per head of population

<u>Households with green</u> <u>energy heating system</u>

21%

▲ More than similar towns per head of population

Average house price (£)

116k

▼ Less than similar towns per head of population