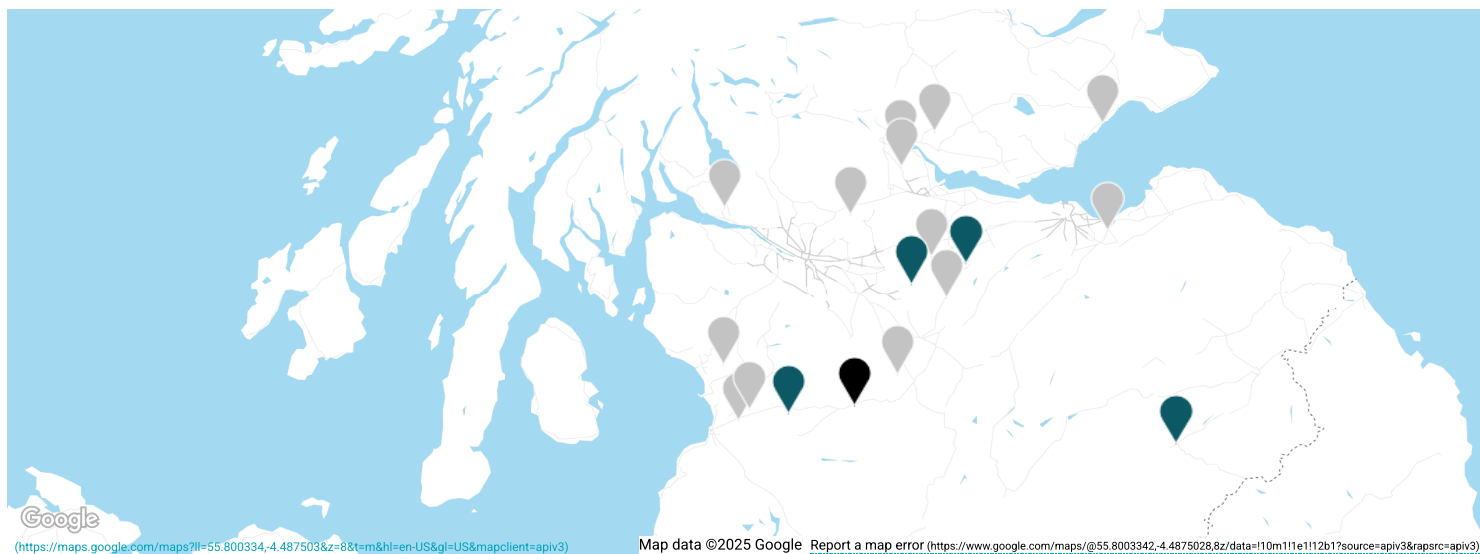




Muirkirk

EAST AYRSHIRE

POPULATION **1,324**

Muirkirk is in East Ayrshire. The discovery of coal in the 18th century led to the expansion of a rather mediocre fermtoun. The tar was extracted from the coal and became valued for coating ships. Another development was the invention of Macadam by the town's most famous son. The closure of the mines left little employment. Work to regenerate the town is in progress.

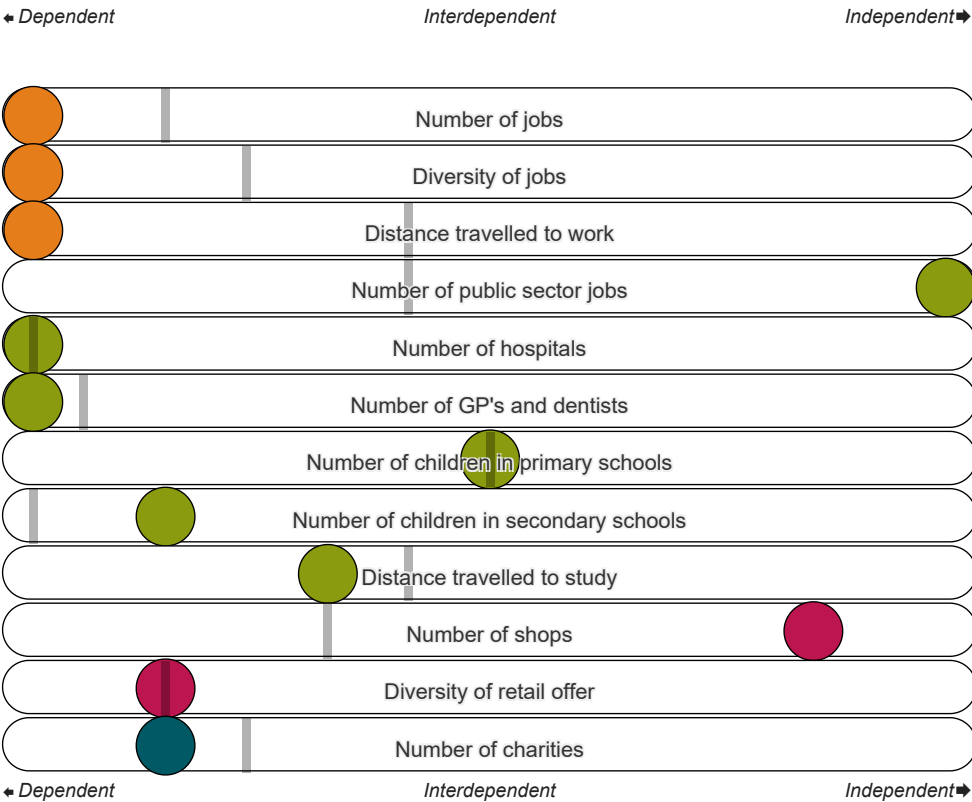
In this, and similar small towns, people experience more challenging circumstances with higher rates of unemployment, poorer health, lack of a car, lower levels of education and lower social grades than other groups. A higher proportion live in social rented housing. There is a higher proportion of single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

Muirkirk is a dependent to interdependent town.

Its most similar towns are [Addiewell](#), [Allanton](#), [Burnfoot](#), and [Catrine](#).

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

Inter-relationships



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

Combining inter-relationships and typology, Muirkirk 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, GP's and dentists, and diversity of retail offer. It also has similarities in the distance travelled to study.

It differs in terms of the number of public sector jobs, and shops. Muirkirk differs most from its group in the distance travelled to work.

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

Population change 2011 to 2022**-13%**

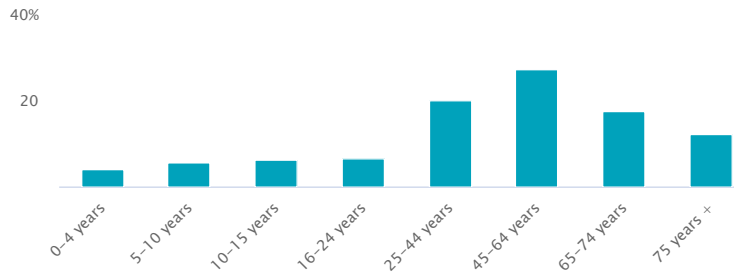
▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Household change 2011 to 2022**-9%**

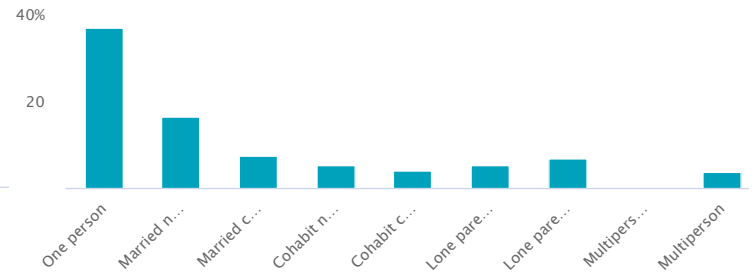
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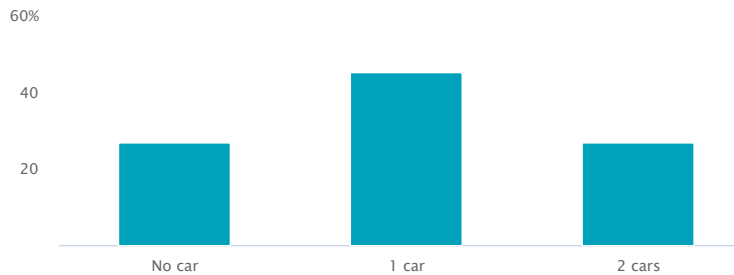
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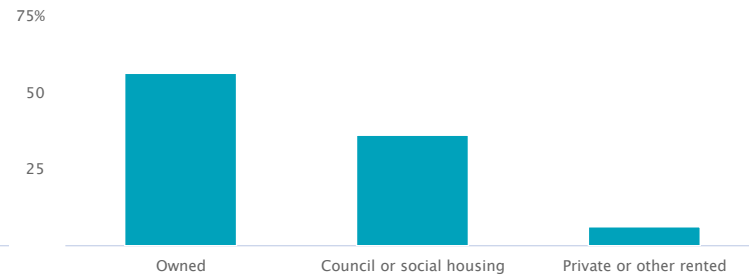
Household composition



Car ownership



Tenure



Population 2022

1k

▼ Less
than similar towns

Households 2022

654

▼ Less
than similar towns

Population change 2011 to 2022

-13%

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Household change 2011 to 2022

-9%

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Very bad health

4%

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

No central heating

2%

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

Occupancy rating of bedrooms 1 or less

1%

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Disabled

11%

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

Employment

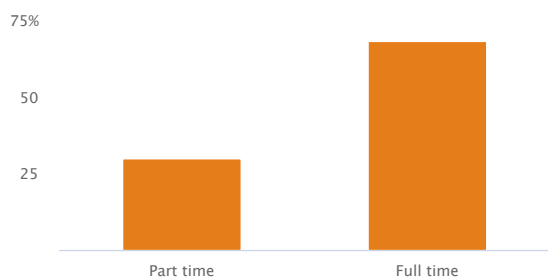
Jobs

100

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

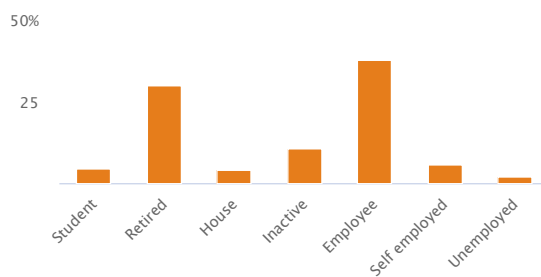
Employment type

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



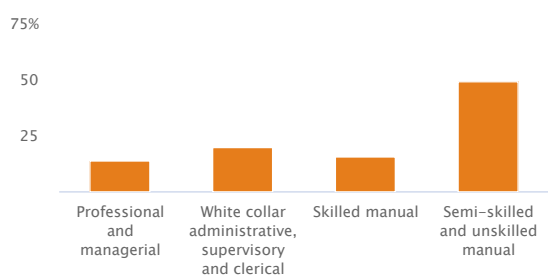
Occupation

(% aged 16-74)

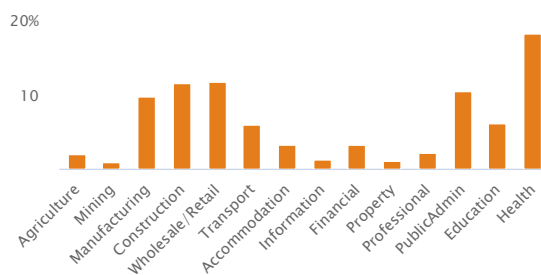


Social Grade

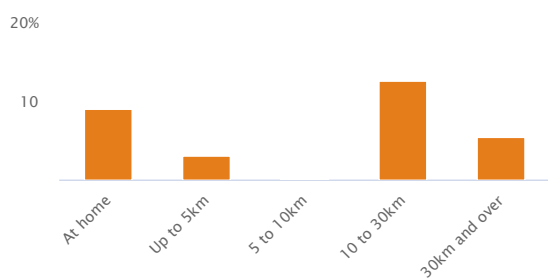
(% households aged 16-64)



Sector Diversity

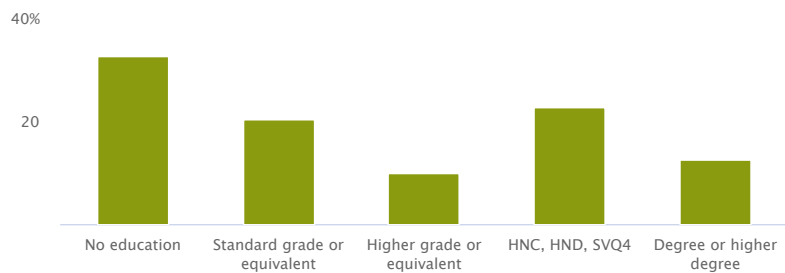


Distance travelled to work



Education

(% all people aged 16 and over)



Children in primary schools

103

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Children in secondary schools

20

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

Hospitals

0

The same
as similar towns per head of population

GP's and dentists

0

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

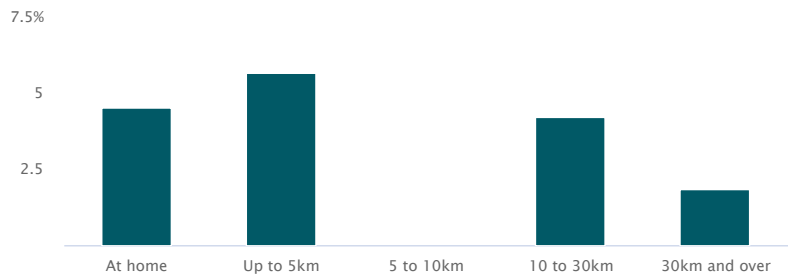
Number of people per shop**83**

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

Diversity of retail offer (%)**0**

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Distance travelled to study



Number of residents per charity

662

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Households with D, E, F
energy performance
certificate rating

22%

▲ More
than similar towns per head of population

Households with green
energy heating system

1%

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population

Average house price (£)

88k

▼ Less
than similar towns per head of population