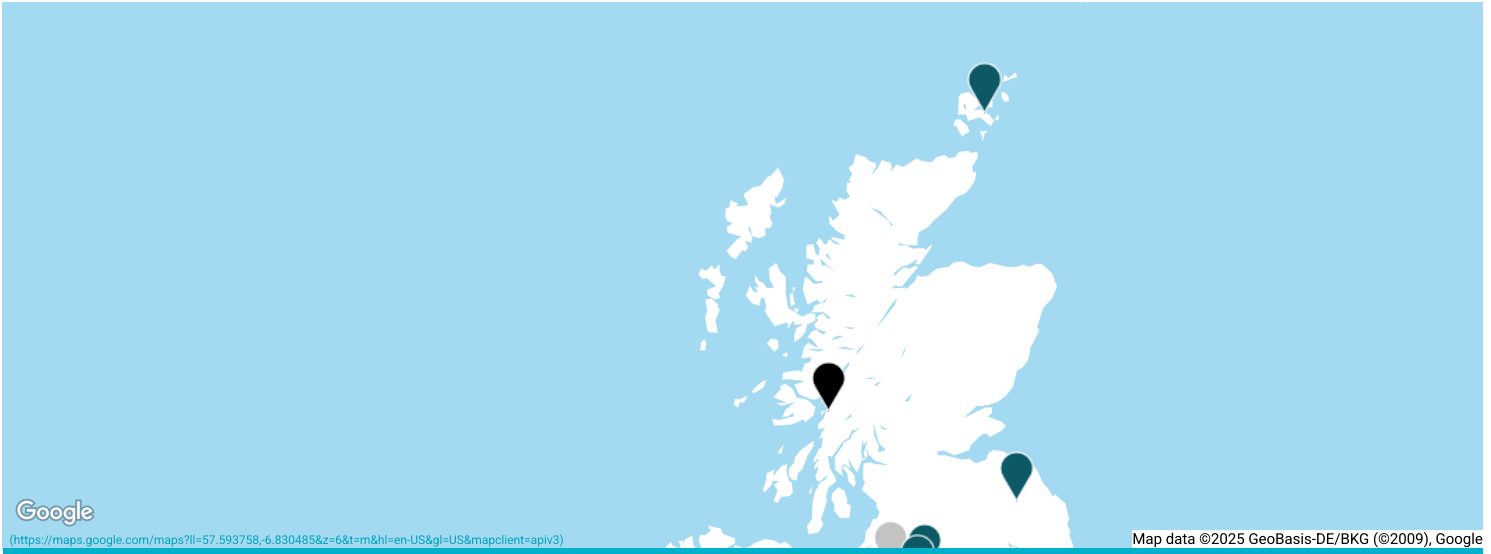




# Oban

ARGYLL AND BUTE

POPULATION **8,000**

Oban is in Argyll and Bute. It was in the past and still is a key ferry port for the Inner Hebrides. The arrival of the railway strengthened its role as a gateway to the inner Hebrides. Tourism is important to the town. It is also a service centre for islands such as Mull and has facilities such as a cattle market.

In this medium town, population includes older people, some still in work often in less well paid sectors. It also includes a significant inactive population, some in poorer health. There is a higher proportion of single households and car ownership is lower.

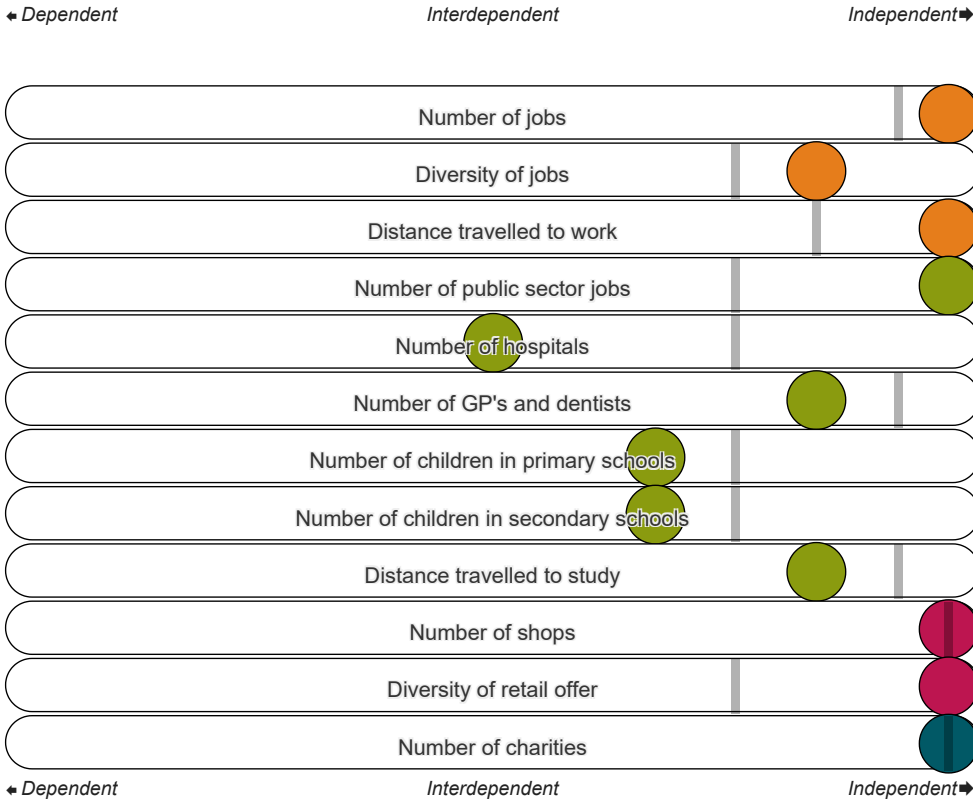
Oban is an independent town.

Its most similar towns are [Castle Douglas](#), [Kelso](#), [Kirkcudbright](#), and [Kirkwall](#).

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

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## Inter-relationships



Oban is an **independent** town.

Combining inter-relationships and typology, Oban is grouped with 6 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of charities, children in primary schools, children in secondary schools, jobs, shops, and GP's and dentists. It also has similarities in the diversity of jobs, and the distance travelled to study.

Oban differs most from its group in the number of diversity of retail offer.

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

**Population change 2011 to 2022****-7%**

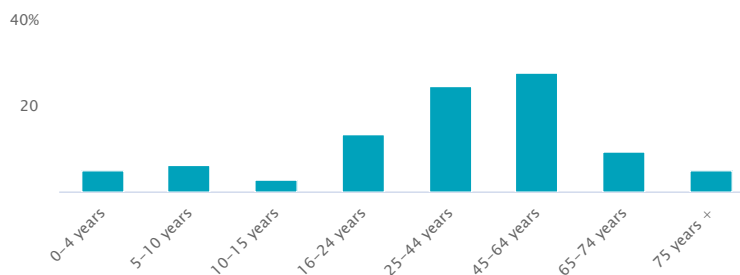
▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**Household change 2011 to 2022****3%**

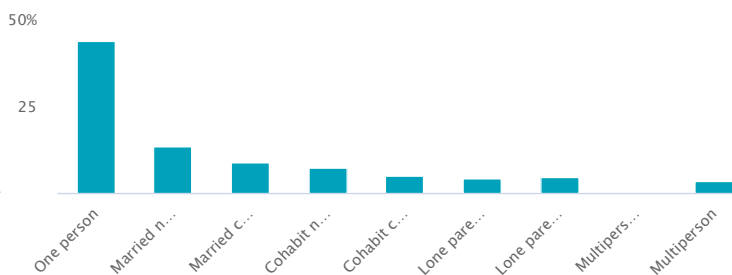
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# Population

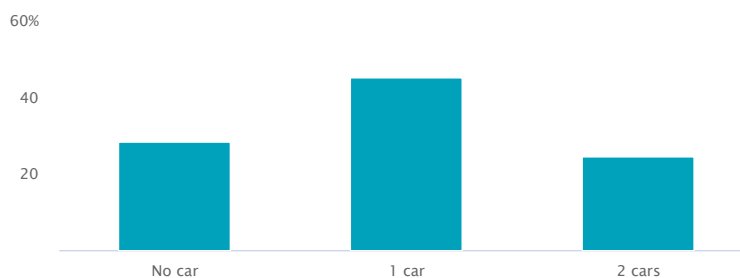
## Age



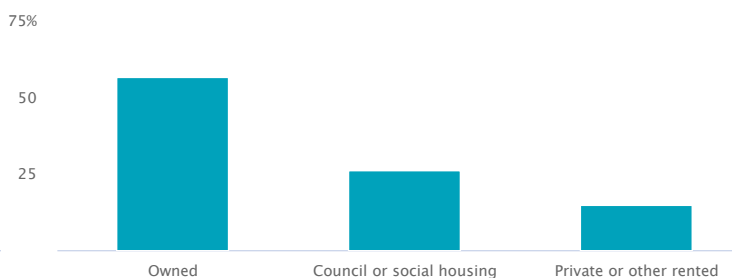
## Household composition



## Car ownership



## Tenure



## Population 2022

8k

▲ More  
than similar towns

## Households 2022

4k

▲ More  
than similar towns

## Population change 2011 to 2022

-7%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Household change 2011 to 2022

3%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Very bad health

2%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## No central heating

5%

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

## Occupancy rating of bedrooms 1 or less

2%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

## Disabled

5%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population



# Employment

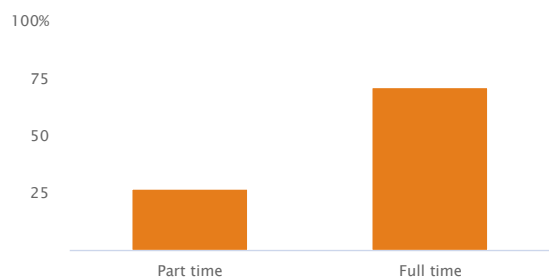
## Jobs

6k

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

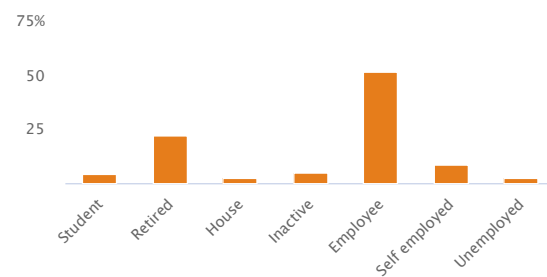
## Employment type

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



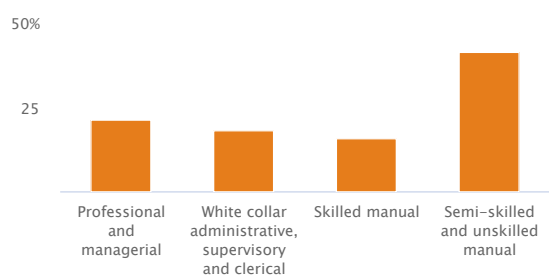
## Occupation

(% aged 16-74)

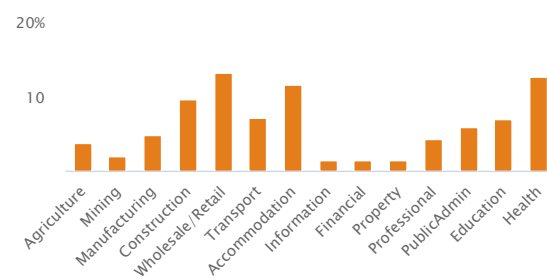


## Social Grade

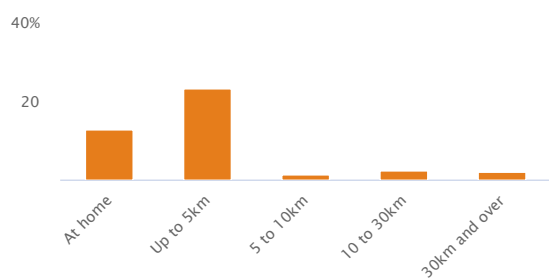
(% households aged 16-64)



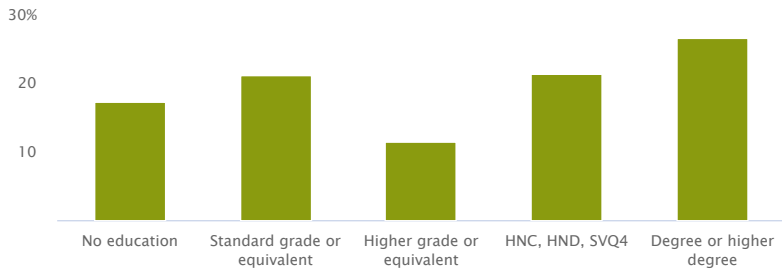
## Sector Diversity



## Distance travelled to work



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



**Children in primary schools**

733

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**Children in secondary schools**

1k

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**Hospitals**

1

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**GP's and dentists**

22

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

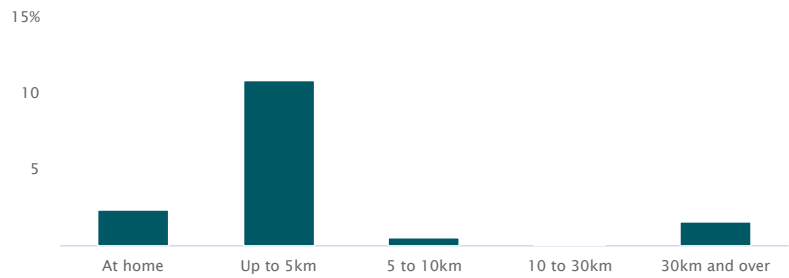
**Number of people per shop****50**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

**Diversity of retail offer (%)****19**

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

Distance travelled to study



Number of residents per charity



▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

# Environment Indicators

Households with D, E, F  
energy performance  
certificate rating

34%

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population

Households with green  
energy heating system

11%

▲ More  
than similar towns per head of population

Average house price (£)

220k

▼ Less  
than similar towns per head of population