

Population

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The population of the Falkirk area is increasing. It currently stands at its highest ever figure of 150,720, making it the 11th largest council in Scotland. It is predicted to grow to over 16,000 by the mid 2020's. The table below illustrates the population of Falkirk with a percentage comparison to Scotland. The population of the Falkirk Council area is characterised by a slightly young age profile as a whole. The table shows 14.7% of the population in Falkirk are within the age band 65-74, this is higher than the Scottish average of 8.9%.

Population of Falkirk 2007

Age Group	Falkirk				Scotland
	Males	Females	Total	%	%
0-4	4,509	4,264	8,773	5.8%	5.3%
5-15	9,936	9,452	19,388	12.9%	12.5%
16-19	4,097	3,658	7,755	5.1%	5.1%
20-44	24,985	26,333	51,318	34.0%	34.2%
45-59	14,997	15,816	30,813	20.4%	20.6%
60-64	4,339	4,493	8,832	5.9%	5.9%
65-74	6,171	7,216	13,387	8.9%	8.9%
75-84	3,198	4,764	7,962	5.3%	5.6%
85+	749	1,743	2,492	1.7%	1.9%
Total	72,981	77,739	150,720		

Source: General Register Office for Scotland, Mid Year Estimates of Population

The populations of the main towns are:

Settlement	Population
Falkirk	34,071
Grangemouth	17,193
Bo'ness	14,620
Stenhousemuir	10,402
Denny	8,146
Larbert	6,933
Polmont	5,471
Bonnybridge	4,939

Source: Falkirk Council R & I Unit