



Wishaw Community Profile

Wishaw - general information

The information presented refer to community boards' geographical areas.

The community board areas are made up of the council ward(s).

The data used in this dashboard was aggregated up from sources of different level of detail (granularity), so some statistics might be derived from smaller areas (smaller geometries) like intermediate zones, data zones or postcodes. Please note the Intermediate zones and data zones are attributed to the council wards and community board areas on a best fit basis.

The Wishaw Community Board area includes the two wards of Wishaw and Murdostoun in North Lanarkshire. Located on the edge of the Clyde Valley, southeast of Glasgow, the area blends suburban neighbourhoods with green open spaces and a historic town centre, reflecting both its Victorian industrial roots and its modern suburban identity.

The community brings together long-established families, newcomers and a growing number of young people and children. Local schools serve pupils from a wide range of backgrounds with many languages spoken, highlighting both the area's cultural richness and the importance of inclusive educational support.

Housing in the area varies from flats and terraced houses to semi-detached and larger homes. Many residents own their homes, though social housing and rental options are also vital. While most households are well housed some face affordability and availability challenges, particularly in higher-demand neighbourhoods.

Schools in the area note that many pupils qualify for free school meals and benefit from wraparound and additional support services. This reflects the economic strains some families face and the emphasis on supporting children's wellbeing and learning.

Although much of the area experiences relative stability parts of the board show higher levels of income and employment-related pressures. Some families and older residents rely on benefit support, underlining areas of local need. Community action is focused on improving access to employment, expanding training, enhancing transport connections and strengthening support services to promote inclusive growth and community well-being.

Wishaw - geography

This dashboard provides an overview of Wishaw's geographic characteristics about its area, population density, wards, intermediate zones and data zones, along with a map showing ward boundaries.

Geographic characteristics



Area

30

square km



Population
density

1,280

per square km

Geographic overview

Wards

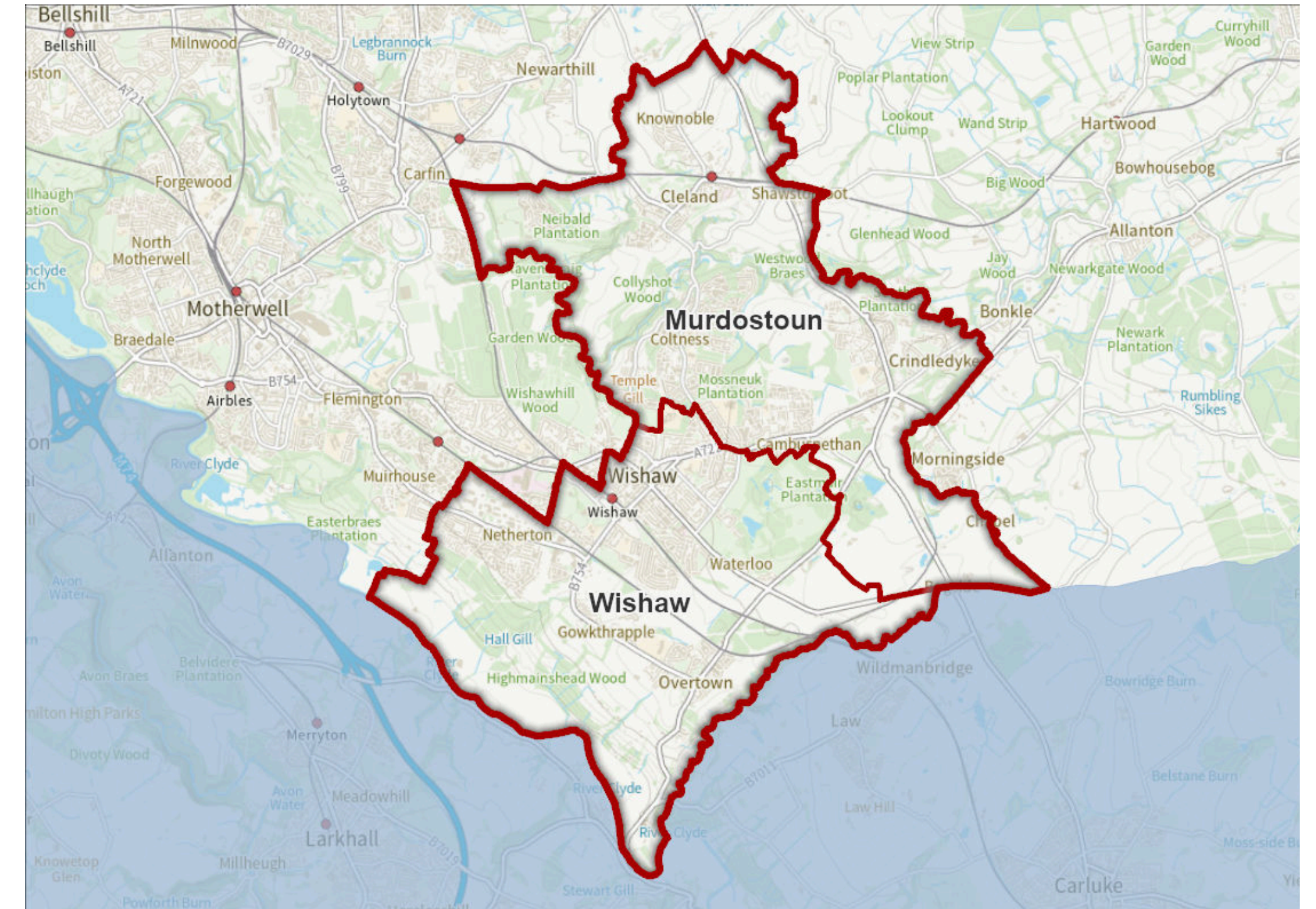
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Intermediate zones

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Data zones

55



The Wishaw Community Board consists of 2 wards which are Murdostoun and Wishaw.

There are 11 intermediate zones (2022) and 55 data zones (2022).

Wishaw - geography context

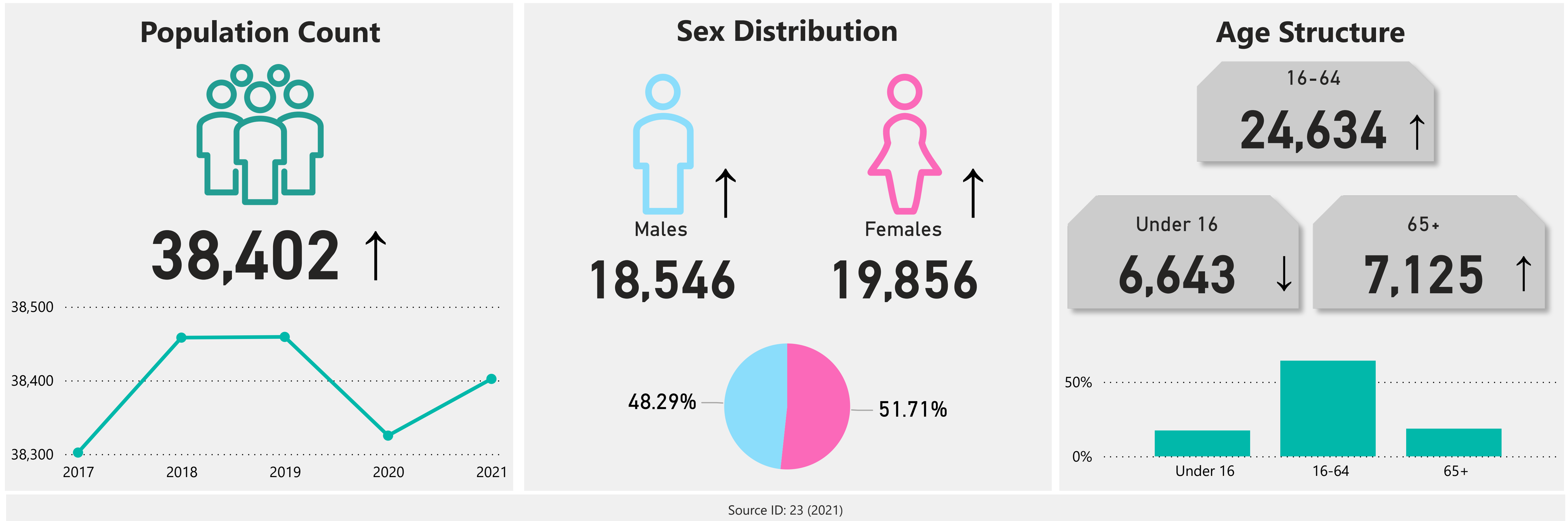
Wishaw lies approximately 15 miles southeast of Glasgow, a 30–35 minute drive via the A721/A8 and M8/M74 corridor and around 31 miles northwest of Edinburgh. Located on the edge of the Clyde Valley Wishaw and Murdostoun ward areas (including Wishaw suburbs like Coltness, Newmains and Cleland) are served by local roads such as the A721, A73, B7026 and B754, which connect residents to nearby towns like Motherwell, Carluke and Hamilton. The M8/M74 offers quick access to Glasgow, while the A71 and A72 link to rural communities and the wider Airdrie–East Kilbride corridor.

Wishaw railway station, situated on the Argyle and Shotts Lines and managed by ScotRail, provides step-free access, a staffed ticket office, toilets, parking facilities and over 20 daily services to Glasgow Central (approximately 35 minutes) and onward to Edinburgh. Over 264 ScotRail trains per week serve the station. Bus services support local and regional travel with around 15–20 routes serving Wishaw and Murdostoun, including services 41, 240/240X, 241, 242, 266, 366 and X11, connecting the area to Motherwell, Glasgow, Hamilton, Eurocentral, Carluke and beyond. Coverage ensures accessible travel options for commuting, school runs, shopping and social connections.

Many residents commute to Glasgow, Edinburgh, Motherwell and Hamilton, supported by well-connected transport. Local life thrives around retail parks, healthcare facilities, schools, small manufacturing and logistics firms. Meanwhile, historic areas like Coltness, Cambusnethan and Newmains - home to about 20,500 people in the Murdostoun ward, blend suburban living with evolving community and green spaces.

Wishaw - general population characteristics

The infographics below detail the population of Wishaw using the latest ward level mid-year population estimates (2021) from National Records of Scotland.



The latest mid-year population estimates have the population of Wishaw Community Board as 38,402. This is a increase of 77 from 38,325 in 2020.

The working age population (16-64) in Wishaw is 24,634 (64.1%). The percentage of working age population in North Lanarkshire overall is 65.3%.

18.6% of Wishaw's population (7,125) are 65 or over, compared to the North Lanarkshire percentage of 15.5%.

Wishaw - mid-year population estimates

Sex	0-4	5-9	10-15	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85-89	90+	Total
Females	862	1,040	1,319	875	1,099	1,220	1,281	1,359	1,129	1,330	1,459	1,491	1,397	1,167	969	752	561	390	156	19,856
Males	948	1,048	1,426	889	1,084	1,271	1,235	1,185	1,135	1,176	1,383	1,358	1,278	977	853	608	388	218	86	18,546
Total	1,810	2,088	2,745	1,764	2,183	2,491	2,516	2,544	2,264	2,506	2,842	2,849	2,675	2,144	1,822	1,360	949	608	242	38,402

Source ID: 23 (2021)

The latest release for mid-year population estimates at ward level is 2021.

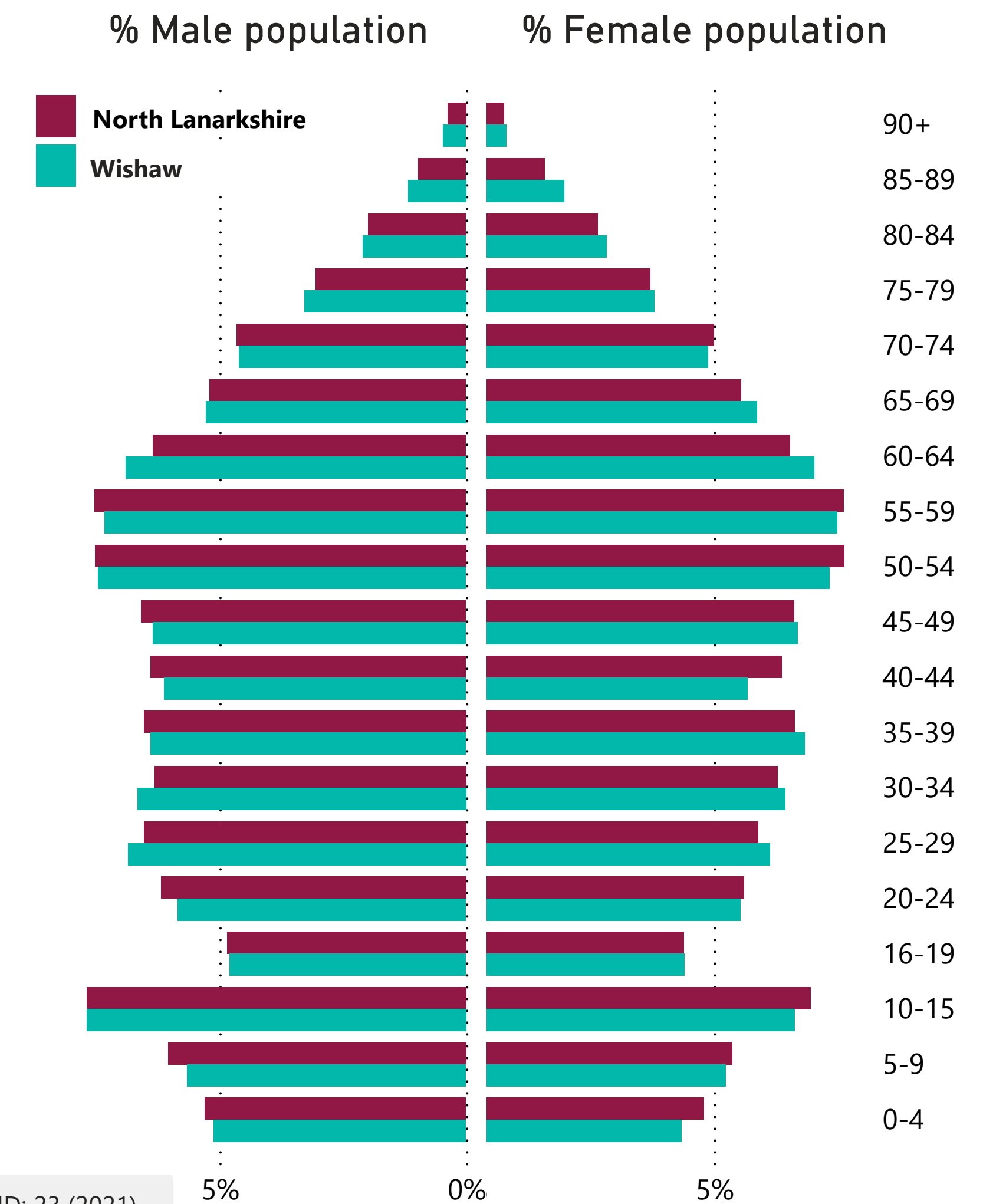
The mid-year population estimates from National Records of Scotland for the year 2021 have the population of Wishaw as 38,402.

The majority of females are aged 55-59 (1,491) and the majority of males are aged 10-15 (1,426), with the majority of the population overall being aged 55-59 (2,849).

For North Lanarkshire overall, the majority of females are aged 50-54 (13,464) and the majority of males are aged 10-15 (12,715) with the majority of the population overall being aged 50-54 (25,899).

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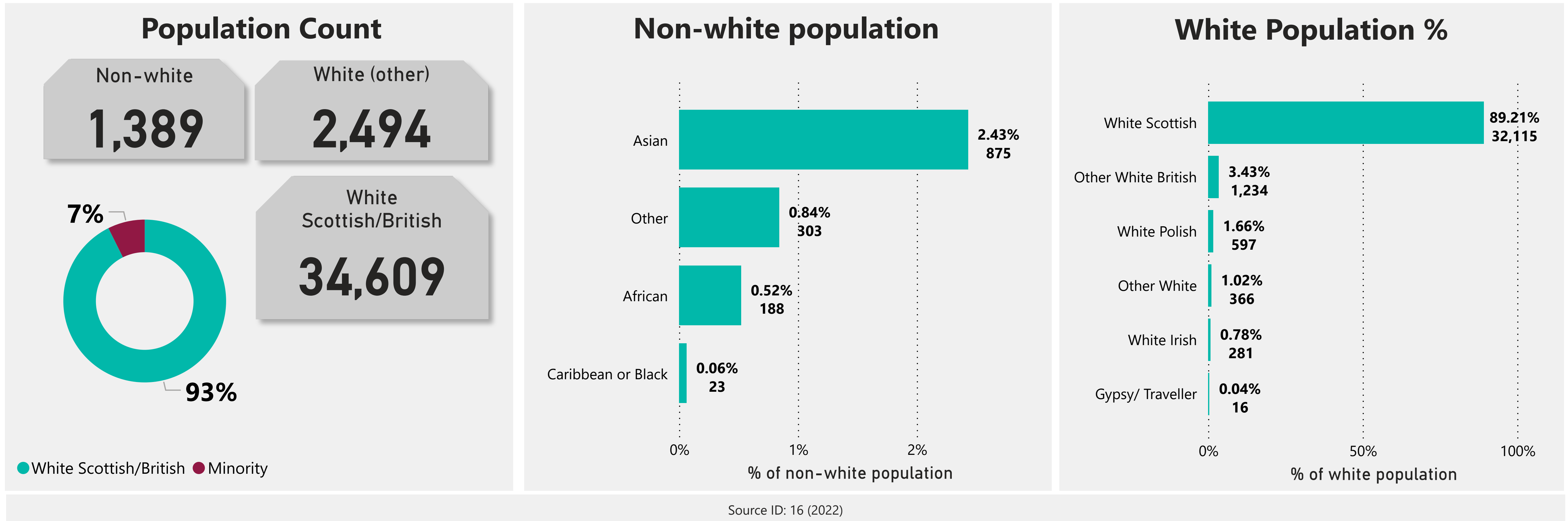
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Wishaw - ethnicity

The infographics below detail the split of the population of Wishaw by ethnicity based on the 2022 Scotland Census results.



Based on the latest Census figures from 2022, the population of non-white minority groups is 4% in Wishaw (or around 1,389 people). 7% of the white population in Wishaw are either white Polish, white Irish, white Gypsy/Traveller or other white nationality (or around 2,494 people).

2.43% of the population (875) are Asian, 0.52% (188) are African, 0.06% (23) are Caribbean or Black and 0.84% (303) fall into other non-white ethnicities such as Arab, Mixed Race or other ethnicity.

CACI - categories

In September 2024, The Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) entered a five-year agreement with data and software company CACI for councils to access its **Paycheck** and **ACORN** data.

Paycheck provides gross household income estimates at postcode level for the UK, while Acorn is a geodemographic and segmentation tool for understanding consumer characteristics.

Category is the broadest level with only 7 segments. As an easy-to-understand view of affluence ranging from the most to least affluent, with rising and comfortable segments in the middle, it is typically used as a snapshot on overall wealth distribution.

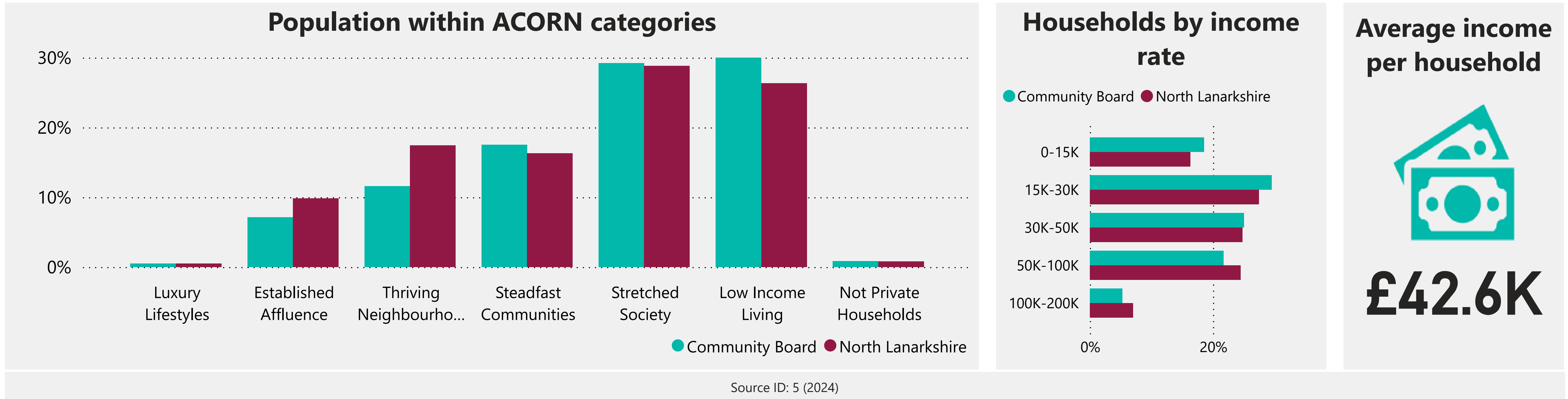
The next level down is **Group**, consisting of 22 different segments. Group level is the most widely used, as it shows enough differentiation in characteristics and behaviours of the Acorn segments while being a manageable number to work with. Group level tends to be the lens through which organisations engage with customers or service users, therefore, it is often used for personalisation strategies, product and proposition development and catchment analysis and mapping.

The lowest level is **Type**, which contains 65 segments and is seen as the most granular Acorn view.

Category	Group	Type
Luxury Lifestyles	A	Exclusive Addresses
	B	Flourishing Capital
	C	Upmarket Families
Established Affluence	D	Commuter-Belt Wealth
	E	Prosperous Professionals
Thriving Neighbourhoods	F	Mature Success
	G	Settled Suburbia
	H	Metropolitan Surroundings
	I	Up-and-Coming Urbanites
	J	Aspiring Communities
Steadfast Communities	K	Semi-Rural Maturity
	L	Traditional Homeowners
	M	Family Renters
	N	Urban Diversity
	O	Stable Seniors
Stretched Society	P	Tenant Living
	Q	Limited Budgets
	R	Hard-Up Households
Low Income Living	S	Cash-Strapped Families
	T	Constrained Pensioners
	U	Challenging Circumstances
Not Private Households	V	Not Private Households

Wishaw - CACI profiling data

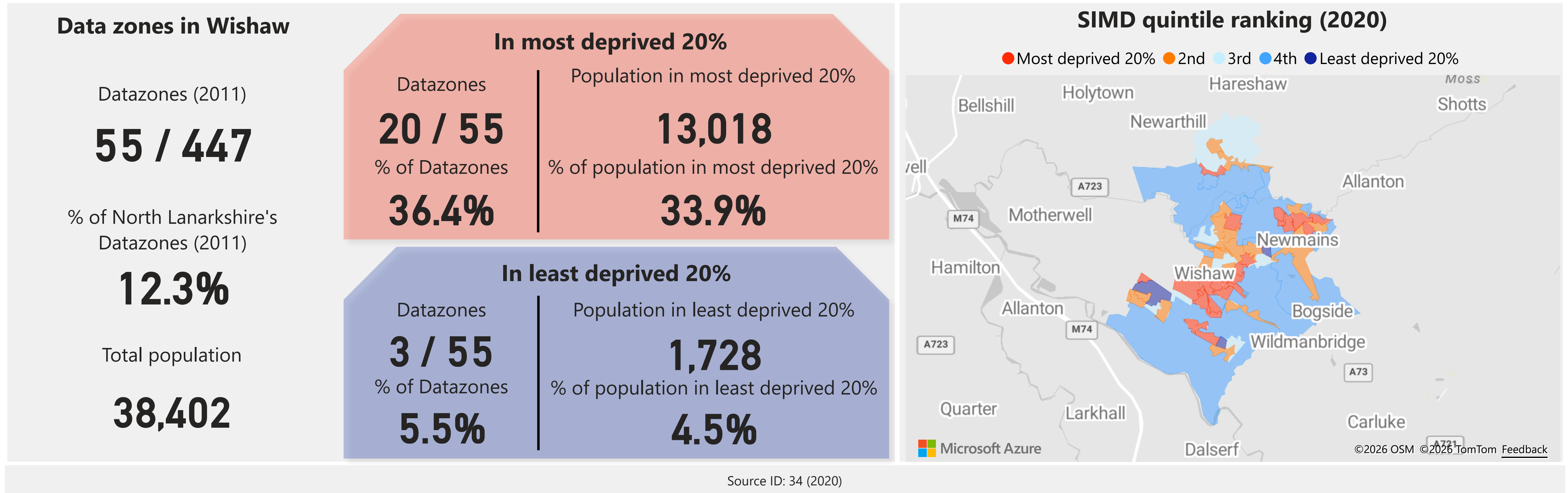
This dashboard provides an overview of Wishaw's demographic and economic profile, including household income distribution, average income and population segmentation by ACORN lifestyle categories.



ID	Name	Description	Dominant Housing Type	Saving and Investments
1	Luxury Lifestyles	The most affluent people in Britain, confident consumers with high levels of savings and investments, living in the most expensive properties.	Detached or apartments	Very high
2	Established Affluence	Wealthy and successful people living in large houses which they own in affluent, high status areas of the country.	Detached	High
3	Thriving Neighbourhoods	Comfortable, stable families and empty nesters who have a good standard of living, on an income above the UK average.	Semi or detached	Average
4	Steadfast Communities	This category contains much of middle of the road Britain with working families on incomes just below the UK average.	Semi detached	Below average
5	Stretched Society	Traditional working class areas of Britain containing younger families, flat sharers and students privately renting their homes.	Terraced	Low
6	Low Income Living	This category contains the most deprived areas of towns and cities across the UK, with the lowest incomes. It contains a higher proportion of single people across the age groups, socially renting their flats.	Flats	Very low
7	Not Private Households	These are postcodes where the bulk of the residents are not living in private households.		

Wishaw - Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD)

The infographics below show the distribution of data zones and their population and level of deprivation within Wishaw.



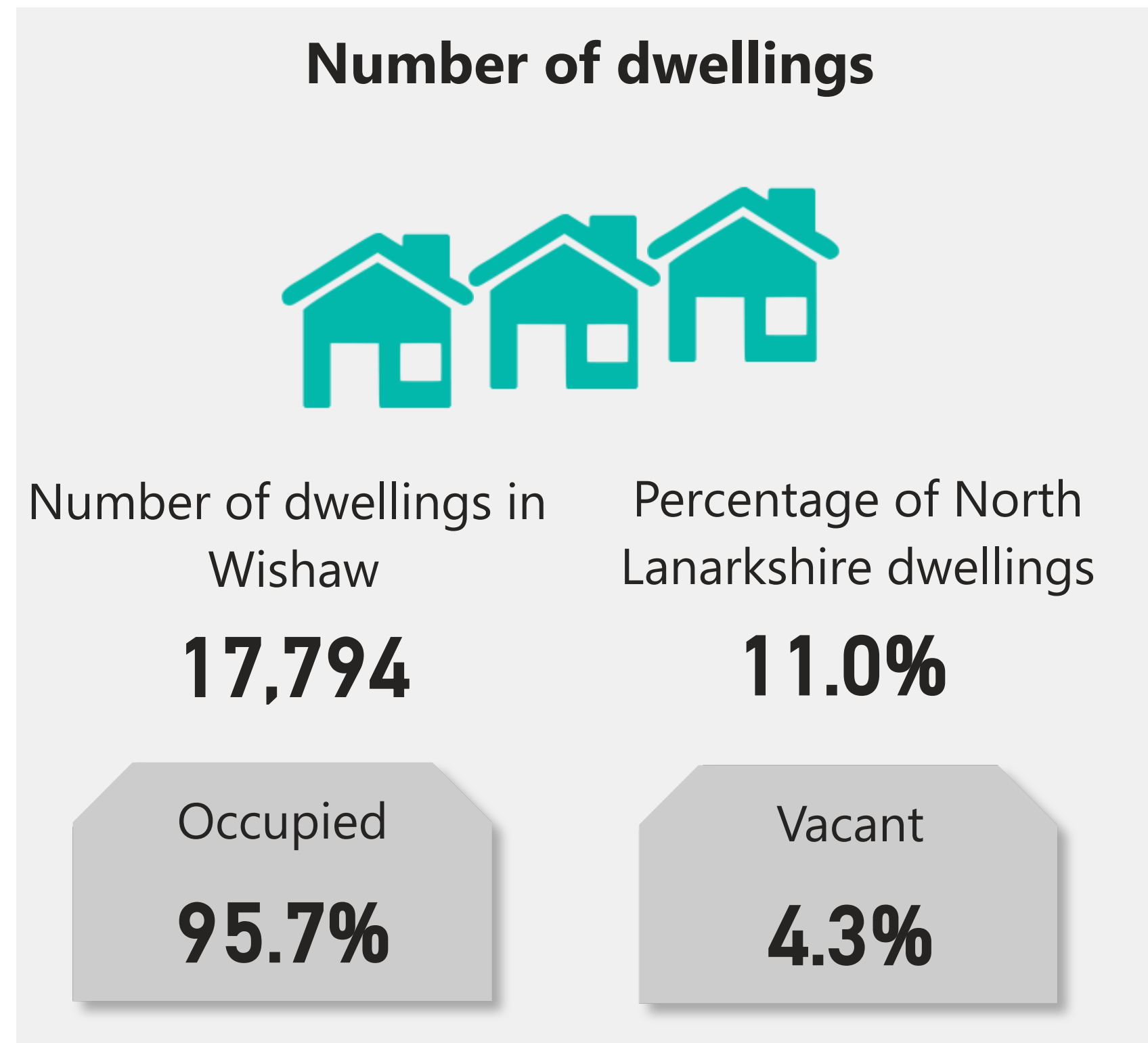
The **Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD)** is a tool used to measure relative deprivation across Scotland. The SIMD is formed from more than 30 indicators of deprivation which have been grouped together into seven domains. The seven domains are combined to form a rank for each of the 6,976 data zones across Scotland, where rank 1 is the most deprived community and 6,976 is the least deprived.

On the basis of the latest Scottish census outcomes, the data zones were updated in 2025. There are 11 Intermediate Zones (2022) and 55 data zones (2022) within Wishaw, however new SIMD data is not yet published.

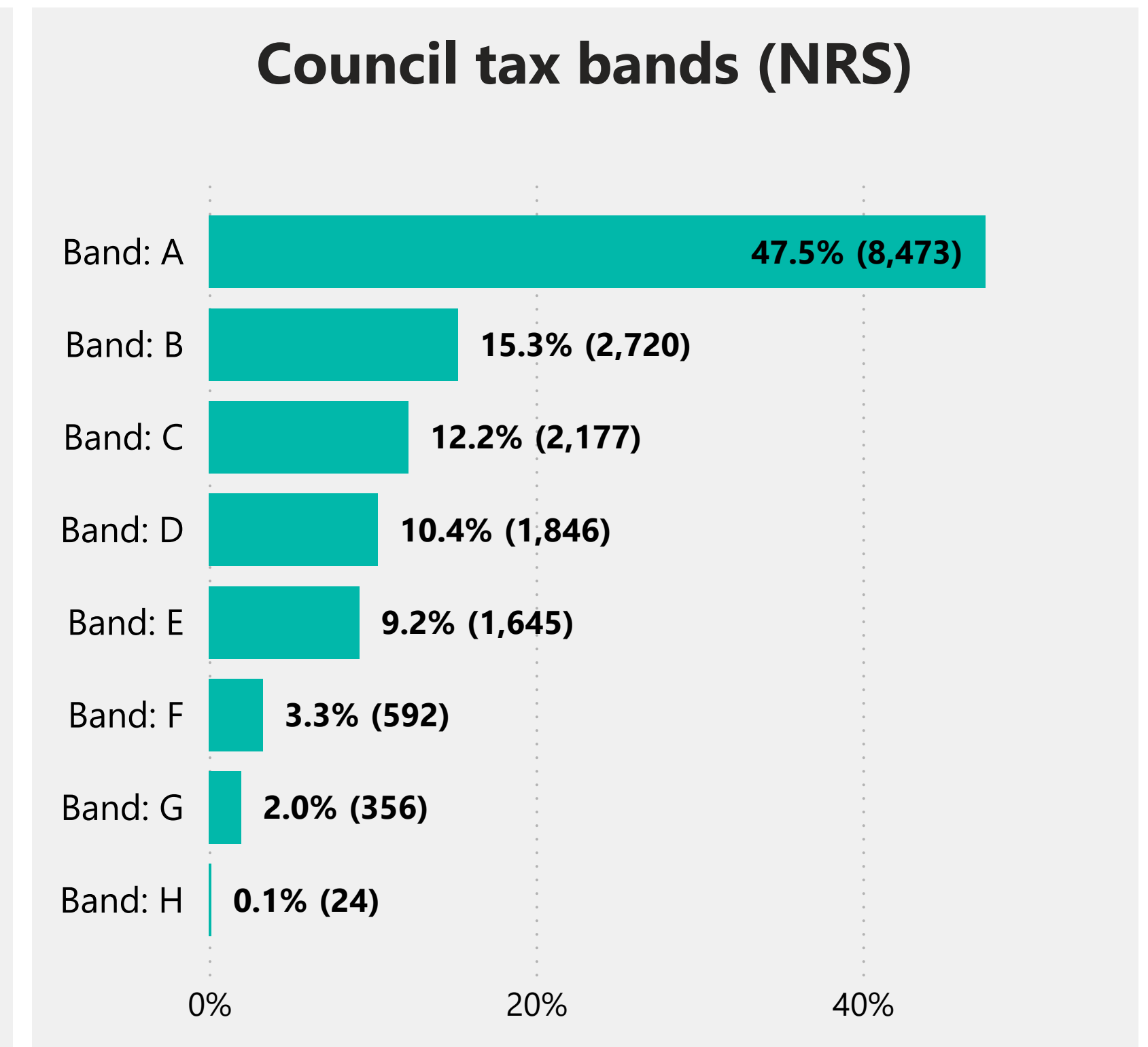
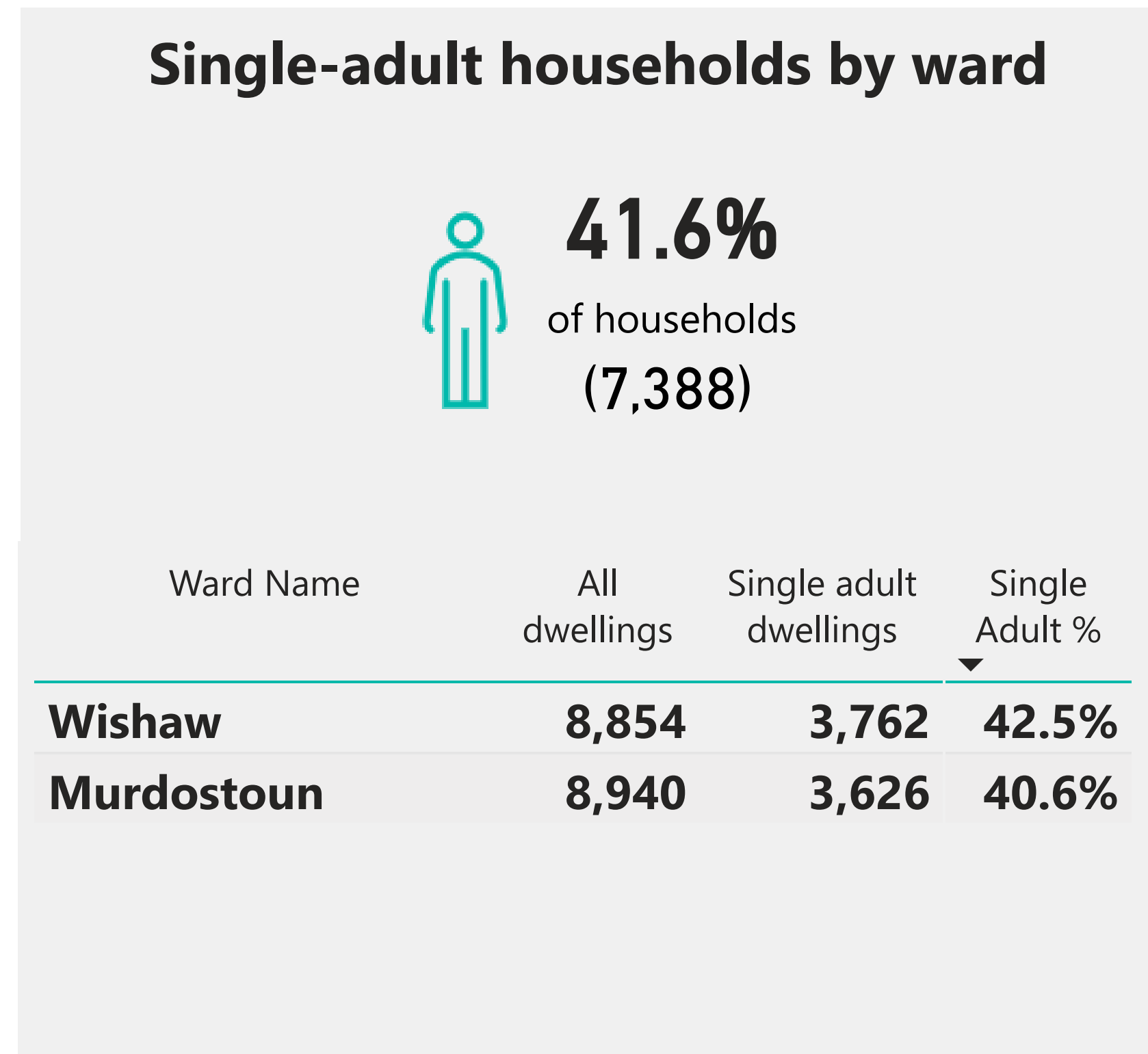
This [interactive tool](#) allows you to look at each data zone across Scotland and North Lanarkshire to see the overall ranking and ranking in each of the seven domains.

Wishaw - household and housing estimates

This dashboard outlines key housing statistics for Wishaw, including dwelling counts, occupancy rates and single-adult household figures. It also shows how these households are distributed across wards and Council Tax bands.



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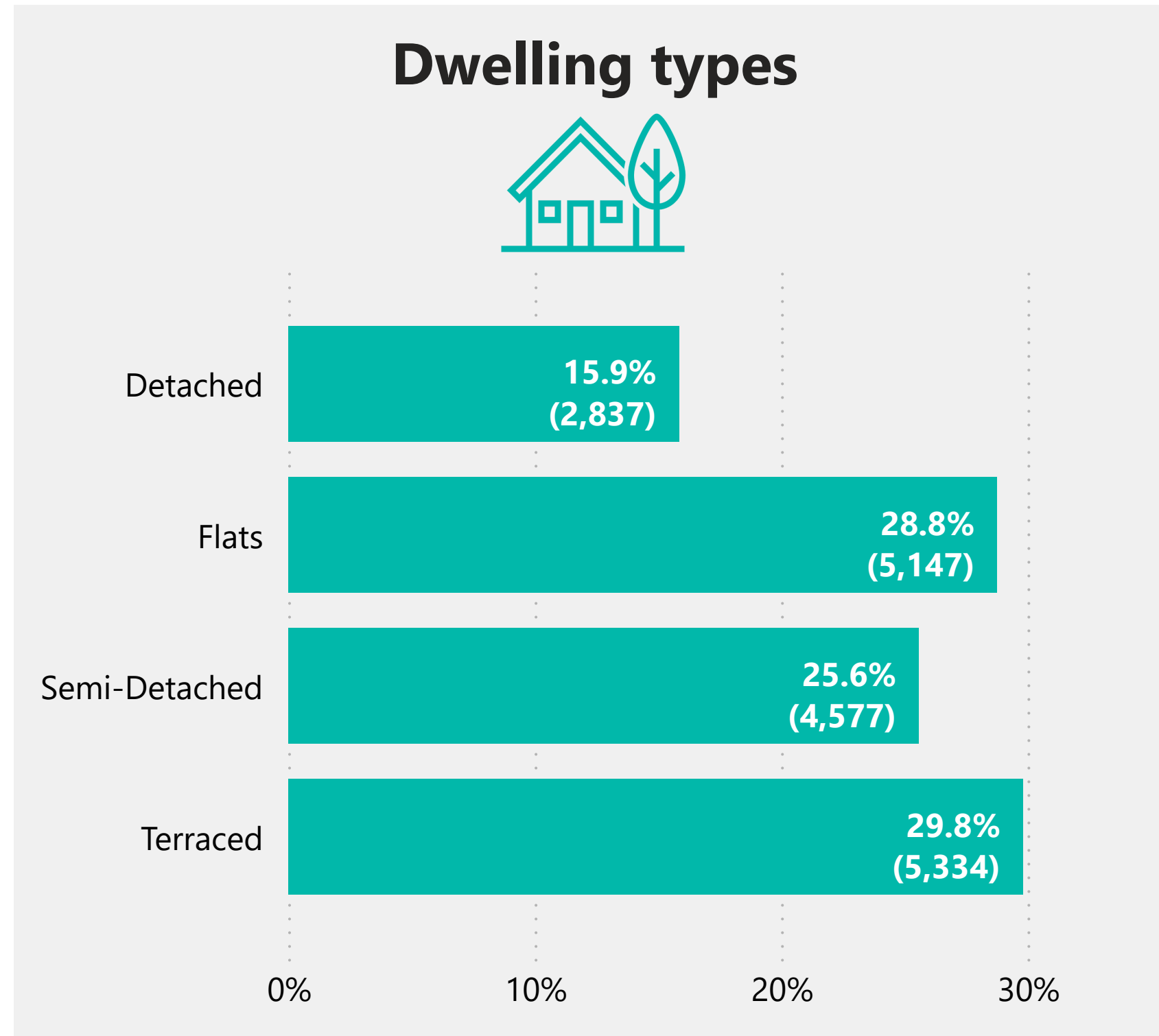
Wishaw holds a total of 17,794 dwellings, representing 11.0% of all dwellings in North Lanarkshire.

41.6% of Wishaw's dwellings are single-adults households (dwellings where a single-adult council tax discount applies). Most single-adult households are located in the Wishaw ward (42.5%).

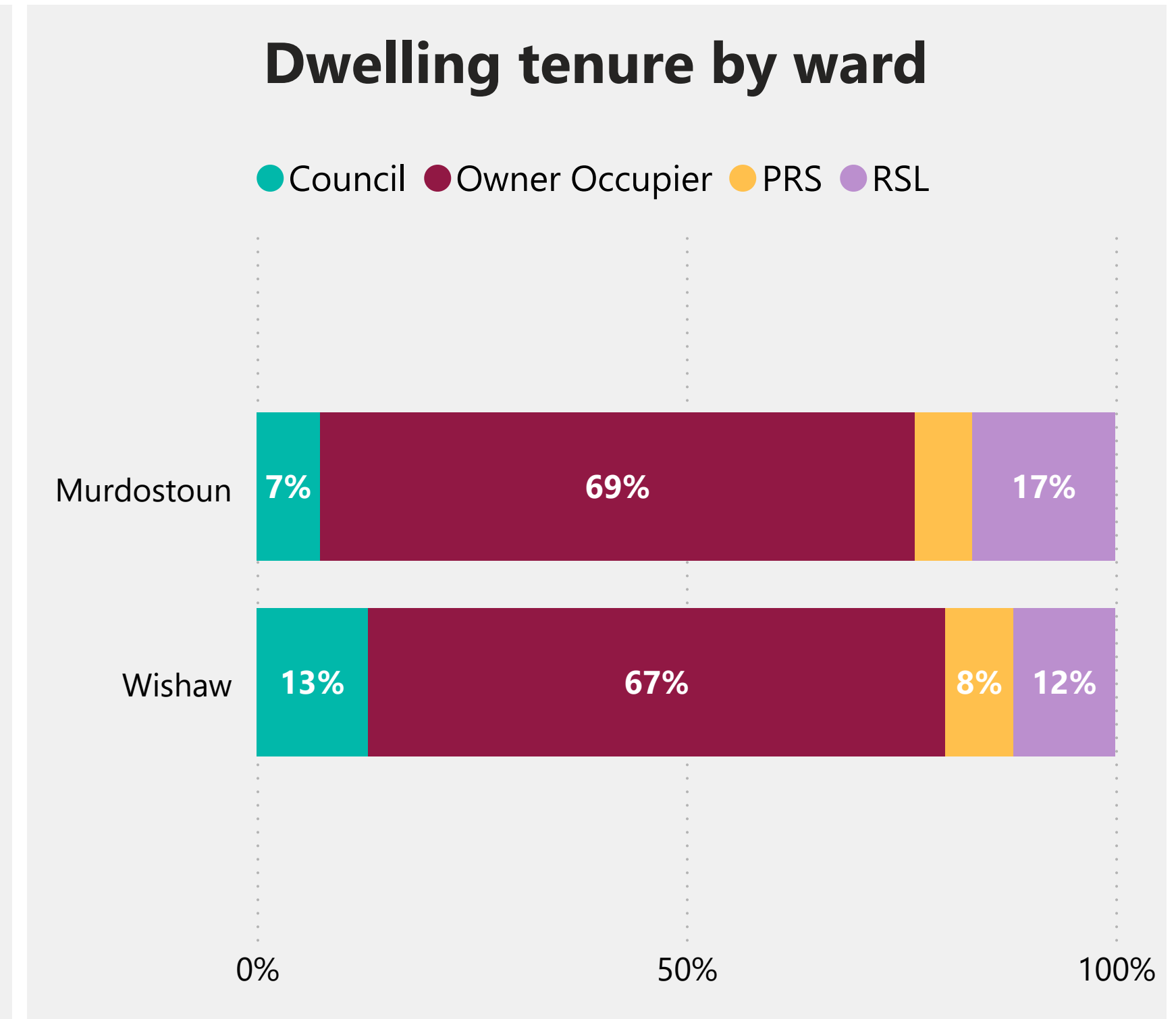
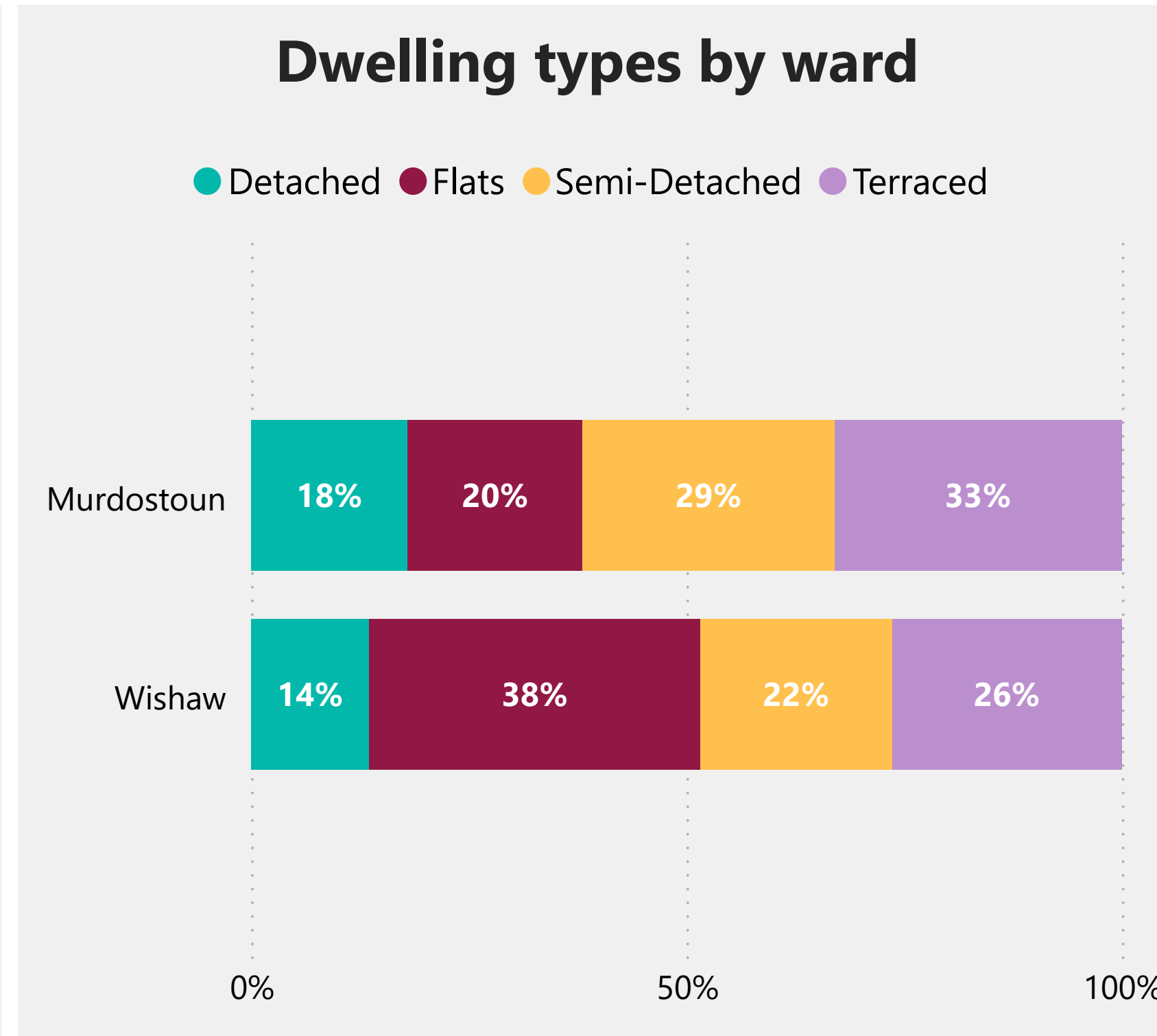
The dominant council tax band in the Wishaw Community Board area is Band: A (47.5%).

Wishaw - dwelling characteristics

This dashboard provides an overview of dwelling characteristics in Wishaw, breaking down dwelling types and tenure by ward.



Source ID: 20 (2022)



Source ID: 35 (2024/25)

In the Wishaw community board area, terraced homes are the most common dwelling type, making up 29.8% of all dwellings. Detached homes are the least common, accounting for just 15.8%. Other dwelling types include flats (28.7%) and semi-detached (25.5%), showing a varied housing mix across the community.

Across the Wishaw Community Board area, Owner Occupier is the dominant tenure type. Owner occupation ranges from 67.2% in Wishaw to 69.2% in Murdostoun.

PRS - Private Rented Sector, **RSL** - Registered Social Landlord

Wishaw - economy and employment

The infographics below show the numbers and proportions of people claiming employment-related benefits in Wishaw.

Job Seeker and Universal Credit claimants (age 16+)



total claimants

690

proportion of adults

2.8%

Source ID: 7 (2025)

Employment and Support Allowance claimants (age 16+)



total claimants

1,151

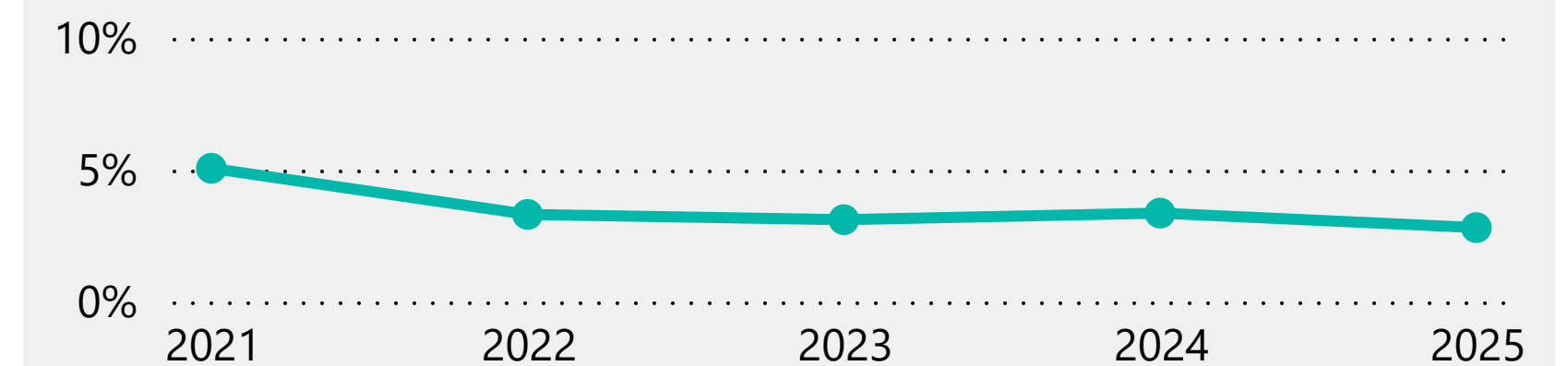
proportion of adults

3.6%

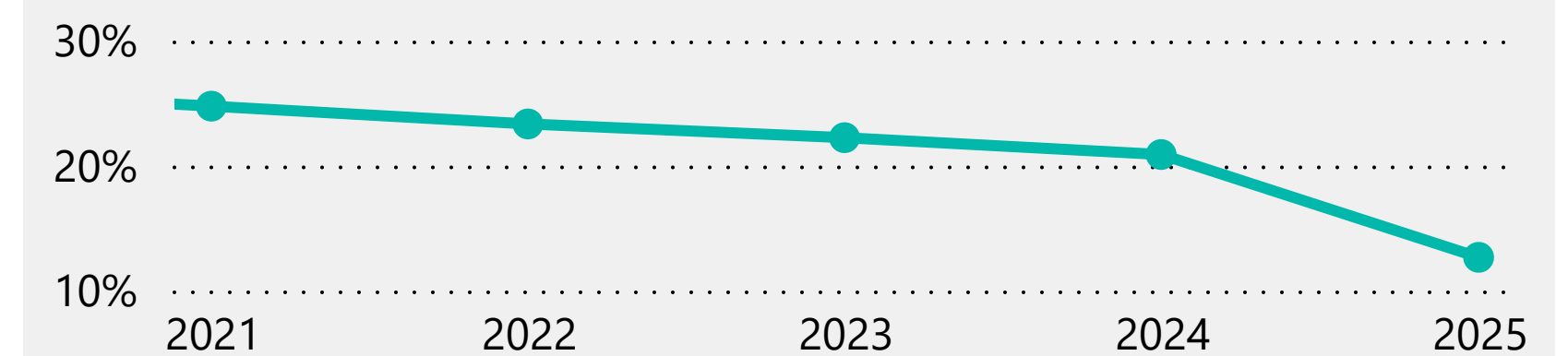
Source ID: 15 (2025)

Trends

Job Seeker and Universal Credit claimants as a proportion of adults (age 16+)



Employment and Support Allowance claimants as a proportion of adults (age 16+)



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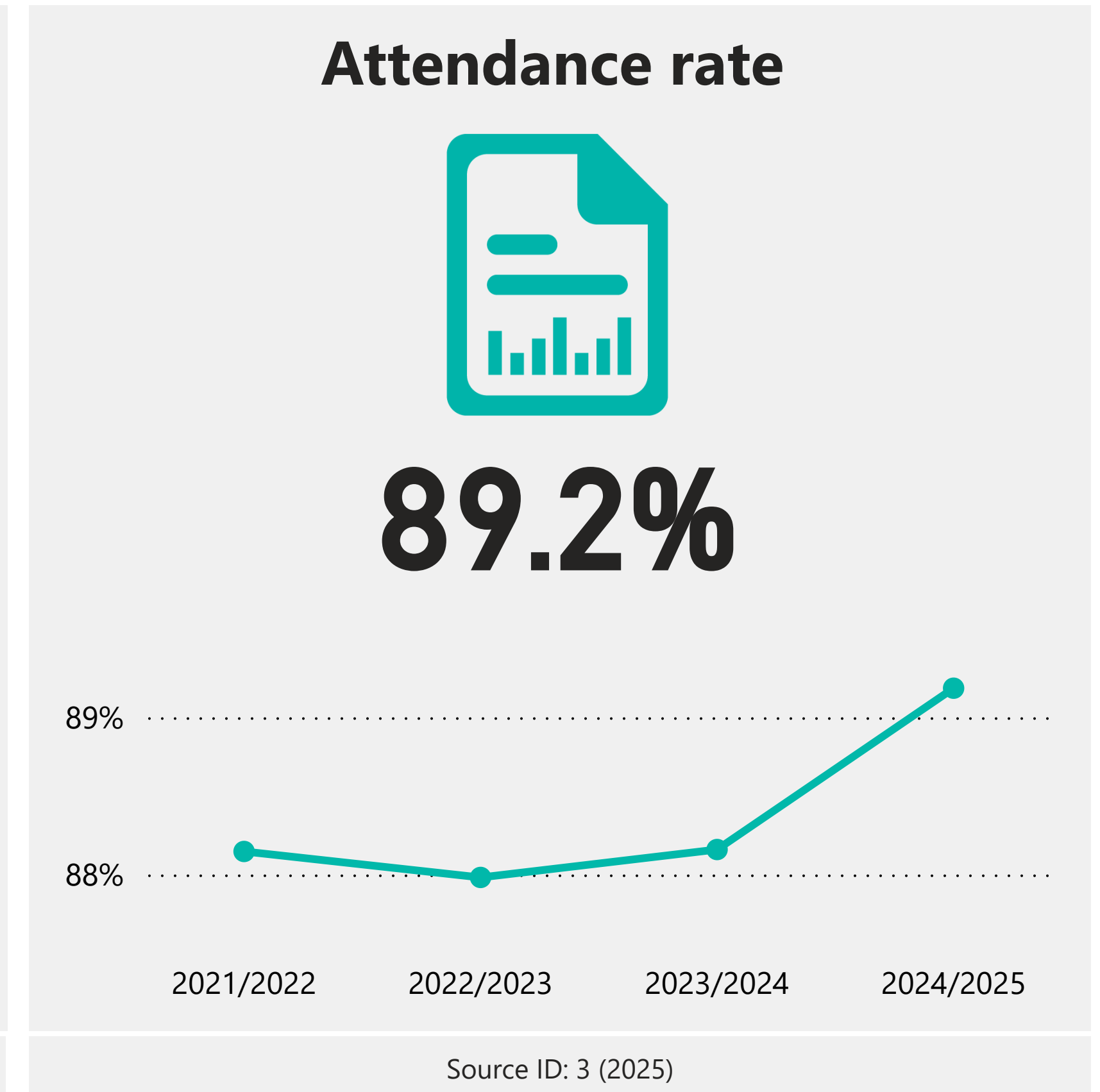
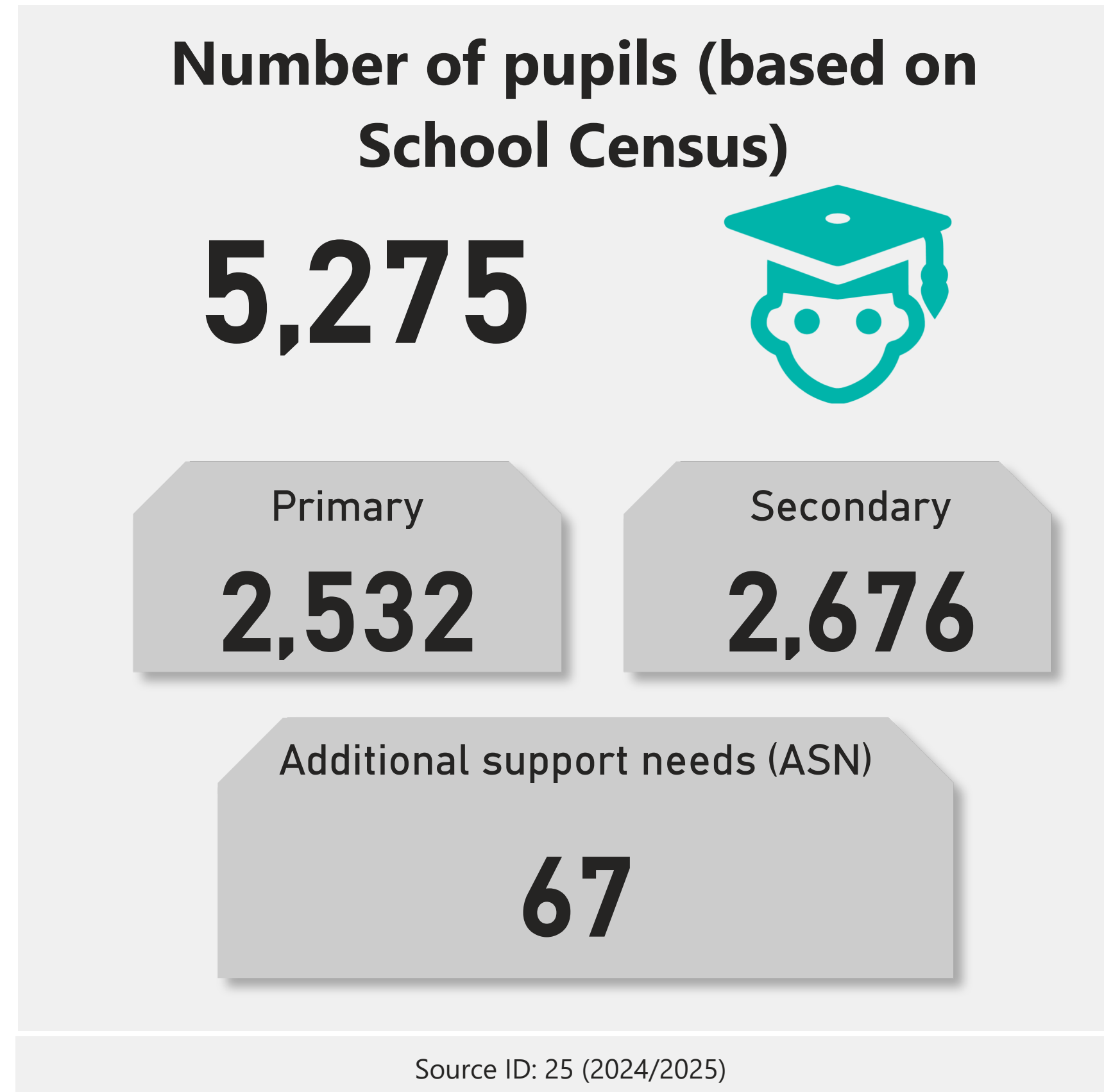
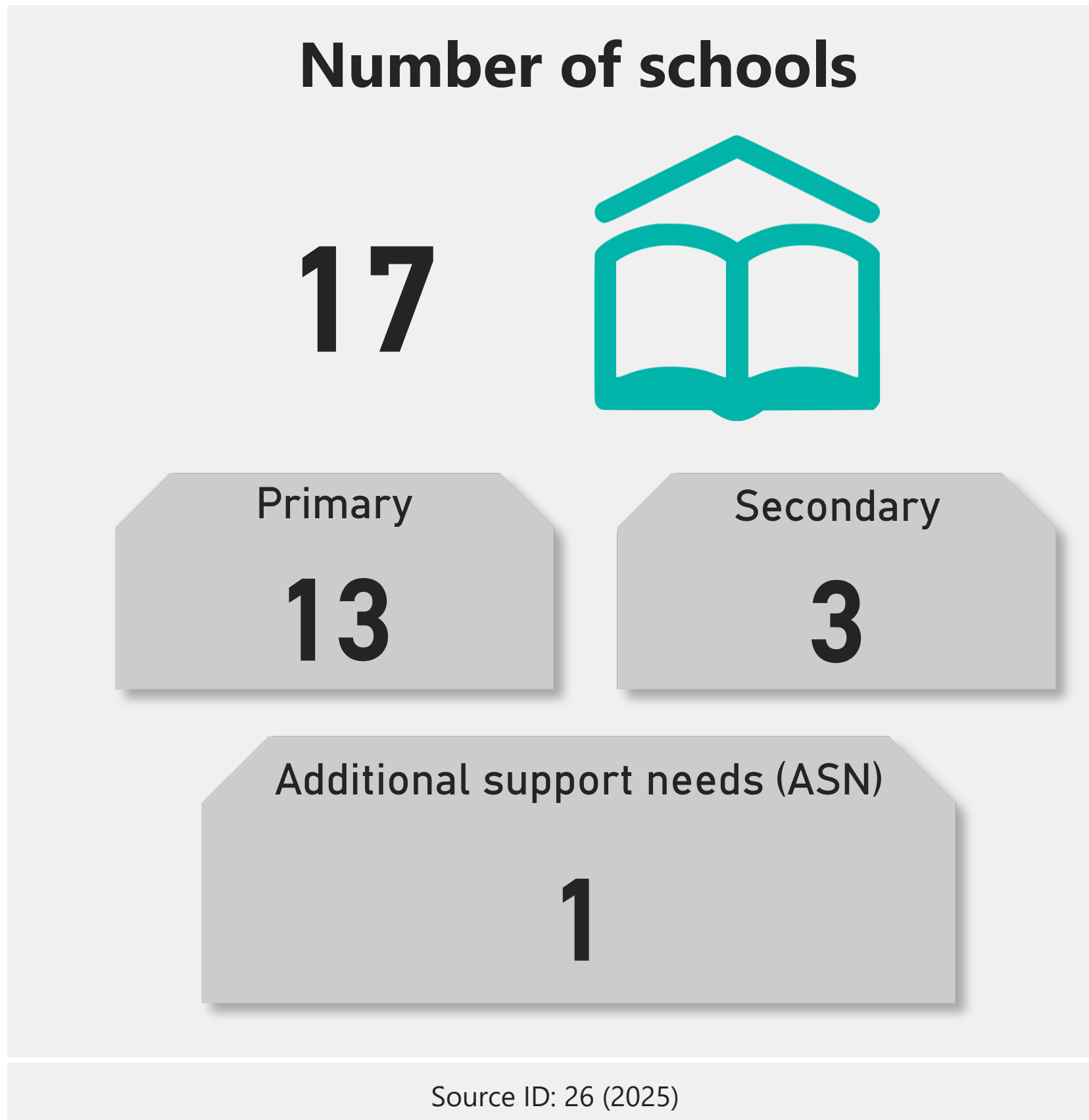
In Wishaw, the number of people claiming Job Seeker Allowance and Universal Credit combined in 2025 is 690. This equates to 2.8% of adults aged 16 and over in the area. Employment and Support Allowance claimants sit at 1,151 as of August 2025. This is 3.6% of adults aged 16 and over.

In May 2024, the Department for Work and Pensions increased the administrative earnings threshold for job seeking requirements. This change affected around 180,000 claimants UK wide, increasing the Claimant Count at the time of the change. This policy change, along with two previous increases to the administrative earnings threshold in September 2022 and January 2023, represent discontinuities in the Claimant Count series.

Rates for local authorities from 2023 onwards are calculated using the UK mid-2023 resident population aged 16-64 (except Northern Ireland).

Wishaw - education

The infographics below detail the number of schools, the number of pupils (based on annual School Census) and the attendance rate for Wishaw.



Wishaw has 17 schools in total in the area, of which 13 are primary schools, 3 are secondary schools and 1 is a Additional Support Needs school. As of 2025/2026, there are 5,275 pupils registered in Wishaw schools, of which 2,532 attend primary schools, 2,676 attend secondary schools, 67 attend Additional Support Needs schools. For Wishaw overall, this is a decrease of 80 pupils registered in all schools compared to 2024/2025.

The attendance rate for Wishaw schools overall is 89.2% as of 2024/2025. This is an improvement of 1.0% compared to 2023/2024.

All education data shown is based on the community board where the schools are physically located. It does not reflect other community board areas that pupils may come from or travel to.

Wishaw - free school meals

The infographics below show the number of pupils who have applied, and are eligible for, means-tested free school meals in Wishaw. The figures also include pupils who have applied for clothing grants but have also been assessed as eligible for free school meals by the council's benefits team.

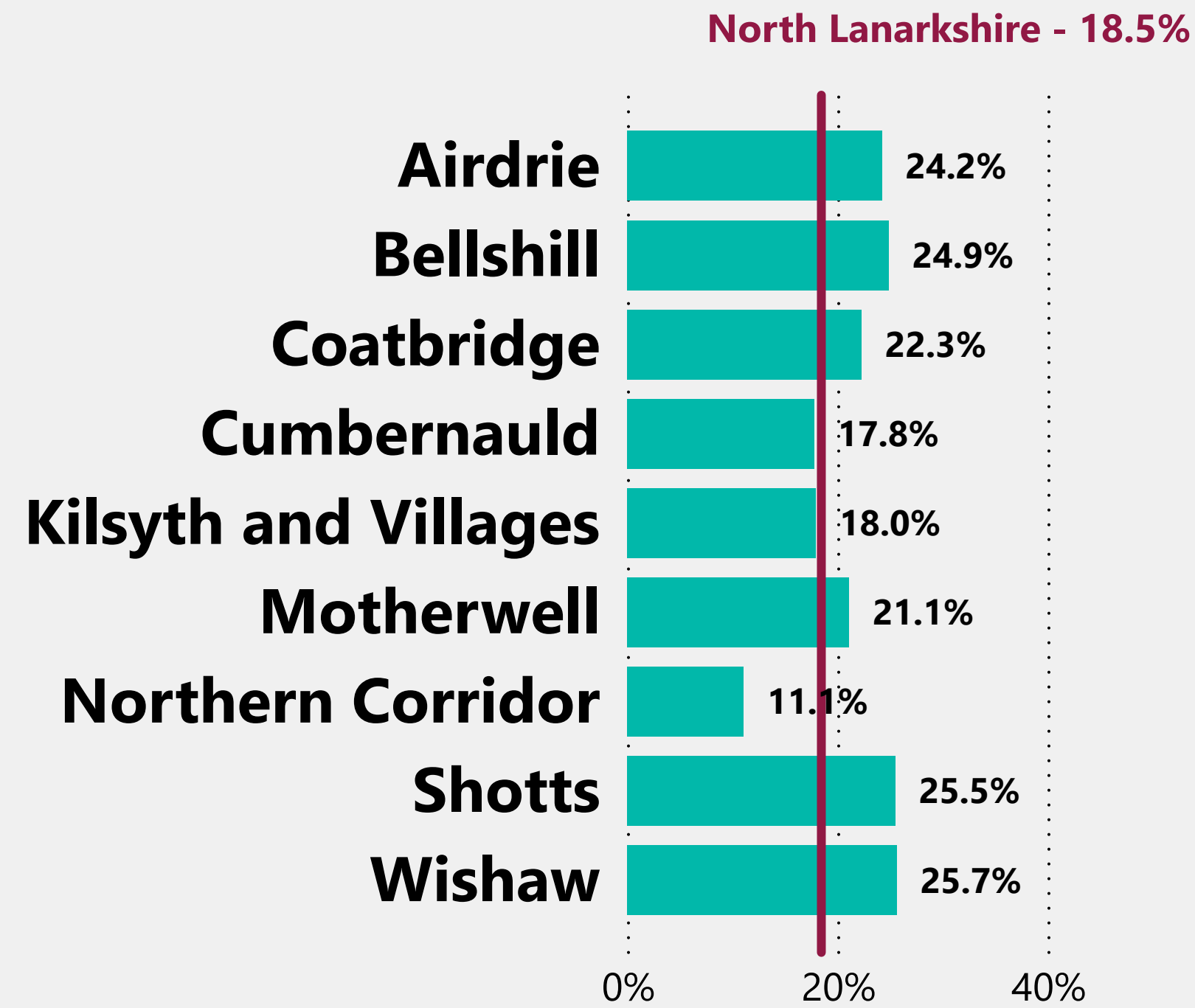
Means-tested eligibility pupils



25.7% **1,392**



Community comparison



School type comparison

primary school pupils **29.0%**
760 out of 2,622*

secondary school pupils **22.5%**
614 out of 2,734*

26.5% of Additional Support Needs pupils are means-tested eligible for free school meals, which is 18 out of 68.

Source ID: 17 (2025)

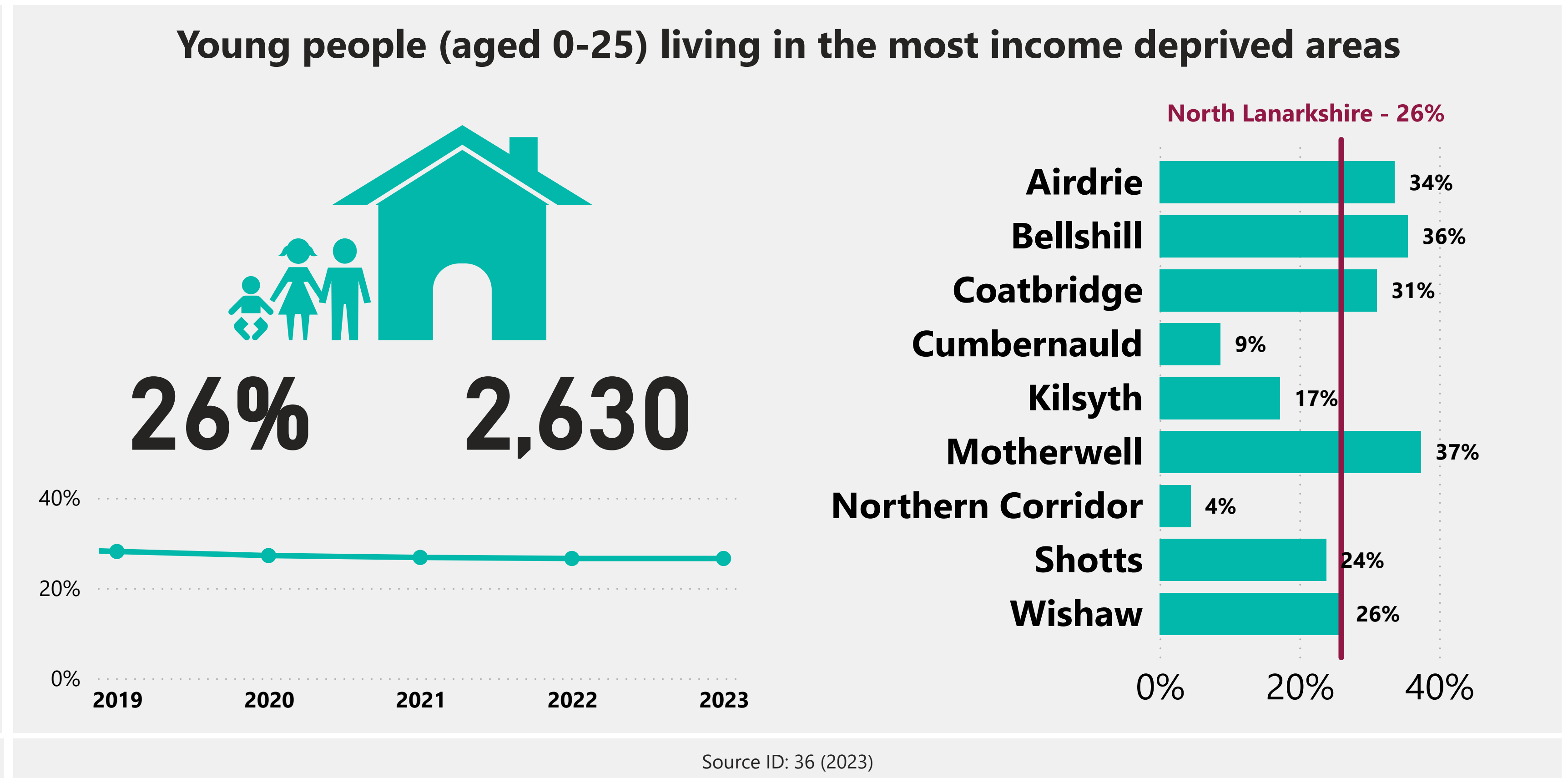
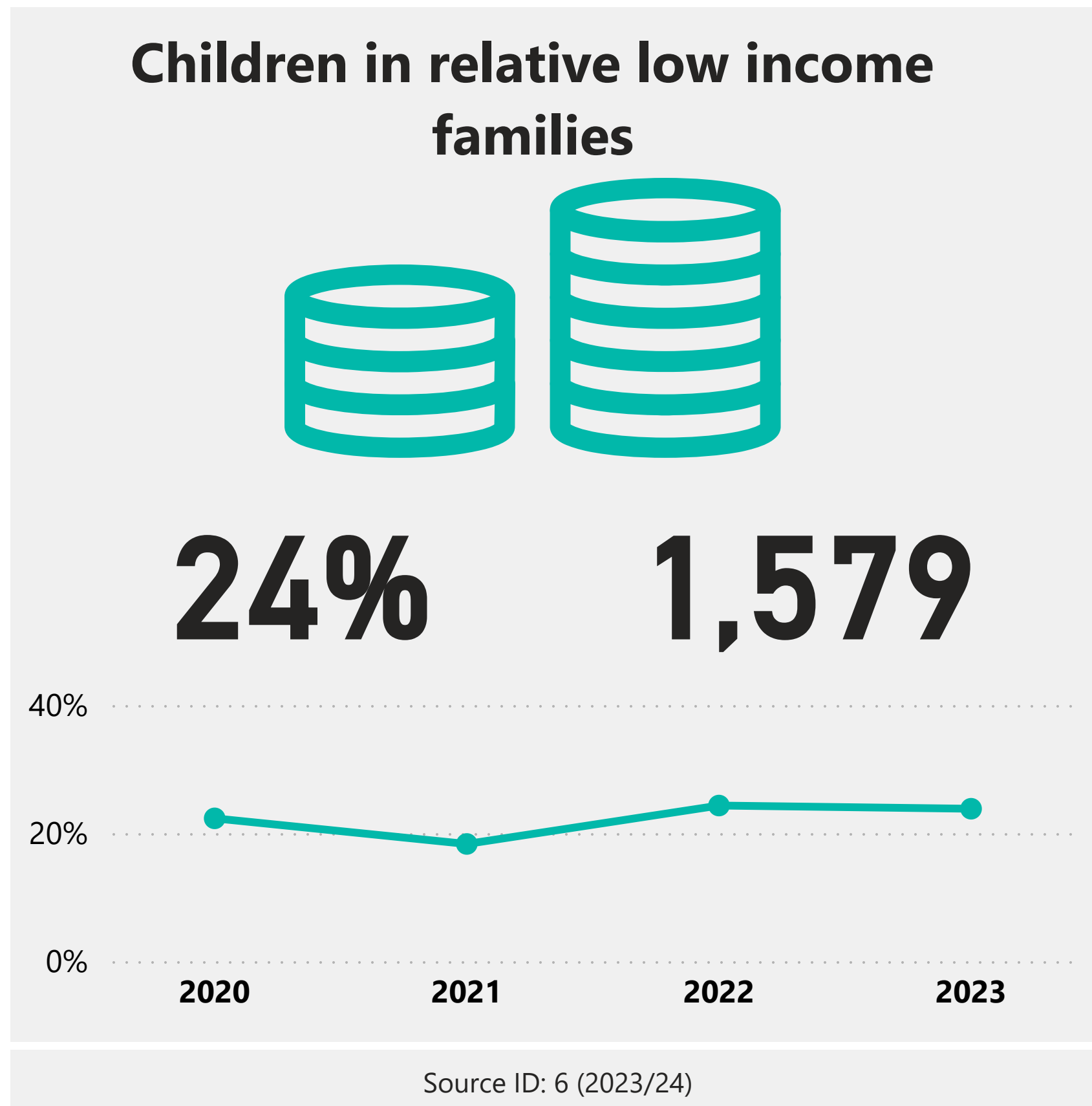
There are currently 1,392 pupils eligible via the means-tested criteria for free school meals in the Wishaw, which is 25.7% of pupils. This does not include pupils automatically eligible through P1-P5 and ASN universal provision. Specifically, of the 1,392 pupils, 760 attend primary schools and 614 attend secondary schools, with 18 pupils attending additional support needs schools.

*figures based on SEEMIS school roll, which is subject to change as and when new pupils enroll

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Wishaw - child poverty

The infographics below detail measures relating to children and young people living in poverty in Wishaw, using statistics of children living in relative low income families and the number of young people living in the most income deprived areas.

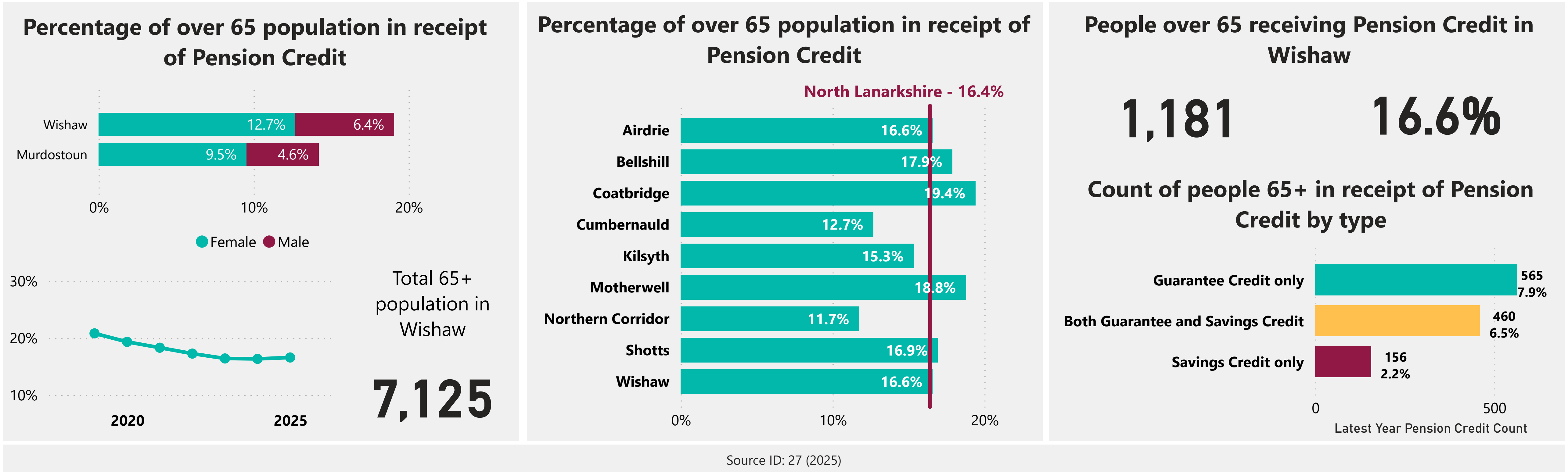


As of 2023, about 24% of children in Wishaw are living in families with relatively low income. This remains unchanged compared to 2022.

Around 26% of young people (those aged 0 to 25) live in areas considered among the most income deprived according to the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) in 2023, which remains unchanged compared to 2022.

Wishaw - Pension Credit

This dashboard provides an overview of people of state pension age who are in receipt of Pension Credit in Wishaw. It highlights sex difference across the area, breaks down recipients by credit type and provides a comparison with other Community Boards and the North Lanarkshire average.



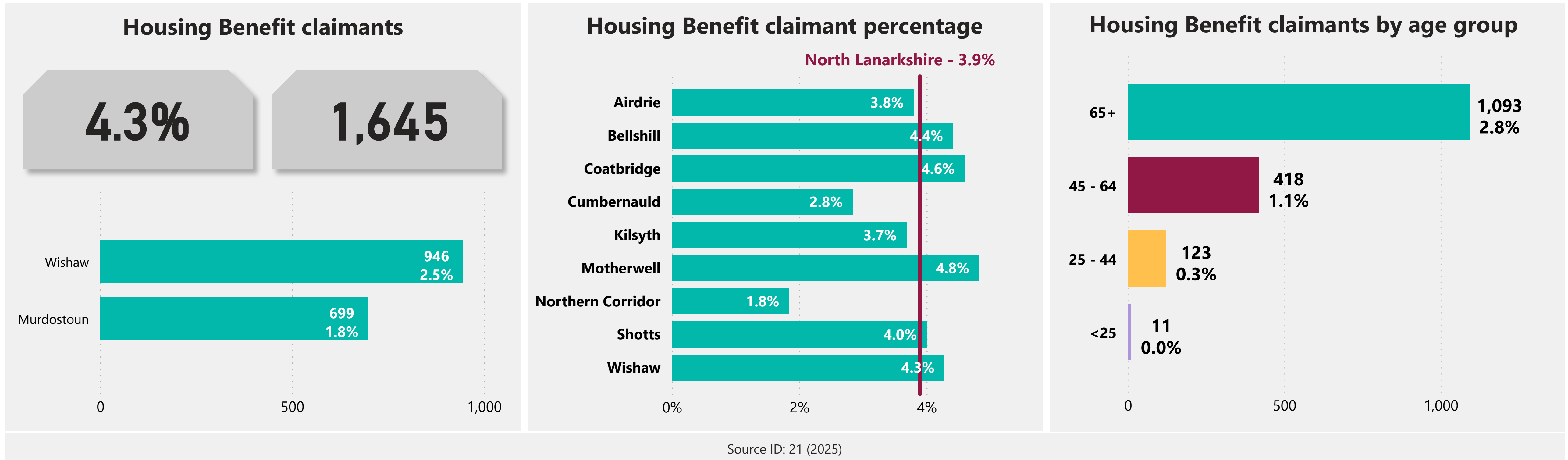
Across North Lanarkshire 9,954 people, 16.42% of the over 65 population, are in receipt of Pension Credit.

Pension Credit is a means-tested benefit designed to support people of state pension age who are on a low income. It is, therefore, a good indicator to gauge low income levels in the older population. People can qualify for either Guarantee Credit or Savings Credit, or both, depending on circumstances. Guarantee Credit is awarded to people whose income is below the threshold and Savings Credit is an extra payment for people who have saved some money for retirement. If both circumstances apply, both benefits may be awarded.

*The infographics above are produced using DWP data published in February 2025 and the latest ward-level mid-year population estimates from 2021.

Wishaw - Housing Benefit

This dashboard provides an overview of Housing Benefit claimants in Wishaw. It highlights the difference across the wards, breaks down recipients by age-group and provides a comparison with other communities and the North Lanarkshire average.



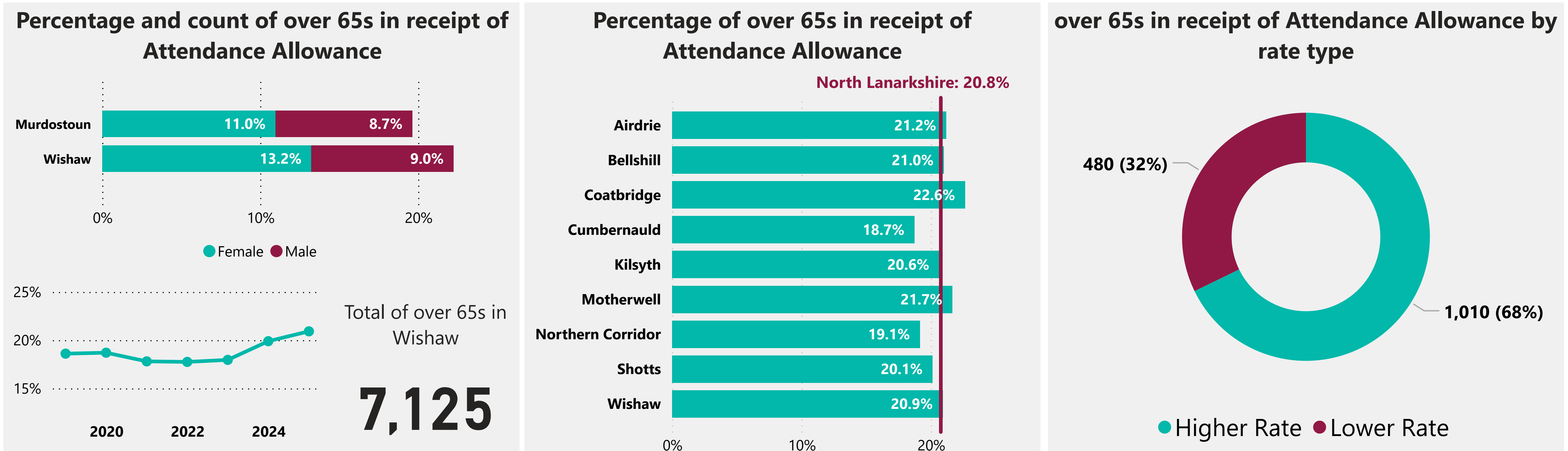
Across North Lanarkshire 13,312 people, 3.9% of the population, receive of Housing Benefit.

Most working-age people in Scotland now receive housing support through Universal Credit, not Housing Benefit. This shift began in 2013 and accelerated with the rollout of Universal Credit across the UK. As a result, Housing Benefit is now largely reserved for people over state pension age, or those living in supported or temporary accommodation. Because pensioners are not required to switch to Universal Credit, they make up the majority of current Housing Benefit recipients in Scotland.

*The infographics above are produced using DWP data published in February 2025 and the mid-year population estimates from 2021.

Wishaw - Attendance Allowance

This dashboard provides an overview of people of state pension who are receiving Attendance Allowance in Wishaw. It highlights sex distribution across the area, breaks down recipients by rate type and provides a comparison with other Community Boards and the North Lanarkshire average.



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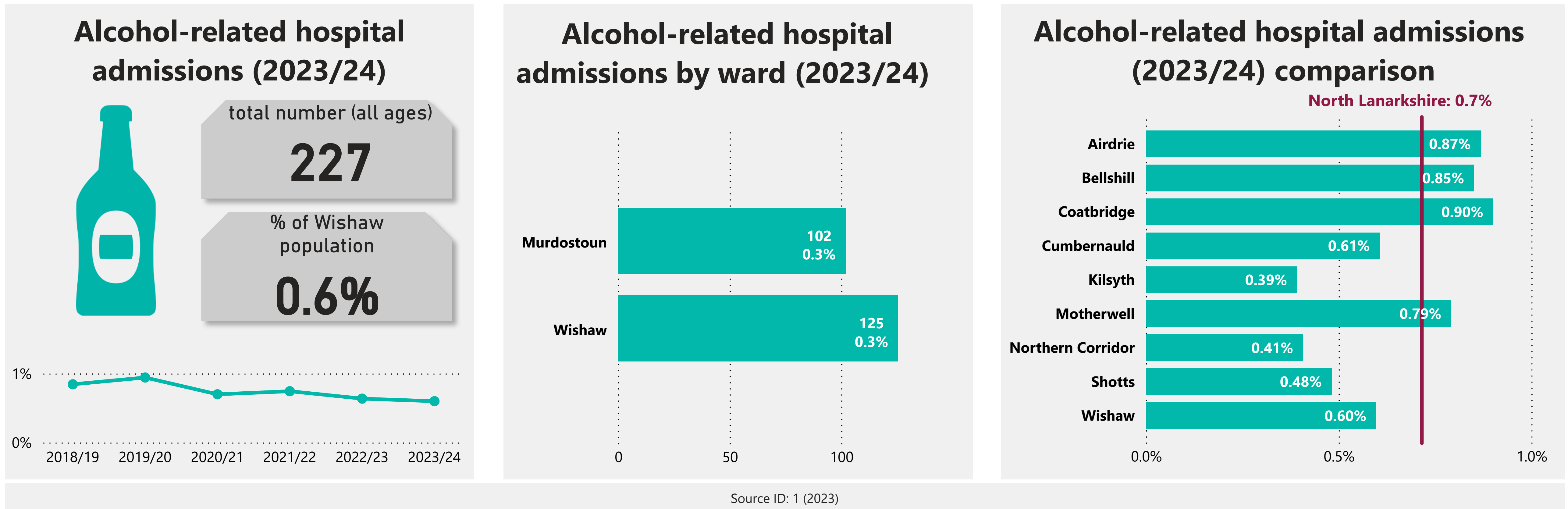
Across North Lanarkshire 12,591 people, 20.8 % of the over 65 year old population, receive Attendance Allowance.

Attendance Allowance is awarded to people aged over 65 years who need help with personal care and day-to-day activities. It is a good measure to gauge the health of the older population.

*The infographics above are produced using DWP data published in February 2025 and the mid-year population estimates from 2021.

Wishaw - alcohol-related hospital admissions

The infographics below provide data relating to alcohol-related hospital admissions of people of all ages in Wishaw. It highlights the difference across the wards and provides a comparison with other community boards and the North Lanarkshire average.

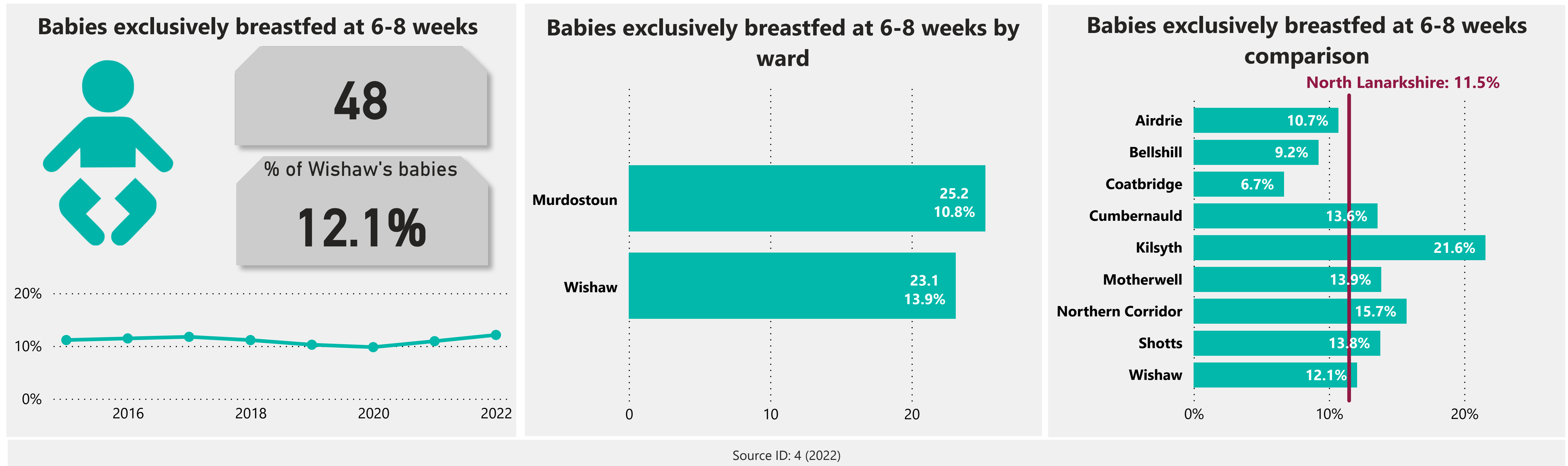


In Wishaw, 227 people were admitted to hospital due to alcohol related illness. This equates to 0.6% of the overall population of the area.

Excessive consumption of alcohol can result in a wide range of health problems. Some may occur after drinking over a relatively short period, such as acute intoxication (drunkenness) or poisoning (toxic effect). Others develop more gradually, only becoming evident after long-term heavy drinking, such as damage to the liver and brain. In addition to causing physical problems, excessive alcohol consumption can lead to mental health problems such as alcohol dependency. Alcohol can also play a factor in a range of other conditions such as injuries, epilepsy and cancer.

Wishaw - mother and baby - breastfeeding

This dashboard provides an overview of babies who are being exclusively breastfed at 6-8 weeks in Wishaw. It highlights the trend over the years, provides a breakdown by ward and shows a comparison with other Community Boards and North Lanarkshire overall.



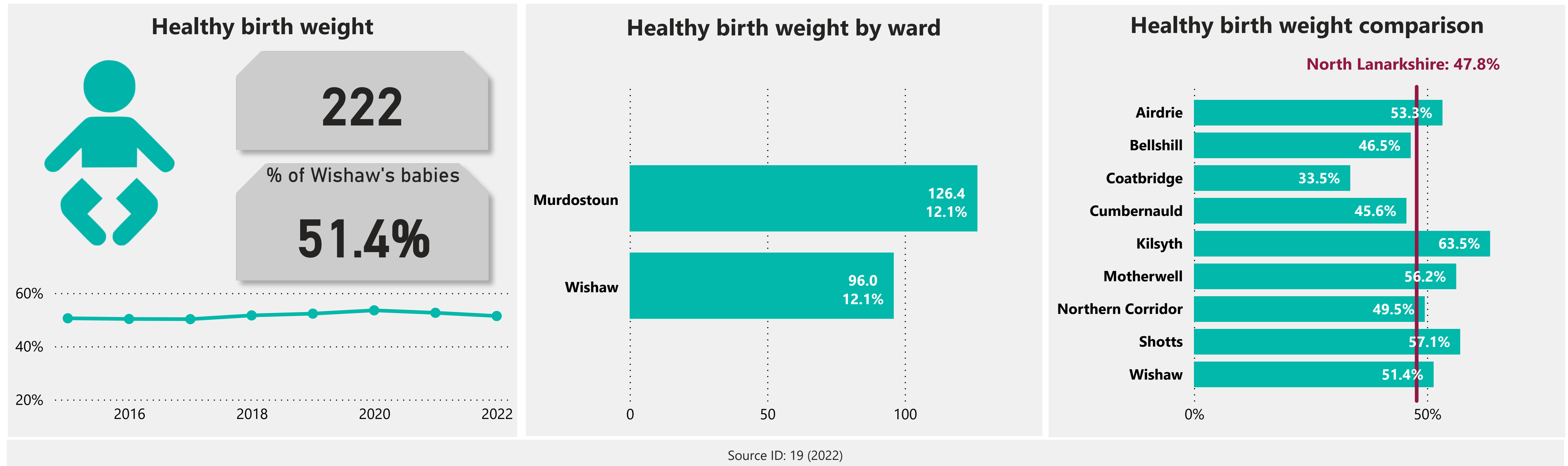
Across North Lanarkshire 520 babies (11.5%) were reported as being exclusively breastfed at their 6-8 week review.

Breastfeeding provides the best nutrition for babies and young children and supports children's health in the short and longer term. Breastfeeding also benefits mothers' health. Improving breastfeeding rates helps to improve the health of babies and mothers and reduce inequalities in health.

*This data is based on the latest 3 year aggregate 2021/22 to 2023/24.

Wishaw - mother and baby - healthy birth weight

This dashboard provides an overview of healthy birth weight babies in Wishaw. It highlights the trend over the years, provides a breakdown by ward and shows a comparison with other community boards and North Lanarkshire overall.



Across North Lanarkshire 2,283 full term babies (47.8%) were a healthy weight at birth.

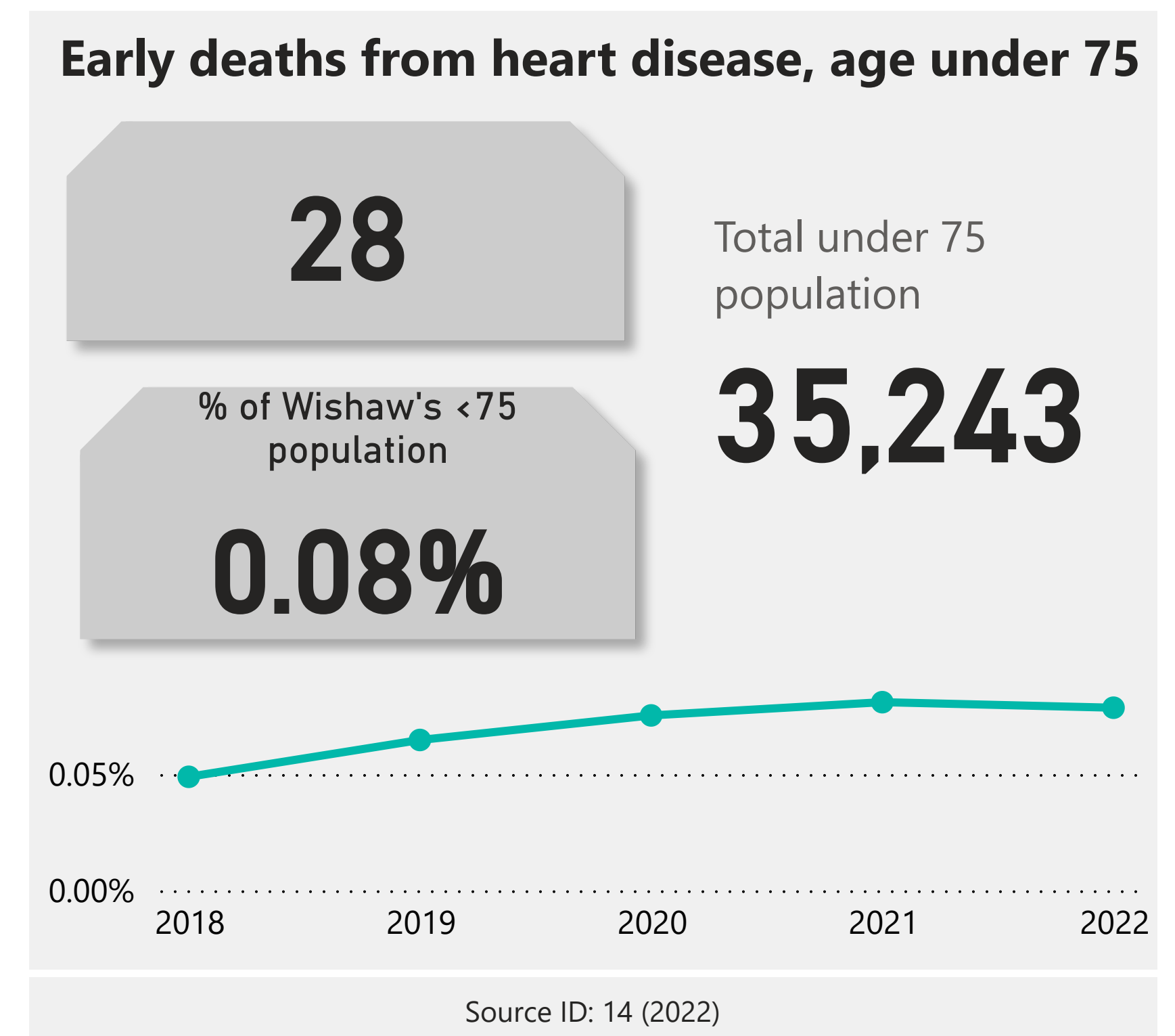
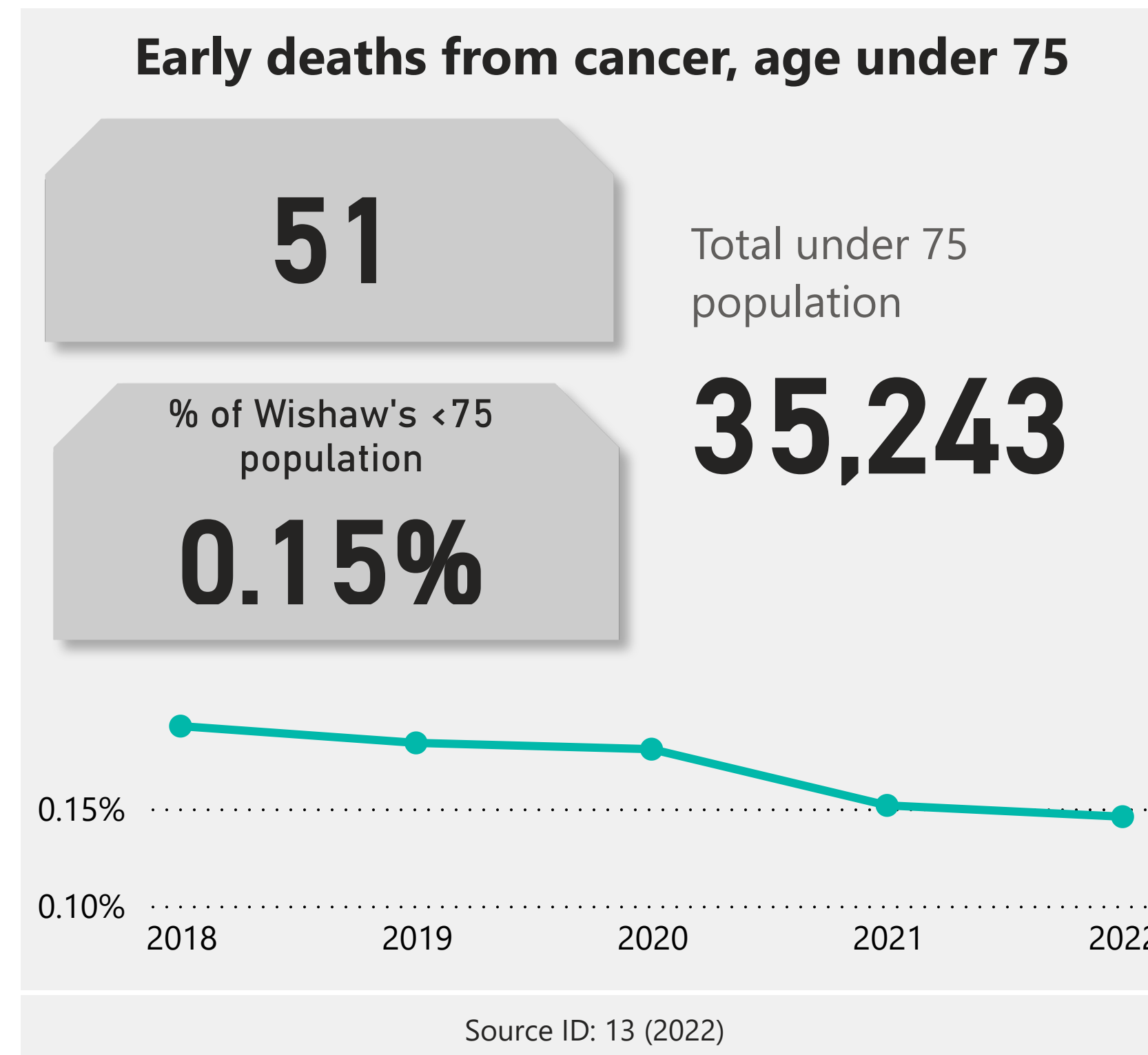
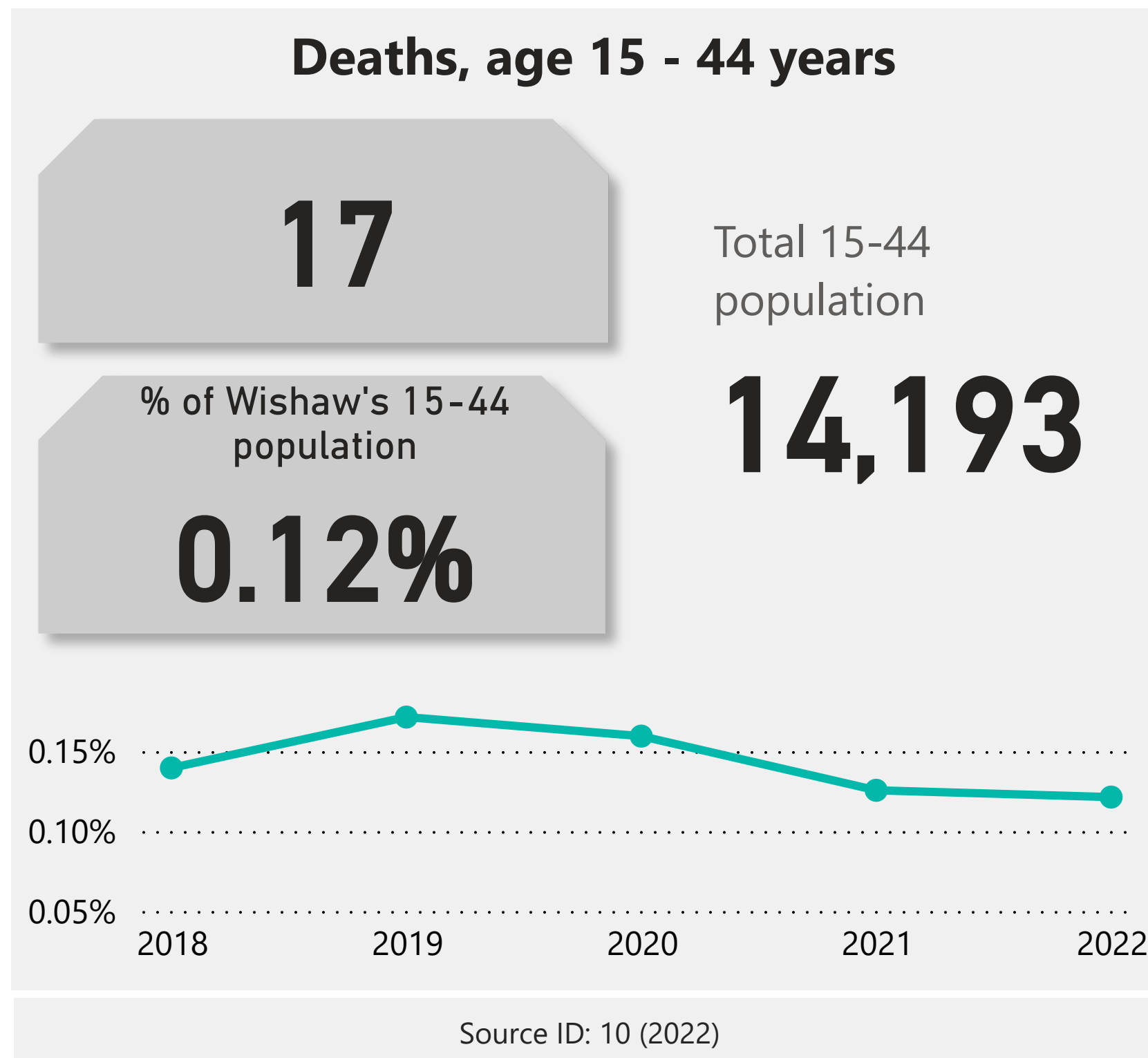
Healthy birth weight is defined as between 2.5kg and 4kg. Birth weight is influenced by deprivation and maternal health - mothers from deprived areas, those who smoke or have poor nutrition, are more likely to have smaller babies, whilst mothers who are obese or have diabetes tend to give birth to larger babies.

This matters because an unhealthy birth weight can lead to issues during labour and infancy, as well as health issues later in life.'

*This data is based on the latest 3 year aggregate 2021/22 to 2023/24.

Wishaw - deaths

This dashboard provides an overview of early deaths in Wishaw in 2022 and also shows trends over the years. It specifically looks at deaths in those under 75 years of age where cancer or coronary heart disease was the primary cause of death.



To put these figures into context, in 2022 in North Lanarkshire a total of 159 people aged between 15 and 44 died. This equates to 0.13% of the 15 to 44 year old population of the council area. In terms of deaths primarily caused by cancer in under 75 years old, the total deaths in North Lanarkshire was 504, which is 0.16% of the under 75 population. Additionally, in North Lanarkshire there were 210 deaths in those aged under 75 where the primary cause was coronary heart disease. This equates to 0.07% of the under 75 population of the area.

***This data is based on a three year rolling average. Deaths assigned to year based on death registration date.**

Wishaw - crime

The infographics below show the crime rate and number and proportion of young people living in the most crime prevalent areas in Wishaw.

Crude rate of recorded crime (per 10,000 people)



564.0

Source ID: 31 (2022)

Young people (aged 0-25) living in the most crime affected areas



total number of 0-25s

2,268

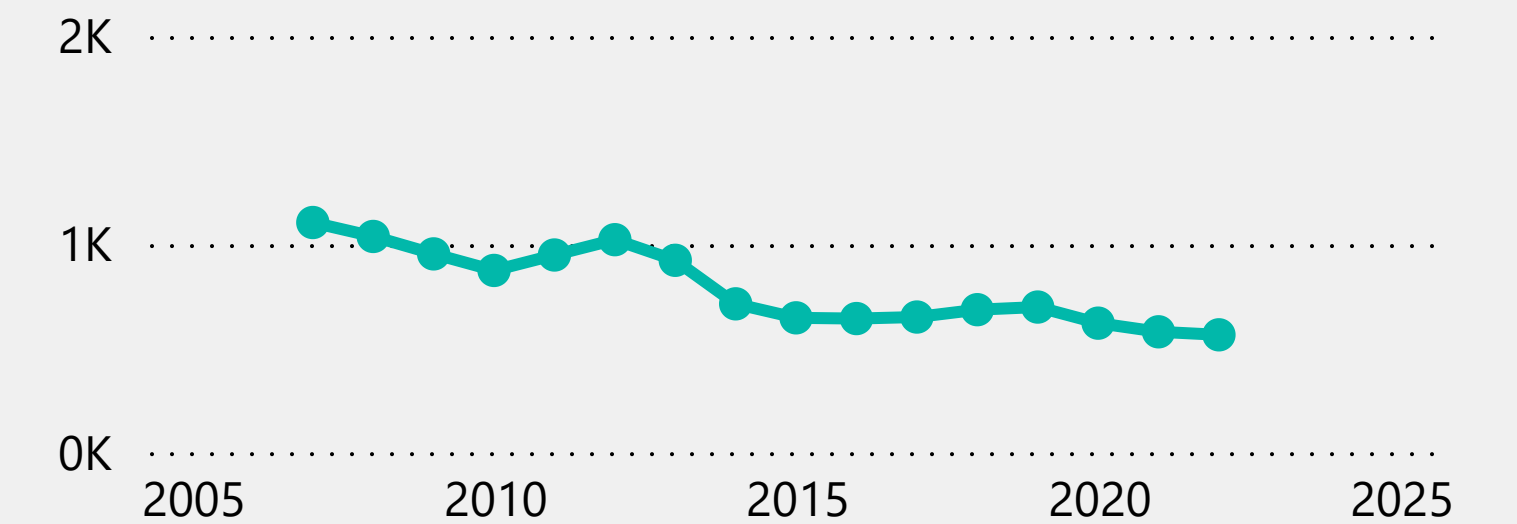
proportion of 0-25s

20.9%

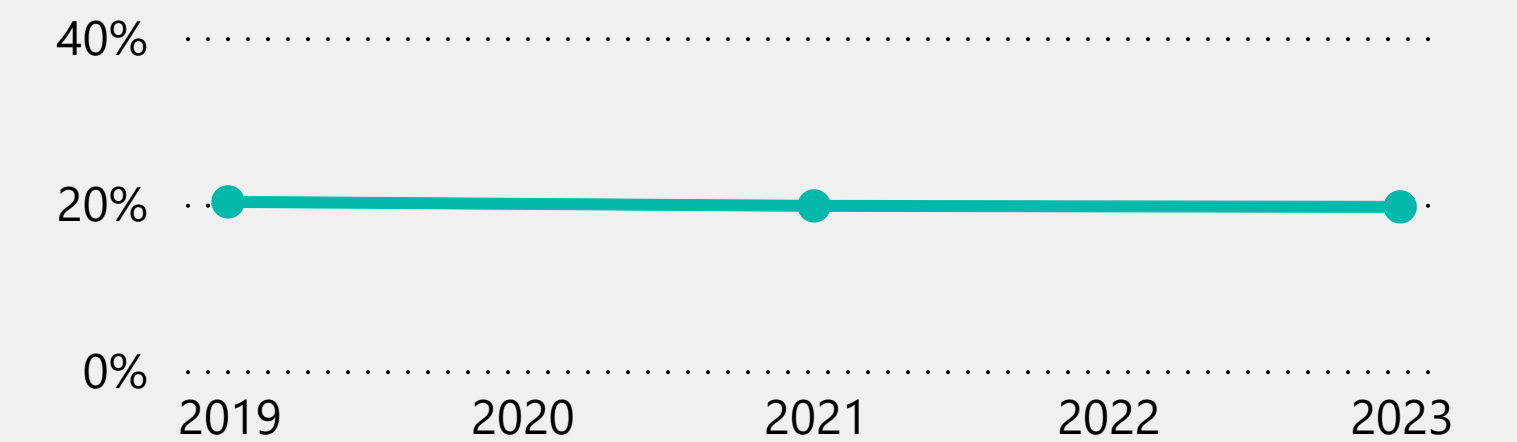
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Trends

Crime rate (per 10,000 population)



0-25s living in the most crime affected areas



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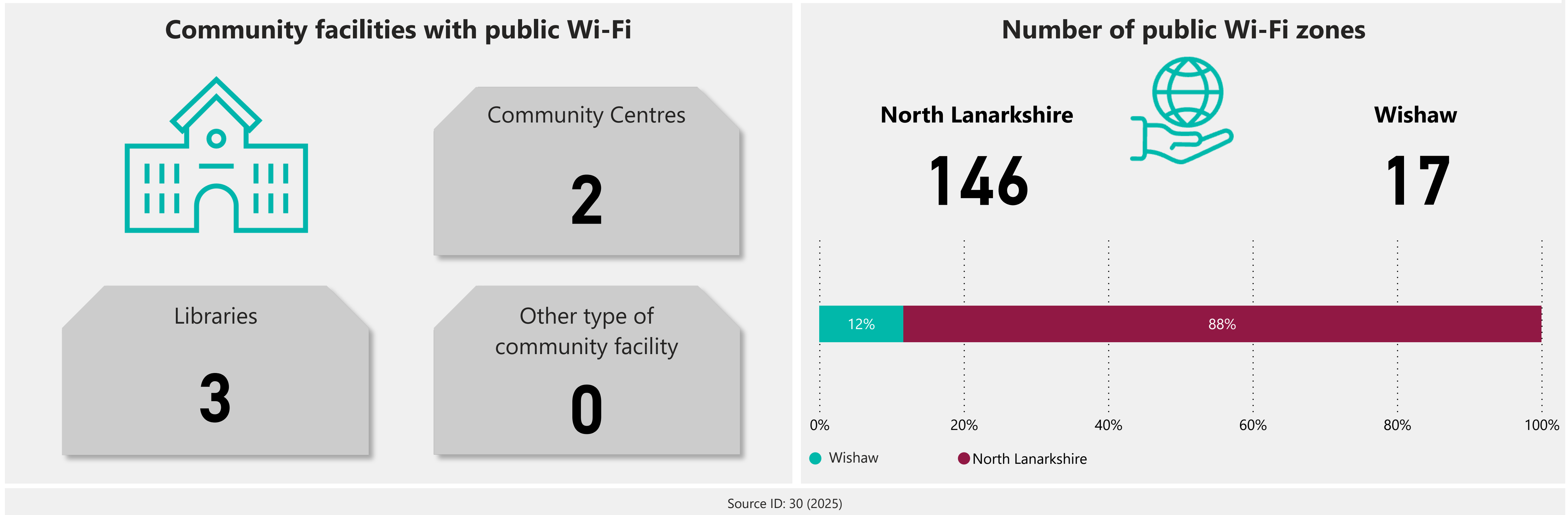
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In Wishaw the crude rate of recorded crime - that is crimes and offences committed and cleared up per 10,000 people, is 564.0 as of 2022. This is a decrease of 9.7 compared to 2021 which means an improvement of the crime rate.

As of 2023, there are 2,268 0-25 year olds living in areas of Wishaw ranked by the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) as the most crime deprived (crime is more prevalent in these areas). This is roughly 20.9% of the population of young people in Wishaw. This has remained unchanged since 2022.

Wishaw - community facilities with public Wi-Fi and public Wi-Fi zones

This dashboard provides an overview of public Wi-Fi availability and community facilities in Wishaw, showing how many Wi-Fi zones exist locally compared to North Lanarkshire and the distribution of key facilities such as libraries and community centres.



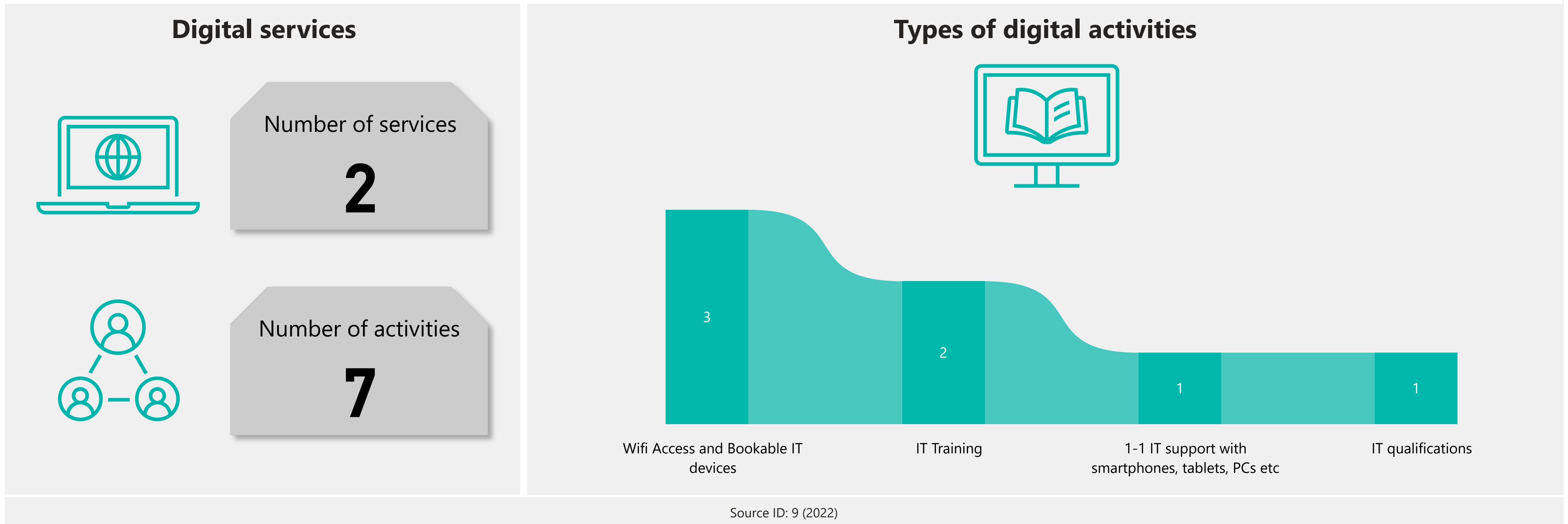
In Wishaw, there are currently 17 public Wi-Fi zones available for residents, representing 11.6 % of North Lanarkshire's total of 146 zones.

The types of sites in this area that provide Wi-Fi coverage are: social work locality, secondary school, retirement housing complex, community facility, library, leisure centre, primary school (hub) and temporary accommodation unit.

Wishaw has 3 libraries, 2 community centres and no other types of community facilities. Across North Lanarkshire, there are 17 libraries, 14 community centres, and 11 other types of community facilities. The total number of community facilities with public Wi-Fi across North Lanarkshire is 42.

Wishaw - digital services

This dashboard provides an overview of the digital services and activities available in Wishaw, showing how many services are offered and the types of activities that support digital skills and access to technology.

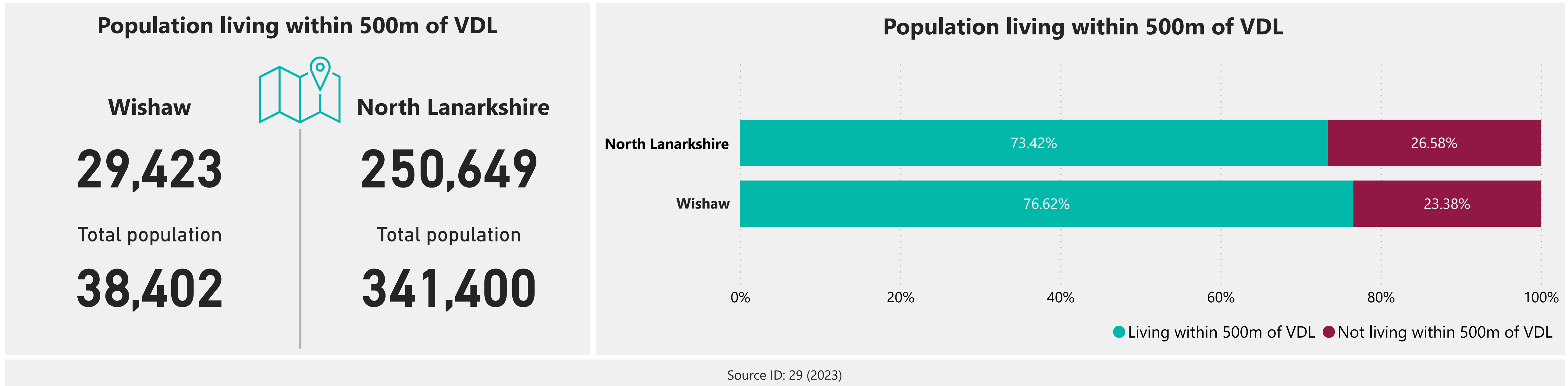


Wishaw offers 2 digital services that support the development of digital skills of the community and broaden access to technology resources. Those services include public access to WiFi and IT and available support for skills and training.

Wishaw has 4 digital activities. Those activities include IT training, IT qualifications, 1-to-1 IT support with smartphones, tablets and PCs and WiFi access and bookable IT devices.

Wishaw - vacant and derelict land

This dashboard provides an overview of the population living within 500 metres of vacant and derelict land (VDL) in Wishaw and compares this with North Lanarkshire.



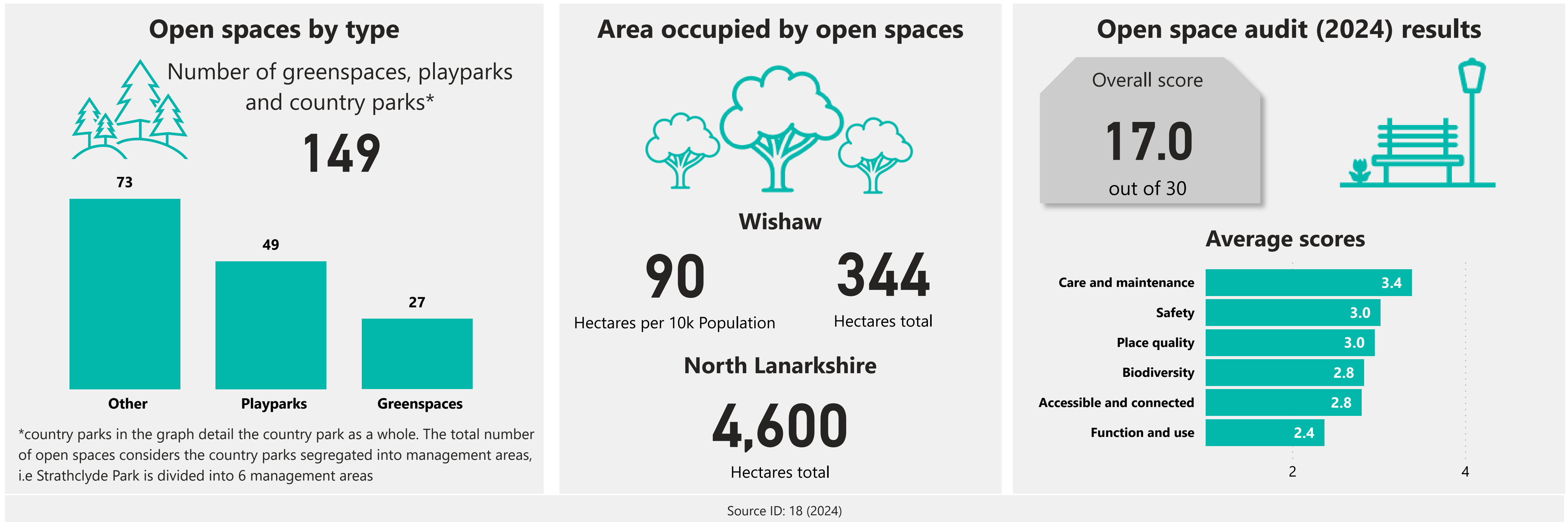
[Vacant and Derelict Land \(VDL\)](#) is land that is unused for its intended purpose or that is too damaged to be used without repair. Living close to vacant and derelict land is known to impact on the physical health of the population, contribute to poorer health outcomes, lower life expectancy and negatively impacting community wellbeing.

The existence of VDL matters. It can cause physical and psychological harm to communities. It is also a missed opportunity to use land productively, for a range of purposes. While there has been positive progress in recent years, VDL remains a significant issue. Half of Scotland's population lives within 1000 metres of vacant land. The figure is much higher in low income areas – in 2021, 49% of Scotland's total vacant and derelict land was located within the 15% most deprived areas of Glasgow.

In Wishaw, 29,423 people live within 500 metres of vacant and derelict land out of a total population of 38,402. Across North Lanarkshire, 73.42% of the population live within 500 metres of VDL compared to 76.62% in Wishaw. These figures highlight the proportion of residents affected by proximity to VDL.

Wishaw - greenspaces, playparks and country parks

This dashboard provides an overview of the number and quality of greenspaces, playparks, and country parks in Wishaw, including their distribution and average assessment scores.



In Wishaw, there are 27 greenspaces (162 hectares), 49 playparks (58 hectares) and 73 other open space areas (124 hectares). The graph shows the number of each category within the area. North Lanarkshire has a total of 1,296 greenspaces, playparks and country parks, which equate to a total of 4,600 hectares of open space. Wishaw has 344 hectares of open space.

The average score of open space quality reflect assessments on biodiversity, care and maintenance, place quality, safety, accessibility and function based on a scale from 1 to 5. The overall average total score is 17.0 out of 30.