

# Insight

## Information



Falkirk Council

**Ward 8  
Lower Braes**

February 2007

### Basic Facts

Area (hectares)	1,173
Population (2005)	13,144
Population Density (persons per hectare)	11.2
Electorate (2007)	9,989
Housing Stock (2005)	5,867
Households (2005)	5,767
Average Household Size	2.28
Unemployment (Dec 2006)	1.6%

### Population

#### Population by Age Group 2005

	Males	Females	Total	%	Falkirk %
0-4	327	317	644	4.9%	5.6%
5-9	342	320	662	5.0%	5.8%
10-14	522	454	977	7.4%	7.6%
15-19	478	302	780	5.9%	4.9%
20-24	608	329	938	7.1%	5.7%
25-29	344	370	714	5.4%	5.8%
30-34	435	482	917	7.0%	7.1%
35-39	445	563	1008	7.7%	8.1%
40-44	512	555	1067	8.1%	8.1%
45-49	468	473	941	7.2%	7.1%
50-54	459	451	910	6.9%	6.4%
55-59	476	505	981	7.5%	6.8%
60-64	348	311	659	5.0%	5.4%
65-69	252	315	567	4.3%	4.8%
70-74	224	259	484	3.7%	4.0%
75-79	152	219	371	2.8%	3.1%
80-84	105	199	305	2.3%	2.2%
85-89	44	103	147	1.1%	1.0%
90+	24	50	74	0.6%	0.5%
Total	6,565	6,580	13,144	100%	100%

Note: Figures may not add to totals shown due to rounding

## Benefits Claimants

### Benefits Claimants May 2006

Benefit	No. Claimants	Per 1,000 population	Scotland per 1,000 population
State Pension	2,299	174.9	180.3
Pension Credit	563	42.8	52.7
Disability Living Allowance	654	49.7	62.6
Incapacity Benefit & Severe Disablement Allowance	603	45.9	60.6
Income Support	346	26.3	37.6
Job Seekers Allowance	138	10.5	17.4

### Unemployment December 2006

	No.	%	Falkirk %
Males	88	1.9%	3.7%
Females	38	0.9%	1.3%
Total	126	1.5%	2.5%

## Household Income & Prosperity

### Household Income 2006

Income Band	No. Households in Band	%	Falkirk %
£0-10,000	547	10.0%	12.0%
£10,001-20,000	1,220	22.3%	25.4%
£20,001-30,000	1,237	22.6%	22.8%
£30,001-40,000	910	16.6%	15.3%
£40,001+	1,561	28.5%	24.5%

### Acorn Household Classifications 2006

Acorn	Description	%	Falkirk %
A	Affluent families	11.9%	10.9%
B	Older prosperity	12.0%	10.4%
C	Settled families	17.9%	7.1%
D	Rural areas	1.3%	2.1%
E	City lifestyle	0.7%	2.0%
F	Young workers	4.8%	6.1%
G	Traditionally comfortable	25.8%	22.3%
H	Developing families	16.0%	22.1%
I	Poor old age	9.5%	13.1%
J	Struggling singles	0.0%	3.4%
K	Unclassified	0.0%	0.5%

## House Prices

House Prices 2003-2006						
	Lower Braes			Falkirk		
	New Builds	All Sales		New Builds	All Sales	
2003	£80,330		£74,270	£116,140		£79,205
		+120.0%		+28.3%		+27.2%
2004	£176,400		£95,320	£142,620		£100,760
		-1.4%		+16.2%		+9.2%
2005	£173,945		£110,790	£157,810		£110,045
		+13.9%		+12.2%		+5.4%
2006*	£198,195		£124,355	£174,795		£116,010

\*First six months only

## Student Numbers

Student Numbers 2004/05			
	No.	Per 1,000 population	Falkirk per 1,000 population
Further Education – full-time	157	11.9	12.7
Further Education – total	672	51.1	38.4
Higher Education – full-time	367	27.9	24.9
Higher Education – total	494	37.6	33.7
Total Full-Time Students	524	39.9	37.5
Total Students	1,166	88.7	63.3

### Sources

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