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1. SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONTEXT

 TABLE 1.1
 ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND EMPLOYMENT

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND	UK
Economically active	86.8%	77.0%	78.5%
In employment	82.5%	74.5%	75.5%
Employees	71.4%	66.1%	65.9%
Self employed	11.2%	8.1%	9.3%
Unemployed	5.0%	3.3%	3.8%
Economically inactive	13.2%	23.0%	21.5%
Retired	19.4%	15.4%	12.8%
Student	23.2%	23.8%	27.0%
Looking after home or family	n/a	16.1%	18.5%
Long-term sick or disabled	35.6%	33.7%	28.2%
Temporary sick		n/a	2.3%
Other	12.0%	8.3%	10.9%
Economically active	86.8%	77.0%	78.5%

Source: APS, 2024

TABLE 1.2 EARNINGS

MEDIAN WEEKLY WAGES	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND	UK
Residence-based	£737	£740	£728.30
Workplace based	£644.10	£739.70	£728.30

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, 2024

TABLE 1.3GROSS ADDED VALUE

PRODUCTIVITY	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND	UK
Total GVA	£2,351m	£183,471m	£2,464,587

PRODUCTIVITY	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND	UK
GVA per Head	£24,554	£37,192	£39,845
Source: ONS, 2025	1		1

TABLE 1.4EMPLOYMENT PROFILE

EMPLOYEES BY SECTOR	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Agriculture, forestry & fishing (A)	11.3%	2.0%	1.6%
Mining, quarrying & utilities (B,D and E)	0.0%	0.5%	1.6%
Manufacturing (C)	9.3%	5.9%	8.0%
Construction (F)	6.4%	7.4%	7.3%
Wholesale and Retail trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	12.4%	10.3%	11.2%
Transport & storage (inc postal) (H)	3.8%	3.9%	4.9%
Accommodation & food services (I)	8.4%	6.5%	6.9%
Information & communication (J)	1.5%	2.6%	2.9%
Financial & insurance (K)	2.9%	6.3%	4.3%
Property (L)	0.9%	1.1%	1.0%
Professional, scientific & technical (M)	3.5%	6.9%	5.8%
Business administration & support services (N)	2.9%	4.4%	4.7%
Public administration & defence (0)	8.7%	9.4%	9.1%
Education (P)	8.4%	8.6%	8.2%
Health (Q)	11.0%	14.6%	14.6%
Arts, entertainment, recreation & other services (R,S,T and U)	3.8%	3.5%	2.7%

2. WIDER SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONTEXT

TABLE 2.1OCCUPATIONS

EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
10.1%	8.9%	8%
21.1%	21.0%	20.6%
14.7%	14.3%	13.9%
5.2%	10.0%	9.6%
19.4%	11.8%	11.2%
8.1%	10.3%	9.5%
5.8%	7.2%	8.2%
2.6%	6.4%	7.6%
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TABLE 2.2QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATIONS	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Other Qualifications	N/A	N/A	N/A
Apprenticeships	8.0%	8.1%	7.7%
No Qualifications	15.3%	14.5%	16.7%
Level 1 and entry level qualifications	15.1%	19.8%	18.9%
Level 2 qualifications	11.3%	11.4%	11.1%
Level 3 qualifications	11.4%	11.6%	13.2%
Level 4 qualifications or above	39.0%	34.6%	32.5%

3. SOCIO-CULTURAL CONTEXT

TABLE 3.1AGE PROFILE

AGE PROFILE	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Aged 4 years and under	3.5%	4.9%	4.6%
Aged 5 to 9 years	3.0%	5.6%	5.2%
Aged 10 to 15 years	6.7%	7.3%	6.6%
Aged 16 to 19 years	3.9%	4.4%	4.4%
Aged 20 to 24 years	4.4%	4.5%	6.3%
Aged 25 to 34 years	5.7%	10.9%	12.8%
Aged 35 to 49 years	18.2%	18.8%	18.6%
Aged 50 to 64 years	29.7%	23.8%	21.5%
Aged 65 to 74 years	14.6%	12.5%	11.0%
Aged 75 to 84 years	8.6%	7.1%	6.6%
Aged 85 years and over	3.3%	2.6%	2.4%

TABLE 3.2ETHNICITY

ETHNICITY	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh	0%	1.2%	3.9%
Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African	0%	1.4%	1.2%
Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	0.3%	1.0%	1.1%
White	99.4%	96.9%	92.9%
Other ethnic group	0%	0.4%	0.9%

TABLE 3.3 SELF-REPORTED RATING OF HEALTH

SELF REPORTED RATING OF HEALTH	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Very bad health	2.7%	1.3%	1.6%
Bad health	3.92%	4.4%	5.3%
Fair health	13.3%	13.4%	14.2%
Good health	31.3%	30.3%	30.9%
Very good health	49.4%	50.6%	48.0%

Source: Census, 2022

 TABLE 3.4
 LONG-TERM HEALTH PROBLEM OR DISABILITY

HEALTH	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Not disabled under the Equality Act: No long term physical or mental health conditions	78.8%	77.6%	76.0%
Disabled under the Equality Act: Day-to-day activities limited a little	13.0%	13.2%	13.3%
Disabled under the Equality Act: Day-to-day activities limited a lot	8.3%	9.2%	10.8%

Source: Census, 2022

TABLE 3.5HOUSEHOLDS

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Total no. households	286	48,792	2,509,269
Owned	77.3%	67.8%	63.2%
Private rented	8.0%	8.5%	12.9%
Social rented	11.2%	22.4%	22.5%
Lives rent free	2.8%	1.3%	1.43%

TABLE 3.6PROPERTY PRICE

PROPERTY PRICES	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Median Property Price	N/A	291, 114	188,807
Change in median property price	N/A	59.8%	47.9%

Source: Land Registry, UK House Price Index, 2025

TABLE 3.7SERVICES

SERVICES	EAST LINTON AND RURAL	EAST LOTHIAN	SCOTLAND
Patients	N/A	117,334	5,996,967
GPs	N/A	136	5,209.00
Patient : GP Ratio	N/A	863	1151.27
Primary teachers	4	481	25,099
Primary pupils	46	8,450	384,725
Primary school Pupil: Teacher Ratio	12	18	15
Primary Capacity	75	15,168	527,016
Primary Capacity	61%	56%	73%
Secondary teachers	N/A	520	25,049
Secondary pupils	N/A	6,667	313,061
Secondary school pupil: teacher Ratio	N/A	13	12
Secondary Capacity	N/A	15,168	370,454

Source: Public Health Scotland, 2024

4. TOURISM AND RECREATION

TABLE 4.1TOURISM AND RECREATION

TOURISM AND RECREATION	EDINBURGH AND THE LOTHIANS	SCOTLAND
Total overnight visits by international and domestic visitors	5.34 million	16.4 million
Total nights spend in accommodations by international and domestic visitors	21.29 million	63.8 million
Total spend by international and domestic visitors	£2,321 million	£6.53 billion
Average overnight visitor spend	£435	£258

Source: Visit Scotland, 2023

TABLE 4.2DOMESTIC TOURISM

DOMESTIC OVERNIGHT TOURISM	EDINBURGH AND THE LOTHIANS	SCOTLAND
Domestic visits	2,970,000	10,600,000
Domestic nights	7,669,000	29,500,000
Domestic spend	£792 million	£3 billion
Source: Visit Scotland, 2023		

TABLE 4.3INTERNATIONAL TOURISM

EDINBURGH AND THE LOTHIANS	SCOTLAND
2,368,000	~ 3,987,000
13,623,000	~ 34,354,000
£1,529 million	~ £3,593 million
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Source: Visit Scotland, 2023. International Passenger Survey (IPS)

TABLE 4.4TOURIST ECONOMY

EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE	EDINBURGH AND THE LOTHIANS	SCOTLAND
Tourism employment	4,000	229,000
Tourism employment as a percentage of all employment	7.4%	9.1%
Tourism business	300	15,830
Tourism businesses as a percentage of all businesses	8.9%	9.2%
Tourism turnover	£243 million	£3,366m
Total tourism GVA per head	£25,650	-

Source: Visit Scotland, 2023