

SIMD 2020: Focus on Levenmouth

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Introduction

The Scottish Government launched its latest Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) – SIMD20 – on 28 January 2020. SIMD is a tool for identifying the places in Scotland where people are experiencing disadvantage across different aspects of their lives. It is a relative measure of deprivation, ranking datazones across Scotland from 1 (most deprived) to 6976 (least deprived). SIMD can also be used by communities to highlight the things that matter to them and identify opportunities to improve the lives of local people.

How is SIMD changing over time by Area?

Change in relative terms

Table 1: Area distribution of 20% most deprived datazones, showing change from 2016 to 2020

Area	No of datazones in 20% most deprived		Change
	2020	2016	
South and West Fife	5	5	0
City of Dunfermline	11	8	+ 3
Cowdenbeath	19	19	0
Kirkcaldy	20	23	- 3
Glenrothes	15	16	- 1
Levenmouth	26	23	+ 3
North East Fife	1	1	0
Fife	97	95	+ 2

The majority of Fife's most deprived areas continue to be concentrated in Mid Fife, across the Levenmouth, Kirkcaldy, Cowdenbeath and Glenrothes areas. Fife sees an increase in the number of datazones in 20% most deprived, reflecting increases in Levenmouth and Dunfermline areas.

Change in absolute terms

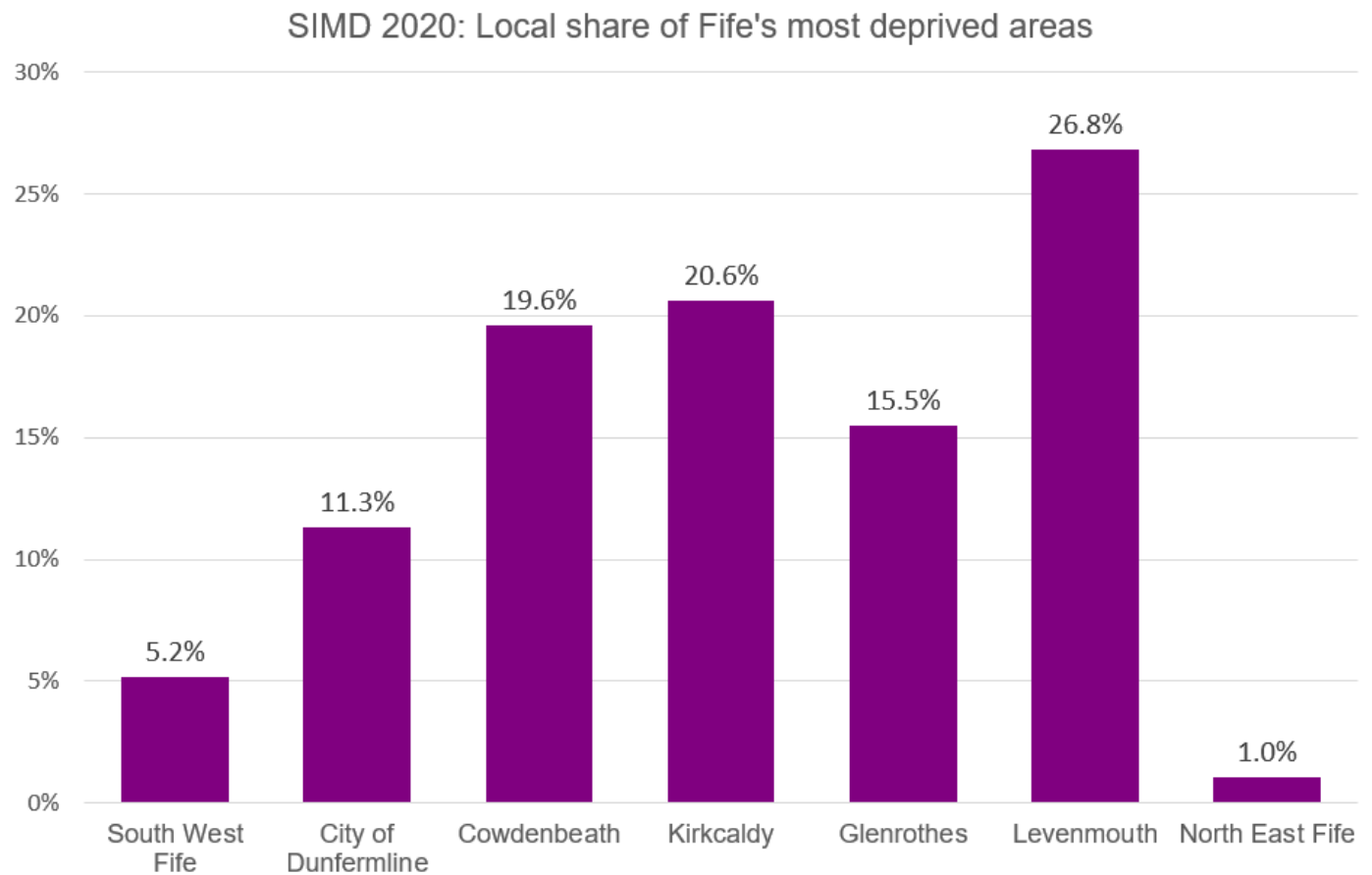
Table 2: Change in absolute income and employment deprivation from 2016 to 2020 by Area

Area	Income deprivation		Employment deprivation	
	2020	2016	2020	2016
South and West Fife	8.4%	8.8%	7.1%	8.8%
City of Dunfermline	9.3%	9.6%	7.9%	9.3%
Cowdenbeath	17.0%	17.5%	13.0%	16.0%
Kirkcaldy	14.8%	15.3%	11.3%	13.0%
Glenrothes	13.9%	14.6%	10.8%	12.3%
Levenmouth	18.9%	19.0%	15.4%	17.1%
North East Fife	6.4%	6.7%	5.0%	5.7%
Fife	11.9%	12.4%	9.4%	11.0%
Scotland	12.1%	12.3%	9.3%	10.8%

In absolute terms, income and employment deprivation have reduced between 2016 and 2020.

¹ Scottish Government published a correction to SIMD2020 which affects SIMD Overall and Income Domain Ranks

How are Fife's most deprived datazones distributed across Areas?



What is the local picture for the Area by Domain?

Table 3: Number of datazones in 5, 10, 15 and 20% most deprived, and Area's local share of Fife's most deprived

Levenmouth	5	10	15	20	DZs in 20%	Local share
Overall SIMD	9	2	9	6	26	26.8%
Employment	8	7	3	7	25	24.8%
Income	6	5	3	11	25	25.3%
Education	9	6	5	5	25	23.8%
Health	3	8	5	8	24	27.9%
Crime	7	5	5	5	22	25.3%
Housing	0	0	0	3	3	21.4%
Access	1	3	3	1	8	9.0%

Overview of datazones in the Area from most to least deprived

Table 4: Overview of datazones in 20% most deprived for the Area

Data_Zone	Name	Total population	Working age population	SIMD20 Rank v2	Fife Rank	Income Rank v2	Employment Rank	Health Rank	Education Rank	Housing Rank	Access Rank	Crime Rank
S01009622	Buckhaven South	646	423	7	1	2	9	53	178	2703	2675	102
S01009636	Aberhill	863	564	107	4	115	44	389	478	2806	4856	132
S01009633	Methil Savoy	737	434	148	5	87	321	355	65	1382	6260	349
S01009632	Methil Memorial Park	530	314	171	6	375	142	325	17	1357	5625	426
S01009631	Lower Methil	624	414	211	8	321	93	271	389	3344	6395	400
S01009640	Scoonie South	584	368	305	11	465	35	370	2384	3945	5231	427
S01009656	Kennoway East	730	394	314	12	447.5	263	566	193	4308	2581	1207
S01009626	Methil Trees East	569	325	328	13	251	537	524	89	1106	5448	2228
S01009638	Methil Kirkland	1049	601	332	14	217	867	874	14	2457	4447	454
S01009647	Leven North	601	344	359	15	384	119	636	1357	4147	4819	718
S01009542	East Wemyss McDuff	707	474	463	21	475	469	728	611	2712.5	1509	1132
S01009641	Leven South West	756	437	726	42	886	406	839	1632	3403	6413	207
S01009659	Kennoway Central	497	292	732	43	1262	361	1368	1154	4714	2402	213
S01009621	Buckhaven Central	754	461	761	46	1189	520	698	962	3060.5	4629	338
S01009634	Methil Sea Road	517	263	822	51	1285	678	906	307	1820	5494	1965.5
S01009625	Methil Methilmill	845	540	858	56	1088	1277	1222	190	4869	2277	1271

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S01009630	Methilhill North	704	459	882	61	926	786	1202	859	2045	2810	1982
S01009658	Kennoway North West	768	476	946	65	1096	1111	2584	417	4402	1319	710
S01009629	Methilhill South West	1031	674	1011	72	1062	1314	1665	291	2378	3147	1883
S01009624	Buckhaven Birds	846	506	1036	76	1229	1320	1137	402	2717	4443	792.5
S01009628	Methilhill Toll Bar	517	221	1066	79	1151	1199	512	804	5345.5	5830	1965.5
S01009619	Denbeath South	554	326	1146	82	1127	671	1256	1492	4100	5582	3143
S01009620	Buckhaven North	790	462	1274	89	1216	1429	969	1129	4344	4826	1072
S01009618	Denbeath North	664	435	1299	90	1456	1162	1281	784	3137	5281	2076
S01009635	Methil New Bayview	803	497	1330	94	1788	909	1242	1707	3742	5238	471
S01009637	Methil Old Bayview	756	465	1342	95	1376	1298	1244	1096	4412	6239	842
S01009623	Buckhaven North West and Muiredge	460	286	1467	100	992	1729.5	1419	1829	2903	3845	2581.5
S01009655	Kennoway South East	796	490	1526	104	1858	1659	2221	605	2578.5	1975	4156
S01009627	Methil Trees West	805	505	1703	114	2006	1527	1706	900	2874	5228	2581.5
S01009649	Broom North	999	624	1833	129	1780	1661	2607	2376	5132	1466	1537
S01009660	Kennoway North East	1061	678	1947	138	1933	2229	2287	2099	5046	1446	1206

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S01009646	Leven Mountfleurie East	552	321	2044	145	2019	1732	2621	1399	1877	5664	2323
S01009642	Leven South	833	555	2165	153	2521	2053	1833	2993	4407	6687	58
S01009644	Leven Mountfleurie West	802	505	2213	156	2274	2131	2870	1197	4020	4398	2451
S01009544	Wemyss Villages	925	572	2318	161	2665	1921	2847	3162	5338	831	5605
S01009645	Leven Montrave	606	360	2438	170	2147	2321	3068	1471	4375	5189	4506
S01009648	Broom South	842	515	2497	176	2585	2633	2902	2019	3444	2000	3719
S01009657	Kennoway Sandy Brae	730	480	2732	192	2548	2719.5	2934	2923	4191	4609	911
S01009543	East Wemyss Shore	552	338	2902	207	3272	2622	3310	2318	4737	1632	5674
S01009651	New Gilston and Upper Largo	932	555	2918	209	2795	3100	4337	5168	4615	262	5620
S01009616	Windygates East	706	471	3095	219	3853	2404	2758	2692	4394.5	3072	3841
S01009541	East Wemyss and Standingstone	915	586	3202	229	4101	3388	3590	3031	5796	717	2707
S01009654	Lower Largo	588	345	3568	262	4019	3342	4262	5282	4770	433	5396.5
S01009661	Bonnybank and Montrave	872	538	4142	292	4978	4351	4517	5038	5969	385	4191
S01009617	Windygates Kennoway and Leven Roads	752	477	4787	338	4715	4041	4137	4736	4635	2715	5809
S01009652	Lundin Links	779	397	4910	343	5113	4671	4889	6236	6080	808	5315

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S01009615	Windygates West	389	241	4934	345	5168	4785	4225	3599	5874	2215	6129
S01009653	Lower Largo Northern	528	315	5256	374	5761	4804	6217	6229	6740	615	6723
S01009639	Leven Links	831	442	5483	393	5786	4857	3814	5046	5391	4967	2836
S01009643	Leven Castlefleurie	964	660	5547	395	5812	5817	4953	3694	6587.5	2442	4645
S01009650	Leven Letham Glen	749	385	5609	400	5584	5608	5520	5344	6833	1928	3576

Further Information

SIMD web pages www.gov.scot/SIMD and SIMD mapping tool <http://simd.scot>

Local analysis: KnowFife Hub <http://know.fife.scot> KnowFife Dataset <http://knowfife.fife.gov.uk/>