

# Livability Trends Across Peer Cities (2015 - 2024)

"Tracking affordability, mobility, sustainability, and quality of life across 12 peer cities"

Timeframe: 2015–2024

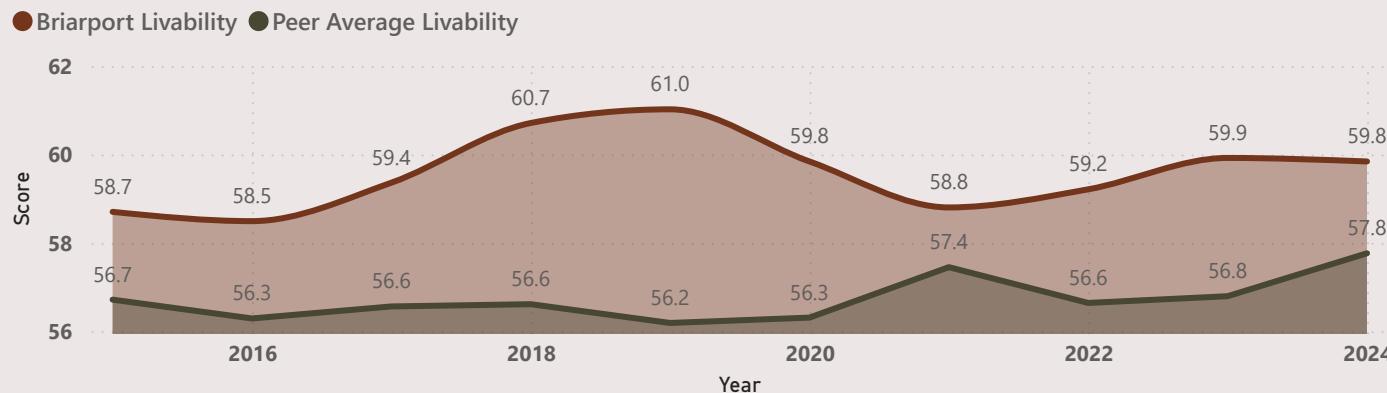
Audience: City planners, policy analysts, community stakeholders

Goal: Compare Briarport vs 11 peer cities and guide investment decisions

## Why Focus on Briarport ?



## Livability Composite Comparison



Briarport has seen strong transit growth since 2018, but rising housing costs and uneven green space distribution raise questions about long-term livability.



"Explore what's driving Briarport's livability and where policy action matters most"

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Definition: Livability measures how effectively a city balances affordability, mobility, environmental quality, and sustainability. This dashboard tracks Briarport's performance across five dimensions compared to 11 peer cities from 2015 to 2024.



## "Living & Moving in Briarport"

"Housing affordability and transit access shape daily quality of life"



If we're not leading or failing, what has changed over time ?

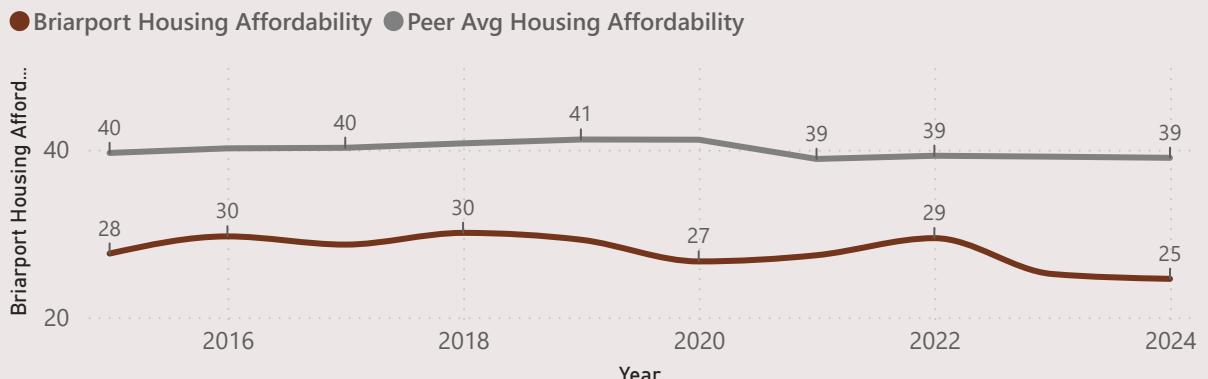
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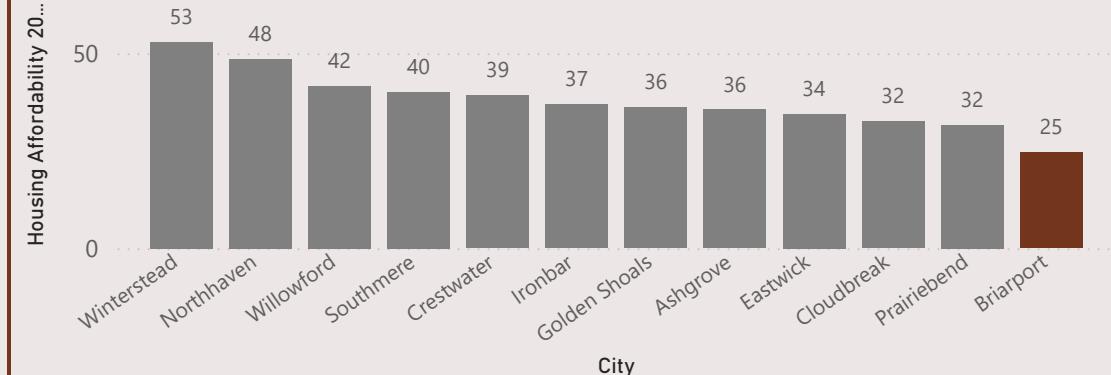
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### Housing Affordability Trend: Briarport vs Peers

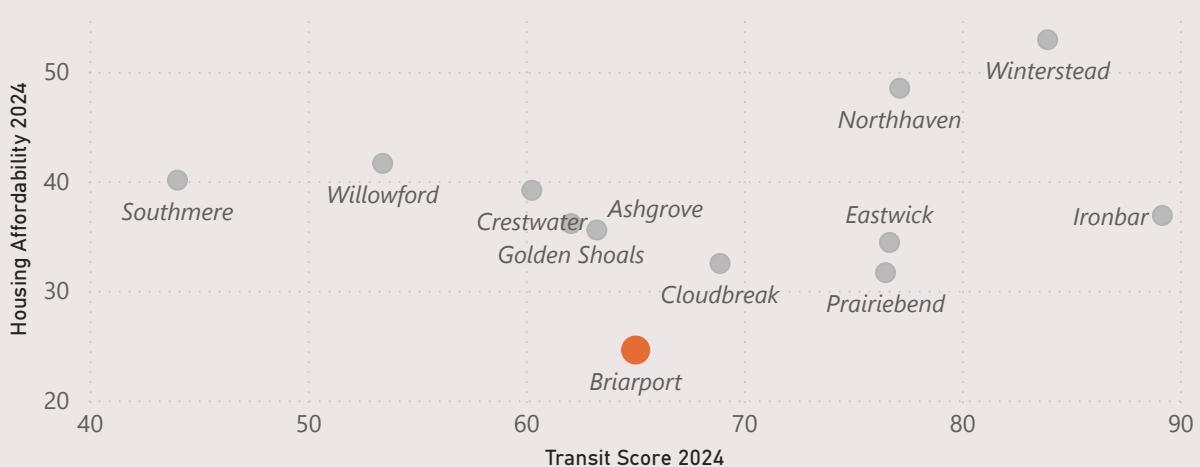


"Lower values indicate lower affordability"



"While Briarport remained relatively affordable until 2019, housing costs increased sharply post-2020, pushing the city below the peer average by 2024."

### Lower transit access relative to housing costs compared to peers



Briarport sits in the upper-middle range of livability among peer cities. Its overall score suggests a stable and functional city, but not a top performer. Initial indicators show strengths in transit and environmental performance, with early signs of pressure in housing affordability.

#### Policy Lens Box

Risk: Housing pressure without transit expansion

Opportunity: Transit investment as affordability stabilizer

"Cities with strong transit networks tend to maintain better affordability. Briarport underperforms on transit relative to its housing costs."

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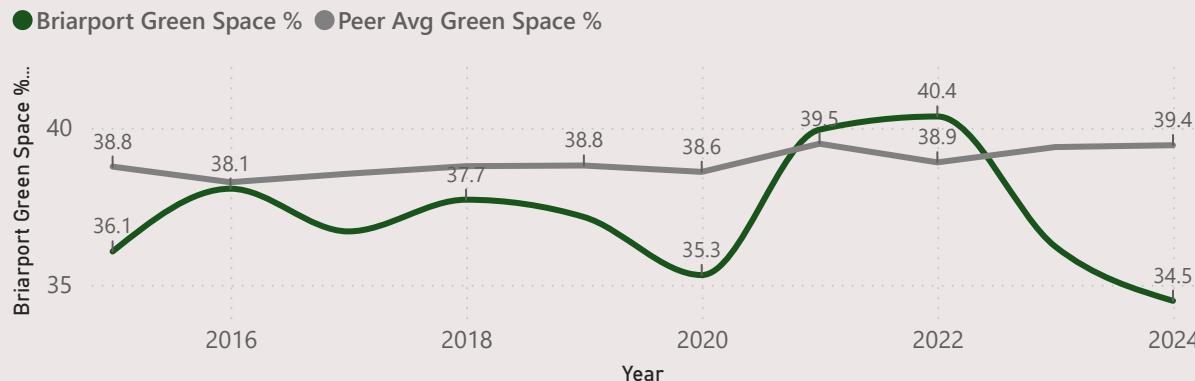
## "Green Space & Emissions: Planning for a Sustainable Briarport"



"Balancing urban growth with environmental quality"

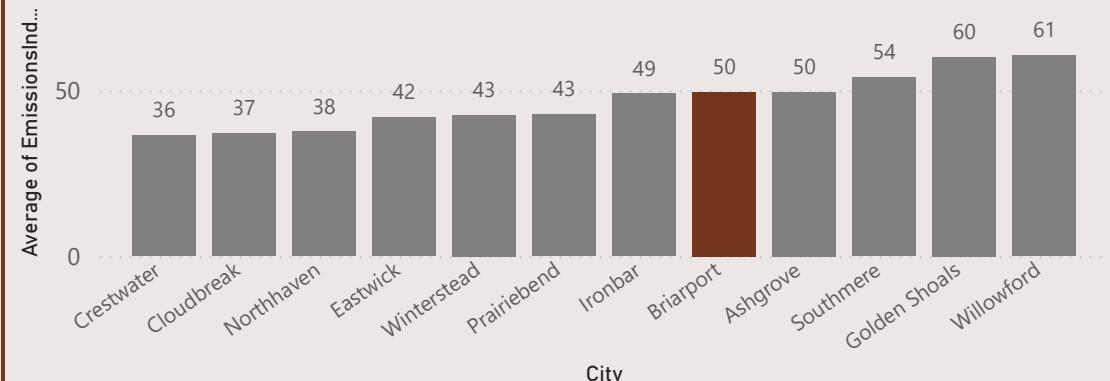
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### Green Space % - Long Term Change



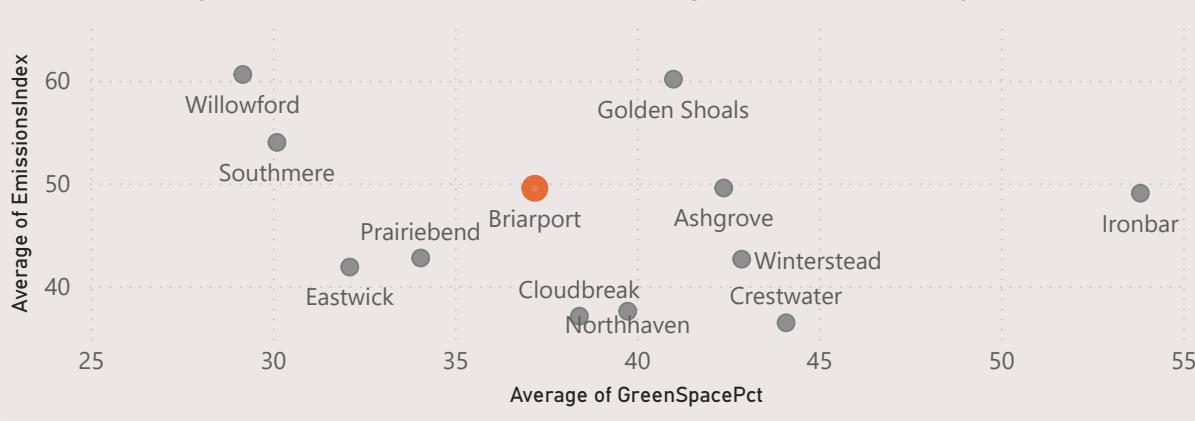
"Briarport's green space has increased modestly over the past decade, but growth has lagged...

### Emission Index - Peer Comparision 2024



"Briarport performs better than heavily industrial peers, but remains above the peer average, signaling opportunity for emissions reduction."

### Trade Off Analysis - Green Space Vs Emissions ("Do greener cities actually emit less?")



"Cities with higher green space coverage tend to show lower emissions. Briarport falls below the trend line..."

Briarport's livability gains are driven by infrastructure and environmental progress, but these gains are increasingly offset by declining housing affordability. Without intervention, this imbalance may erode future livability.

#### Policy Lens Box

Risk: Urban growth without proportional green investment

Opportunity: Green corridors as emissions mitigation tools

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## "From Metrics to Action: Briarport's Livability Priorities"

"Turning data insights into planning decisions"

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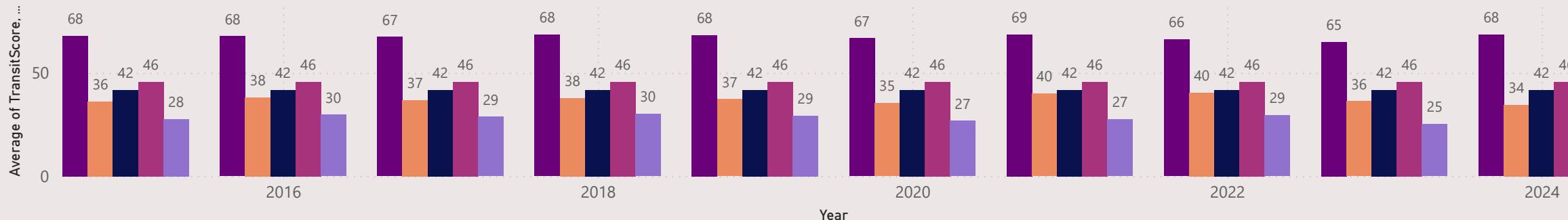
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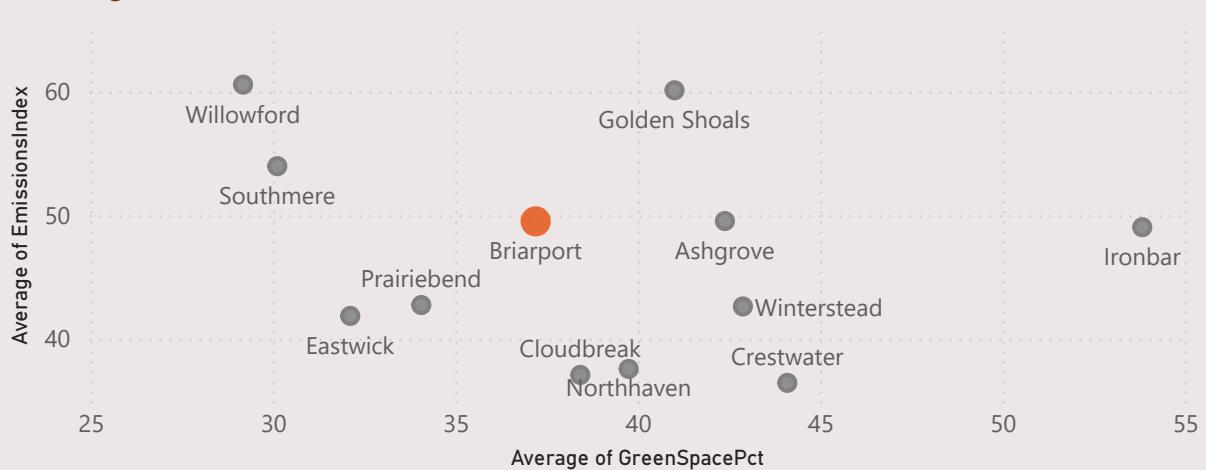
### Livability Composite Breakdown

● Average of TransitScore ● Briarport Green Space % ● Emissions Index 2024 ● Livability Composite ● Briarport Housing Affordability



"Briarport's livability score is supported by moderate affordability and green space, but constrained by weaker transit performance and rising emissions."

### Planning Priorities



"Briarport performs better than heavily industrial peers, but remains above the peer average, signaling opportunity for emissions reduction."

"Briarport's livability gains are real but fragile. Coordinated investment in transit and sustainability is essential to prevent widening gaps with peer cities."

#### Policy Lens Box

##### Priority 1 : Expand Transit Infrastructure

Stabilizes housing affordability, Reduces emissions

##### Priority 2 🌳 Accelerate Green Space Investment

Improves health outcomes, Mitigates emissions

##### Priority 3 🏠 Target Emissions in Transport & Housing

Energy-efficient housing, Public transit electrification

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