Forfar, Angus

Population 14,048

Forfar in Angus is the administrative centre for Angus. It is an historic burgh. Both historically and today local industries reflect its location in an agricultural region. It has a livestock market, slaughter house, dairy food processing and a spring water plant and is of course famed for the Forfar bridie.

This type of large town is extremely mixed in terms of demographics. There is a particularly wide range of people, housing and activities. The number of older couples with no children is higher than average. There is a mix of professional and non-professional jobs, and part-time and self-employment are both important for a significant proportion of residents. Socioeconomic status is higher than in other kinds of town and there is a mix of professionals and nonprofessionals, those with higher and lower educational attainment.

Forfar is an independent to interdependent town.

Its most similar towns are Elgin, Dumfries, Inverness, and Falkirk.

To gain more insight into Forfar, compare it to any of the other towns included in USP.

### Inter-relationships

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Number of jobs

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Combining inter-relationships and typology, Forfar is grouped with 9 other towns. It has similarities to these towns in terms of the number of children in primary schools, children in secondary schools, jobs, shops, and diversity of retail offer. It also has similarities in the diversity of jobs, and the distance travelled to work.

Forfar differs most from its group in the number of public sector jobs.

![Diagram of Forfar's employment structure]

**Change**

**Population change 2001 to 2011**

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Less than similar towns per head of population

**Population**

**Population 2011**

| 14k |
Less than similar towns

Age

Household composition

Employment

Jobs

7k

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Jobs change 2009 to 2014

1%

More than similar towns per head of population

Employment type (% working full time vs part time aged 16-74)

Occupation (% aged 16-74)
Coloured and grey lines/pins show the main and smaller commuter flows, respectively, between this town and the other towns in Scotland.

**Commercial**

**Number of people per shop**

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**Social**

**Distance travelled to study**
Number of residents per charity

97

More than similar towns per head of population

Connectivity and environment assets

Average download speed (MBs)

22

More than similar towns per head of population

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