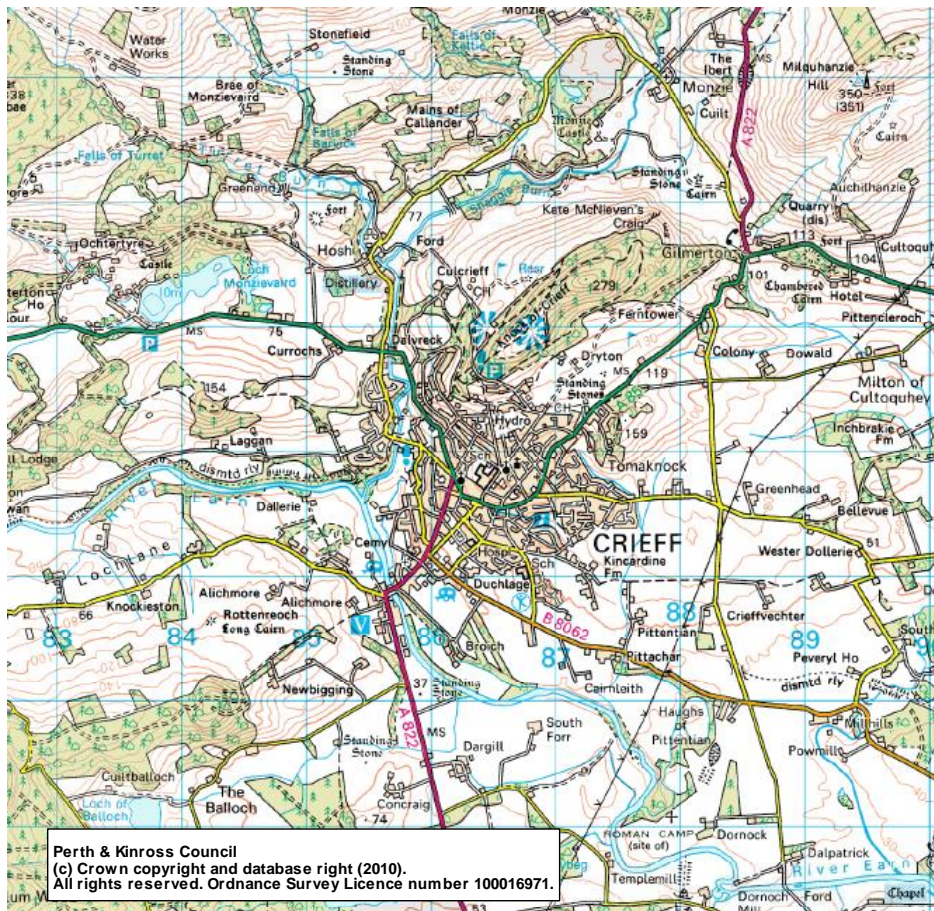




# Culture & Community Services

## Crieff Profile



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## Introduction

The purpose of this profile is to give readers a factual account of Crieff town and its services.

Crieff is the capital of Strathearn – the broad valley of the River Earn. It was once the centre of the Pictish Kingdom of Fortrenn and is the location of the oldest Roman frontier in Europe.

It was one of the settlements burnt by the Jacobites after the 1715 uprising. Out of the ashes it rose to become a prosperous weaving town and it is believed that the final war council to be held by Bonnie Prince Charlie prior to his encounter at Culloden was held in Crieff.

In the 18<sup>th</sup> Century the town hosted the annual Michaelmas cattle Tryst, an event which the town continues to celebrate annually with a week long walking festival in October.

During the reign of Queen Victoria the focus went from trading town to popular holiday resort, and the Crieff Hydro Hotel (or Strathearn Hydropathic as it was known at the time) was first established. The hotel remains one of the key reasons for people visiting the area and is also one of the main employers attracting both local and international staff.

Over the years Crieff has steadily expanded in all directions, however, travelling to the area has changed with the closing of the railway station in the 1964.



The town is split by the A85 the main trunk road to Oban in one direction and Perth the other. This is an exceptionally busy road used by both tourist and commercial traffic and can cause some major congestion problems in the High Street. This issue has provoked a number of calls for a bypass to be considered for the town. However it can also be said that the high level of traffic has helped to protect the commercial viability of the town.

Crieff was formally designated as a Conservation Area in February 2009. The Conservation Appraisal Document, which explains why the designation was made, can be found at [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk).

Crieff has a number of active community organisations including Crieff Community Council, the Crieff and Upper Strathearn Tourist Association, Crieff Residents Association, Crieff in Leaf, Crieff Community Initiative, The Sounds of Strathearn and the Drivers' Tryst committee. These organisations along with the local councillors all actively meet under the umbrella of the Crieff & Strathearn Partnership to discuss issues affecting the area.

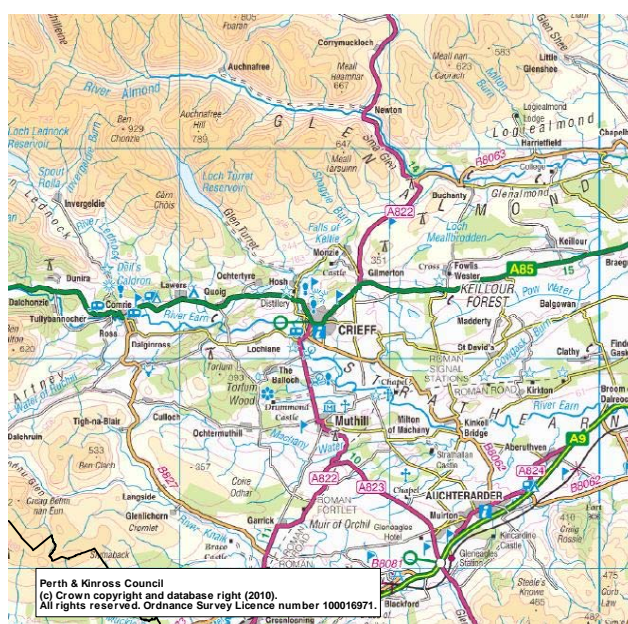
One of the projects which they are currently working towards is to provide a clear identity for the town, for example ensuring uniformity of street furniture, street lamps, railings etc in designs and colours.

## Geography

Crieff is the second largest town in Perth and Kinross and the main town of Strathearn. It is situated on a south-facing slope of the Grampians and is located on the main road through the Strathearn valley (the A85) between Perth and Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park. It is 17 miles from Perth and 23 miles from Stirling.

Crieff also forms one end of the Perthshire Tourist Route which runs north through Aberfeldy to join the A9 at Ballinluig. The principal route south is the A822 which connects with Dunblane and Stirling.

The town spills from the Knock, the wooded hill above, down to the River Earn. James Square with its fountain marks its centre. The area is well served with a network of 50km of core paths and beautiful scenery. The Crieff Paths Network consists of 8 way marked walks of various lengths passing through some of the most wonderful scenery in the Crieff area. The Crieff Path Network leaflet contains details of all these walks.



## Population, general statistics and information

	Crieff (numbers)	Perth and Kinross (numbers)	GB (numbers)
All people	6,579	134,949	<b>57,103,923</b>
Males	3150	65,172	<b>27,758,419</b>
<b>Females</b>	<b>3429</b>	<b>69,777</b>	<b>29,345,504</b>

Population figures are based on the 2001 census which states that Crieff has a population of 6,579. However the General Registrar Office for Scotland – Mid-2006 Population Estimates for Settlements in Scotland estimates that the population of Crieff is around 7050.

In comparison to the rest of Scotland Crieff have a higher percentage of people of pensionable age and over. The 2001 census figures state this age group make up 25.29% of the population of Crieff compared to 18.61% in Scotland as a whole.

Breaking this down further the 2001 Census states that the percentage of the population aged from 60 -74 years is 16.81% compared to 13.98% in the rest of Scotland and those of 75 years and over is 11.26% compared to 7.09%.

Interestingly the 2001 Census also states that there is also a higher percentage of 5-15 year olds living in Crieff compared to the rest of Scotland, with 15.08% compared with 13.73%.

Age Structure	All people	Males	Females
0-15	1327	683	644
16-24	557	302	255
25-34	691	334	357
35-44	915	453	462
45-54	865	427	438
55-64	771	363	408
65-74	712	312	400
75-79	288	136	152
80-84	216	75	141
85-89	149	45	104
90 and over	88	20	68

Source: 2001 Census of Population (Table CAS002 – Sex and Marital Status)

The Perth and Kinross area as a whole has a 1.0% ethnic minority population (2001 Census), which is significantly lower than the Scotland average (2.0%). However, since 2001 there has been a steady influx of migrant workers moving to the area predominantly from Central Europe and Asia.

<b>ETHNICITY</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>%</b>
White	6492	98.68
Asian	21	0.32
Chinese	40	0.61
Black	1	0.02
Mixed	11	0.17
Other	14	0.21

Source: 2001 Census

## **Health and Medical**

Crieff has excellent medical facilities. The new purpose built Crieff Medical Centre off King Street was opened in 2001 and is the base for the Blue and Red Practices.

Between the two practices there are 16 consulting rooms, as well as Practice Nurse treatment rooms, a minor procedures suite, offices, meeting rooms and a library, as well as a full compliment of attached staff accommodation including health visitors, district nurses and counsellors.

Crieff Community Hospital was opened in 1995 and is adjacent to the Health Centre. It has 24 GP beds, long stay Dementia Unit and Day Hospital. In addition there are fully equipped departments for chiropody, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, and comprehensive x-ray facilities.

Out of hours activity is based in the Casualty Department of the Community Hospital.

There is an ambulance station in Crieff which also provides patient transport to hospitals in Perth, Stirling and Dundee.

There are also a number of practitioners operating in the town who offer natural and holistic therapies.

<b>MEDICAL CENTRE/HOSPITAL</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
Crieff Medical Centre, King Street Crieff, PH7 3AS	01764 652283
Crieff Community Hospital, King Street, Crieff, PH7 3HR	01764 653173
Perth Royal Infirmary, Taymount Terrace, Perth PH1 1NX	01738 623311
Stirling Royal Infirmary, Livilands, Stirling, FK8 2AU	01786 434000
Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, DD1 9SY	01382 660111

Social Work Services – Adult Care, are based at the Crieff Area Office which is situated at 32 James Square in the centre of town. The team include Social Workers and Occupational Therapists. The Home Care Service is also based there. The Community Care Access Team can be contacted at Pullar House, 35 Kinnoull Street, Perth, PH1 5GD, telephone 0845 3011120 or email [AccessTeam@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:AccessTeam@pkc.gov.uk)

There are two Dental practices; both are in the centre of town:

**Care Dental:** 34 Comrie Street, Crieff, PH7 4AX, telephone 01764 652607

**Laurel House Dental Practice:** Comrie Road, Crieff, PH7 4BJ, telephone 01764 652209.

The most up to date figures relating to health focus on the Perth and Kinross Community Health Partnership Area, which Crieff is part of. The profile was compiled by the Scottish Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) Team in 2008 at the Information Services Division (ISD) of NHS National Services Scotland. It builds on the 2004 community health profiles which includes specific postcodes and splits Crieff into two areas – PH7 3 (Crieff East) and PH7 4 (Crieff West).

The figures from the 2008 focus show that life expectancy of both males and females is significantly better than the Scotland average. The mortality rates from heart disease, strokes and cancer (under 75s) are all significantly better than the Scotland average.

**Life Expectancy for the years 1998 – 2002 (based on the PH7 3 postcode which reflects the Crieff East area)**

Life Expectancy 1998 - 2002		
	Males	Females
PH7 3 Crieff E	76.9	81.6
Perth and Kinross	75.9	80.3

Source: Health Scotland Community profiles 2004

**Life Expectancy for the years 1998 – 2002 (based on the PH7 4 postcode which reflects the Crieff West area)**

Life Expectancy 1998 - 2002		
	Males	Females
PH7 4 Crieff W	74.1	81.0
Perth and Kinross	75.9	80.3

Source: Health Scotland Community profiles 2004

The average age of first time mothers in the PH7 3 Crieff East area is 26.8 years compared to 27.0 in the PH7 4 Crieff West area. (Source: Health Scotland Community Profiles 2004).

**Percentage of teenage pregnancy in 13 – 19 year olds (based on the PH7 3 postcode which reflects the Crieff East area).**

Area		% Teenage Pregnancies
PH7 3 Crieff E		8.8%
Perth and Kinross		10.9%

Source: Health Scotland Community Profiles 2004

**Percentage of teenage pregnancy in 13 – 19 year olds (based on the PH7 4 postcode which reflects the Crieff West area).**

Area		% Teenage Pregnancies
PH7 4 Crieff W		4.3%
Perth and Kinross		10.9%

Source: Health Scotland Community Profiles 2004

## Education

Crieff has a selection of educational establishments. These include:

### **Crieff Primary School (Nursery):**

Address: Commissioner Street  
Crieff  
PH7 3AY  
Tel No: 01764 652777  
Email Address: [headteacher@crieff-pri.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@crieff-pri.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 324

### **St Dominic's RC Primary School (Nursery and Wraparound Care):**

Address: Broich Road  
Crieff  
PH7 3SB  
Tel No: 01764 652804  
Email Address: [headteacher@st-dominics.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@st-dominics.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 145

### **Crieff High School:**

Address: Strathearn Community Campus  
Pittenzie Road  
Crieff  
PH7 3JN  
Tel No: 01764 657600  
Email Address: [headteacher@crieffhigh.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@crieffhigh.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 656

A number of primary school's in the surrounding area are the feeder schools for Crieff High School. These include:

**Comrie Primary School (Nursery):**

Address: School Road  
Comrie  
PH6 2LZ  
Tel No: 01764 670642  
Email Address: [headteacher@comrie.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@comrie.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 118

**Muthill Primary School:**

Address: Station Road  
Muthill  
Crieff  
PH5 2AR  
Tel No: 01764 681276  
Email Address: [headteacher@muthill.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@muthill.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 86

**Madderty Primary School:**

Address: Madderty  
Crieff  
PH7 3PA  
Tel No: 01764 683215  
Email Address: [headteacher@madderty.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@madderty.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 40

**Braco Primary School (Nursery):**

Address: Feddal Road  
Braco  
Dunblane  
FK15 9QD  
Tel No: 01786 880225  
Email Address: [headteacher@braco.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@braco.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 58

**Greenloaning Primary School:**

Address: Greenloaning  
By Dunblane  
FK15 0LY  
Tel No: 01786 880326  
Email Address: [headteacher@greenloaning.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@greenloaning.pkc.sch.uk)  
Current Roll: 36

There are also two independent schools:

**Morrison's Academy:** (Nursery, Primary and Secondary provision for children aged 3 to 18)

Address: Ferntower Road  
Crieff  
PH7 3AN  
Tel No: 01764 653 885  
Email Address: [Rector@morrisonacademy.org](mailto:Rector@morrisonacademy.org)

**Ardvreck School:** (Co-educational Prep School with full boarding from 7 to 13+ the school also runs an onsite Pre-Prep Department catering to the individual needs of the 4-7 year olds).

Address: Ardvreck,  
Crieff,  
Perthshire,  
PH7 4EX  
Tel No: 01764 653112  
Email Address: [headmaster@ardvreck.org.uk](mailto:headmaster@ardvreck.org.uk)

There are three private day nurseries operating in Crieff and its surrounding area:

**Teddy Bear Care Nursery :**

Address: Water Wynd  
Off Millar Street,  
Crieff  
PH7 3AH  
Tel No: 01764 653399

**Little Scallywags Nursery:**

Address: 22 Galvelmore Street  
Crieff  
PH7 4BY  
Tel No: 01764 656274

**Auchlone Nature Kindergarten:**

Address: Auchlone Lodge  
Abercairney  
Crieff  
PH7 3QZ  
Tel No: 01764 664409

Other local groups include **Punch and Judy Playgroup** which meets bi-weekly in the Strathearn Community Campus and **Jack and Jill Parent and Toddler Group** which meet bi-weekly in the Baptist Church Hall, Addison Terrace. Muthill Pre-School Group is a Playgroup which offers Pre-School Education and is based at The Coach House, Pitkellony, Muthill.

Full information on the services, activities and sources of support for families living and working in Crieff and the surrounding areas can be found in the Crieff and Strathearn Family Information Directory.

Further education is available through the **Crieff Learning Centre**. The local adult education association **StrathLearning** also offer a variety of classes.

## **Community Learning & Development**

The Perth & Kinross Council Community Learning & Development Team are based in Strathearn Community Campus.

### **Adult learning**

The Adult Learning Team provides community based adult learning and literacy in Perth and Kinross. These are informal opportunities for adults that focus on developing skills to help them in everyday personal, community or family life, further learning or employment.

- Personal development - improving your communication skills including confidence building, computers/ICT, problem solving, working with other people.
- Literacy and Numeracy - developing your reading, writing, spelling and number skills and includes English for speakers of other languages (ESOL).
- Guidance- offering the right level of support to enable you to make the best learning or life choices for yourself.

### **Capacity Building**

The Community Capacity Worker for Strathearn's role is to support individuals, groups and organisations to identify the issues affecting their communities. Building skills, community organisations, involvement and equalities supports them in improving the quality of life in their area.

- Where and how to access funding and help with funding applications.
- Promoting networking opportunities.
- Advice and guidance on setting up a group, constitutions planning and evaluating what your group does.
- Developing training programs for local groups and organisations.

### **Youth Services**

There are a number of Youth Services staff operating in the area providing a wide range of activities, opportunities and services.

- Developing and sustaining educational, fun, social activities and opportunities for young people aged 11-25 years old in throughout Strathearn.
- Youth Achievement Awards, John Muir Awards, Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Detached youth work, and much more.

Youth Services can also provide you with local information on a range of issues and offer a place to come and just chat with one of the team.

## Community Facilities

Crieff is a high amenity area with a wide range of recreational pursuits. The **Strathearn Community Campus**, opened in 2009, incorporates PKL sports and leisure facilities (swimming pool, dance studio, squash courts, 3 and 4 court sports halls, fitness suite, full size all-weather pitch, multi-use games area, rugby, football and hockey pitches; and Strathearn Community Library; drama studio, music rooms and recording studio.

A **skate park** facility is also situated along Broich Road adjacent to the Campus.

Both **Crieff Primary School** and **St Dominic's Primary School** are also available for community use at limited times.

**Morrison's Academy** has areas which can be used by the public including a climbing wall and the PE facilities. Whilst used by the school during the day as a refectory, Morrison's Academy Hall can also be privately let and is used for private functions and by the local drama club to stage their annual production.

**St Andrews' Halls** on Strathearn Terrace are owned and run by Crieff Parish Church. They are a popular venue for coffee mornings, private functions and are regularly used by a variety of clubs and organisations including the Girl Guides, Yoga Classes, Camera Club etc.

The **Baptist Church Hall**, **St Columba's Church Hall** and **St Fillan's Church Hall** are smaller venues but are again let to a variety of organisations both during the day and in the evenings.

The **Logos Youth Project** is a drop in centre for young people based in Crieff open five/six days a week. Logos is free to attend and open to anyone who is 12-18 yrs old.

The **Fifth Perthshire (Crieff) Scout Group** have their own hall on King Street which can also be let by groups and organisations.

However, despite all these spaces there is a general feeling that there is a need for a new community facility in the centre of town. This has come to the fore recently with the news that Crieff Parish Church are planning to close

their current church in November 2010 and use the St Andrew's Halls for their place of worship, further restricting its use by the public.

The town did have a Community Hall, which was taken over by the Kyokushin Karate Club. However due to a lack of funding it has now been closed and the listed building is now on the buildings at risk list due to the amount of maintenance required.

Crieff has a number of well used outdoor spaces. **MacRosty, Taylor and Mungall Parks** are popular community and tourist attractions. The area is about to be upgraded thanks to a regeneration grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund, funds from PKC and fundraising from the Friends of MacRosty Park group.

Other parks in the town include **Lauder Park, Sauchie Park, Murrayfield Loan** and a play area at the **Braidhaugh**.

The **Crieff and Strathearn Rugby Club** based at the **Braidhaugh** has a thriving junior section along with first and second teams. The Braidhaugh is also the home for the Strathearn Grove Football Team and is also used by Crieff Juniors for games. Unfortunately, Crieff Cricket Club, which was also based at the Braidhaugh, is no longer active.

The **Market Park** in Crieff is owned by Crieff Highland Gathering and is the home of Crieff's annual Highland Games which is held traditionally on the third Sunday of August. However for much of the year the Park is leased by Perth & Kinross Council. The local authority is therefore responsible for maintenance etc of the area. The space is the home ground for the Vale of Earn Football Club and is also used on occasion by Crieff Juniors for matches. It is a popular space for dog walkers and is also used at times by the primary schools.

In recent years the Market Park has been the focus for much community attention as there is a proposal to build a retail development on the site. If this happens, Crieff Highland Gathering plan to move to a new purpose built ground just off Pittenzie Road.

The issue has been made more complicated by a second application for a retail outlet on land at Duchlage Farm. PKC have identified this application as their preferred choice for a new supermarket in Crieff as part of a planned approach to the development of the whole area between Market Park and the site of the Strathearn Community Campus.

Additional sporting facilities include **Crieff Bowling Club** on Coldwell's Road, **Crieff Golf Club** and **Culcrieff Golf Club**. The leisure club at **Crieff Hydro Hotel** is also open to new members.

**Perth & Kinross Council's Countryside Ranger Service** manages three countryside sites in Crieff, **Lady Mary's Walk**, the **Knock of Crieff** and **Puddock Wood**. The sites are managed to conserve the natural heritage,

promote awareness and understanding of the natural heritage and to provide opportunities for recreation.

**The Knock** is the evident steep sided hill situated to the north of Crieff. The site is 30ha and rises to a height of 244m and has a variety of paths of various levels of difficulty. The Knock Walk is one of the paths from the Crieff Path Network and goes through the site.

**Lady Mary's Walk** is a 6ha site, the main path runs alongside the River Earn for 2km. Three promoted footpaths from the Crieff Path Network pass through the site. Laggan Hill Path, Lady Mary's Walk and the Trowan Path.

**Puddock Wood** is a 3ha site and has the Laggan Hill Path passing through it as well as other Core Paths.

**Crieff Tourist Information Centre** is located beneath the clock tower of the old Town Hall in the High Street. It houses the 'Stocks, Stones and Stories' exhibition.

From April to October, on the second Saturday of the month, James Square in Crieff is the home of the **Crieff Country Markets**. There is also a Christmas Market in December.

**Crieff Recycling Centre** is based on the outskirts of the town at North Forr. Materials accepted include Bulky Goods, Cans (Aluminium, Steel, Aerosols & aluminium foil), Car Batteries, Cardboard, Electrical & Electronic Equipment, Engine Oil, Fridges & Freezers, Garden Waste, Glass, LPG Gas Bottles, Metal, Paper, Plastic bottles (Natural HDPE & PET), Telephone Directories, Textiles, Tyres (maximum two per visit, strictly householders only).

Free compost, created from the waste collected in brown-lidded household bins and at your Recycling Centres, is also available subject to availability. The Recycling Centre opening hours are: All year

Monday to Friday           9am - 7pm

Saturday and Sunday       9am - 5pm

Other recycling points can be found at Somerfield car park, the Strathearn Community Campus, Leadenflower car park.

## Employment

Crieff is historically known as a hub for tourism, trading mainly on its whisky and cattle droving past. The main employment sectors for people living in Crieff are leisure and hospitality, retail, various trades, services and health and education. The town is also a base for many commuters due to its proximity to Perth, Stirling, Dundee and in some respects Edinburgh and Glasgow.

**Some of the local economy highlights include:**

- Crieff Hydro Hotel
- Crieff Visitor Centre & Caithness Glass Visitor Centre
- Stuart Crystal Factory Shop
- The great range of local shops, restaurants and services
- The importance of fishing on the Earn
- A good number of local trades people
- Scottish Tartans Authority
- The Nutcracker Christmas Shop
- The Famous Grouse Experience at Glenturret Distillery
- Crieff Golf Club
- Knock Castle Hotel and Spa
- Drummond Castle Gardens

	<b>Crieff (numbers)</b>			<b>Crieff (numbers)</b>
<b>All people</b>	<b>4511</b>			
Economically active	2,957		Economically inactive	1544
In employment	2,730		Retired	765
Employees	2,219		Student	158
Self employed	511		Other	631
Unemployed	122			
Full time student	105			
<b>Males</b>	<b>2191</b>			
Economically active	1,600		Economically inactive	591
In employment	1,458		Retired	305
Employees	1,109		Student	81
Self employed	349		Other	205
Unemployed	83			
Full time student	59			
<b>Females</b>	<b>2320</b>			
Economically active	1,357		Economically inactive	963
In employment	1,272		Retired	460
Employees	1,110		Student	77
Self employed	162		Other	426
Unemployed	39			
Full time student	46			

Source: 2001 Census of Population (Table CAS028 – Sex and Age by Economic Activity)

<b>Industry (16-74)</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>%</b>
A, B agriculture, fishing	92	3.26
C mining	13	0.46
D manufacturing	222	7.86
E electricity, gas & water	39	1.38
F construction	297	10.52
G, H wholesale/retail/hotels/restaurants	770	27.27
I transport/comms	121	4.28
J,K financial/business	364	12.89
L, M N public admin/defence/education/health/social work	747	26.45
O, P, Q other services	159	5.63

Source: 2001 Census

## Transport

Crieff has good bus links with Perth and limited links with Stirling, however due to the rural nature of the area many people remain reliant on personal transport.

The bus service which connects Crieff to Perth and Stirling is run by Stagecoach, Crieff Travel and Docherty's Midland Coaches. Docherty's Midland Coaches also run a service to Auchterarder, and Burnbrae Garage operates a limited service to Crieff from Madderty and Fowlis Wester.

There is a dedicated Crieff Town Service which is operated by Crieff Travel. In the summer months (May to October) Scottish Citylink also operate a service to Oban.

Crieff is not on a rail link. The nearest railway stations are Gleneagles and Dunblane.

Interestingly figures from the 2001 Census show that 59% of employed people aged between 16-74 travel to work by car including passengers, car pools and taxis compared to only 3% who use public transport.

There is both paid for and free parking in Crieff. There are a number of pay and display car parks in the town including Leadenflower Car Park, King Street Car Park and James Square. There is also parking at the Somerfield/Co-op store off Union Terrace which is free. On street parking in Crieff is free.

Free coach parking is provided at The Meadows, Burrell Street and Leadenflower Road. A coach drop off point is provided in James Square.

## Housing and accommodation

Crieff's townscape has a rich diversity which has evolved over the years.

It is estimated that there are around 3,000+ homes in Crieff including homes owned by the local authority, housing associations, rented accommodation and private homes.

There are a number of nursing and care homes in Crieff including Richmond House Care Home, Drummond Terrace (which offers palliative and respite care); the Ancaster BLESMA Home, (care home with nursing (voluntary) plus respite care available); Ashdene Court, Strathearn Terrace, (private care home); Balhousie Dalnaglar Nursing Home, Comrie Road, (private care home, respite and convalescent care); The Birches, Comrie Road, (private care home, respite and convalescent care).

There is also sheltered housing at Duchlage Court, Glenearn Court, Abbeyfield House and Strathearn Court.

The Gowrie Housing Association offers accommodation for single young persons and those in need of supported accommodation.

Those wishing to apply for housing with the Council, Perthshire Housing Association or Hillcrest Housing, must contact The Common Housing Register is part of a partnership arrangement between the Council, PHA and Hillcrest Housing Association.

Households	2001 (%)	PKC (%)	Scotland (%)
Owner Occupied	69.38	65.96	62.59
Local Authority	13.66	15.06	21.57
Housing Association	4.59	3.92	5.58
Private Rented (unfurnished)	6.15	7.79	3.10
Private Rented (furnished)	3.24	2.77	3.61
Other	2.99	4.50	3.55

Dwelling	2001	%
Total unshared	3023	100.00
Detached	1003	33.18
Semi-detached	601	19.88
Terraced	426	14.09
Flat	982	32.48
Caravan/temporary	11	0.36
Total shared	0	0.00

Source: 2001 Census

## **Shops / post offices/ services etc.**

Crieff town centre has a variety of independent and High Street stores, some of which have been trading in the town for over a century.

The shopping areas extend from West to East High Street, down King Street and along Comrie Street.

There are two supermarkets in the town – Somerfield on Union Terrace, which has recently been bought over by the Co-op and Haldane's which is based in the Penny Lane Retail Unit off Church Street.

Crieff is also served by two Post Offices – the main branch is on the High Street, while the sub post office can be found on King Street.

Long established outlets include Valentines, Frank Thomson, Gills, Campbell's Bakery, McNees Delicatessen, Bryce Shoes, David Philips Printers, Gourlay Butchers.

High Street names include Boots, Semi Chem, Intersport, DE Shoes, RS McColls and the Edinburgh Woollen Mill. As well as a number of well known charity shops including Shelter, Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland and Cancer Research UK.

There are four different bank branches in the town - Lloyds TSB, Clydesdale Bank, Royal Bank of Scotland and Bank of Scotland.

There are also a number of estate agents including Aberdein Considine, Miller Hendry, Irving Geddes, Graham & Finlayson and Crieff Property Centre.

The town has a number of Art Galleries with work for sale. There are also a good number of restaurants, coffee shops and take away outlets. The office for the Strathearn Herald, the local weekly paid for newspaper which covers Crieff and the surrounding area is also situated in the town.

A number of the larger businesses lie on the outskirts of the town including Crieff Visitor Centre, Stuart Crystal, the Nutcracker Christmas Shop and The Famous Grouse Experience at Glenturret Experience.

All of the emergency services – Police, Ambulance and Fire and Rescue – have bases in Crieff.

Perth & Kinross Council also has a number of services based at the Crieff Area Office at 32 James Square including Housing & Community Care (housing and social work), The Environment Service (planning), Education & Children's Services and Registrars.

There are also attended toilets in James Square which are open seven days a week.

## Elected representatives

Crieff falls into the Strathearn Ward, Perth & Kinross Council Ward 6 and is served by three Councillors – **Helen McDonald, MBE** (Conservative) - Telephone: 01738 475038 (Council); 01764 653107 (Home); Email: [HelenMcDonald@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:HelenMcDonald@pkc.gov.uk).

**Ann Cowan** (Conservative) - telephone: 01738 475024 (Council); 01764 683319 (Home); Email: [ACowan@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:ACowan@pkc.gov.uk).

**Anne Younger** (SNP) - Telephone: 01738 475044 (Council); 07785 317427 (Mobile); Email: [AYounger@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:AYounger@pkc.gov.uk).

The elected Scottish Parliament MSP is **Roseanna Cunningham** (SNP); there are also a number of list MSPs who cover the Mid Scotland and Fife area including - Elizabeth Smith (Conservative); Murdo Fraser (Conservative) and Dr Richard Simpson (Labour).

The elected Member of Parliament is **Gordon Banks** (Labour).

The Chairman of Crieff Community Council is **Robert Ferguson** and the Secretary is **Elizabeth Basford**. Meetings, to which members of the public are welcome, take place on the first Monday of the month at 7pm in the Strathearn Community Campus.