

*Employment* is largely dependent on agriculture, food production and service industries. The larger food production factories in Duns (Farne Salmon and a potato packing plant 3 miles away) — at least until 2015 — employed a high proportion of Eastern European staff, many of whom live in Duns and have made it their home. Duns also has a tourist industry based around the Jim Clark Museum and Reivers' Week. The public sector is also an important source of employment. Duns has a wide range of locally owned shops and businesses, an industrial park, a park, a medium-sized supermarket, Post Office, banking facility, two garages, several hairdressers and barbers, a public library, pharmacy, garden centre, pubs, hotels and coffee shops, a police station and community facilities. It has a medical centre with a hospital that provides services for the community; but the nearest A&E department in the modern Borders General Hospital (BGH) is 25 miles away, near Melrose. Shopping facilities are reasonably mixed, but its retail economy is quite fragile, as it is in many Scottish Borders towns.