Sub Area Jobs and Worker Balance

Figure 2.15 from the West Oxfordshire Economic Snapshot report shows the share of Employment and Economically Active Workers in the District by Sub Area. This graph shows a significant excess of economically active workers over jobs for Carterton. The data for jobs and workers are taken from different data sources and as noted in subsequent paragraphs the employment figures for Carterton ‘may not reflect the full extent of MoD activity in the sub area’.

Using workplace employment data from the Census we are able to provide a comparison which does include HM Forces employment at Carterton as recorded by the Census. Reproducing Figure 2.15 using Census Workplace data for employment instead of the BRES data used in the original report shows a larger share of the district’s jobs as being located in Carterton at 21.3% compared to 24.0% of the district’s economically active residents who live in the Carterton sub area.

Figure 1 Economically Active and Employment by Sub Area (Share of District Totals)

![Graph showing economically active and employment by sub area](image)

Source: Census

It remains the case that the Carterton sub area accounts for a lower proportion of the district’s jobs compared to the size of its workforce and that the Witney sub area accounts for a higher proportion of the district's jobs compared to the size of its workforce. Furthermore as personnel leave the armed forces the source of non-MoD jobs are primarily to be found outside of Carterton at Witney.

Using the Census Workplace data we can also shows the absolute balance of jobs and workers by sub area which shows a small excess of economically active workers over jobs for each of the sub areas with the largest excess being for Carterton which has nearly 3,000 more economically active people than people who work in the sub area.
Figure 2 Economically Active and Employment by Sub Area (Number of People)

Source: Census