

Strafford County Commuting Patterns County-to-County



☞ Strafford County had 58,403 employed residents age 16 and over in 2000, up from 52,535 in 1990.

☞ In 1990 and 2000, roughly three of every five of these residents worked in Strafford County.

☞ About twice as many people commuted out of Strafford County for work than commuted in for work in 1990 and in 2000.

Commuting Out

☞ Of the Strafford County residents who commuted out of the county for work in 2000, four of every five travelled to another New Hampshire county.

☞ Most of these residents commuted south to Rockingham County for work in 2000.

☞ Not surprisingly, our neighboring states of Maine and Massachusetts claimed the vast majority of Strafford County residents who travelled outside of the state for work in 1990 and in 2000.

☞ On further examination, the number of workers who travelled to Massachusetts increased by about one-third from 1990 to 2000. The number who commuted to Maine decreased by about the same percent.

Commuting To Work:

By Residents of Strafford County

	1990	2000
Residents working	52,535	58,403
Residents working in Strafford County	32,488	34,364
Residents commuting out of Strafford County	20,047	24,039
<i>Commuting to:</i>		
Belknap County	205	371
Carroll County	325	376
Cheshire County	0	14
Coos County	60	31
Grafton County	61	53
Hillsborough County	870	1,146
Merrimack County	671	1,193
Rockingham County	11,343	15,537
Sullivan County	32	12
Connecticut	66	57
Massachusetts	1,578	2,104
Maine	4,421	2,825
Rhode Island	49	24
Vermont	14	17
Remaining States	331	255
Another Country	21	24

To Jobs in Strafford County

	1990	2000
Jobs in Strafford County	43,269	46,489
Residents working in Strafford County	32,488	34,364
Nonresidents commuting into Strafford County	10,781	12,125
<i>Commuting from:</i>		
Belknap County	463	460
Carroll County	581	1,125
Cheshire County	16	15
Coos County	13	11
Grafton County	77	54
Hillsborough County	235	496
Merrimack County	309	507
Rockingham County	4,060	4,254
Sullivan County	2	6
Connecticut	12	29
Massachusetts	455	511
Maine	4,440	4,467
Rhode Island	23	9
Vermont	26	13
Remaining States	69	168
Another Country	0	0

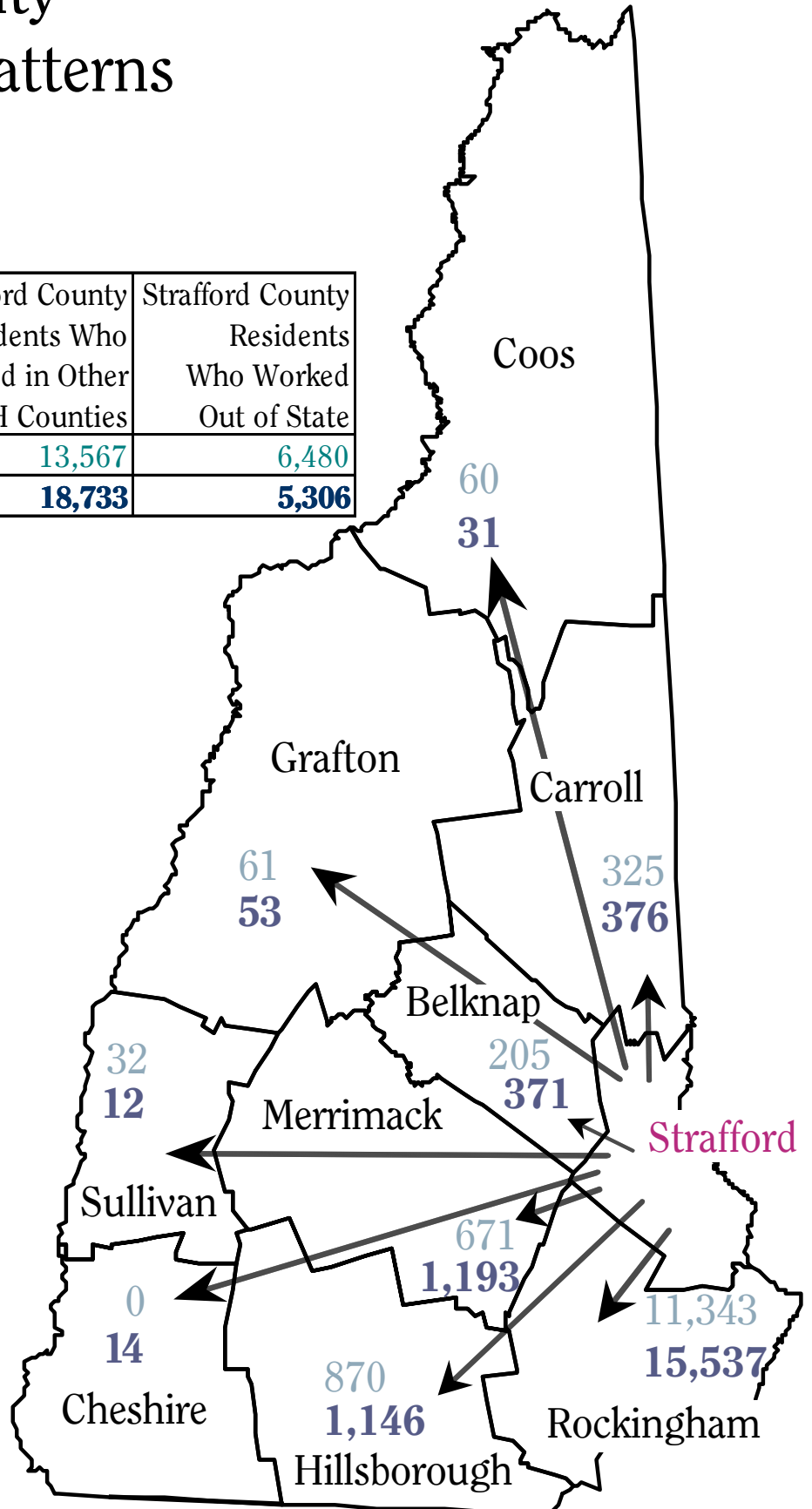
Source: County-To-County Worker Flow Files. 3/6/03. U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division. Accessed 3/7/03 <www.census.gov/population/www/cen2000/commuting.html>

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Commuting Out To Another NH County

	Residents Who Lived and Worked in Strafford County	Strafford County Residents Who Worked in Other NH Counties	Strafford County Residents Who Worked Out of State
1990	32,488	13,567	6,480
2000	34,364	18,733	5,306

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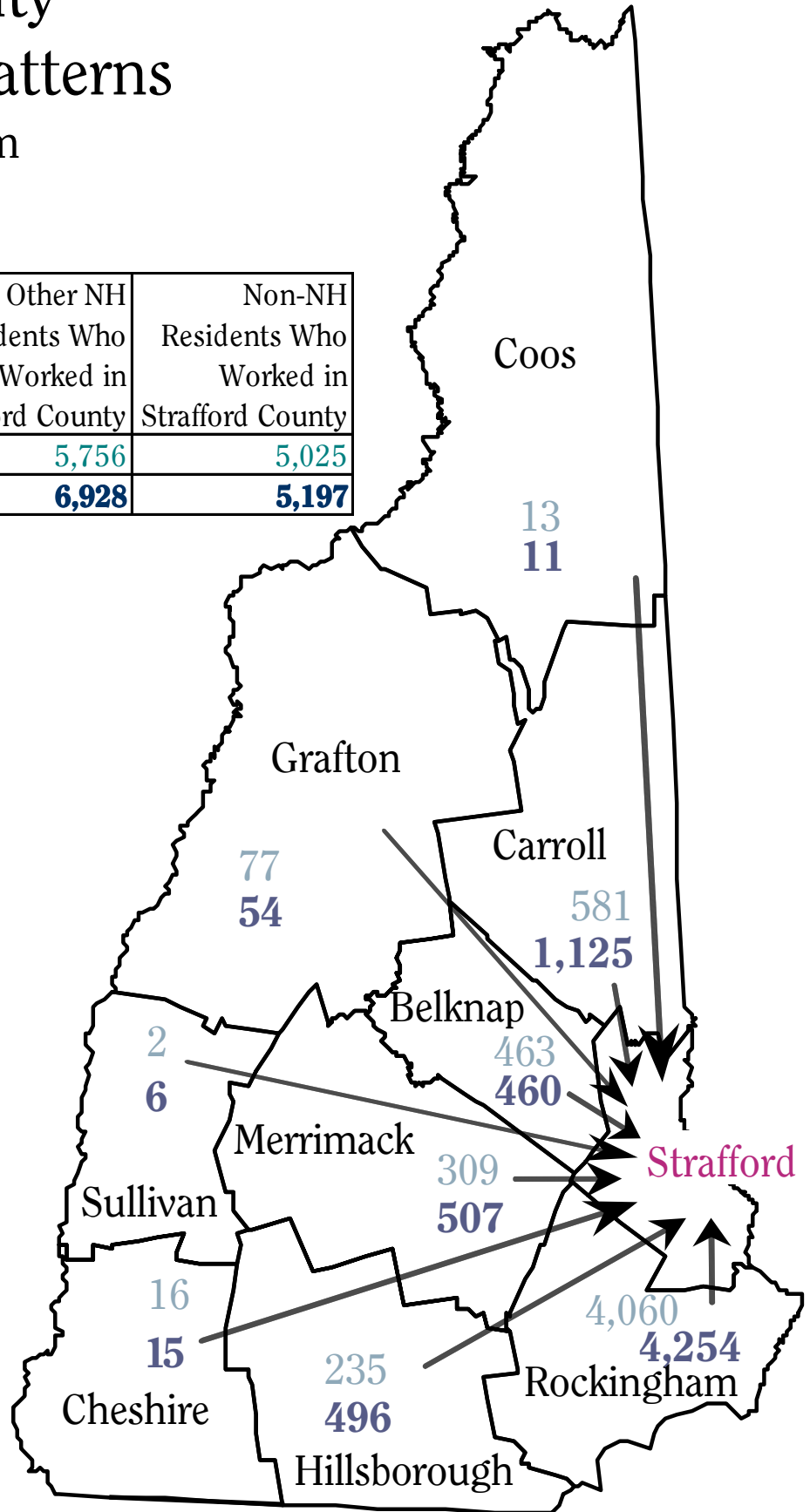


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Commuting In From Around the State

	Residents Who Lived and Worked in Strafford County	Other NH Residents Who Worked in Strafford County	Non-NH Residents Who Worked in Strafford County
1990	32,488	5,756	5,025
2000	34,364	6,928	5,197

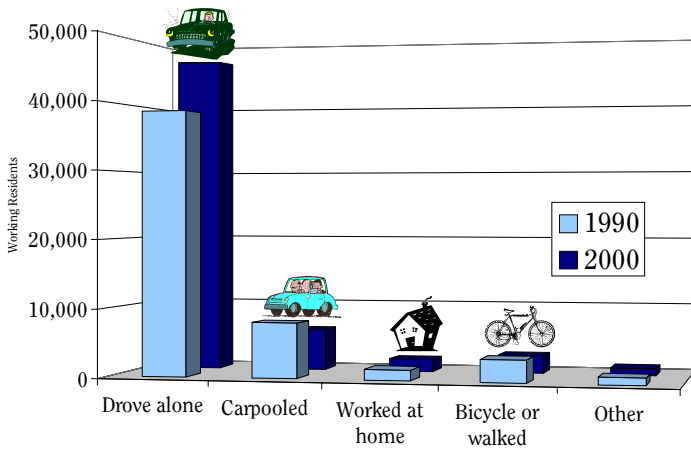
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Commuting In

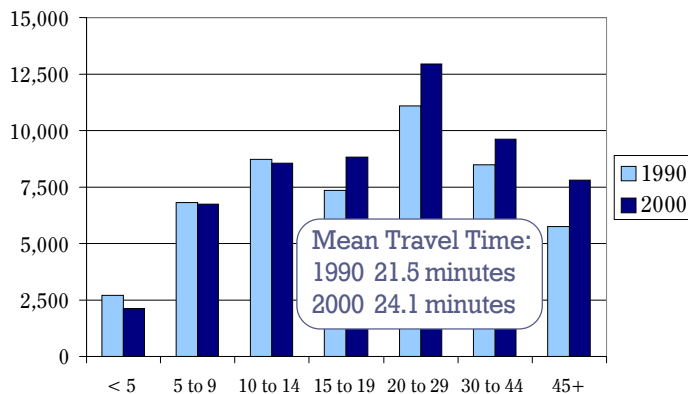
- About one-quarter of Strafford County's work force were non-resident commuters in both 1990 and 2000.
- Just over half of the people who commuted to Strafford County for work in 1990 and in 2000 were New Hampshire residents.
- The majority of these workers lived in Rockingham County.
- Just over 85 percent of the workers who commuted to work in Strafford County from outside the Granite State were Maine residents.

Means of Transportation



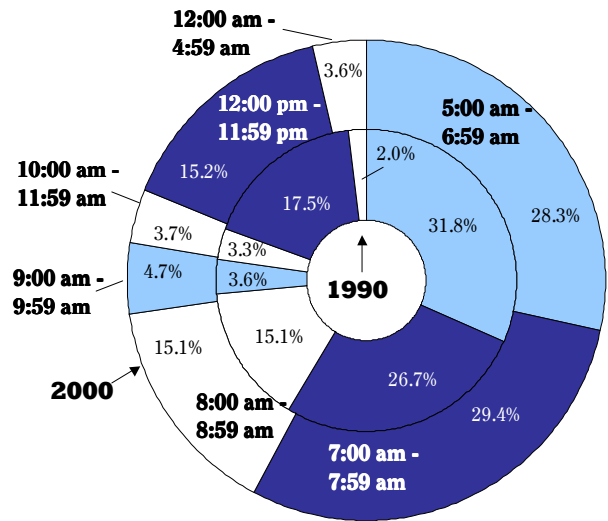
- Four of every five Strafford County residents drove themselves to work in 2000, up slightly from 1990.
- Carpooling to work became less popular among Strafford County residents as witnessed by the 24 percent decline from 1990 to 2000.

Travel Time to Work (minutes)



- The number of Strafford County residents who travelled 20 or more minutes to work increased nearly 20 percent from 1990 to 2000. Those who travelled fewer than 20 minutes increased just over two percent.
- Strafford County residents travelled, on average, 24.1 minutes to work in 2000, up 2.6 minutes since 1990.

Time Leaving Home for Work



- Nearly 32,700 Strafford County residents left home for work sometime between 5 am and 8 am in 2000. This was up from 29,800 in 1990.
- Only about 2,050 Strafford County residents chose to leave home for work sometime between midnight and 5 am in 2000. However, this was almost twice the number recorded in 1990.

Source: Data on *Means of Transportation*, *Travel Time to Work*, and *Time Leaving Home for Work* from Census Transportation Planning Package 2000. US Department of Transportation. Accessed April 2, 2003 <www.fhwa.dot.gov/ctpp/>

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