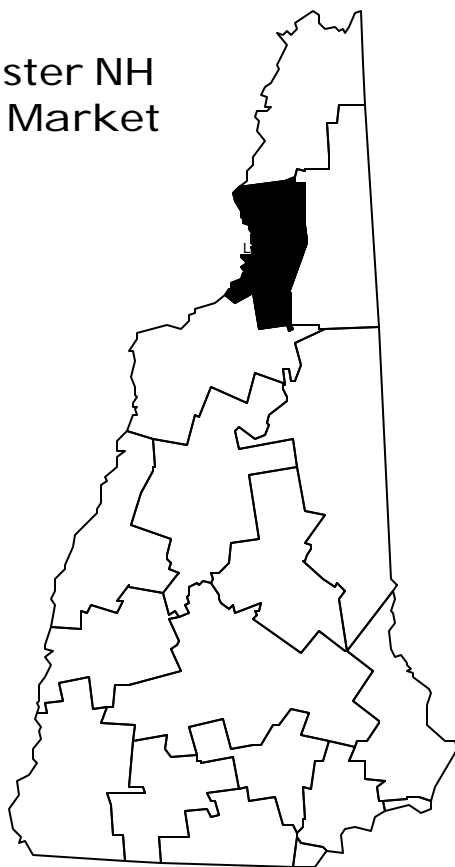


10.0
Lancaster NH
Labor Market
Area



The Lancaster LMA is another new labor market derived from the 1980's version of the Berlin LMA. See Table 10.1 for the commuting pattern summary of the five towns with population and employment, that along with two unincorporated places (with no reported population and commuting activity), make up the Lancaster LMA. The census counted an estimated 3,536 LMA residents worked during the sample taking period. The workforce, residents and nonresidents, numbered 3,483, showing a small net outflow of workers. The inhabitants of the LMA who remained in their

respective towns to work added up to 1,889. The balance of the residents (1,647), commuted out to work in other towns or out-of-state. Statistical leaders in the LMA were the towns of Lancaster and Northumberland, whose numbers led in all categories across the Table. Both of these towns, as expected, had low commute-out rates and fairly high working-in-town rates. The roadway focus is on Routes US2 and US3 that intersect in the vicinity of the town of Lancaster. These two US routes, along with Routes NH110, NH116, NH135, and Route 102 in Vermont link the five LMA towns and their many far flung villages.

Looking at the five towns displayed on Table 10.2, the town of Stark had the highest commute-out rate with 86.4%. The lowest commute out rate was established by Northumberland at 33.2%. Lancaster had the largest number of workers (547) commuting out. Lancaster and Northumberland were the favorite destinations, within the LMA, of the other towns in the area. Commuting-out numbers show 272 workers traveled to Lancaster and 267 to Northumberland. In an uneven exchange of commuters along Route US3, Northumberland furnished 160 workers to Lancaster and Lancaster provided 111 workers to Northumberland. Out-of-state commuters to Vermont numbered 165. Since three of the towns are seperated from the Green Mountain State by just the Connecticut River, the location of the bridges is a determining factor. Lunenberg VT was the destination (Route US2) for 83 of these commuters, 65 originating from the town of Lancaster, which also sent nine workers to distant Orono ME, seemingly too

far for a daily commute. Area-wide only an additional thirteen commuted to Maine, a straight but somewhat distant trek along Route US2.

Lancaster and Northumberland dominated the commuting-in data contained in Table 10.3, by swapping workers as noted above. Stark recorded eleven commuters, three coming from Jefferson and two from Maidstone VT. Jefferson also produced the second largest commute-in number in the LMA by sending 112 workers northwest to Lancaster along Route US2. Vermont furnished the largest number of out-of-staters into the LMA (275), crossing the Connecticut River at Lancaster, Northumberland, or North Stratford. Over 100 of those workers travelled east along US2 from Lunenburg VT. Maine supplied 23 workers to three of the towns in the LMA.

New Hampshire Commuting Patterns - 1990 U.S. Census

Table 10.1
Lancaster NH LMA - 1990 Census

Resident City/Town	RESIDENTS						Total Working In Town (Residents & Nonresidents)	NONRESIDENTS	
	Population 1990 Census	Estimated Residents Working	Commuting to Another Town to		Working In Town			Number of Workers	Percent of Total Working in Town
			Number of Workers	Percent	Number of Workers	Percent			
Jefferson	965	417	320	76.7%	97	23.3%	146	49	33.6%
Lancaster	3,522	1,491	547	36.7%	944	63.3%	1,707	763	44.7%
Northumberland	2,492	1,066	354	33.2%	712	66.8%	1,257	545	43.4%
Stark	518	199	172	86.4%	27	13.6%	38	11	28.9%
Stratford	927	363	254	70.0%	109	30.0%	335	226	67.5%

New Hampshire Commuting Patterns - 1990 U.S. Census

Table 10.2
Commuting Out - Lancaster NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Jefferson	Lancaster	Northumberland	Stark	Stratford
Estimated Residents Working:	417	1,491	1,066	199	363
Commuting to Another Town:	320	547	354	172	254
Commuting Rate:	76.7%	36.7%	33.2%	86.4%	70.0%
To Locations Within NH:	Lancaster 112 Littleton 36 Berlin 28 Whitefield 25 Gorham 20 Carroll 15 Nor'mberland 13	Nor'mberland 111 Whitefield 82 Berlin 68 Gorham 25 Littleton 25 Jefferson 18 Dalton 16 Stratford 15	Lancaster 160 Stratford 54 Berlin 24 Whitefield 24 Littleton 15 Gorham 10	Nor'mberland 75 Lancaster 38 Berlin 25	Nor'mberland 81 Dixville 44 Colebrook 42 Lancaster 33 Whitefield 10
Out Of State:	Maine 3 Massachusetts 2 Vermont 10 Other 7	Maine 15 Massachusetts 10 Vermont 113 Other 8	Maine 0 Massachusetts 0 Vermont 17 Other 5	Maine 2 Massachusetts 2 Vermont 7 Other 0	Maine 2 Massachusetts 4 Vermont 18 Other 0
Out Of State Locations:	Lunenburg,VT 10	Lunenburg,VT 65 S.Johnsbury,VT 21 Lyndon,VT 13 Orono,ME 9	Lunenburg,VT 8	Bradford,VT 5	Canaan,VT 6

New Hampshire Commuting Patterns - 1990 U.S. Census

Table 10.3
Commuting In - Lancaster NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Jefferson	Lancaster	Northumberland	Stark	Stratford
Estimated Residents Working:	146	1,707	1,257	38	335
Commuting to Another Town:	49	763	545	11	226
Commuting Rate:	33.6%	44.7%	43.4%	28.9%	67.5%
To Locations Within NH:	Lancaster 18 Whitefield 13	Nor'mberland 160 Jefferson 112 Whitefield 82 Stark 38 Stratford 33 Gorham 31 Dalton 28 Littleton 28	Lancaster 111 Stratford 81 Stark 75 Berlin 47 Colebrook 28 Milan 19 Columbia 18 Jefferson 13	Jefferson 3	Nor'mberland 54 Farmington 34 Columbia 31 Colebrook 17 Lancaster 15
Out Of State:	Maine 0 Massachusetts 0 Vermont 4 Other 0	Maine 2 Massachusetts 0 Vermont 135 Other 14	Maine 15 Massachusetts 7 Vermont 95 Other 0	Maine 0 Massachusetts 0 Vermont 2 Other 0	Maine 6 Massachusetts 0 Vermont 39 Other 0
Out Of State Locations:		Lunenburg,VT 75 Guildhall,VT 18 Maidstone,VT 10 Granby,VT 6	Lunenburg,VT 29 Guildhall,VT 18 Maidstone,VT 17 Bloomfield,VT 11	Maidstone,VT 2	Bloomfield,VT 12 Brighton,VT 8 Guildhall,VT 7 Lebanon,ME 6