

The new Peterborough Labor Market Area is made up of thirteen towns that were formerly part of the 1980 versions of the Keene and Concord Labor Market Areas, and the unattached area. Table 16.1 lists the thirteen towns from Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties that make up the Peterborough LMA, and summarizes much of the in/out commute data for the area. The town of Peterborough is at the junction of Routes NH101 and US202. These routes are the major links tying the LMA together, along with a web of urban and rural roadways formed by Routes NH31, NH45, NH123,

NH136, and NH137. Typically in most LMAs, we have seen one city or town dominate the numbers and rates, usually the city/town that is the keystone and selected as namesake for the LMA. The Peterborough LMA is unique in that any one of three or four towns have numbers that are very comparable, depending on category, and Peterborough is not always at the top of each list, including population. Jaffrey (2,652), Peterborough (2,612), and Rindge (2,299) have estimated residents working numbers that are similar, while the workforce total leaders, for residents and nonresidents, were Peterborough (4,666), Jaffrey (2,674), and Rindge (1,452). The largest number of residents that stayed and worked in their respective towns are listed as Peterborough (1,514), Jaffrey (1,249) and Rindge (809). Those LMA workers commuting most frequently across town or state borders were from Rindge (1,490), New Boston (1,456), Jaffrey (1,403), and Peterborough (1,098).

Even though Peterborough was not at the top of every category, it was the leader in total size of workforce and in the number of nonresidents commuting into town. When examining commuting-out data, those two categories are indicators as to where the greater number of workers are traveling to. Peterborough headed the lists for eight of the other twelve towns in the LMA. When Peterborough placed first on a list, it usually did so by a healthy margin. See Table 16.2 for commute-out lists to locations within the state. The individual town with the largest number was Jaffrey, which sent 495 commuters to Peterborough. New Boston and Rindge followed, sending 384 workers to

Manchester and 326 to Jaffrey, respectively. The town with the fewest commuters was Sharon (129), which still managed to send 54 workers to Peterborough. Routes NH101 and US202 also appeared to be the chief roadways to out-of-state destinations. Route US202 led commuters to places in Massachusetts like Ayer, Fitchburg, and Lunenburg. Route NH101 was the gateway easterly to locations like Boston, Andover, and Lowell. Rindge and Jaffrey provided the largest number of workers to the Bay State.

Peterborough (3,152) and Jaffrey (1,425) had the largest number of nonresidents commuting in. Jaffrey and Hancock topped Peterborough's list of in-commuters, while Rindge and Peterborough provided the largest number of commuters to Jaffrey. Table 16.3 displays the LMA's complete commute-in data lists for all of the towns in the area. The out-of-state commute-in numbers were quite small for the Peterborough LMA, the primary provider being Massachusetts. Route US202 apparently was the main avenue into the LMA from outof-state with towns like Peterborough (180), Jaffrey (140), and Rindge (100) receiving the bulk of the commuters. Winchendon, Townsend, and Gardner were examples of Bay State towns that provided these workers.

Table 16.1 Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

			RESIDENT:	S				NONRE	SIDENTS
			Commu	ting to			Total Working		
			Another T	own to	Working	In Town	In Town		Percent of
		Estimated							Total
	Population	Residents	Number of		Number of		(Residents &	Number of	Working in
Resident City/Town	1990 Census	Working	Workers	Percent	Workers	Percent	Nonresidents)	Workers	Town
Antrim	2,360	1,182	968	81.9%	214	18.1%	437	223	51.0%
Bennington	1,236	611	436	71.4%	175	28.6%	409	234	57.2%
Dublin	1,474	765	471	61.6%	294	38.4%	757	463	61.2%
Francestown	1,217	613	480	78.3%	133	21.7%	184	51	27.7%
Greenfield	1,519	677	521	77.0%	156	23.0%	580	424	73.1%
Hancock	1,604	796	590	74.1%	206	25.9%	388	182	46.9%
Jaffrey	5,361	2,652	1,403	52.9%	1,249	47.1%	2,674	1,425	53.3%
Lyndeborough	1,294	660	553	83.8%	107	16.2%	154	47	30.5%
New Boston	3,214	1,719	1,456	84.7%	263	15.3%	507	244	48.1%
Peterborough	5,239	2,612	1,098	42.0%	1,514	58.0%	4,666	3,152	67.6%
Rindge	4,941	2,299	1,490	64.8%	809	35.2%	1,452	643	44.3%
Sharon	299	150	129	86.0%	21	14.0%	50	29	58.0%
Temple	1,194	579	477	82.4%	102	17.6%	140	38	27.1%

Table 16.2 Commuting Out - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Antrim		Benningto	٦	Dublin		Francestowi	n	Greenfield	
Estimated Residents Working:		1,182		611		765		613		677
Commuting to Another Town:		968		436		471		480		521
Commuting Rate:		81.9%		71.4%		61.6%		78.3%		77.0%
To Locations Within NH:	Hillsborough Peterborough Manchester Milford Bennington Greenfield Jaffrey Concord	172 172 79 62 60 59 50 45	Peterborough Hillsborough Milford Nashua Jaffrey Antrim Greenfield Wilton	141 43 32 30 23 20 16	Peterborough Keene Jaffrey Marlborough Hancock Milford Rindge	171 106 34 13 12 10	Peterborough Nashua Manchester Merrimack Milford Wilton Concord Bedford	71 65 55 28 25 23 19	Peterborough Milford Nashua Amherst Merrimack Wilton Jaffrey Manchester	155 56 49 23 21 18 15
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 60 0 11	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 8 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	3 40 0 5	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 37 0 2	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 25 0 10
Out Of State Locations:	Boston,MA Edgartown,MA Winchendon,MA Townsend,MA	8 8 8 7	Boston,MA	6	Boston,MA	14	Boston,MA Billerica	7 5	Methuen,MA	5

Table 16.2 (continued)
Commuting Out - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Hancock		Jaffrey		Lyndeborou	gh	New Boston	n l	Peterboroug	h
Estimated Residents Working:		796		2,652		660		1,719		2,612
Commuting to Another Town:		590		1,403		553		1,456		1,098
Commuting Rate:		74.1%		52.9%		83.8%		84.7%		42.0%
To Locations Within NH:	Peterborough Jaffrey Keene Bennington Dublin Nashua Hillsborough Manchester	270 46 30 24 22 19 16	Peterborough Rindge Keene Greenfield Milford Dublin New Ipswich Manchester	495 163 119 54 40 34 25 23	Nashua Milford Wilton Manchester Merrimack Bedford Amherst Greenfield	110 108 94 27 21 20 15	Manchester Milford Nashua Bedford Merrimack Amherst Goffstown Concord	384 146 140 119 95 93 87 54	Jaffrey Keene Dublin Rindge Wilton Merrimack Greenfield Nashua	164 134 66 63 60 59 55
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 32 2 12	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	22 217 7 22	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 72 0 7	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 111 0 6	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 131 12 28
Out Of State Locations:	Andover,MA Boston,MA	8 5	Ayer,MA Lunenburg,MA Royalston,MA Dedham,MA	30 16 16 15	Boston,MA N.Attleboro,MA Pepperell,MA Lexington,MA	9 9 8 7	Boston,MA Tewksbury,MA Lexington,MA Lowell,MA	39 14 11 11	Boston,MA Milford,MA Winchendon,MA Framingham,MA	23 14 14 10

Table 16.2 (continued)
Commuting Out - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Rindge		Sharon		Temple	
Estimated Residents Working:		2,299		150		579
Commuting to Another Town:		1,490		129		477
Commuting Rate:		64.8%		86.0%		82.4%
To Locations Within NH:	Jaffrey Peterborough New Ipswich Keene Nashua Fitzwilliam Greenville Dublin	326 188 102 59 52 45 45	Peterborough Jaffrey Nashua	54 11 11	Milford Peterborough Nashua Jaffrey Wilton Merrimack Amherst Manchester	66 61 52 35 25 24 22
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 528 0 28	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 13 2 2	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 65 0 3
Out Of State Locations:	Fitchburg,MA Winchendon,MA Gardner,MA Billerica,MA	81 58 52 41			Fitchburg,MA Bedford,MA Boston,MA	12 5 5

Table 16.3 Commuting In - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Antrim		Benningtor	1	Dublin		Francestow	n	Greenfield	
Estimated Residents Working:		437		409		757		184		580
Commuting to Another Town:		223		234		463		51		424
Commuting Rate:		51.0%		57.2%		61.2%		27.7%		73.1%
To Locations Within NH:	Hillsborough Henniker Bennington Greenfield Manchester Weare	74 21 20 13 11 10	Antrim Hillsborough Hancock Deering New Boston Jaffrey Henniker Barnstead	60 37 24 18 17 14 11	Keene Peterborough Swanzey Harrisville Jaffrey Hancock Rindge Nelson	77 66 47 38 34 22 18	Peterborough	12	Antrim Peterborough Jaffrey Hillsborough Manchester Keene Amherst Bennington	59 55 54 21 21 17 16 16
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 8 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 33 4 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	7 0 0 2	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 6 0 0
Out Of State Locations:			Easton,MA	8	Winchendon,MA Carlisle,MA	24 9	Brewer,ME	7	Ashby,MA	6

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Commuting In - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Hancock		Jaffrey		Lyndeborouç	gh	New Bostor	ì	Peterboroug	h
Estimated Residents Working:		388		2,674		154		507		4,666
Commuting to Another Town:		182		1,425		47		244		3,152
Commuting Rate:		46.9%		53.3%		30.5%		48.1%		67.6%
To Locations Within NH:	Peterborough Antrim Hillsborough Dublin Bennington Milford	32 25 22 12 11 11	Rindge Peterborough Fitzwilliam Keene New Ipswich Antrim Troy Hancock	326 164 118 66 65 50 47 46	Wilton Milford	12 10	Manchester Hooksett Milford Weare Henniker Peterborough Bedford	87 22 18 15 14 13	Jaffrey Hancock Rindge Keene Antrim Dublin Greenfield Bennington	495 270 188 185 172 171 155 141
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 5 0 19	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	6 140 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 180 2 17
Out Of State Locations:			Winchendon,MA Townsend,MA Ashby,MA Lawrence,MA	54 18 16 15					Winchendon,MA Townsend,MA Ashby,MA Carlisle,MA	80 22 18 17

Table 16.3 (continued) Commuting In - Peterborough NH LMA - 1990 Census

Towns:	Rindge		Sharon		Temple	
Estimated Residents Working:		1,452		50		140
Commuting to Another Town:		643		29		38
Commuting Rate:		44.3%		58.0%		27.1%
To Locations Within NH:	Jaffrey Peterborough Fitzwilliam Keene New Ipswich Troy Greenville Dublin	163 63 57 50 36 36 14	Antrim	10	New Ipswich	10
Out Of State:	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	9 100 0 32	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 0 0 0	Maine Massachusetts Vermont Other	0 0 0
Out Of State Locations:	Winchendon,MA Gardner,MA Athol,MA Sturbridge,MA	41 14 13 9				