

Trivial Commute

Odds and Ends

In order to uphold a possible tradition of past New Hampshire Commuting Patterns, we are once again including a section that lists the highs, lows, and oddities that the most recent commuting data has produced. The towns with small populations typically produce commuting data that teases the extremes, very small percentages (to and including 0%), or very large percentages (to and including 100%). Here's a few that fall into those categories:

- What a difference a decade makes, in 1980 all six workers in Hart's Location were outsiders, in 1990 all seven workers are residents.
- Also reported in 1980, no one who lived in Ellsworth worked there, in fact, no one worked there. In 1990, all twenty-nine residents who reported as working, continue to commute out of town.
- Residents hold both jobs in Millsfield and all three jobs in Wentworth's Location.
- Of the 383 jobs in Dixville, 96.6% are held by nonresidents. On a larger scale, 95.8% of Newington's 6,000 plus jobs are held by nonresidents.
- No one lives in Hale's Location, but twenty nonresidents commute there to work.
- Roxbury residents hold all twenty-three positions reported in town.
- Three nonresidents managed to be part of the twenty worker total in Easton.
- Considering slightly larger populations, hefty percentages of workers in Suncook (90.0%), Atkinson (91.3%), Danville (92.2%), and Litchfield (94.3%), commute out of town.

By the Numbers

The larger populated cities and towns produced the biggest numbers for the categories of residents reported working, workers commuting out from place of residence, and nonresidents commuting into the workplace. The three categories are presented below:

Total Residents Reported Working				Residents Commuting Out				Nonresidents Commuting In			
Manchester	50,999	Salem	14,095	Nashua	20,855	Merrimack	8,838	Manchester	27,606	Salem	9,308
Nashua	43,410	Dover	13,755	Manchester	19,192	Dover	8,791	Nashua	25,176	Keene	8,976
Concord	17,775	Rochester	12,843	Derry	13,089	Hudson	8,044	Concord	18,937	Merrimack	8,580
Derry	16,409	Merrimack	12,569	Salem	14,095	Rochester	8,029	Portsmouth	15,243	Bedford	8,310
Portsmouth	14,210	Keene	11,322	Londonderry	10,660	Portsmouth	7,005	Dover	9,661	Hanover	8,009

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Percentage Wise

The following three lists reveal those cities and towns that produced the largest percentage of workers categorized as the following: workers that stay and work in their town of residence; residents commuting out of town to work; and nonresidents commuting into the workplace. The larger populated cities and towns tend not to dominate the percentages, but a minimum population of 2,000 was established to preclude the towns with very small populations from filling the lists.

Residents Working in Town			
Hanover	81.7%	Wolfeboro	69.2%
Berlin	80.5%	Concord	68.4%
Keene	80.1%	Claremont	68.1%
Conway	79.6%	Northumberland	66.8%
Lincoln	75.0%	Colebrook	66.2%

Nonresidents Commuting In			
Hooksett	83.9%	Stratham	81.7%
Bow	83.8%	Tilton	81.3%
Greenland	83.5%	Plaistow	76.9%
Rollinsford	83.0%	Wilton	74.7%
Bedford	82.7%	Seabrook	73.0%

Residents Commuting Out			
Litchfield	94.3%	Fremont	89.3%
Danville	92.2%	Sandown	88.8%
Atkinson	91.3%	Bow	87.7%
Allenstown	90.0%	Newmarket	87.5%
Barrington	89.8%	Candia	87.0%

Border Line

The border states, Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont produce the largest out-of-state commuting in and commuting out numbers for New Hampshire workers. The following six lists reveal the top ten cities or towns for every category:

Residents Commuting Out to Maine From:			
Dover	1,362	Exeter	222
Portsmouth	1,149	Greenland	208
Rochester	1,143	Lee	207
Somersworth	742	Newmarket	153
Hampton	225	Milton	148

Nonresidents Commuting In From Maine To:			
Portsmouth	3,447	Newington	846
Dover	1,667	Durham	318
Conway	1,039	Greenland	249
Rochester	995	Hampton	220
Somersworth	992	Exeter	217

Residents Commuting Out to Massachusetts From:			
Nashua	11,160	Hudson	3,091
Salem	8,019	Pelham	2,773
Derry	6,584	Plaistow	2,312
Londonderry	3,340	Merrimack	2,210
Manchester	3,163	Windham	2,149

Nonresidents Commuting In From Massachusetts To:			
Nashua	4,821	Seabrook	769
Salem	2,930	Merrimack	724
Hudson	1,197	Portsmouth	532
Manchester	1,049	Hampton	404
Plaistow	969	Pelham	353

Residents Commuting Out to Vermont From:			
Hinsdale	1,103	Keene	346
Lebanon	780	Walpole	310
Claremont	518	Winchester	228
Charlestown	482	Hanover	191
Chesterfield	401	Enfield	170

Nonresidents Commuting In From Vermont To:			
Hanover	3,286	Haverhill	364
Lebanon	2,714	Littleton	359
Claremont	674	Plainfield	219
Keene	390	Chesterfield	185
Walpole	376	Lyme	173

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Residents Commuting Out of New Hampshire to:			
Maine	8,121	Massachusetts	74,382
Vermont	7,476	Other	4,536
Total		94,515	

Nonresidents Commuting into New Hampshire From:			
Maine	12,413	Massachusetts	18,952
Vermont	10,635	Other	1,845
Total		43,845	

Residents Commuting Out From NH Counties to Border States				
County	ME	MA	VT	Total*
Belknap	78	441	79	754
Carroll	426	404	28	948
Cheshire	32	1,705	2,712	4,753
Coos	92	56	544	776
Grafton	55	293	2,253	2,894
Hillsborough	200	28,111	125	29,770
Merrimack	122	1,485	91	2,049
Rockingham	2,689	40,179	83	44,279
Strafford	4,421	1,578	14	6,480
Sullivan	6	130	1,547	1,812

NH PMSA/LMA Residents Commuting Out to Border States				
LMA'S	ME	MA	VT	TOTAL *
Berlin NH LMA	61	15	11	125
Boston				
MA-NH PMSA	53	1,594	0	1,655
Claremont NH LMA	2	161	1,200	1,497
Colebrook NH LMA	9	19	323	362
Concord NH LMA	348	1,634	84	2,384
Conway NH LMA	521	395	28	1,021
Hartford-Lebanon				
VT-NH LMA	6	77	1,843	2,083
Keene NH LMA	7	942	2,779	3,980
Laconia NH LMA	78	391	73	711
Lancaster NH LMA	22	18	165	225
Lawrence				
MA-NH PMSA	207	27,991	37	28,683
Littleton NH LMA	26	66	694	862
Lowell MA-NH	8	2,773	0	2,781
Manchester NH	136	8,255	39	8,985
Nashua NH PMSA	74	20,548	63	21,588
Peterborough NH	25	1,339	23	1,523
Plymouth NH LMA	29	187	65	394
Portsmouth-Rochester				
NH-ME PMSA	6,509	7,977	49	15,656

Border States Nonresidents Commuting in to NH PMSA/LMAs				
LMA'S	ME	MA	VT	TOTAL *
Berlin NH LMA	77	8	38	133
Boston				
MA-NH PMSA	149	788	0	981
Claremont NH LMA	2	23	935	1,010
Colebrook NH LMA	14	17	223	254
Concord NH LMA	182	239	71	654
Conway NH LMA	1342	106	27	1,512
Hartford-Lebanon				
VT-NH LMA	40	110	6,619	6,871
Keene NH LMA	3	559	1,196	1,840
Laconia NH LMA	30	75	20	168
Lancaster NH LMA	23	7	275	319
Lawrence				
MA-NH PMSA	88	4,682	13	4,897
Littleton NH LMA	34	23	1021	1,086
Lowell MA-NH	0	353	0	353
Manchester NH	215	1,919	43	2,460
Nashua NH PMSA	140	7,262	60	7,848
Peterborough NH	22	472	6	570
Plymouth NH LMA	26	146	45	275
Portsmouth-Rochester				
NH-ME PMSA	10,026	2,163	43	12,614

* Includes all States and Foreign Countries

Nonresidents Commuting into NH Counties from Border States				
County	ME	MA	VT	Total*
Belknap	49	94	27	221
Carroll	1,340	106	27	1,510
Cheshire	18	832	1,187	2,151
Coos	128	32	643	827
Grafton	86	267	7,326	7,819
Hillsborough	349	9,192	100	10,308
Merrimack	157	363	85	810
Rockingham	5,844	7,575	35	13,903
Strafford	4,440	455	26	5,025
Sullivan	2	36	1,179	1,271

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