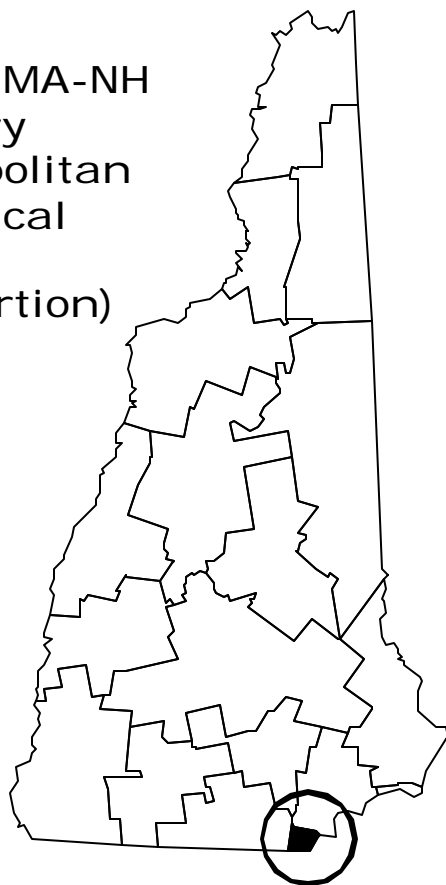


13.0  
Lowell MA-NH  
Primary  
Metropolitan  
Statistical  
Area  
(NH Portion)



The New Hampshire portion of the Lowell PMSA is unique in that it encompasses only one New Hampshire town, namely Pelham. The rest of the PMSA is made up of Massachusetts communities; one city and nine towns. This section and Table 13.1 summarize Pelham's commuting activities as reported during the census in 1990. The town's estimated residents working numbered 4,853, with 1,015 of those residents staying in Pelham to work. That left 3,838 of the workers to commute out to another community in New Hampshire or out of state. Pelham's total

workforce, residents and nonresidents, numbered 1,882. The nonresident commute-in rate was 46.1% based on 867 incoming workers.

Pelham had a commute-out rate of 79.1%, established by 3,838 resident commuters. Of those, a combined total of 762 workers commuted to the neighboring New Hampshire towns of Nashua, Salem, and Hudson (see Table 13.2). A network of roadways serves Pelham commuters; NH97, NH111A, NH125, and NH128. Almost all out-of-state commuting (99.7%) was directed to Massachusetts, attested by 2,773 Pelham residents having gone to work in the Bay State. Lowell, the Massachusetts city that is part of the PMSA, was the favorite destination of 753 Pelham workers commuting over the border. The State of Maine drew eight Pelham workers during the census sample period.

The same three neighboring New Hampshire towns mentioned above each dispatched more than 50 commuters into Pelham. Derry provided 111 workers to Pelham, thereby joining the list of commute-in towns right at the top. Table 13.3 shows Massachusetts was the only border state to furnish out-of-state commuters (353) to Pelham. Of the list of Massachusetts cities and towns, Lowell and Dracut (part of the PMSA) were the leaders in supplying Pelham with workers.

Table 13.1  
 Lowell MA-NH PMSA (NH Portion) - 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			
Pelham	9,408	4,853	3,838	79.1%	1,015	20.9%	1,882	867	46.1%

New Hampshire Commuting Patterns - 1990 U.S. Census

Table 13.2

Commuting Out - Lowell MA/NH PMSA (NH Portion) - 1990 Census

Towns:	Pelham			
Estimated Residents Working:	4,853			
Commuting to Another Town:	3,838			
Commuting Rate:	79.1%			
To Locations Within NH:	Nashua 321			
	Salem 303			
	Hudson 138			
	Manchester 75			
	Windham 56			
	Londonderry 32			
	Derry 21			
	Merrimack 21			
Out Of State:	Maine 8			
	Massachusetts 2,773			
	Vermont 0			
	Other 0			
Out Of State Locations:	Lowell, MA 753			
	Andover, MA 266			
	Dracut, MA 179			
	Boston, MA 148			

New Hampshire Commuting Patterns - 1990 U.S. Census

Table 13.3  
 Commuting In - Lowell MA/NH PMSA (NH Portion) - 1990 Census

Towns:	Pelham			
Estimated Residents Working:	1,882			
Commuting to Another Town:	867			
Commuting Rate:	46.1%			
To Locations Within NH:	Derry 111			
	Hudson 63			
	Salem 55			
	Nashua 53			
	Windham 46			
	Sandown 28			
	Hampstead 25			
	Manchester 22			
Out Of State:	Maine 0			
	Massachusetts 353			
	Vermont 0			
	Other 0			
Out Of State Locations:	Lowell,MA 98			
	Dracut,MA 90			
	Lawrence,MA 40			
	Tyn'boro,MA 21			