

# Foster City Commute Patterns

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## 1. Mode of Transportation

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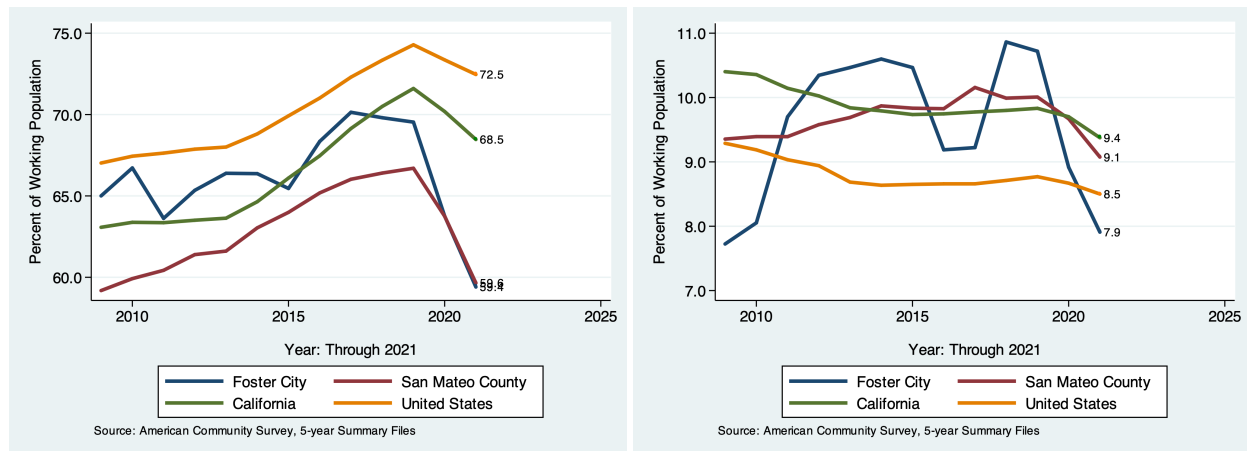
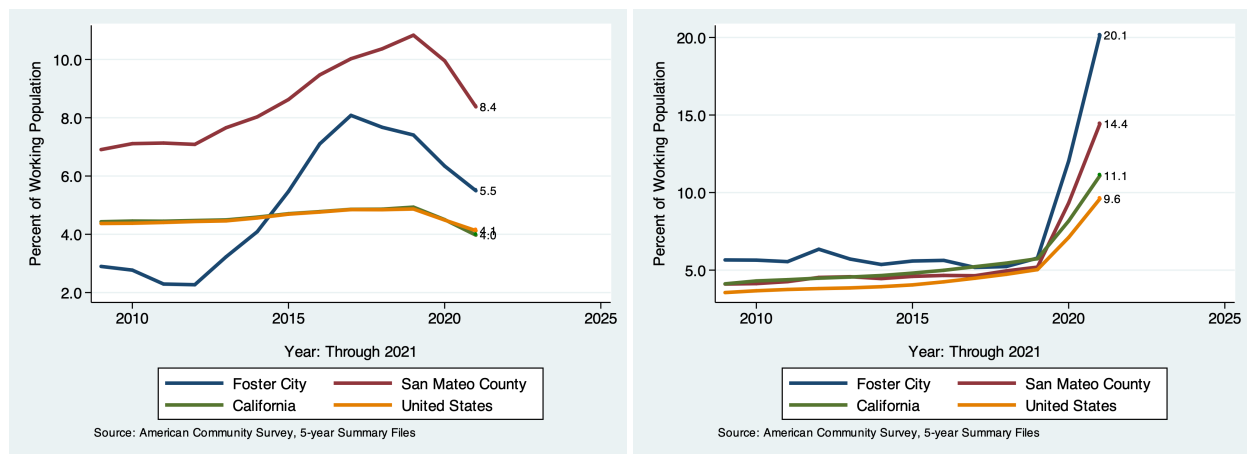


Figure 1 - 3: Percent of Workers using Public Transportation  
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**Table 1.1. SEX OF WORKERS BY MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK**

Mode of Transit	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Car, Truck, or Van:	6,488	65.6	5,198	68.2	11,686	67.3	79.7
Drove Alone	5,749	58.1	4,564	59.8	10,313	59.4	70.1
Carpooled:	739	7.5	634	8.3	1,373	7.9	9.6
In 2-person carpool	582	5.9	511	6.7	1,093	6.3	7.0
In 3-person carpool	115	1.2	100	1.3	215	1.2	1.5
In 4-or-more-person carpool	42	0.4	23	0.3	65	0.4	1.1
Public Transportation (excl Taxi):	622	6.3	332	4.4	954	5.5	4.1
Bus or Trolley Bus	240	2.4	20	0.3	260	1.5	2.6
Streetcar or Trolley Car	97	1.0	181	2.4	278	1.6	0.9
Subway or Elevated	278	2.8	131	1.7	409	2.4	0.4
Railroad	7	0.1	0	0.0	7	0.0	0.2
Ferryboat	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1
Bicycle	137	1.4	83	1.1	220	1.3	0.8
Walked	116	1.2	110	1.4	226	1.3	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	186	1.9	190	2.5	376	2.2	1.6
Worked at Home	1,785	18.0	1,713	22.5	3,498	20.1	11.4
<b>Total:</b>	9,334	94.3	7,626	100.0	16,960	97.7	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Table 1.2. SEX OF WORKERS BY MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY**

Mode of Transit	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Car, Truck, or Van:	7,557	65.3	6,157	67.9	13,714	68.0	79.8
Drove Alone	6,724	58.1	5,446	60.0	12,170	60.3	70.2
Carpooled:	833	7.2	711	7.8	1,544	7.7	9.6
In 2-person carpool	719	6.2	536	5.9	1,255	6.2	7.0
In 3-person carpool	63	0.5	133	1.5	196	1.0	1.5
In 4-or-more-person carpool	51	0.4	42	0.5	93	0.5	1.1
Public Transportation (excl Taxi):	541	4.7	578	6.4	1,119	5.5	4.1
Bus or Trolley Bus	342	3.0	426	4.7	768	3.8	2.6
Streetcar or Trolley Car	102	0.9	95	1.0	197	1.0	0.9
Subway or Elevated	81	0.7	57	0.6	138	0.7	0.4
Railroad	16	0.1	0	0.0	16	0.1	0.2
Ferryboat	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1
Bicycle	104	0.9	95	1.0	199	1.0	0.8
Walked	174	1.5	133	1.5	307	1.5	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	240	2.1	170	1.9	410	2.0	1.6
Worked at Home	1,785	15.4	1,713	18.9	3,498	17.3	11.4
<b>Total:</b>	10,401	89.8	8,846	97.5	19,247	95.4	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

## 2. Travel Time to Work

**Table 2.1. SEX OF WORKERS BY TRAVEL TIME TO WORK**

Mode of Transit	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Less than 5 minutes	70	0.7	67	1.0	137	0.8	1.9
5 to 9 minutes	447	4.7	529	7.6	976	6.0	7.4
10 to 14 minutes	729	7.7	646	9.3	1,375	8.4	12.1
15 to 19 minutes	730	7.7	783	11.3	1,513	9.2	14.9
20 to 24 minutes	713	7.5	752	10.8	1,465	9.0	14.2
25 to 29 minutes	369	3.9	480	6.9	849	5.2	6.2
30 to 34 minutes	1,243	13.2	765	11.0	2,008	12.3	15.0
35 to 39 minutes	277	2.9	163	2.3	440	2.7	2.8
40 to 44 minutes	482	5.1	302	4.4	784	4.8	4.3
45 to 59 minutes	1,345	14.2	696	10.0	2,041	12.5	8.8
60 to 89 minutes	973	10.3	564	8.1	1,537	9.4	8.1
90 or more minutes	171	1.8	166	2.4	337	2.1	4.2
<b>Total:</b>	7,549	79.9	5,913	85.2	13,462	82.3	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Table 2.2. SEX OF WORKERS BY TRAVEL TIME TO WORK FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY**

Mode of Transit	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Less than 5 minutes	99	0.9	92	1.1	191	1.0	1.9
5 to 9 minutes	504	4.6	463	5.5	967	5.0	7.4
10 to 14 minutes	796	7.2	1,004	11.9	1,800	9.3	12.1
15 to 19 minutes	664	6.0	784	9.3	1,448	7.5	14.8
20 to 24 minutes	999	9.1	835	9.9	1,834	9.5	14.2
25 to 29 minutes	601	5.4	348	4.1	949	4.9	6.2
30 to 34 minutes	1,059	9.6	1,066	12.6	2,125	11.0	15.0
35 to 39 minutes	317	2.9	143	1.7	460	2.4	2.8
40 to 44 minutes	348	3.2	467	5.5	815	4.2	4.3
45 to 59 minutes	975	8.8	674	8.0	1,649	8.6	8.8
60 to 89 minutes	1,606	14.6	647	7.7	2,253	11.7	8.2
90 or more minutes	648	5.9	610	7.2	1,258	6.5	4.2
<b>Total:</b>	8,616	78.1	7,133	84.6	15,749	81.7	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

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Figure 2 - 1: Percent of Employed Population With Commutes of More than 30 Minutes

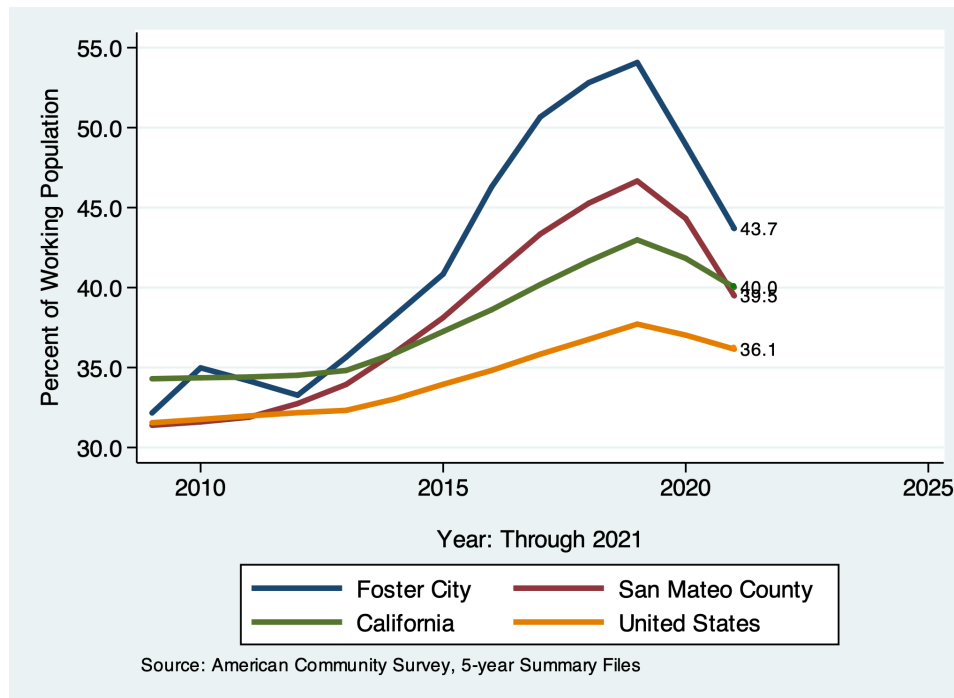


Figure 2 - 2: Percent of Employed Population With Commutes of More than 90 Minutes

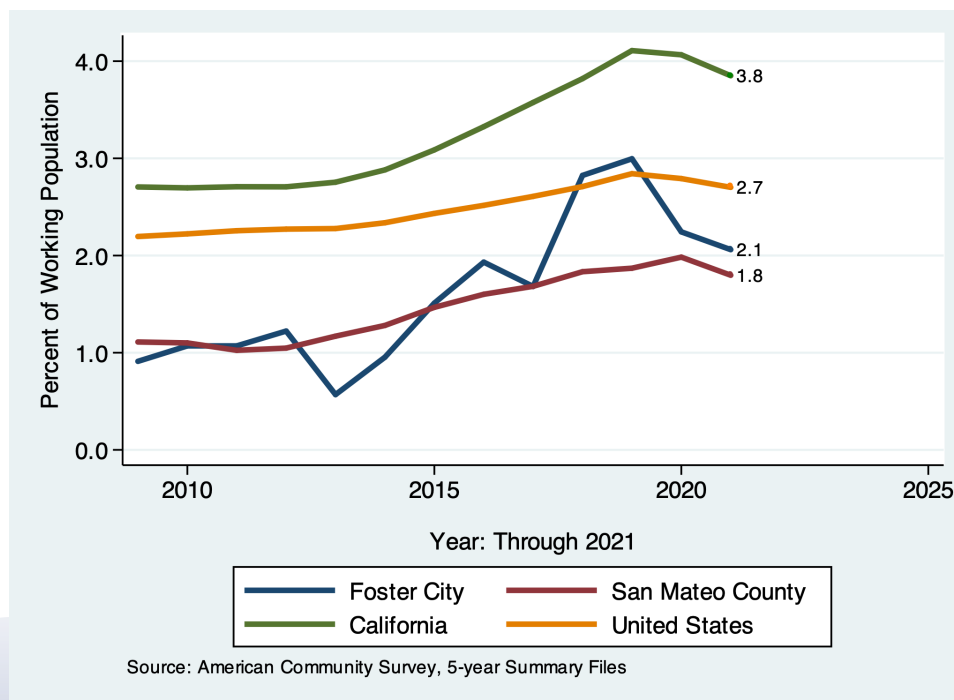


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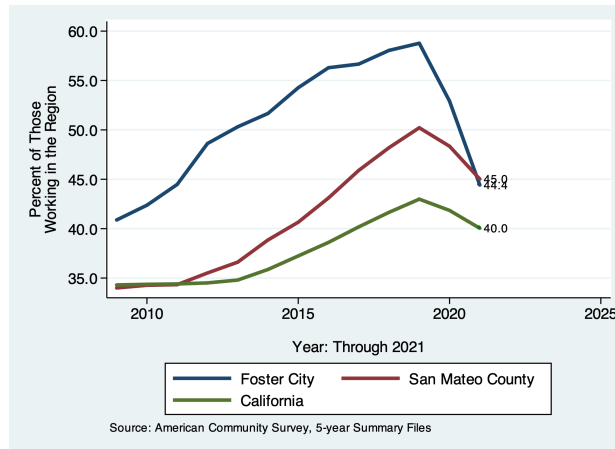


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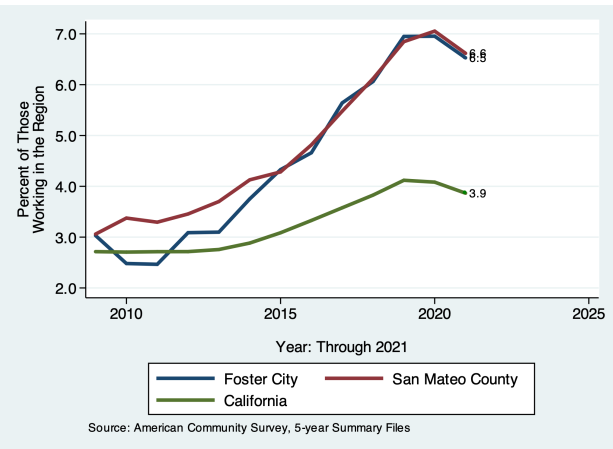
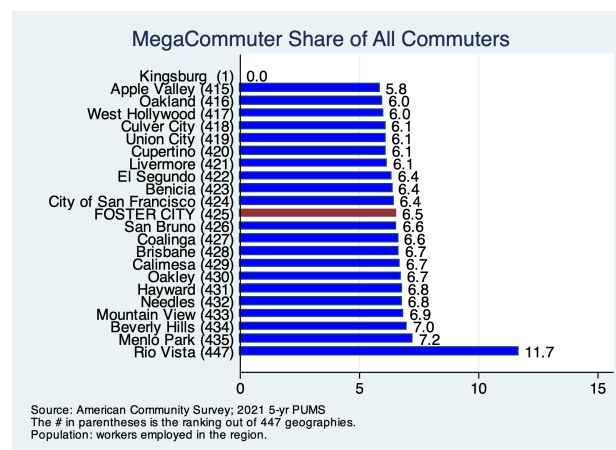


Figure 2 - 5: Rank: Share of MegaCommuters Across Similar Geographies



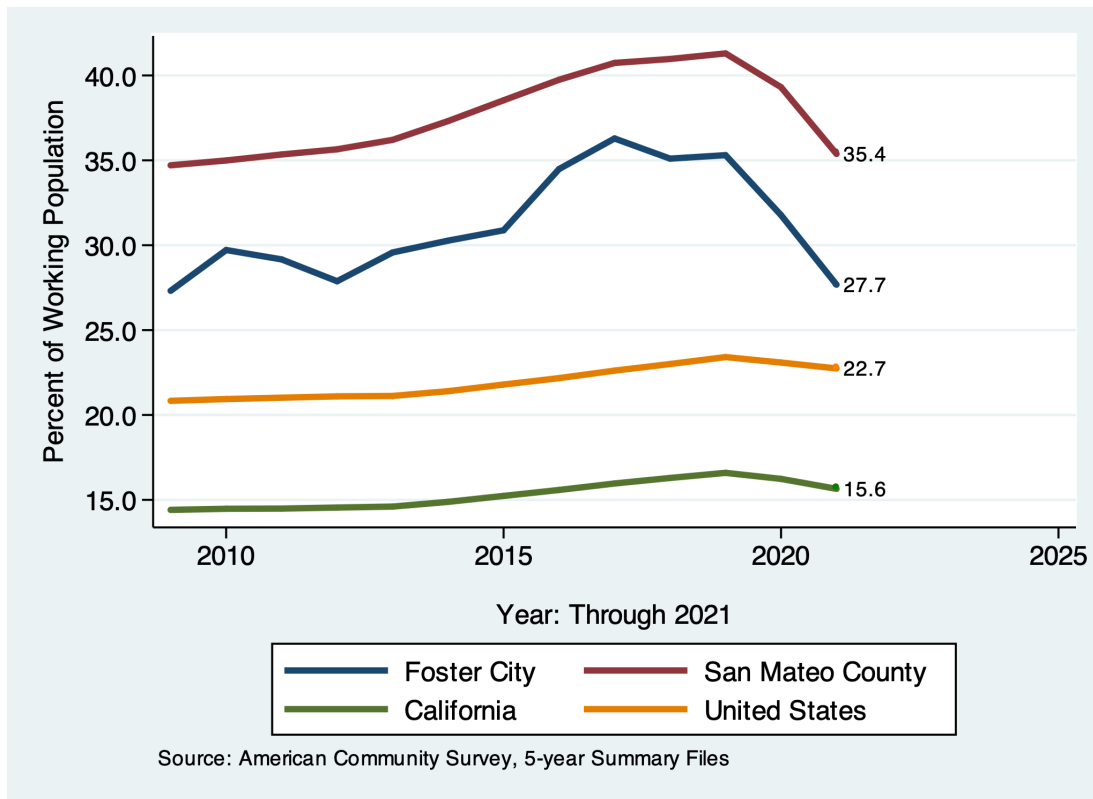
### 3. Place of Work

**Table 3.1. SEX OF WORKERS BY PLACE OF WORK-STATE AND COUNTY LEVEL**

Place of Work	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Worked in state of residence:	9,230	93.3	7,569	99.3	16,799	96.8	99.6
Worked in county of residence	6,134	62.0	5,860	76.8	11,994	69.1	83.5
worked outside of county of residence	3,096	31.3	1,709	22.4	4,805	27.7	16.0
Worked outside state of residence	104	1.1	57	0.7	161	0.9	0.4
<b>Total:</b>	<b>9,334</b>	<b>94.3</b>	<b>7,626</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16,960</b>	<b>97.7</b>	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Figure 3 - 1: Percent of Workers Employed Outside of Their County of Residence**

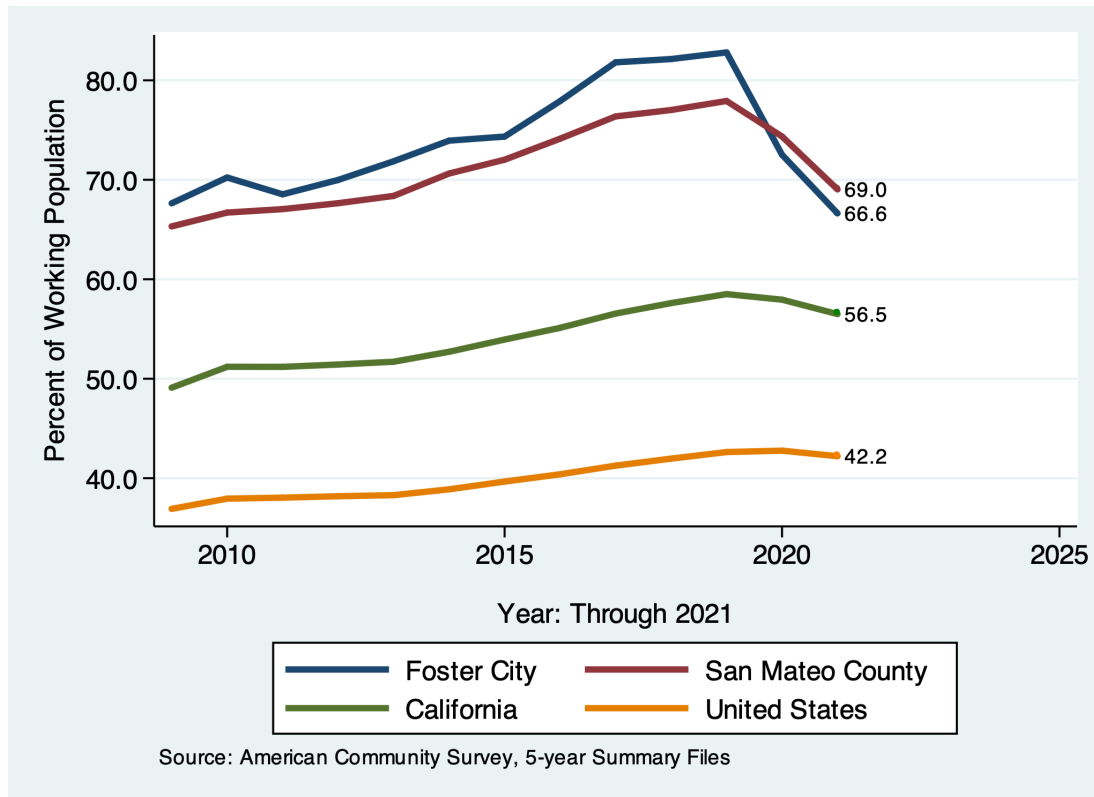


**Table 3.2. SEX OF WORKERS BY PLACE OF WORK-PLACE LEVEL**

Place of Work	Male		Female		All Workers		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Living in a place:	9,334	94.3	7,626	100.0	16,960	97.7	95.9
Worked in place of residence	2,689	27.2	2,704	35.5	5,393	31.1	38.0
Worked outside place of residence	6,645	67.1	4,922	64.5	11,567	66.6	57.9
Not living in a place	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4.1
<b>Total:</b>	9,334	94.3	7,626	100.0	16,960	97.7	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Figure 3 - 2: Percent of Workers Employed Outside of Their Place of Residence**





## 4. Commute Mode by Income

**Table 4.1. MEDIAN EARNINGS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS  
BY MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK**

	<i>Region</i>	<i>California</i>		<i>United States</i>	
		<i>Median</i>	<i>Ratio</i>	<i>Median</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	105,999	44,762	95.2	42,770	95.0
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	108,058	34,038	127.6	31,995	129.4
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	113,750	39,155	116.8	42,437	102.7
Walked	42,609	26,698	64.2	24,723	66.0
Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means	101,250	36,900	110.3	33,389	116.2
Worked from home	127,349	65,542	78.1	59,742	81.7
<b>Total:</b>	110,378	44,367	248.8	42,296	261.0

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Notes: 1) Ratio = the ratio of the regional median to either the CA or US median, relative to the Total ratio.

Values above 100 imply a high local median. Values below 100 imply a low local median.

For example, a value of 200 means that the local mean is 2x higher than would be expected.

For "Total:", ratio is simply the ratio of the medians.

2) For regions with more than one geography, the medians are averages weighted by working population.

**Table 4.2. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY WORKERS' EARNINGS**

Mode of Transit	< \$25,000		\$25,000-\$74,999		\$75,000+		All		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	1,028	39.4	2,194	47.8	6,610	58.9	10,313	59.5	70.1
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	176	6.7	265	5.8	873	7.8	1,373	7.9	9.6
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	103	3.9	182	4.0	650	5.8	954	5.5	4.1
Walked	94	3.6	89	1.9	42	0.4	226	1.3	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	151	5.8	82	1.8	354	3.2	596	3.4	2.4
Worked at Home	292	11.2	466	10.1	2,692	24.0	3,498	20.2	11.4
<b>Total:</b>	1,844	70.6	3,278	71.4	11,221		16,960	97.8	100.0

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Table 4.3. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY WORKERS' EARNINGS FOR  
WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY**

Mode of Transit	< \$25,000		\$25,000-\$74,999		\$75,000+		All		All of CA (%)
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	1,254	35.8	2,334	46.6	7,904	61.0	12,170	60.4	70.2
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	234	6.7	309	6.2	970	7.5	1,544	7.7	9.6
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	71	2.0	187	3.7	826	6.4	1,119	5.5	4.1
Walked	67	1.9	113	2.3	96	0.7	307	1.5	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	66	1.9	80	1.6	463	3.6	609	3.0	2.4
Worked at Home	292	8.3	466	9.3	2,692	20.8	3,498	17.3	11.4
<b>Total:</b>	1,984	56.6	3,489	69.6	12,951		19,247	95.4	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

## 5. Commute Mode by Poverty Status

**Table 5.1. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY POVERTY STATUS**

Mode of Transit	In Poverty		100-149% of Pov		>150% of Pov		All		All of CA
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	132	40.5	98	34.8	10,083	59.6	10,313	59.4	70.5
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	0	0.0	21	7.4	1,352	8.0	1,373	7.9	9.6
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	15	4.6	16	5.7	923	5.5	954	5.5	4.1
Walked	42	12.9	0	0.0	184	1.1	226	1.3	2.1
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	17	5.2	11	3.9	568	3.4	596	3.4	2.4
Worked at Home	30	9.2	0	0.0	3,468	20.5	3,498	20.1	11.3
<b>Total:</b>	236	72.4	146	51.8	16,578	98.0	16,960	97.7	

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Table 5.2. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY POVERTY STATUS FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY**

Mode of Transit	In Poverty		100-149% of Pov		>150% of Pov		All		All of CA
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	174	31.4	101	12.9	11,895	61.3	12,170	60.3	70.5
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	10	1.8	85	10.9	1,449	7.5	1,544	7.7	9.6
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	9	1.6	13	1.7	1,097	5.6	1,119	5.5	4.1
Walked	42	7.6	0	0.0	265	1.4	307	1.5	2.1
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	39	7.0	0	0.0	570	2.9	609	3.0	2.4
Worked at Home	30	5.4	0	0.0	3,468	17.9	3,498	17.3	11.3
<b>Total:</b>	304	54.8	199	25.5	18,744	96.5	19,247	95.4	100.0

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