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16. Abstract

The aim of this study was to provide a broad overview of commuting by workers 16 years of age and older in the 30 largest U.S. cities, by highlighting the following aspects of commuting: who, how, how time consuming, and when. The study used the 2013 data from the American Community Survey—an ongoing annual survey by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Below are the cities that were found to be on either extreme on several of the aspects examined:

- Median age: 34.4 years in Boston, 41.7 years in Louisville
- Males: 45.9% in Detroit, 56.2% in Houston
- No vehicle available: 1.8% in Fort Worth and San Jose, 46.0% in New York
- Working at home: 2.1% in Memphis, 7.1% in Austin and Portland
- Driving alone to work: 21.4% in New York, 82.9 in Louisville
- Carpooling to work: 4.9% in New York, 12.4% in Memphis
- Using public transportation to work: 0.7% in Oklahoma City, 56.7% in New York
- Walking to work: 1.2% in Fort Worth, 14.5% in Boston
- Bicycling to work: 0.1% in El Paso, 5.9% in Portland
- Mean travel time to work: 20.7 minutes in Oklahoma City, 39.7 minutes in New York
- Leaving for work between 5:00 am and 8:59 am: 59.8% in Detroit and Las Vegas, 73.5% in Jacksonville

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