



CENSUS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PACKAGE (CTPP 2000)

Table 1. Profile of Selected 1990 and 2000 Characteristics

Geographic Area: Watauga County, North Carolina

Subject	1990 Census		Census 2000		Change 1990 to 2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
POPULATION						
Total population	36,952	100.0	42,695	100.0	5,743	15.5
In households	32,494	87.9	37,333	87.4	4,839	14.9
In group quarters	4,458	12.1	5,362	12.6	904	20.3
HOUSEHOLD SIZE						
Total households	13,654	100.0	16,552	100.0	2,898	21.2
1-person household	3,431	25.1	4,734	28.6	1,303	38.0
2-person household	5,224	38.3	6,613	40.0	1,389	26.6
3-person household	2,469	18.1	2,531	15.3	62	2.5
4-person household	1,767	12.9	1,861	11.2	94	5.3
5-or-more-person household	763	5.6	813	4.9	50	6.6
Mean number of persons per household	2.38	(X)	2.26	(X)	-0.12	(X)
VEHICLES AVAILABLE¹						
Total households	13,654	100.0	16,552	100.0	2,898	21.2
No vehicle available	789	5.8	917	5.5	128	16.2
1 vehicle available	4,090	30.0	5,313	32.1	1,223	29.9
2 vehicles available	5,417	39.7	6,578	39.7	1,161	21.4
3 vehicles available	2,348	17.2	2,595	15.7	247	10.5
4 vehicles available	785	5.7	847	5.1	62	7.9
5 or more vehicles available	225	1.6	302	1.8	77	34.2
Mean vehicles per household	1.93	(X)	1.89	(X)	-0.04	(X)
WORKERS BY SEX¹						
Workers 16 years and over	17,907	100.0	20,985	100.0	3,078	17.2
Male	9,792	54.7	11,245	53.6	1,453	14.8
Female	8,115	45.3	9,740	46.4	1,625	20.0
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK						
Workers 16 years and over	17,907	100.0	20,985	100.0	3,078	17.2
Drove alone	13,031	72.8	15,639	74.5	2,608	20.0
Carpooled	2,623	14.6	2,877	13.7	254	9.7
Public transportation (including taxicab)	67	0.4	163	0.8	96	143.3
Bicycle or walked	1,387	7.7	1,306	6.2	-81	-5.8
Motorcycle or other means	120	0.7	138	0.7	18	15.0
Worked at home	679	3.8	862	4.1	183	27.0
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK						
Workers who did not work at home	17,228	100.0	20,123	100.0	2,895	16.8
Less than 5 minutes	1,302	7.6	956	4.8	-346	-26.6
5 to 9 minutes	3,308	19.2	3,306	16.4	-2	-0.1
10 to 14 minutes	3,585	20.8	3,995	19.9	410	11.4
15 to 19 minutes	3,022	17.5	3,852	19.1	830	27.5
20 to 29 minutes	2,492	14.5	3,631	18.0	1,139	45.7
30 to 44 minutes	2,232	13.0	2,725	13.5	493	22.1
45 or more minutes	1,287	7.5	1,658	8.2	371	28.8
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	17.5	(X)	20.4	(X)	2.8	(X)
TIME LEAVING HOME TO GO TO WORK						
Workers who did not work at home	17,228	100.0	20,123	100.0	2,895	16.8
5:00 a.m. to 6:59 a.m.	3,116	18.1	3,393	16.9	277	8.9
7:00 a.m. to 7:59 a.m.	5,628	32.7	6,867	34.1	1,239	22.0
8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m.	3,184	18.5	3,406	16.9	222	7.0
9:00 a.m. to 9:59 a.m.	1,119	6.5	1,465	7.3	346	30.9
10:00 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.	765	4.4	1,106	5.5	341	44.6
12:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.	3,180	18.5	3,415	17.0	235	7.4
12:00 a.m. to 4:59 a.m.	236	1.4	471	2.3	235	99.6

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 (X) Not applicable.
 Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Census of Population and Housing, 1990 and 2000 long-form (sample) data.

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Table 2. Profile of Selected 2000 Characteristics

Geographic Area: Watauga County, North Carolina

Subject	Census 2000	
	Number	Percent
POPULATION BY AGE		
Total population	42,695	100.0
Under 16 years	6,022	14.1
16 to 20 years	7,168	16.8
21 to 24 years	5,566	13.0
25 to 44 years	10,056	23.6
45 to 64 years	9,145	21.4
65 years and over	4,738	11.1
Mean age (years)	35.1	(X)
HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999¹		
Total households	16,552	100.0
Less than \$15,000	4,029	24.3
\$15,000 to 19,999	1,088	6.6
\$20,000 to 24,999	1,299	7.8
\$25,000 to 49,999	5,108	30.9
\$50,000 to 74,999	2,839	17.2
\$75,000 to 99,999	1,179	7.1
\$100,000 or more	1,010	6.1
Mean household income (dollars)	42,826	(X)
Median household income (dollars)	32,611	(X)

Household Size by Vehicles Available¹

Household Size	Mean vehicles per household	Vehicles available					
		Total households	No vehicle	1 vehicle	2 vehicles	3 vehicles	4 or more vehicles
Total households	1.89	16,550	915	5,315	6,580	2,595	1,150
Row percent	(X)	100.0	5.5	32.1	39.8	15.7	6.9
Column percent	(X)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1-person household	1.12	4,735	630	3,280	610	135	85
Row percent	(X)	100.0	13.3	69.3	12.9	2.9	1.8
Column percent	(X)	28.6	68.9	61.7	9.3	5.2	7.4
2-person household	1.98	6,615	200	1,380	3,795	940	300
Row percent	(X)	100.0	3.0	20.9	57.4	14.2	4.5
Column percent	(X)	40.0	21.9	26.0	57.7	36.2	26.1
3-person household	2.30	2,530	45	445	1,005	845	190
Row percent	(X)	100.0	1.8	17.6	39.7	33.4	7.5
Column percent	(X)	15.3	4.9	8.4	15.3	32.6	16.5
4-or-more-person household	2.63	2,675	50	210	1,165	675	575
Row percent	(X)	100.0	1.9	7.9	43.6	25.2	21.5
Column percent	(X)	16.2	5.5	4.0	17.7	26.0	50.0

Means of Transportation to Work by Travel Time to Work¹

Means of Transportation	Mean travel time to work (minutes)	Travel time to work					
		Workers who did not work at home	Less than 10 minutes	10 to 19 minutes	20 to 29 minutes	30 to 44 minutes	45 or more minutes
Workers who did not work at home	20.4	20,125	4,260	7,845	3,630	2,725	1,660
Row percent	(X)	100.0	21.2	39.0	18.0	13.5	8.2
Column percent	(X)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Drove alone	20.7	15,640	2,990	6,270	2,985	2,160	1,230
Row percent	(X)	100.0	19.1	40.1	19.1	13.8	7.9
Column percent	(X)	77.7	70.2	79.9	82.2	79.3	74.1
Carpooled	24.0	2,875	410	1,055	525	485	400
Row percent	(X)	100.0	14.3	36.7	18.3	16.9	13.9
Column percent	(X)	14.3	9.6	13.4	14.5	17.8	24.1
Public transportation (including taxicab)	17.7	165	4	80	65	10	4
Row percent	(X)	100.0	2.4	48.5	39.4	6.1	2.4
Column percent	(X)	0.8	0.1	1.0	1.8	0.4	0.2
Bicycle or walked	9.6	1,305	840	400	25	25	20
Row percent	(X)	100.0	64.4	30.7	1.9	1.9	1.5
Column percent	(X)	6.5	19.7	5.1	0.7	0.9	1.2
Motorcycle or other means	17.8	140	25	40	30	40	0
Row percent	(X)	100.0	17.9	28.6	21.4	28.6	0.0
Column percent	(X)	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.8	1.5	0.0

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