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Table 1-38: Principal Means of Transportation to Work

(Thousands)

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	1989		1993		1997		1999		2001		2003		2005		2006		2007	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All workers	106,630	100.0	103,741	100.0	116,469	100.0	118,041	100.0	120,191	100.0	115,342	100.0	123,250	100.0	138,266	100.0	139,260	100.0
Automobile, total	93,943	88.1	91,301	88.0	101,908	87.5	103,467	87.7	105,586	87.8	101,664	88.1	109,005	88.4	119,898	86.7	120,442	86.5
Drives self	81,322	76.3	79,449	76.6	90,207	77.5	92,363	78.2	93,942	78.2	91,607	79.4	97,781	79.3	105,046	76.0	105,955	76.1
Carpool, total	12,621	11.8	11,852	11.4	11,701	10.0	11,104	9.4	11,644	9.7	10,057	8.7	11,224	9.1	14,852	10.7	14,488	10.4
2-person	9,708	9.1	9,105	8.8	9,294	8.0	8,705	7.4	9,036	7.5	7,866	6.8	8,669	7.0	11,408	8.3	11,139	8.0
3-person	1,748	1.6	1,684	1.6	1,526	1.3	1,454	1.2	1,635	1.4	1,351	1.2	1,501	1.2	1,992	1.4	1,963	1.4
4+ person	1,165	1.1	1,063	1.0	881	0.8	945	0.8	973	0.8	840	0.7	1,054	0.9	1,451	1.0	1,385	1.0
Public transportation^a	4,880	4.6	4,740	4.6	5,337	4.6	5,779	4.9	5,627	4.7	5,081	4.4	5,424	4.4	5,933	4.3	6,801	4.9
Taxicab	152	0.1	117	0.1	139	0.1	144	0.1	133	0.1	128	0.1	131	0.1	178	0.1	179	0.1
Bicycle or motorcycle	795	0.7	744	0.7	738	0.6	749	0.6	847	0.7	691	0.6	705	0.6	895	0.6	949	0.7
Walks only	3,634	3.4	3,227	3.1	3,869	3.3	3,627	3.1	3,408	2.8	3,171	2.7	2,875	2.3	3,952	2.9	3,954	2.8
Other means^b	491	0.5	474	0.5	867	0.7	987	0.8	1,049	0.9	1,072	0.9	962	0.8	1,999	1.4	1,258	0.9
Works at home	2,736	2.6	3,137	3.0	3,611	3.1	3,288	2.8	3,401	2.8	3,536	3.1	4,148	3.4	5,411	3.9	5,677	4.1

^a Public transportation refers to bus, streetcar, subway, or elevated trains.

^b Other means include ferryboats, surface trains, and van service and other means not classified.

NOTES

Principal means of transportation refers to the mode used most often, when different means of transportation were used on different days of the week, or the mode used for the longest distance during the trip to work, when more than one mode is used to get to work each day.

Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

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