

SOUTH CAROLINA INBOUND COMMUTING PATTERNS

South Carolina had 1,605,781 primary jobs held by South Carolina residents in 2011.¹ This graphic presents the inbound commuting patterns of the workers holding those jobs. The map shows a circle, with its size in proportion to the number of inbound commuters, at each workplace county. Inbound commuters include workers who live within the county where they work or travel in from another South Carolina county.

Highlights:

- The top three counties combined had 38 percent of the total inbound commuters in the state.
 - Greenville County: 218,729
 - Richland County: 202,577
 - Charleston County: 190,677
- Urban counties had higher numbers of inbound commuters than did rural counties.
- The top ten counties together make up 70 percent of the state's internal jobs, all urban counties.
- McCormick County has the fewest inbound commuters (1,019) and over 500 of those workers lived in the county.
- The bottom 23 counties together comprise less than 10 percent of the total commuters in the state.

¹ A primary job is the highest-paying job that a worker holds. Multiple job holders would have only their top-paying job included in this definition. Also, jobs of South Carolinians working out of state as well as out of state residents working in South Carolina are excluded from this analysis.

SOURCE: This data is from the U.S. Census Bureau's Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) program. It provides a worker's residence and workplace by census blocks which allow analysis on any geography level above the census block.