

Rutherford County Commuting Report, Private Primary Jobs 2021

OVERALL INFLOW OUTFLOW ANALYSIS

Resident Flow (Live/Work in Rutherford County)	Jobs
Resident Live/Work in Rutherford County	7,221
Worker Inflow	7,383
Resident Outflow	14,444
Net Flow	-7,061

COMMUTING FLOW ANALYSIS BY EARNING, AGE AND INDUSTRY GROUP

Earnings Group	Worker Inflow	Percent of Total	Resident Worker	Percent of Total	Resident Outflow	Percent of Total	Net Flow
Jobs earning \$1,250 per month or less	1,679	22.7%	1,529	21.2%	2,745	19.0%	-1,066
Jobs earning \$1,251 to \$3,333 per month	2,543	34.4%	3,198	44.3%	5,423	37.5%	-2,880
Jobs earning more than \$3,333 per month	3,161	42.8%	2,494	34.5%	6,276	43.5%	-3,115

Age Group	Worker Inflow	Percent of Total	Resident Worker	Percent of Total	Resident Outflow	Percent of Total	Net Flow
Jobs for workers age 29 or younger	1,737	23.5%	1,640	22.7%	3,577	24.8%	-1,840
Jobs for workers age 30 to 54	3,700	50.1%	3,668	50.8%	7,304	50.6%	-3,604
Jobs for workers age 55 or older	1,946	26.4%	1,913	26.5%	3,563	24.7%	-1,617

Industry Group	Worker Inflow	Percent of Total	Resident Worker	Percent of Total	Resident Outflow	Percent of Total	Net Flow
Jobs in Goods Producing industries	1,968	26.7%	2,375	32.9%	3,974	27.5%	-2,006
Jobs in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities industries	2,139	29.0%	1,200	16.6%	4,040	28.0%	-1,901
Jobs in All Other Services industries	3,276	44.4%	3,646	50.5%	6,430	44.5%	-3,154

Data Source: US Census Bureau, Center for Economic Studies, LODES, 2021, available in 2023

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COMMUTING BY Top 10 COUNTIES AND BY STATE

Workers Coming Into Rutherford County

Resident County	Jobs	Percent of Inflow Jobs	Percent of All County Jobs
Cleveland County, NC	1,011	13.7%	6.9%
Polk County, NC	414	5.6%	2.8%
Spartanburg County, SC	413	5.6%	2.8%
Buncombe County, NC	408	5.5%	2.8%
Henderson County, NC	386	5.2%	2.6%
Mecklenburg County, NC	373	5.1%	2.6%
McDowell County, NC	346	4.7%	2.4%
Gaston County, NC	299	4.0%	2.0%
Burke County, NC	259	3.5%	1.8%
Caldwell County, NC	165	2.2%	1.1%

Workers Coming into Rutherford County by Surrounding State

Residence State Name	State Resident Workers	Percent of Inflow Jobs	Percent of All County Jobs
South Carolina	942	12.8%	6.5%
Tennessee	76	1.0%	0.5%
Georgia	65	0.9%	0.4%
Virginia	38	0.5%	0.3%

Residents Working Out of Rutherford County

Workplace County	Jobs	Percent of Outflow Jobs	Percent of All County Jobs
Mecklenburg County, NC	1,752	12.1%	8.1%
Cleveland County, NC	1,466	10.1%	6.8%
Buncombe County, NC	1,285	8.9%	5.9%
Spartanburg County, SC	1,112	7.7%	5.1%
Henderson County, NC	774	5.4%	3.6%
McDowell County, NC	747	5.2%	3.4%
Gaston County, NC	709	4.9%	3.3%
Polk County, NC	639	4.4%	2.9%
Catawba County, NC	590	4.1%	2.7%
Greenville County, SC	541	3.7%	2.5%

Residents Working Out of Rutherford County by Surrounding State

Workplace State Name	State Resident Workers	Percent of Outflow Jobs	Percent of All County Jobs
South Carolina	2,414	16.7%	16.5%
Tennessee	36	0.2%	0.2%
Virginia	35	0.2%	0.2%
Georgia	33	0.2%	0.2%