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Where do Nevada's Workers Live?  
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## In Eight Nevada Counties, Worker Inflows Account for More Than Half of the Workforce; Commuting Patterns Driven by Proximity of Residential Opportunities to Job Opportunities

	2014 Employment			2014 Employment	
	Total	Living In County	Living Outside County	Pct. Living In County	Pct. Living Outside County
Clark	874,555	821,500	53,055	93.9%	6.1%
Washoe	195,739	158,401	37,338	80.9%	19.1%
Elko	25,097	18,142	6,955	72.3%	27.7%
Churchill	7,254	4,950	2,304	68.2%	31.8%
White Pine	4,536	2,816	1,720	62.1%	37.9%
Nye	9,361	5,773	3,588	61.7%	38.3%
Humboldt	8,458	5,110	3,348	60.4%	39.6%
Mineral	1,199	666	533	55.5%	44.5%
Lyon	11,597	6,336	5,261	54.6%	45.4%
Lincoln	1,114	548	566	49.2%	50.8%
Lander	2,869	1,324	1,545	46.1%	53.9%
Douglas	17,439	7,954	9,485	45.6%	54.4%
Pershing	1,658	755	903	45.5%	54.5%
Carson City	26,849	11,379	15,470	42.4%	57.6%
Eureka	618	254	364	41.1%	58.9%
Esmeralda	417	91	326	21.8%	78.2%
Storey	3,425	192	3,233	5.6%	94.4%

- The Census Bureau's Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LED) On the Map tool allows for the analysis of worker inflows/outflows comprising the employment base in Nevada's 17 counties, providing insight into commuting patterns and the structure of the State's labor markets.
- More than 80% of workers in major population centers live in the county of work. In Clark, 94% of the workforce resides in the County (821,500 of 875,000 workers). In Washoe, 81% (158,400) of workers reside in the County.
- The results in Carson City are of interest, as just 42% the workforce actually lives there. Neighboring counties, including Washoe, account for more than half of the workforce.
- All told, eight of the Silver States counties have less than half of its workforce living in the County. The lowest being Storey County with less than six percent. Specifically, less than 200 of Storey's 3,400 workers live within the County.
- These findings suggest that, in general, commuting patterns are a function of where the jobs are, and where residential opportunities exist.