
Trends and Conditions

Special Report – February 2013

Commuting Flow Trends in Florida METROPOLITAN AREAS

This special report of the FDOT Trends and Conditions series highlights commuting trends in Florida's major metro areas. This report provides descriptive data based on the American Community Survey (ACS) reporting of commuting trends. The ACS data are the only nationally standardized data set that provides commuting origin to destination flow data with various attributes based on the demographic questions that are included in the ACS questionnaire. This brief is complementary to the brief titled *Commuting Trends in Florida*, November 2012, <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/planning/trends/special/acs121112.pdf>.

The data are derived from the 2006-2010 ACS. The multi-year period is used because it allows a larger sample of data sufficient to provide meaningful flow data tabulations between geographies. The information presented in this brief focuses on commuting flows for the four major metro areas in Florida: Jacksonville, Orlando, Tampa Bay, and South Florida. For each metro area, a graphic is presented that shows commuting flows to and from adjacent counties. Supporting tables are provided to show a tabular presentation of county-to-county flow data and to report commuting by mode and mean commute time by county.

Understanding commuting historically has been a critical component of understanding total travel. Commuting travel patterns often define a large share of a household's total trip making as measured in share of trips. As work trips are slightly longer than the average of other trip purposes, work trip commuting comprises a slightly larger share of person travel miles. Commuting significantly influences the temporal and geographic distributions of non-commuting travel as trips to and from work often define an individual's or household's travel schedule and influence the geographic pattern of much of the household travel.

Work travel demand shapes peak transportation service and infrastructure capacity needs as "rush hours" or peak periods continue to define the most common and, hence, most congested travel times. This peaking of demand, strongly associated with commuting to work, defines the capacity requirements of road and transit system investments. The home-based work trip remains the most critical link in travel demand modeling and transportation land-use modeling and analysis. The regularity and stability of the work trip commute results in it being important in influencing both household and business location decisions. While commuting has become a smaller share of overall travel and continues to evolve and change in response to demographic, cultural, economic, technologic, and other factors, it remains and is likely to continue to remain a very important factor in overall travel demand.



**Figure 1 Jacksonville Area Commuting Flows
2006 - 2010 American Community Survey**

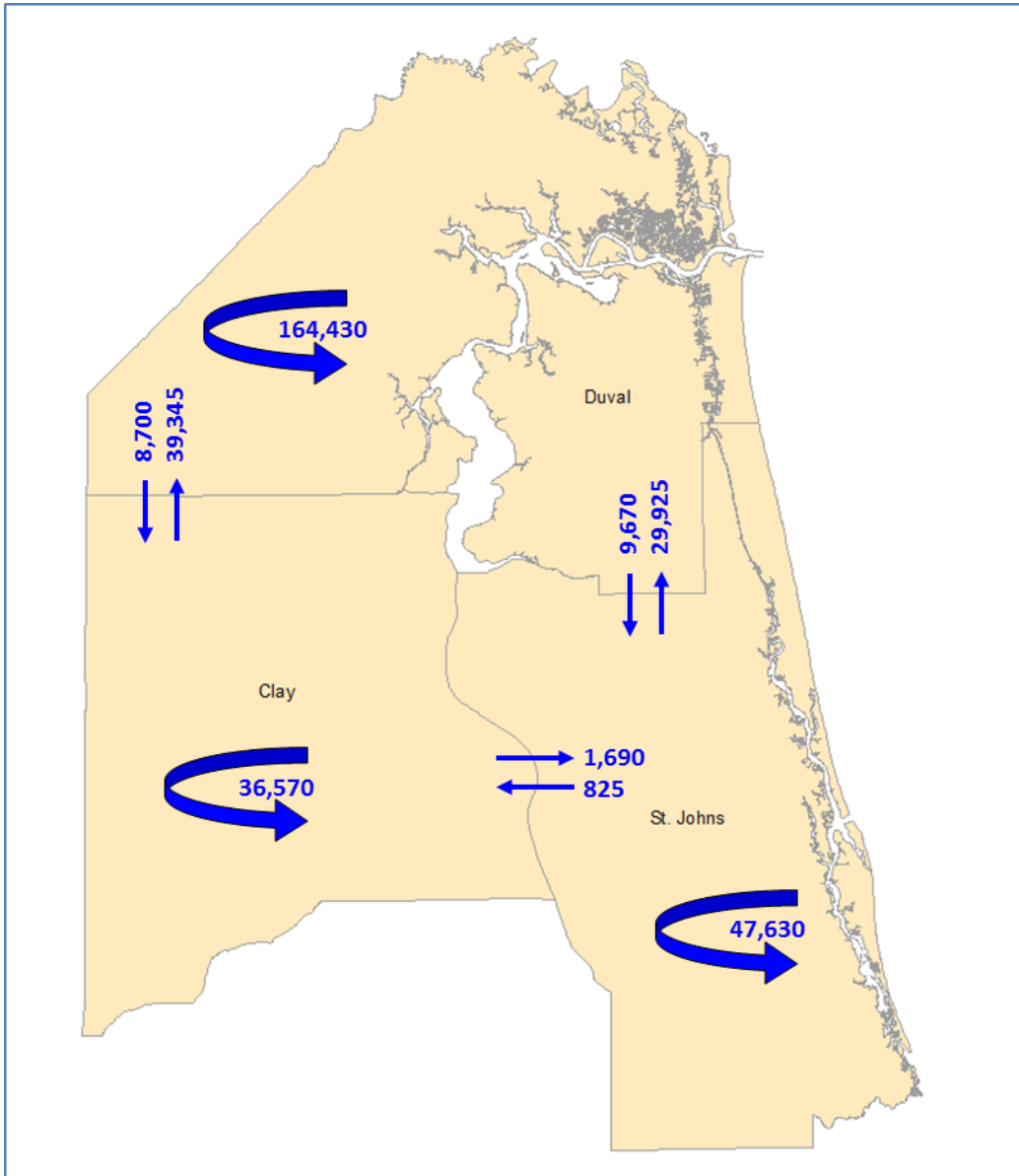




Table 1 Jacksonville Area - Commuting Flows by County

Residence	Work Place			Total Residence
	Clay	Duval	St. Johns	
Clay	36,570	39,345	1,690	77,605
Duval	8,700	371,580	9,670	389,950
St. Johns	825	29,925	47,630	78,380
All Other Counties	3,170	31,320	6,750	41,240
Total Work Place	49,265	472,170	65,740	587,175

Color Key: Intra-County Trips Inter-County Trips Totals

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey; Equal Employment Opportunity: Table EEO-ALL02W

Table 2 Jacksonville Area - Mode to Work by County (ACS 2006 - 2010)

Mode	Workers Residence						Total	
	Clay		Duval		St. Johns			
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
All Workers	86,132	100	410,353	100	82,920	100	579,405	100
Drove alone	70,741	82.1	330,404	80.5	67,451	81.3	468,596	80.9
2-person Carpool	7,941	9.2	36,356	8.9	5,252	6.3	49,549	8.6
3-or-more-person Carpool	1,484	1.7	9,384	2.3	969	1.2	11,837	2.0
Public Transportation	263	0.3	6,435	1.6	215	0.3	6,913	1.2
Bike	331	0.4	2,247	0.5	763	0.9	3,341	0.6
Walked	989	1.1	6,817	1.7	1,300	1.6	9,106	1.6
Taxi, Motorcycle and Other means	1,264	1.5	4,421	1.1	1,948	2.3	7,633	1.3
Worked at Home	3,119	3.6	14,289	3.5	5,022	6.1	22,430	3.9
Mean Travel Time to Work (min)	32.1	-	23.4	-	25.8	-	20	-

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey Table B08301



**Figure 2 Orlando Area Commuting Flows
2006 - 2010 American Community Survey**

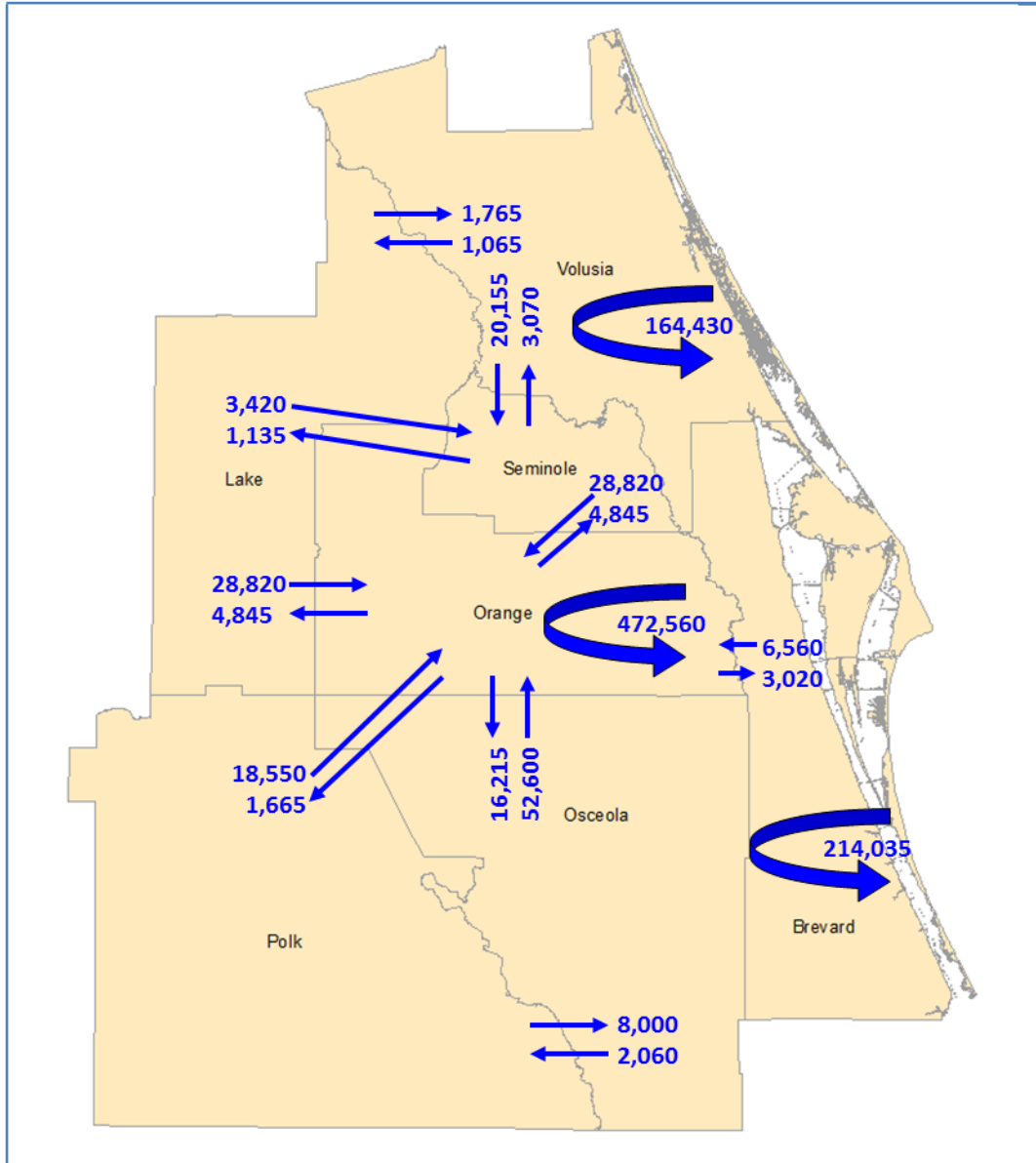




Table 3 Orlando Area - Commuting Flows by County

Residence	Work Place							Total Residence
	Brevard	Lake	Orange	Osceola	Polk	Seminole	Volusia	
Brevard	214,035		6,560			930		221,525
Lake		69,570	28,820	2,455	1,345	3,420	1,765	107,375
Orange	3,020	4,845	472,560	16,215	1,665	36,530	1,740	536,575
Osceola			52,600	57,210	2,060	1,435		113,305
Polk		1,330	18,550	8,000	191,985			219,865
Seminole	1,015	1,135	80,965	1,245		114,525	3,070	201,955
Volusia	1,550	1,065	13,175			20,155	164,430	200,375
All Other Counties	5,535	12,325	15,095	1,725	18,180	2,340	11,540	66,740
Total Work Place	225,155	90,270	688,325	86,850	215,235	179,335	182,545	1,667,715

Color Key: Intra-County Trips Inter-County Trips Totals

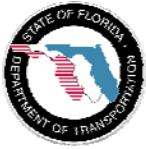
Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey
 Equal Employment Opportunity: Table EEO-ALL02W



Table 4 Orlando Area - Mode to Work by County (ACS 2006 - 2010)

Mode	Workers Residence														Total	
	Brevard		Lake		Orange		Osceola		Polk		Seminole		Volusia		Number	%
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%		
All Workers	234,036	100	116,268	100	548,165	100	117,225	100	240,951	100	206,779	100	208,931	100	1,672,355	100
Drove alone	193,659	82.7	94,678	81.4	437,373	79.8	94,297	80.4	194,483	80.7	171,932	83.1	171,388	82.0	1,357,810	81.2
2-person Carpool	17,392	7.4	9,793	8.4	41,434	7.6	9,929	8.5	20,965	8.7	13,287	6.4	13,944	6.7	126,744	7.6
3-or-more-person Carpool	3,713	1.6	2,455	2.1	15,026	2.7	2,661	2.3	7,161	3.0	2,804	1.4	3,802	1.8	37,622	2.2
Public Transportation	925	0.4	281	0.2	13,837	2.5	1,632	1.4	1,256	0.5	1,124	0.5	1,817	0.9	20,872	1.2
Bike	1,516	0.6	247	0.2	2,291	0.4	310	0.3	611	0.3	858	0.4	1,322	0.6	7,155	0.4
Walked	2,791	1.2	1,359	1.2	6,533	1.2	1,060	0.9	2,876	1.2	2,237	1.1	3,963	1.9	20,819	1.2
Taxi, Motorcycle and Other means	4,248	1.8	1,939	1.7	8,784	1.6	2,743	2.3	6,188	2.6	2,365	1.1	3,806	1.8	30,073	1.8
Worked at Home	9,792	4.2	5,516	4.7	22,887	4.2	4,593	3.9	7,411	3.1	12,172	5.9	8,889	4.3	71,260	4.3
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.6	-	27.8	-	26.2	-	30.2	-	25.4	-	25.7	-	24.7	-	26	-

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey Table B08301



**Figure 3 Tampa Bay Area Commuting Flows
2006 - 2010 American Community Survey**

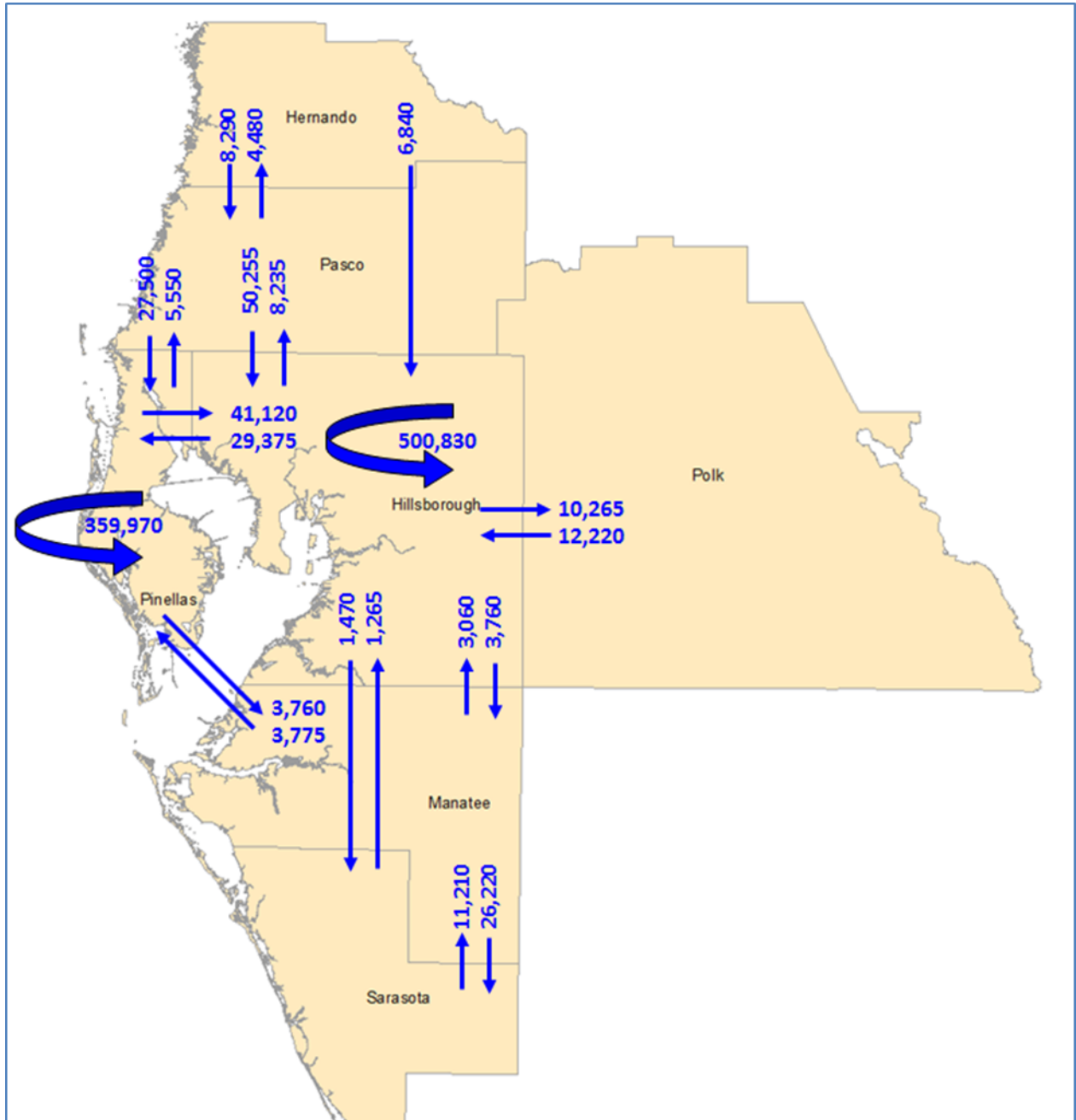




Table 5 Tampa Bay Area - Commuting Flows by County

Residence	Work Place							Total Residence
	Hernando	Hillsborough	Manatee	Pasco	Pinellas	Polk	Sarasota	
Hernando	37,095	6,840		8,290	2,990			55,215
Hillsborough		500,830	3,760	8,235	29,375	10,265	1,470	553,935
Manatee		3,060	95,235		3,775		26,220	128,290
Pasco	4480	50,255		92,960	27,500	1,900		172,615
Pinellas		41,120	1,960	5,550	359,970		985	409,585
Polk		12,220			645	191,985		204,850
Sarasota		1,265	11,210				124,470	136,945
All Other Counties	3,690	10,795	2,515	3,105	4,740	11,085	10,220	46,150
Total Work Place	40,785	626,385	114,680	118,140	428,995	215,235	163,365	1,707,585

Color Key: Intra-County Trips Inter-County Trips Totals

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey
 Equal Employment Opportunity: Table EEO-ALL02W



Table 2 Tampa Bay Area - Mode to Work by County (ACS 2006 - 2010)

Mode	Workers Residence														Total	
	Hernando		Hillsborough		Manatee		Pasco		Pinellas		Polk		Sarasota			
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	Number	%
All Workers	59,510	100	569,595	100	132,191	100	183,726	100	418,343	100	240,951	100	150,019	100	1,754,335	100
Drove alone	48,472	81.5	456,826	80.2	106,862	80.8	150,728	82.0	336,215	80.4	194,483	80.7	118,879	79.2	1,412,465	80.5
2-person Carpool	5,033	8.5	42,691	7.5	9,528	7.2	15,173	8.3	29,709	7.1	20,965	8.7	11,594	7.7	134,693	7.7
3-or-more-person Carpool	1,513	2.5	12,656	2.2	3,353	2.5	3,660	2.0	6,009	1.4	7,161	3.0	2,531	1.7	36,883	2.1
Public Transportation	111	0.2	8,907	1.6	1,097	0.8	737	0.4	7,278	1.7	1,256	0.5	1,308	0.9	20,694	1.2
Bike	120	0.2	3,360	0.6	842	0.6	573	0.3	3,762	0.9	611	0.3	1,824	1.2	11,092	0.6
Walked	650	1.1	9,673	1.7	1,781	1.3	1,553	0.8	7,928	1.9	2,876	1.2	2,337	1.6	26,798	1.5
Taxi, Motorcycle and Other means	986	1.7	7,242	1.3	2,293	1.7	2,471	1.3	7,461	1.8	6,188	2.6	2,388	1.6	29,029	1.7
Worked at Home	2,625	4.4	28,240	5.0	6,435	4.9	8,831	4.8	19,981	4.8	7,411	3.1	9,158	6.1	82,681	4.7
Mean Travel Time to Work (min)	30.2	-	25.6	-	23.5	-	30.0	-	23.0	-	25.4	-	21.6	-	25.6	-

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey Table B08301



**Figure 4 South Florida Commuting Flows
2006 - 2010 American Community Survey**

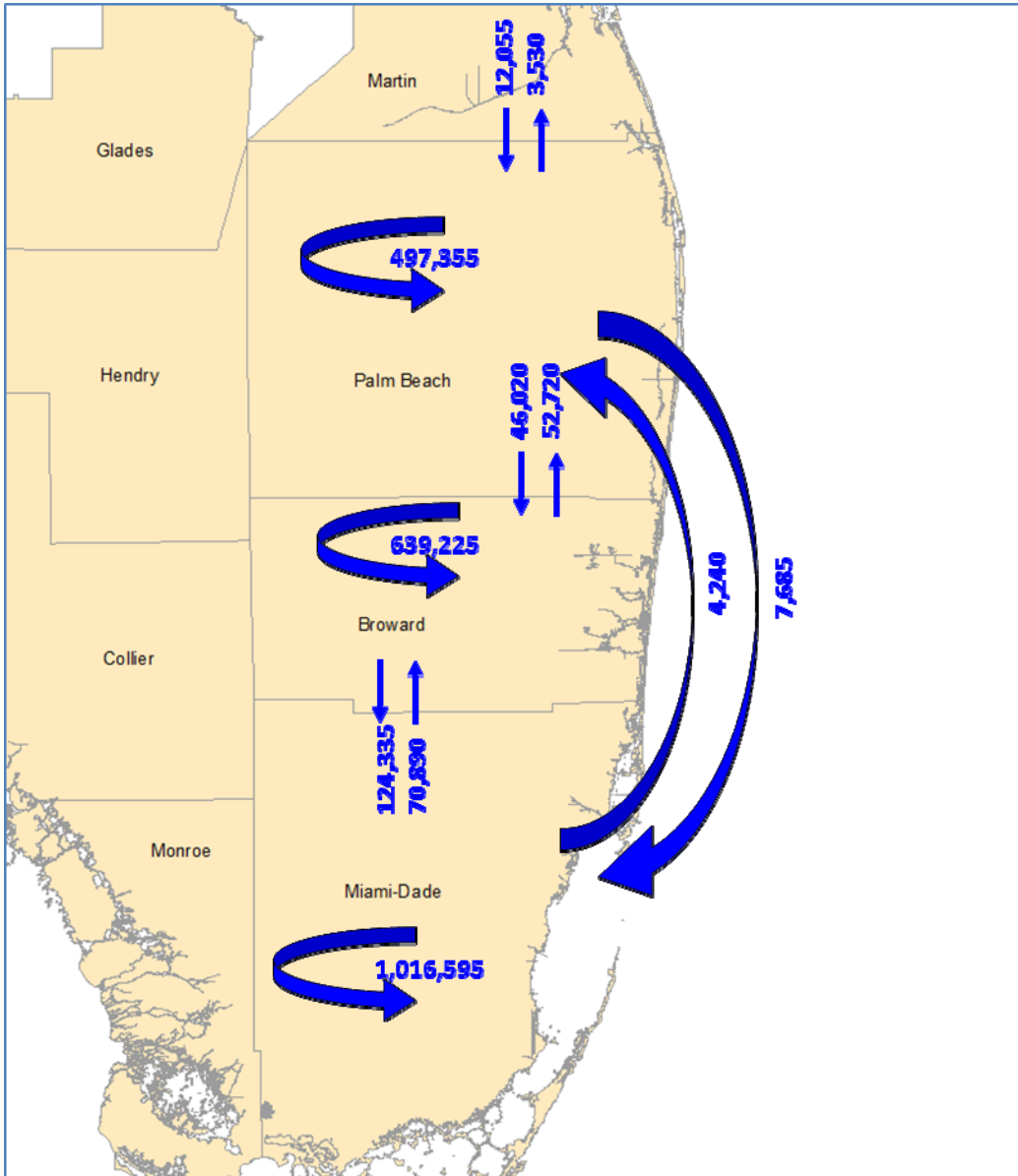




Table 7 South Florida - Commuting Flows by County

Residence	Work Place				Total Residence
	Broward	Martin	Miami-Dade	Palm Beach	
Broward	639,225		124,335	52,720	816,280
Martin		38,940		12,055	50,995
Miami-Dade	70,890		1,016,595	4,240	1,091,725
Palm Beach	46,020	3,530	7,685	497,355	554,590
All Other Counties	12,095	19,720	16,290	18,230	66,335
Total Work Place	768,230	62,190	1,164,905	584,600	2,579,925

Color Key: Intra-County Trips Inter-County Trips Totals

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey; Equal Employment Opportunity: Table EEO-ALL02W

Table 8 South Florida - Mode to Work by County (ACS 2006 - 2010)

Mode	Workers Residence								Total	
	Broward		Martin		Miami-Dade		Palm Beach			
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
All Workers	829,406	100	58,555	100	1,106,202	100	568,708	100	2,562,871	100
Drove alone	662,986	79.9	46,733	79.8	851,100	76.9	447,355	78.7	2,008,174	78.4
2-person Carpool	63,825	7.7	4,473	7.6	81,457	7.4	45,337	8.0	195,092	7.6
3-or-more-person Carpool	18,215	2.2	1,681	2.9	23,691	2.1	18,098	3.2	61,685	2.4
Public Transportation	22,621	2.7	217	0.4	60,698	5.5	8,793	1.5	92,329	3.6
Bike	4,428	0.5	645	1.1	4,933	0.4	3,371	0.6	13,377	0.5
Walked	10,815	1.3	948	1.6	24,194	2.2	9,636	1.7	45,593	1.8
Taxi, Motorcycle and Other means	10,797	1.3	707	1.2	18,569	1.7	8,121	1.4	38,194	1.5
Worked at Home	35,719	4.3	3,151	5.4	41,560	3.8	27,997	4.9	108,427	4.2
Mean Travel Time to Work (min)	26.8	-	23.5	-	29.5	-	24.7	-	26	-

Source: 2006 – 2010 American Community Survey Table B08301