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Table 1-32. Principal Means of Transportation to Work (Thousands)

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	1985		1989		1993		1997		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All workers	99,592	100.0	106,630	100.0	103,741	100.0	116,469	100.0	118,041	100
Automobile	86,148	86.5	93,943	88.1	91,301	88.0	101,907	87.5	103,466	87.7
Drives self	72,137	72.4	81,322	76.3	79,449	76.6	90,207	77.5	92,363	78.2
Carpool	14,011	14.1	12,621	11.8	11,852	11.4	11,700	10.0	11,103	9.4
2 person	10,381	10.4	9,708	9.1	9,105	8.8	9,294	8.0	8,705	7.4
3 person	2,024	2.0	1,748	1.6	1,684	1.6	1,526	1.3	1,454	1.2
4+ person	1,606	1.6	1,165	1.1	1,063	1.0	881	0.8	945	0.8
Public transportation ^a	5,091	5.1	4,880	4.6	4,740	4.6	5,337	4.6	5,779	4.9
Taxicab	129	0.1	152	0.1	117	0.1	139	0.1	144	0.1
Bicycle or motorcycle	958	1.0	795	0.7	744	0.7	738	0.6	749	0.6
Walks only	4,032	4.0	3,634	3.4	3,227	3.1	3,869	3.3	3,627	3.1
Other means ^b	286	0.3	491	0.5	474	0.5	867	0.7	987	0.8
Works at home	2,947	3.0	2,736	2.6	3,137	3.0	3,611	3.1	3,288	2.8

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

^b Other means include ferryboats, surface trains, and van service.

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.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, *American Housing Survey* (Washington, DC: Various years).

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