

Labor Supply

Employers in Dallas and Fort Worth draw from a well-educated and skilled workforce throughout the 11-county region. A robust network of interstate highways, state highways, tollways, and public transit options makes it easy for workers to navigate the area, while keeping commute times low for major employment centers in and around the Dallas-Fort Worth central business districts.

The region's relatively low cost of living allows employers to tap into a strong workforce, no matter where they base their operations. For employees, the wide distribution of jobs means they can select from a variety of communities in which to live and enjoy the lifestyle that best fits their needs—whether the preference is a well-established neighborhood, a new, fast-growing community, or a small town in a rural setting.

Seventy-three percent of the region's 7.6 million residents are of working age. From this base, employers can tap into a total civilian labor force of 4 million people, a workforce size surpassed only by the much larger Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York metro areas.

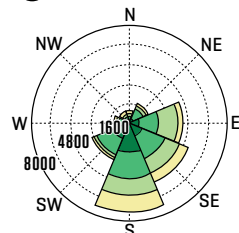
Radar charts explained

The U.S. Census Bureau pairs home/work census blocks to describe geographic patterns related to the workforce. Mapping commuter flows, for example, can help employers determine where potential workers live, as well as how far they might be willing to travel for work. Radar images dynamically communicate several important aspects about worker commute patterns.

Using Dallas Downtown-Uptown as an employment center example, the radar indicates primary and secondary cardinal directions from which a worker travels to a job, and the distance traveled as determined by the color of each pie piece. The size of each pie piece indicates the volume of workers who commute from that direction and distance as indicated by the dashed concentric circles marked in hundreds or thousands of people. For instance, the greatest number of downtown workers live north of Dallas, while the greatest percentage (44.4 percent) reside between 10 to 24 miles away.

Major Employment Centers with distance and direction of worker commute

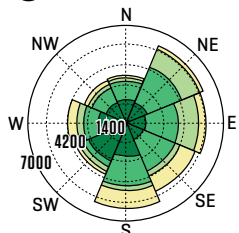
1 ALLIANCE



TOTAL JOBS: 24,500

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	30.7%
10 to 24 miles	39.0%
25 to 50 miles	17.7%
Greater than 50 miles	12.6%

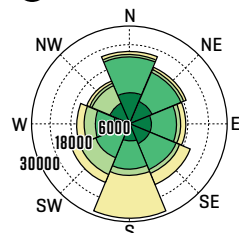
2 FORT WORTH DOWNTOWN



TOTAL JOBS: 40,297

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	40.0%
10 to 24 miles	36.4%
25 to 50 miles	13.1%
Greater than 50 miles	10.4%

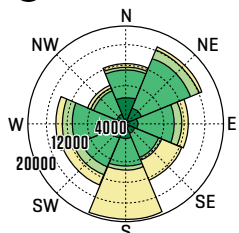
3 DALLAS NORTH TOLLWAY



TOTAL JOBS: 140,777

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	33.2%
10 to 24 miles	41.6%
25 to 50 miles	10.2%
Greater than 50 miles	15.1%

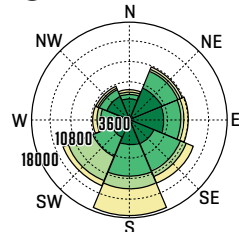
4 LAS COLINAS



TOTAL JOBS: 115,197

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	23.5%
10 to 24 miles	51.2%
25 to 50 miles	8.8%
Greater than 50 miles	16.5%

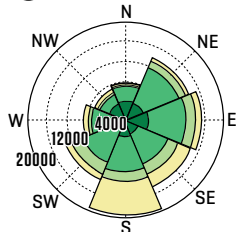
5 LEGACY



TOTAL JOBS: 77,199

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	44.1%
10 to 24 miles	32.7%
25 to 50 miles	12.7%
Greater than 50 miles	10.5%

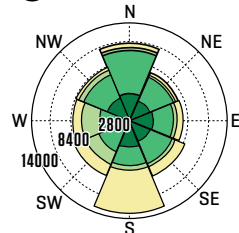
6 DFW AIRPORT NORTH



TOTAL JOBS: 99,571

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	29.9%
10 to 24 miles	46.3%
25 to 50 miles	11.7%
Greater than 50 miles	12.1%

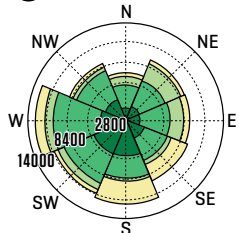
7 LBJ CORRIDOR



TOTAL JOBS: 80,626

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	35.2%
10 to 24 miles	40.3%
25 to 50 miles	10.5%
Greater than 50 miles	14.0%

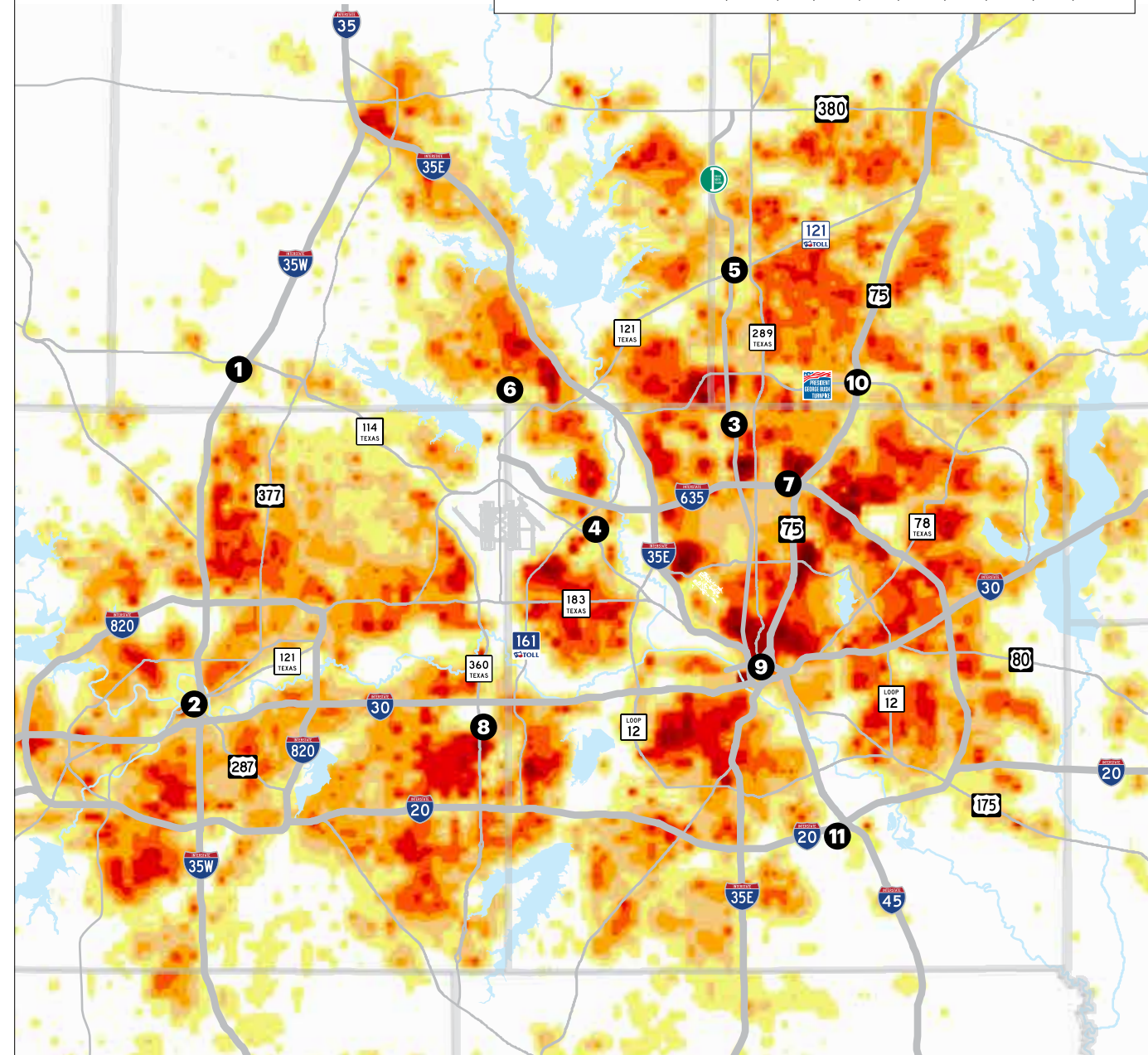
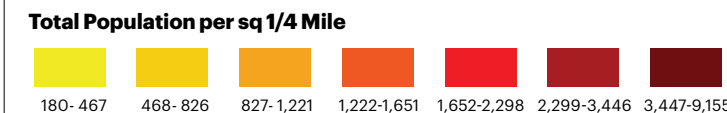
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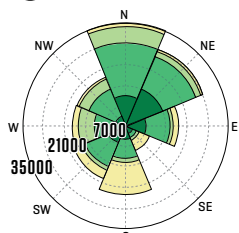
TOTAL JOBS: 82,934

Distance to Job	% of Workers
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10 to 24 miles	42.7%
25 to 50 miles	11.4%
Greater than 50 miles	11.4%

Where People Live Population Density



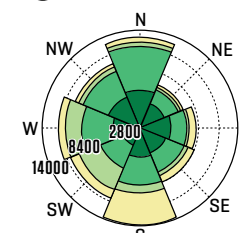
9 DALLAS DOWNTOWN-UPTOWN



TOTAL JOBS: 148,032

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	30.1%
10 to 24 miles	44.4%
25 to 50 miles	12.2%
Greater than 50 miles	12.6%

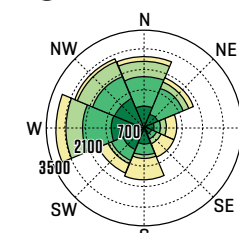
10 TELECOM CORRIDOR



TOTAL JOBS: 84,057

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	42.0%
10 to 24 miles	37.0%
25 to 50 miles	11.3%
Greater than 50 miles	9.7%

11 SOUTHERN DALLAS INLAND PORT



TOTAL JOBS: 17,062

Distance to Job	% of Workers
Less than 10 miles	34.5%
10 to 24 miles	32.6%
25 to 50 miles	15.7%
Greater than 50 miles	17.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Center for Economic Studies (data based on 2015 employment estimates)