

Labour and Mode of Travel to Work

Hot Facts

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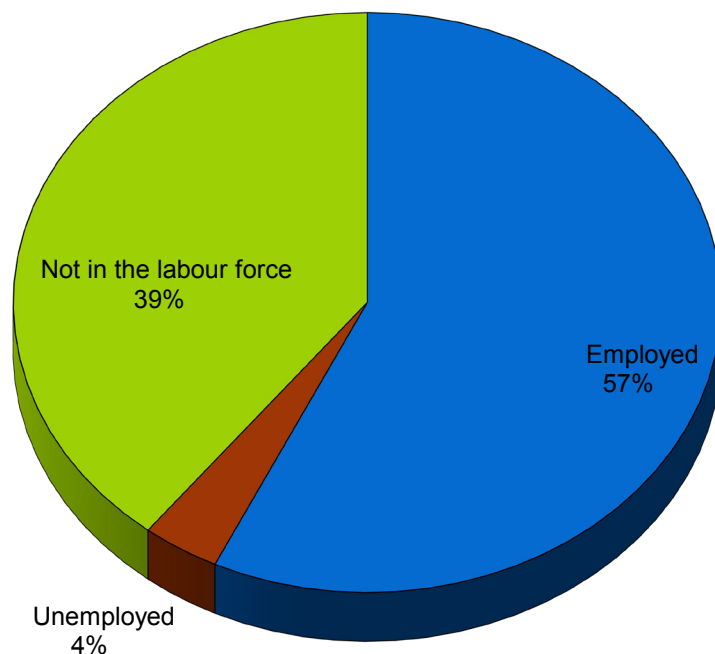
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Labour Force Activity in Richmond

The labour force comprises individuals 15 years or over who are working or looking for work. It does not include students, homemakers, retired workers, seasonal workers during the “off” season, and those who cannot work because of long-term illness or disability

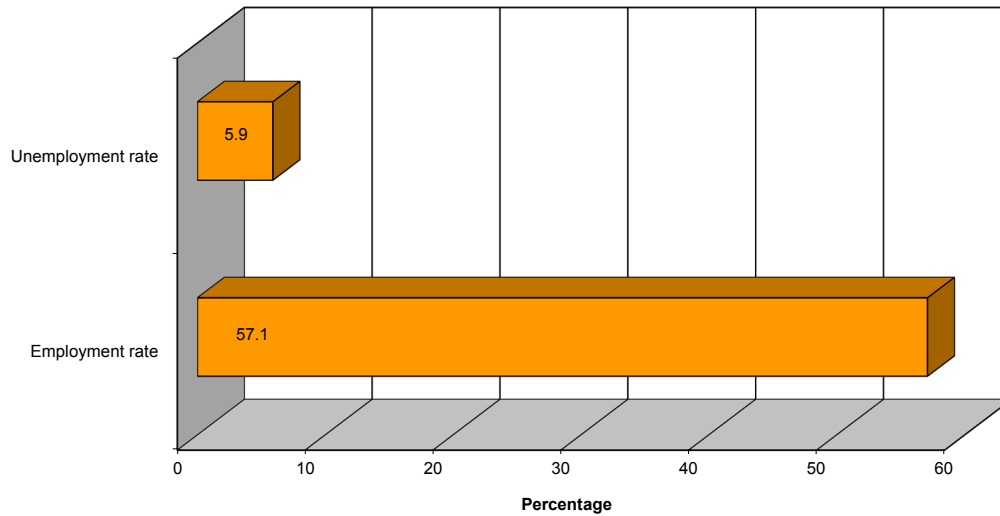
According to the 2016 Census, Richmond’s employed labour force in 2016 was 96,170, accounting for 57.1% of the population aged 15 years and over. Between 2011 and 2016, Richmond’s population over the age of 15 increased by 7,405 people from 162,040 to 169,445.

Total Population Aged 15 years and Over by Labour Force Status, 2016 Census



The participation rate decreased slightly from 61.7% in 2011 to 60.6% in 2016. The participation rate refers to the labour force in the week of Sunday, May 1 to Saturday, May 7, 2016, expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over.

Employment vs. Unemployment, 2016 Census

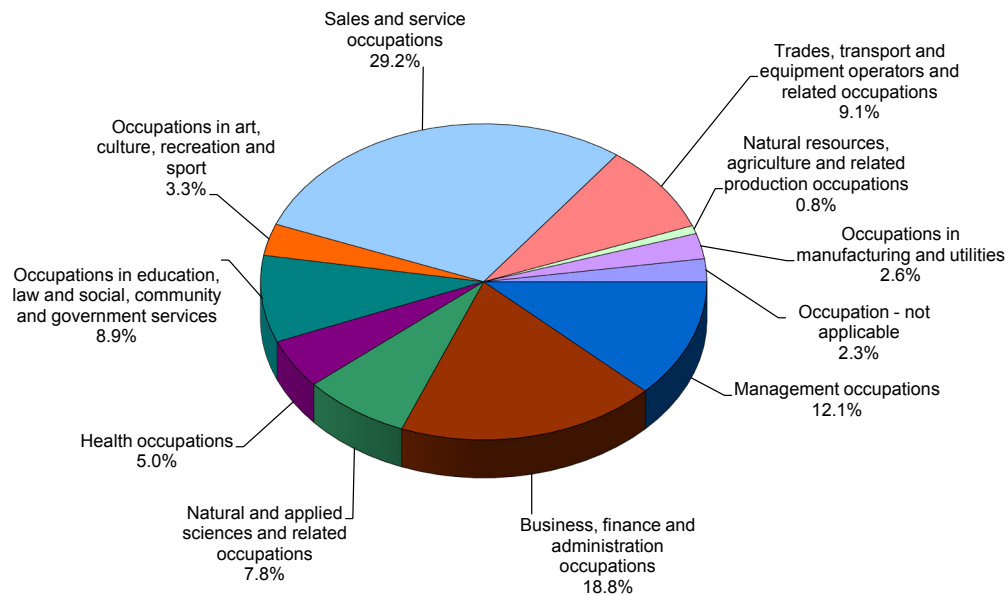


The unemployment rate refers to the unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the week of Sunday, May 1 to Saturday, May 7, 2016. Changes in the rate of unemployment are as much a result of people entering or leaving the labour force as it is of people finding or losing work.

Occupations of Richmond Residents

The National Occupational Classification (NOC) 2016 is a standardized system used by Statistics Canada in reporting the type of work performed by the population. It groups jobs into 10 broad occupational categories. In 2016, the two largest occupational categories were sales and service occupations, which accounted for 29.2% of those reporting an occupation group and *business, finance and administrative occupations*, which accounted for 18.8% of those reporting an occupation group.

Total Labour Force 15 Years and Over by Occupation, 2016 Census



Occupations of Richmond Residents, 2016		
	2016 Census	
Total Labour Force	102,725	% of Total
Management occupations	12,465	12.1%
Business, finance and administration occupations	19,360	18.8%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	7,985	7.8%
Health occupations	5,185	5.0%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	9,125	8.9%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	3,340	2.2%
Sales and service occupations	30,025	29.2%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	9,310	9.1%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	865	0.8%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	2,670	2.6%
Other	2,400	2.3%

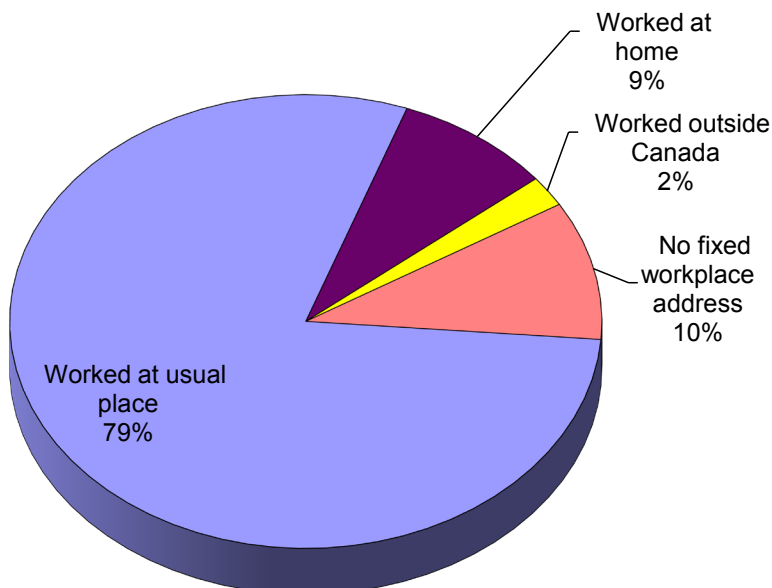
Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census

The current classification of occupations in use at Statistics Canada is the National Occupational Classification (NOC) 2016. For more information on the classification system used by Statistics Canada, please visit their website at www.statcan.gc.ca. An individual's occupational classification is based on the type of work performed during the week of Sunday, May 1 to Saturday, May 7, 2016.

Place of Work Status

An individual's place of work is a classification of whether the respondents work at home, worked outside Canada, had no fixed place of work, or worked at a specific address. 79.3% of Richmond's employed population worked at a specific address.

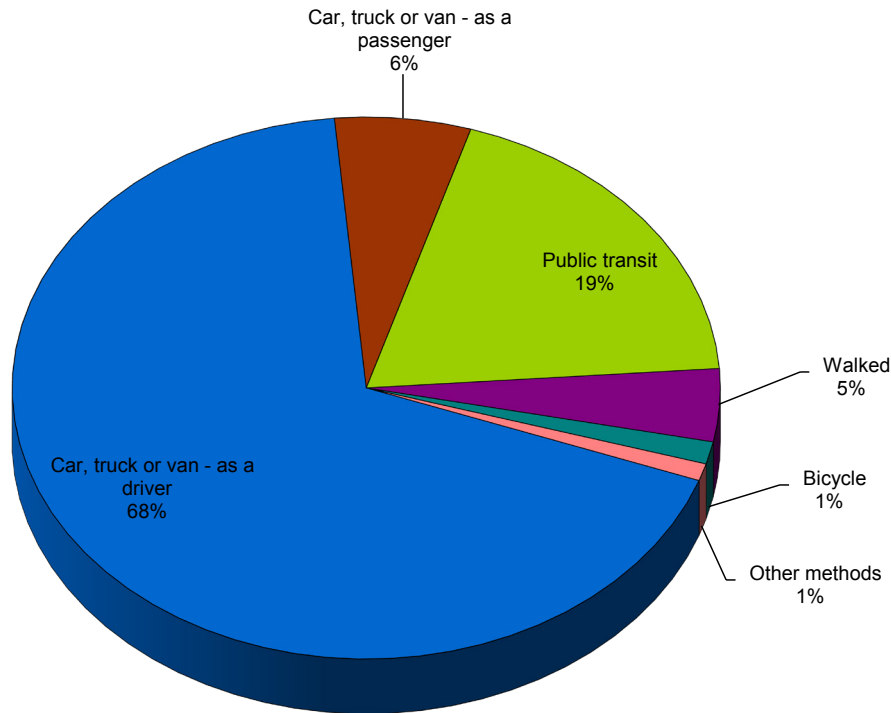
Employed Population 15 Years and Over by Place of Work Status, 2016 Census



Mode of Transportation to Work

The Census tracks the primary mode of transportation to work for members of the employed labour force. The question was asked of those individuals who have a usual place of work and those without a fixed place of work. The possible modes of transportation are car, truck or van as a driver, car, truck or van as a passenger, public transit, walking, bicycle, and other methods.

Total Employed Population 15 Years and Over By Mode of Transportation, 2016 Census

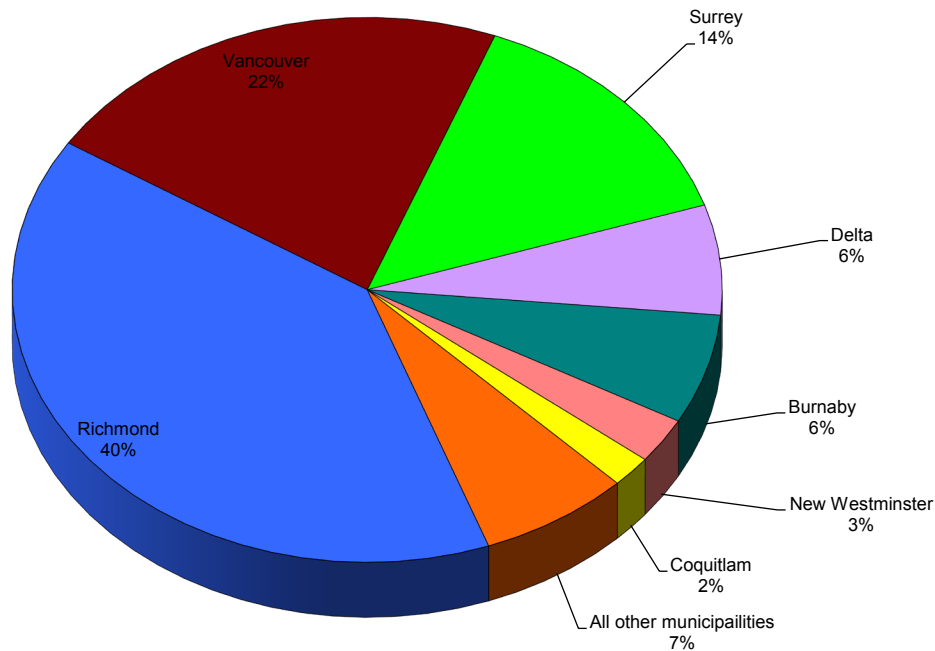


The main mode of transportation to and from work remains private vehicle use as a driver at 68%, with 19% choosing public transit.

Place of Work For Employed Labour Force, 2016

For the employed labour force aged 15 years and over having a usual place of work, 43,435 respondents reported Richmond as their usual place of work, accounting for 40% of the total.

Commuting Flow for Employed Labour Force Having a Usual Place of Work, 2016 Census



Commuting to Work by Planning Area, 2011

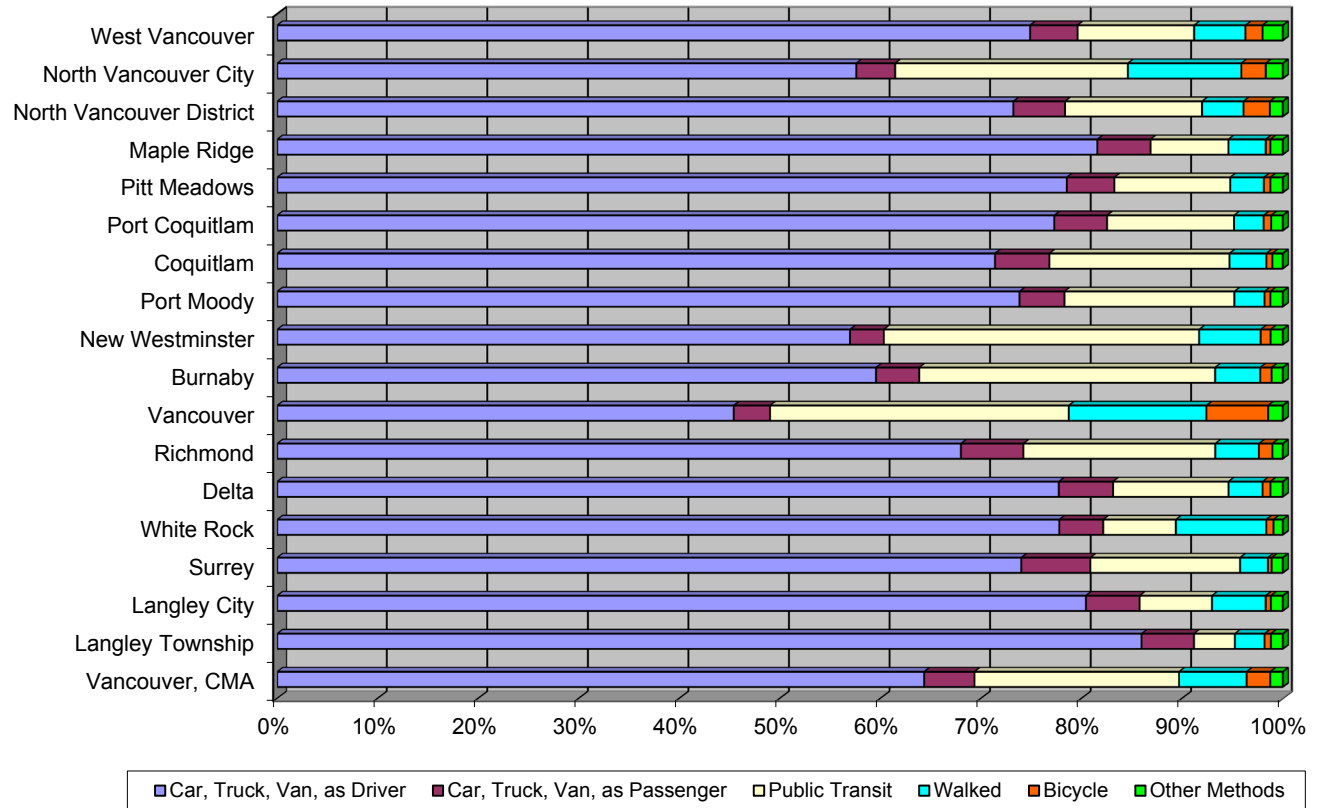
Planning Area	Commuting Type					
	Car, Truck, Van as Driver	Car, Truck, Van as Passenger	Public Transit	Walked	Bicycle	Other Methods
Blundell	71.2%	6.3%	17.9%	1.9%	1.6%	1.2%
Bridgeport	69.0%	10.9%	17.2%	1.1%	0.0%	1.7%
Broadmoor	70.0%	6.9%	18.6%	2.1%	1.6%	0.8%
City Centre	61.5%	6.1%	23.7%	6.6%	0.9%	1.3%
East Cambie	72.6%	6.2%	16.7%	2.2%	1.2%	1.1%
East Richmond/Fraser Lands	82.0%	3.4%	9.8%	3.0%	0.0%	1.9%
Gilmore	84.2%	0.0%	0.0%	15.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Hamilton	73.4%	3.6%	21.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%
Sea Island	69.1%	4.9%	14.8%	7.4%	3.7%	0.0%
Seafair	76.8%	5.2%	13.0%	1.7%	1.8%	1.6%
Shellmont	71.4%	9.1%	14.6%	2.8%	1.1%	0.9%
Steveston	76.3%	4.8%	13.9%	2.6%	1.4%	1.1%
Thompson	69.7%	5.7%	17.7%	3.9%	1.9%	1.2%
West Cambie	66.9%	11.3%	16.8%	3.1%	0.7%	1.1%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2011 National Household Survey

Mode of Transportation to Work—Regional Comparison

The primary mode of transportation throughout Metro Vancouver in 2016 was private vehicle as a driver. This mode is used by a smaller share of the commuting labour force in the inner municipalities of Vancouver, Burnaby and New Westminster which enjoy a higher level of transit service.

Mode of Transportation to Work—Regional Comparison, 2016 Census



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