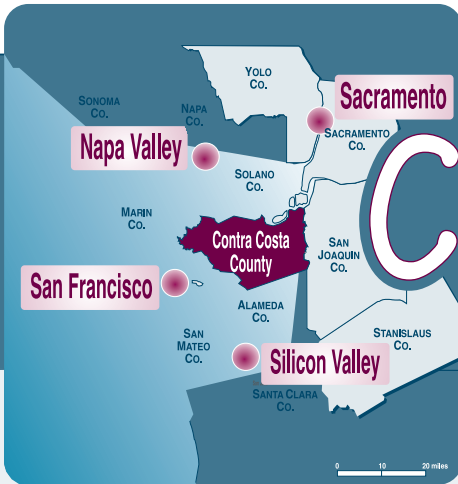


Contra Costa County

LOCATED IN THE HEART OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA



West County

2005 Population	250,340
% of Co. Population	24.5%
% of Co. Businesses	17.5%
No. of Households	84,649
Number of Workers	129,397
% Outcommuters	59.5%
% Commuting 45+ min.	30.1%
Number of Jobs	109,200
No. of Workers/Job	1.19

Central County

2005 Population	354,560
% of Co. Population	34.7%
% of Co. Businesses	53.9%
No. of Households	141,380
Number of Workers	191,290
% Outcommuters	39.3%
% Commuting 45+ min.	26.9%
Number of Jobs	183,600
No. of Workers/Job	1.09

East County

2005 Population	286,180
% of Co. Population	28.0%
% of Co. Businesses	17.5%
No. of Households	84,877
Number of Workers	113,620
% Outcommuters	26.2%
% Commuting 45+ min.	44.1%
Number of Jobs	111,600
No. of Workers/Job	1.02

South County

2005 Population	129,820
% of Co. Population	12.7%
% of Co. Businesses	14.9%
No. of Households	40,833
Number of Workers	82,241
% Outcommuters	44.9%
% Commuting 45+ min.	27.0%
Number of Jobs	62,600
No. of Workers/Job	1.31

CONTRA COSTA CO. IS EXPORTING SKILLED WORKERS

Today, 40% of Contra Costa's workforce commutes to jobs in other parts of the Bay Area.

Many of these out-commuters are skilled workers in professional, technical, and management occupations. They commute to job centers outside the County due to the lack of jobs locally.

Of the County's 516,550 workers, 218,860 leave the County to work. About half of these workers commute to Alameda County, a quarter go to San Francisco and 10% travel to Silicon Valley.

Commute to:

Alameda Co.	95,938	(51.2%)
San Francisco	49,525	(26.5%)
Silicon Valley	19,424	(10.4%)
Marin Co.	6,803	(3.6%)
Solano Co.	6,506	(3.5%)
Central Valley	3,215	(1.7%)
North Bay	2,131	(1.1%)
Elsewhere	3,717	(2.0%)

Outcommuting by Sub-region

More than half of workers in West Co. commute out of that area to work. Surprisingly, East Co. has the lowest percentage of outcommuters with slightly more than a quarter of the area's workers leaving to work elsewhere.

Subregion:	% Outcommuters
West Co.	59.5%
South Co.	44.9%
Central Co.	39.3%
East Co.	26.2%

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Claritas

