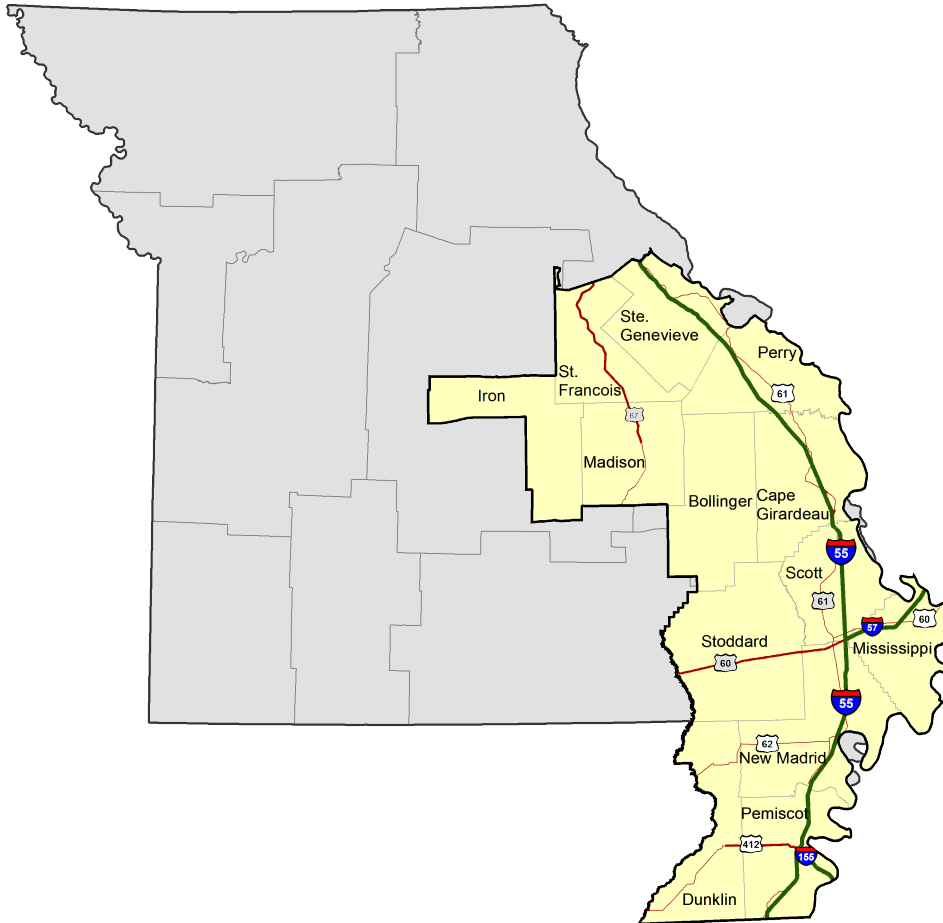


# Workforce Development Area Commuting Profile



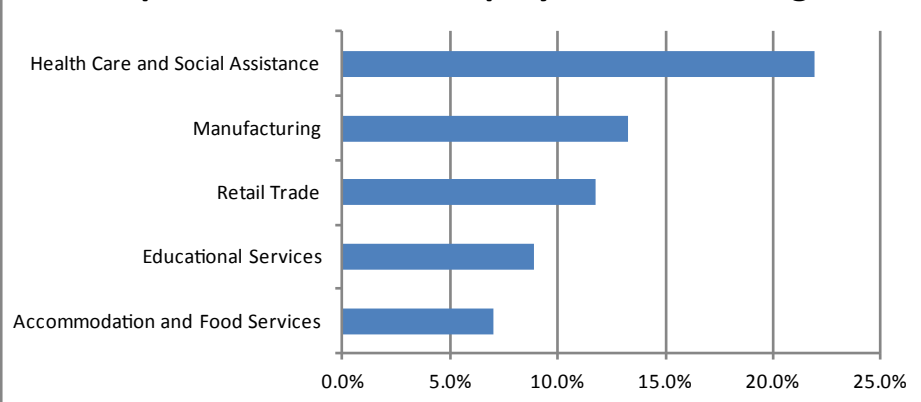
## Southeast WDA

### Overview

The Southeast Workforce Development Area (WDA) employs 5% of Missouri's primary workforce. The largest majority of workers are aged 30 to 54 at 54%. Workers aged 29 and younger or 55 and older are at 24% and 22% share each, respectively. Over 45% of workers in the Southeast WDA earn \$15,012 to \$36,996 per year. The division of gender favors women in the workforce, with 52.1% women and 47.9% men.

42% of employees living in the Southeast WDA commute less than ten miles to work. 36% commute 10 to 50 miles to work.

### Top Five Industries - Employment Percentage

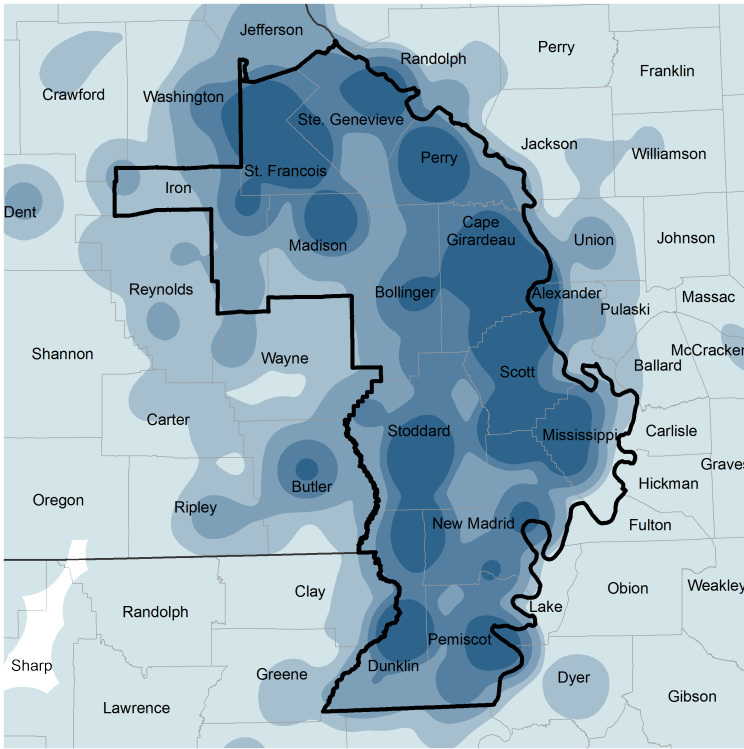


### Industry

Health Care and Social Assistance is the largest employing industry in the region with 29,344. Manufacturing, Retail Trade, and Educational Services all have at least 8% of the region's employment share. Cape Girardeau, Sikeston, and Farmington are the top three cities for employment.

# Southeast WDA Region Commuting Profile

## Where Southeast Workers Live



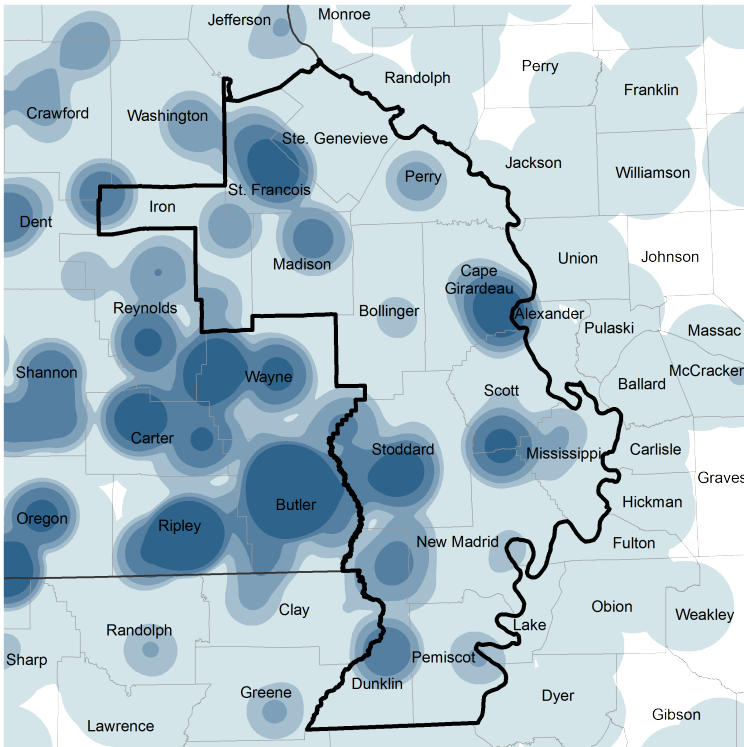
## Commuter Patterns

Of the 133,945 workers employed in the Southeast WDA, 80% commute to work from within the region. 20% commute in to Southeast from homes outside of the region.

26% of the region's labor force are residents but commute to jobs outside of the region. Southeast WDA residents leave the region for 37,188 jobs. Southeast WDA workers come into the region for 27,084 jobs. Southeast WDA residents commute within the region for 106,861 jobs.

The top five Missouri counties where Southeast WDA workers reside (in descending order) are Cape Girardeau, St. Francois, Scott, Stoddard, and Dunklin.

## Where Southeast Residents Work



The top five counties where Southeast WDA residents work (in descending order) are Cape Girardeau, St. Francois, Scott, Stoddard, and Perry. All counties, except for Cape Girardeau, Perry, and St. Francois, have at least half of their workers commuting outside their county of residence for jobs.

# Southeast WDA Region Commuting Profile

The table below indicates that many workers commute to another county for employment. Larger cities, such as Cape Girardeau and Farmington in Cape Girardeau and St. Francois Counties, respectively, do attract workers from the surrounding counties which is evident in the lower out-commuting percentage. Many regional residents on the western side also commute over to the South Central WDA for jobs in larger cities like Poplar Bluff, which is a shorter drive than Cape Girardeau or Farmington.

Percent of Employees Working Outside of Home County			
Bollinger	83%	Pemiscot	56%
Cape Girardeau	37%	Perry	43%
Dunklin	57%	Scott	57%
Iron	69%	St. Francois	44%
Madison	60%	Ste. Genevieve	57%
Mississippi	60%	Stoddard	54%
New Madrid	67%		

Source: US Census Bureau, Center for Economic Studies, Longitudinal Employment Household Dynamics website:  
[onthemap.ces.census.gov](http://onthemap.ces.census.gov)

Reports generated: Work Area Profile, Distance/Direction, Inflow/Outflow, Area Comparison, Work Destination, and Home Destination

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