

One in Three: Commuters at RIT

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53% of RIT full-time undergraduate students live off campus.
Our 2013 sample represented 5% of those students.

Full-Time Undergraduate Students	15,085
On-Campus Residents	7,059
Off-Campus Residents	8,026

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RIT Commuters by Graduation Year	n=556	%
2012	8	1
2013	186	33
2014	164	30
2015	85	16
2016	55	10
2017	12	2
No response	14	8
TOTAL	556	100

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College	% of RIT Population	% of Commuters by college
KGCOE	17%	17%
CIAS	13%	14%
CAST	13%	12%
SCB	7%	11%
GCCIS	18%	11%
No Response	--	9%
CHST	3%	7%
COS	6%	7%
COLA	4%	7%
NTID	5%	5%
Other*	14%	--

- More than 75% of college students in the US are commuters (J. Newbold et al, 2006).
- Commuter students tend to be **older, come from blue-collar backgrounds, be first generation students, minority students, and working while in college.** (J Newbold et al, 2006 & Jacoby, 2003).
- 70% of commuter students work while in college, and work more hours on average than their residential peers (J. Newbold et al, 2006).

Commuters in the US

Campus organizations

- Association for Commuter Engagement (ACE)
 - **463 members** on the mailing list (AY12-13 had 226)
 - 468 social media followers
- ACE Lounge
 - roughly 5 students per hour, 35 students daily
- Commuter Life
- Commuter Graduate Assistant