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Migration Gains to New Hampshire From Other U.S. States Are Growing, With the Largest Gains Among Young Adults

The net inflow of migrants to New Hampshire from other U.S. states was significantly greater between 2015 and 2019 than it was earlier in the decade, according to new Census Bureau data. Each year an average of 8,300 more people moved to New Hampshire than left it for other U.S. destinations between 2015 and 2019. In contrast, the net domestic migration gain was about 1,000 annually between 2010 and 2014, and just 100 annually during the Great Recession and its immediate aftermath. Migration gains were greatest among young adults (18 to 29), who had an average annual migration gain of 3,800 compared to no gain at all between 2010 and 2014. Among those in their 30s, the net annual migration gain more than doubled during the same period, while the net inflow of those 40 to 49 diminished. As more adults in their 20s and 30s migrated to New Hampshire, they brought their children as reflected in the migration gain among those under age 18. In contrast, among those age 50 and over, there was a minimal net migration gain each year compared to a small loss annually between 2010 and 2014. Modest migration from other countries at all ages supplemented the domestic migration gains analyzed here. These recent domestic and international migration gains provide additional human and social capital to a state challenged by an aging workforce and population.



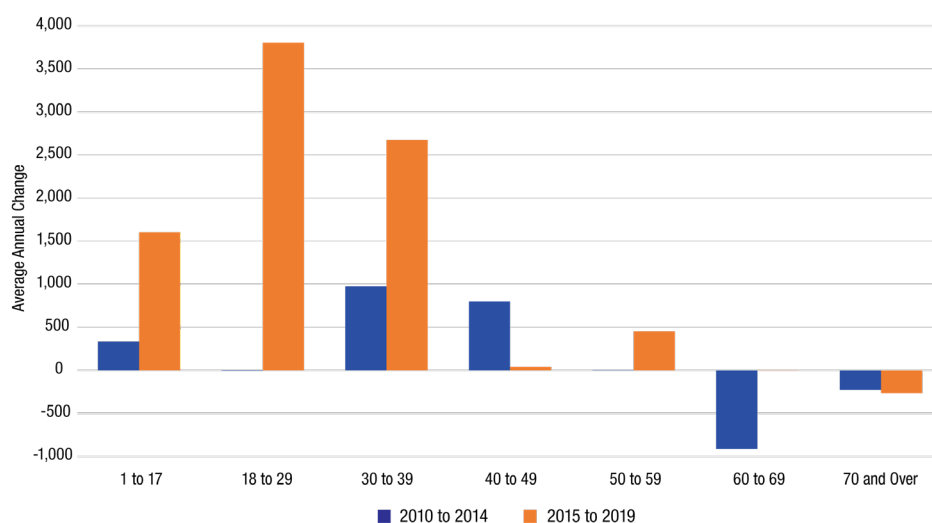
New Hampshire is now gaining significantly more migrants from other U.S. destinations than earlier in the decade. The largest gains are among young adults.

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Note: This analysis uses sample estimates and should be interpreted with caution.

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