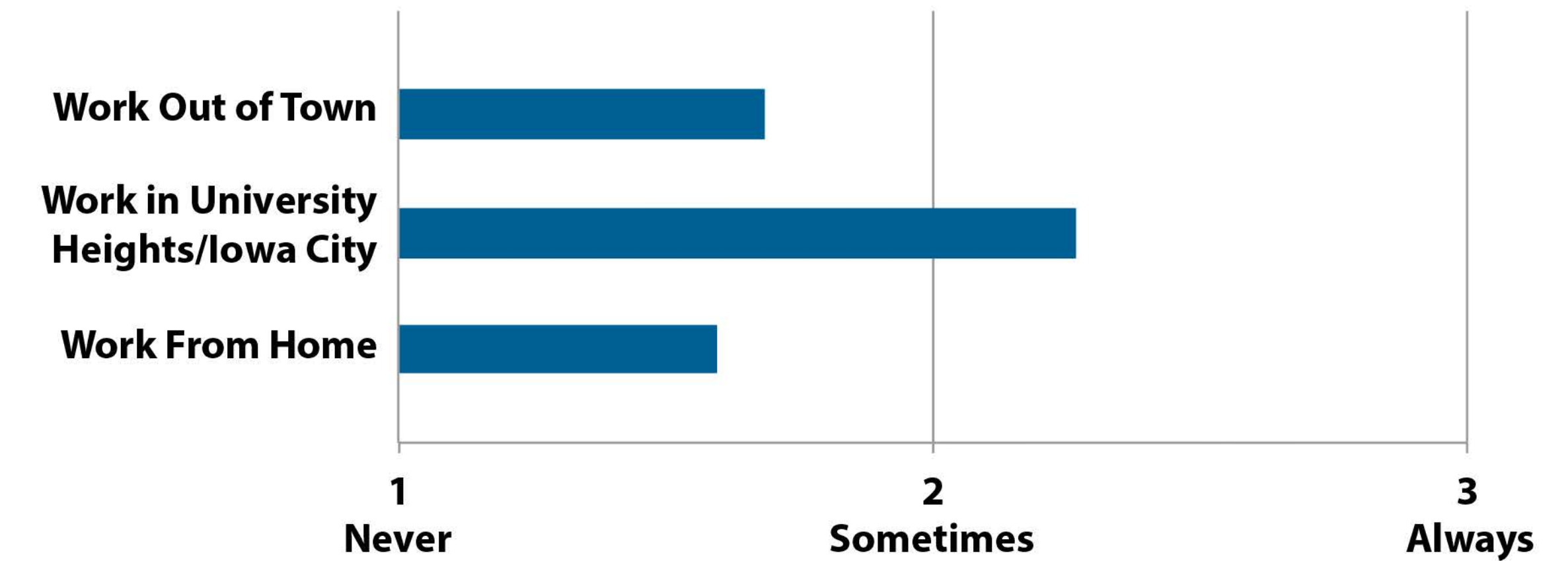


Map Source: Iowa Department of Natural Resources, "Natural Resources Geographic Information Systems Library," accessed October 2015, <http://www.igsb.uiowa.edu/nrgislib/>. Route data derived from the 2016 Designing Livable Communities survey conducted by Iowa State University.

Where People Work

How Often Do You Work From Home, in University Heights, or Out of Town? (112 responses)



Almost 74% of survey participants indicated that they are employed. Of employed respondents, 112 rated how often they work from home, work in town, and work out of town using a scale of 1 to 3, with 1 meaning never, 2 meaning sometimes, and 3 meaning always. Clearly, most residents work in University Heights or Iowa City.

How They Get There

This map shows the commuting routes identified in the survey. The frequency that the routes are used is depicted by their thickness, with most frequently used routes being the thickest. One hundred thirteen respondents provided commuting routes. Most survey participants work in University Heights or Iowa City, and a number of them work at the University of Iowa just east of town. Melrose Avenue is the primary east-west corridor into and out of University Heights. Some commuters going south take Sunset Street, which connects to Highway 1. Finkbine Commuter Drive is a popular route north to the University of Iowa. More than 40% of respondents indicated that they walk to work and 22% bike; therefore, parts of some routes are not city streets.

The circulation patterns that emerge when routes for biking, running, walking, and commuting are overlaid suggest suitable types of transportation enhancements. For example, where pedestrian and vehicular traffic intersect, such improvements could include creating better visibility, defining crossing points, or improving signage.

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