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TOD Supportive Zoning





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TOD Supportive Zoning – What is it?

- ½ mile proximity to transit facility
- Compact, context sensitive, pedestrianoriented, higher density development
- Mix of land uses vertically & horizontally
- Variety of housing types
- Improved pedestrian & bicycle safety & access
- Reduction in amount of parking required



TOD Supportive Zoning – Why is it important?

- Promotes *compact development*
- Lessens vehicular use & lowers GHG emissions
- Encourages walking & biking
- Responds to emerging market demands & serves as economic development catalyst
- **Reduces transportation costs** making homeownership more affordable



TOD Supportive Zoning

- Two options amend zoning code or adopt redevelopment plan
- Context is critical; recommended densities may be too low for some communities
- Key components of a TOD supportive zoning code include:
 - Purpose
 - Definitions
 - District Boundaries
 - Mixed uses permitted
 - Appropriate density & intensity of use
 - □ Parking
 - Design Standards

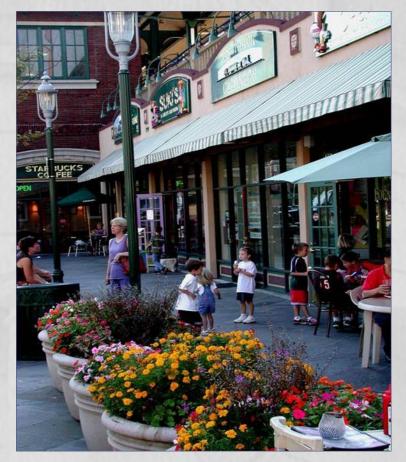




TOD Supportive Zoning – How to do it?

- Who should be involved?
- Timeframe?
- Cost?







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Effective Parking Management





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Effective Parking Management – What is it?

- Strategies that work to make existing parking more efficient
- Strategies that *reduce future parking demand*
- Strategies that *enhance* (or do not hinder) *walkability*

i.e., right-sizing parking



Effective Parking Management – Why is it important?

- The typical automobile is *driven 1 hr. per day and parked for the remaining 23 hrs.*
- Most communities have 3 to 6 parking spaces per vehicle (1 at home; 1 at worksite plus various other destinations like stores, schools & parks)
- In some cities, parking covers more than 1/3 of all land area



Effective Parking Management – Why is it important?

- Too much parking creates dead zones in the middle of what should be a bustling commercial district or neighborhood
 Empty lots could be dedicated to more economically beneficial uses
- Large expanses of pavement reduce quality of walking environment
- Parking areas *lead to increased stormwater flows*



Effective Parking Management – Why is it important?

- Yet parking matters
 - Cars will continue to be the primary mobility choice
 - Parking can enhance of the value of residential and commercial real estate





Effective Parking Management

- Strategies to make parking more efficient
 - Increase capacity of existing parking facilities
 - Create shared parking
 - Provide parking information to users
 - Provide remote parking with shuttle service
 - Allow reserve parking



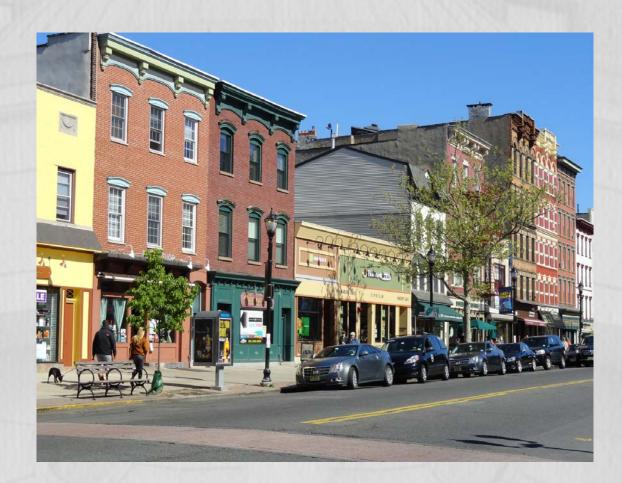
Effective Parking Management

- Strategies to reduce future parking demand
 - Development compact, walkable, transitoriented neighborhoods
 - Develop context-sensitive standards
 - Reduce or eliminate parking minimums
 - Establish parking maximums
 - Adopt appropriate parking pricing
 - Develop walking & biking amenities



Effective Parking Management – How to do it

- Who should be involved?
- Timeframe?
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- Provides recommendations on the most appropriate SJ Actions for municipal consideration in light of the particular development characteristics exhibited by a community.
- Serves as auditing tool for communities to evaluate where they are and where they want to go. Tool accomplishes these tasks by:
 - Providing development related data to assist a municipality in determining its current development patterns and conditions; and
 - Allowing a municipality to compare its current land use and transportation conditions and related plans, policies and regulations against established municipal best practices and standards provided by Sustainable Jersey.



Tool Parameters

- tool is only applicable to policies, plans and regulations that are implemented through a municipality's land use authority
- Where a municipality does not exhibit a particular development characteristic, then the tool does not recommend a suggested Action or best practice
- A number of Actions are applicable to most municipalities, but the provisions that would be adopted may depend upon the amount of development present in a municipality. These provisions are identified as "variants."
- Other actions are appropriate for all municipalities regardless of the development characteristics they exhibit.



- Two spreadsheets that work together to provide recommendations
- Spreadsheets will be translated into web-based tool that will provide the same information
- "By Recommendation" spreadsheet lists relevant SJ Actions or other strategies
 - □ Is Action or Strategy place dependent?
 - □ Is there a "variant" based on place type?
 - □ Is Action or Strategy relevant to place type?
 - Is Action or Strategy recommended for place type?



	Recommendat	ion Type	Variant?	riant? Rec. for Place Type:		Highly Recommended?						Has a Transit Station?			Has Unpreserved Open Space?			Has Unpreserved Farmland?			
	Appropriate Sustainable Jersey Actions	Other Strategies	yes	depends on place type?	urban	suburban	exurban	rural	urban	suburban	exurban	rural	makes a difference?	yes	no	makes a difference?	yes	no	makes a difference?	yes	no
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Brownfields Reuse Plan	1				1	1	1	1	1					1	1		1	1	- e	1	1
Build-out Analysis	1			×	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	×	1	1		1	1
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Community Forestry Management Plan & Tree																			1		
Cover Goal	1				1	1	1	1	1					1	1		1	1	- 2	1	1
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Sustainable and Efficient Development: Big Picture Trends Affecting Local Decisions

2015 New Jersey Sustainability Summit Strategies and Tools to Support Efficient Development

Presented by: Jon Carnegie, AICP/PP June 10, 2015

What influences development?

- Economic conditions & trends
- Costs (land, energy)

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- Demographic trends
- Lifestyle preferences
- Real estate market demand
- Federal and State Policies
- Public Investment
- Local plans
- Land use regulations

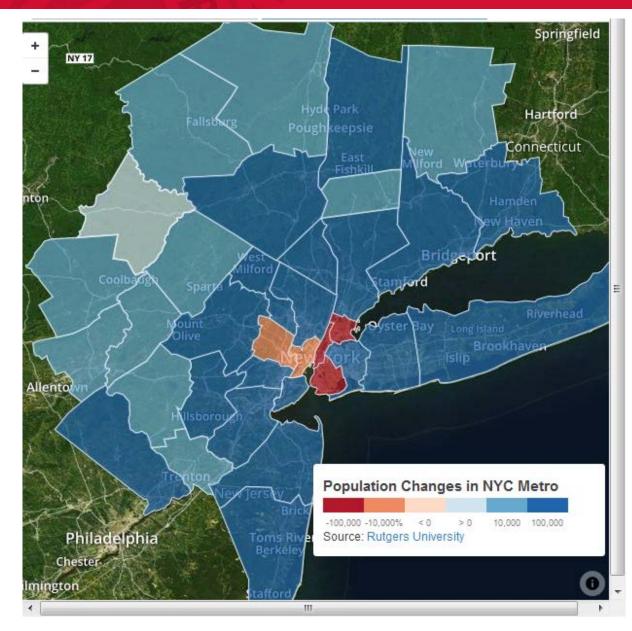
Development Patterns in NJ: Past 50 years







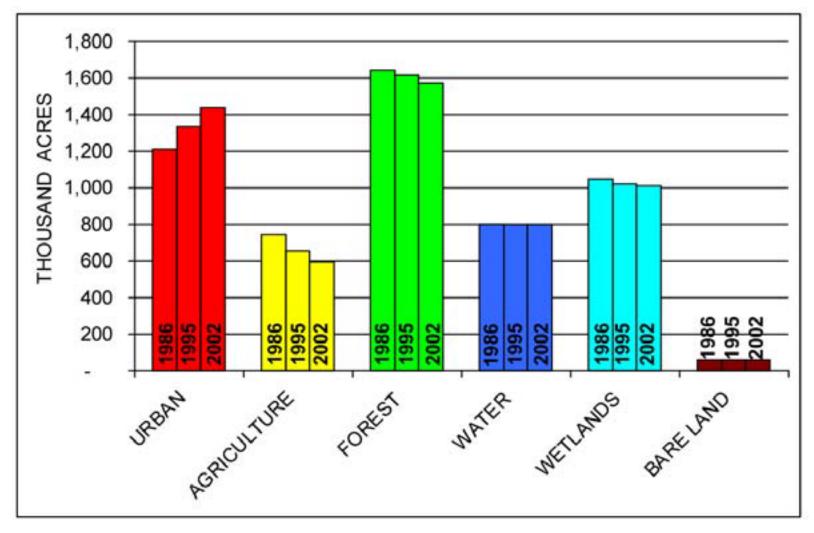
Population Change 1950-1980



http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2014/10/njs_population_undergoing_seismic_shift_new_data_show.html



Land use change in New Jersey 1986-1995-2002



Source: Hasse and Lathrop, 2008



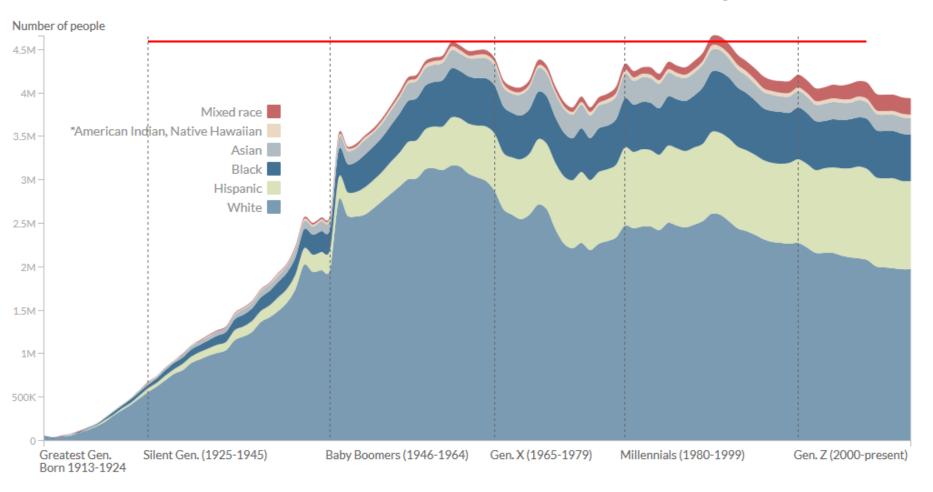
CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS...





Generations and Diversity

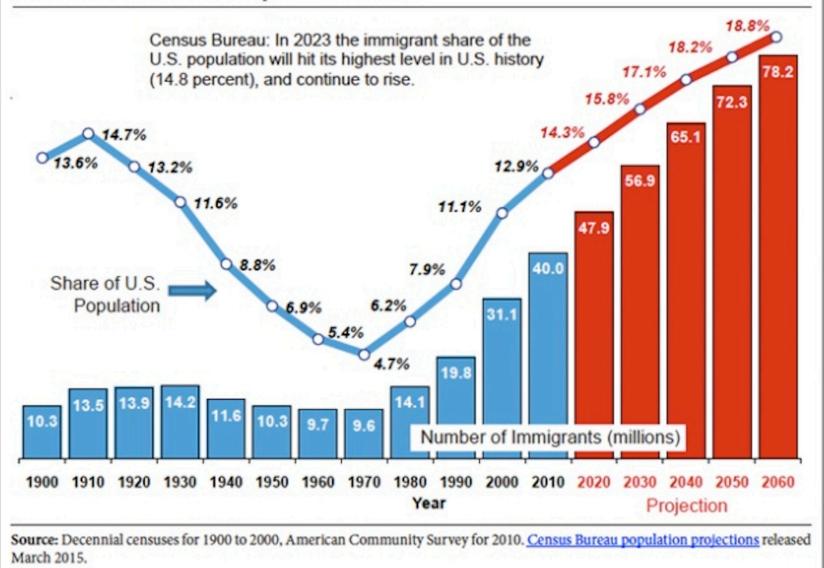
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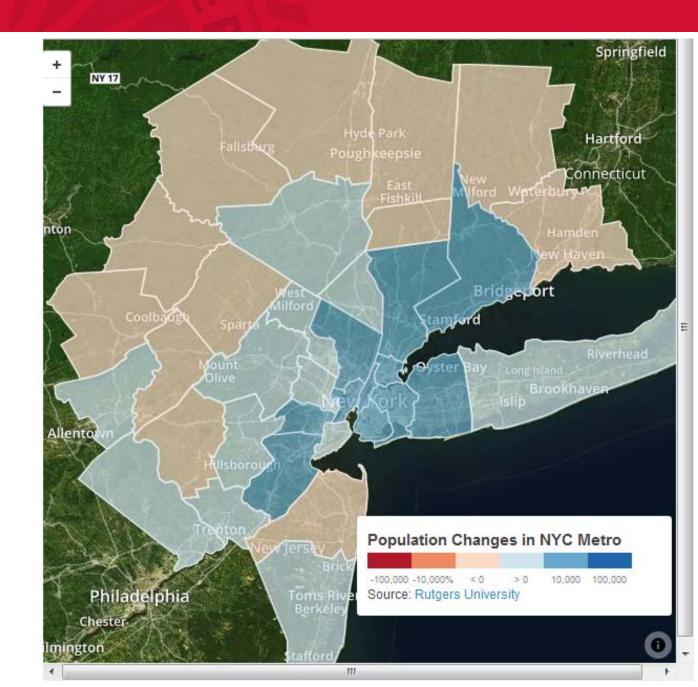
Figure 1. Number and Percent of Immigrants in the U.S., 1900-2010; Plus Census Bureau Projections to 2060





SHIFTING PATTERNS...

Population Change 2010-2014



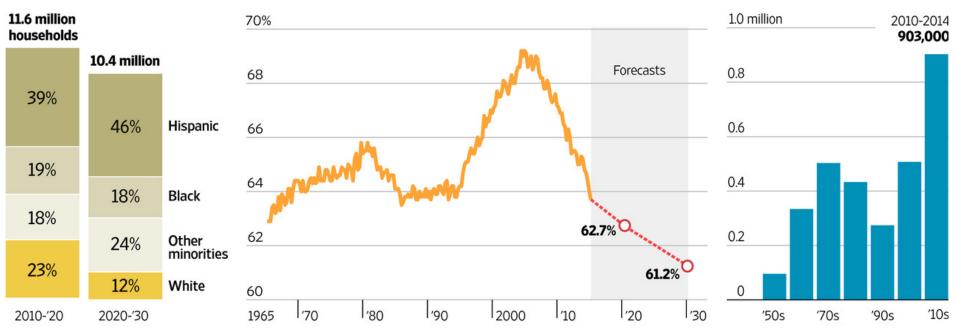
National Housing Market Trends

homeownership rate....

Minorities, who will account for more household-formation growth... Net new households

....are less likely to own homes, which will drag down the U.S.

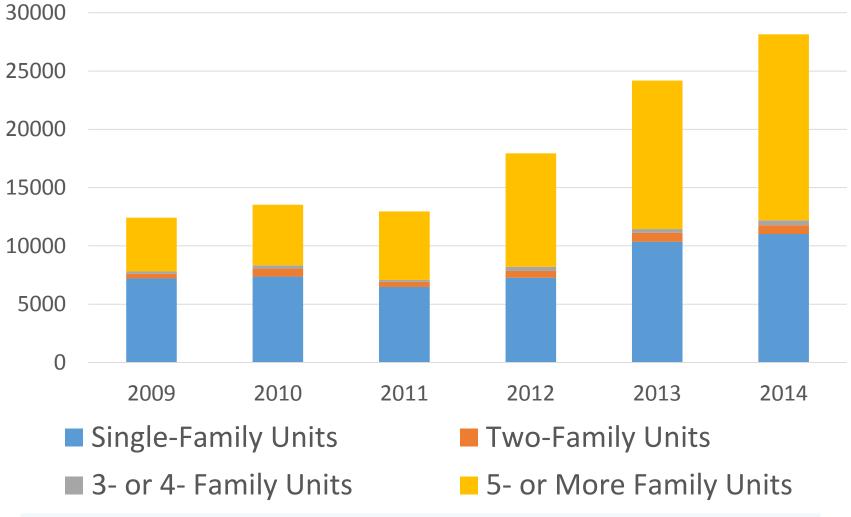
...as rental growth surges. Average annual net growth in renter households



Sources: Urban Institute (household formation, homeownership rate forecasts); Commerce Department (homeownership rate); Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies (renting households) THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

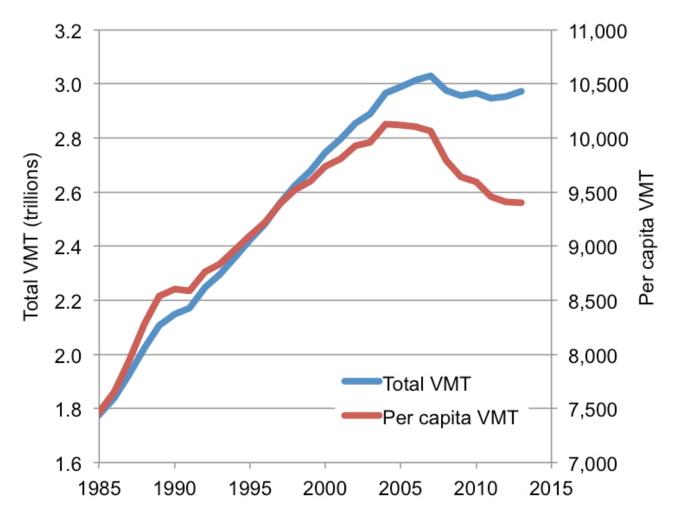


Trends in Residential Building Permits – NJ



Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Manufacturing and Construction Division. Prepared by: New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Vehicle Miles Traveled – U.S.



http://www.ssti.us/2014/02/vmt-drops-ninth-year-dots-taking-notice/

Annual Ridership by Transit Mode: NY-NJ Region (in millions of passengers)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2002-2012 Change	Percentage Change
NJ Transit Hudson-Bergen Light Rail	3.1	4.1	4.2	5.3	7.9	10.7	12.4	13.2	12.8	12.4	13.3	10.2	329.0%
PANYNJ PATH Trains	51.9	47.9	57.7	60.8	67.0	71.6	75.0	72.3	73.9	76.6	78.0	26 .1	50.3%
NJ Transit Rail (Newark and Hoboken Divisions)	61.6	58.9	64.4	68.1	72.7	77.2	81.2	80.3	79.3	76.8	79.4	17.8	28.9%
MTA Regional Bus Operations	-	-	-	-	99.3	109.5	120.7	119.5	120.2	119.4	120.9	21.6	21.8%
MTA New York City Transit (Subway)	1,413.2	1,384.1	1,426.0	1,449.1	1,498.9	1,562.5	1,623.9	1,580.9	1,604.2	1,640.4	1 ,654 .6	241.4	17.1%
MTA Metro-North Railroad	73.2	72.0	72.4	74.5	76.9	80.1	83.6	80.5	81.1	82.3	83.0	9.8	13.4%
NJ Transit Bus (Northern and Central Divisions)	134.1	128.6	125.2	130.7	134.2	138.6	140.2	141.1	136.8	131.8	137.2	3.1	2.3%
MTA Long Island Rail Road	83.9	80.9	79.2	80.1	82.0	86.1	87.4	83.0	81.5	81.0	81.8	-2.1	-2.5%
MTA Bridge & Tunnels	299.8	297.0	302.9	300.4	302.1	304.4	295.7	291.2	291.7	283.5	282.6	-17.2	-5.7%
MTA Long Island Bus / Nassau Inter- County Express Bus	31.3	30.0	30.6	31.5	32.6	32.2	32.7	30.8	30.8	30.3	29.2	-2.1	-6.7%
PANYNJ Bridge & Tunnels	125.2	123.8	126.5	125.9	127.0	127.0	123.7	121.5	121.2	119.0	116.2	-9.0	-7.2%
MTA New York City Transit (Bus)	762.1	735.0	740.6	736.5	741.4	731.8	739.4	716.8	696.9	670.7	667.9	-94.2	-12.4%

Source: Trends and Opportunities: How Changes in Ridership, Population and Employment Should Guide Future Metropolitan Transit Planning. www.realtransit.org

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Strategies and Tools to Support Efficient Development

- Placemaking
- Transit-Supportive Development and TOD
- Complete Streets
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning
- Parking Management
- Mixed Use
- Transfer of Development Rights
- Clustered Development



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