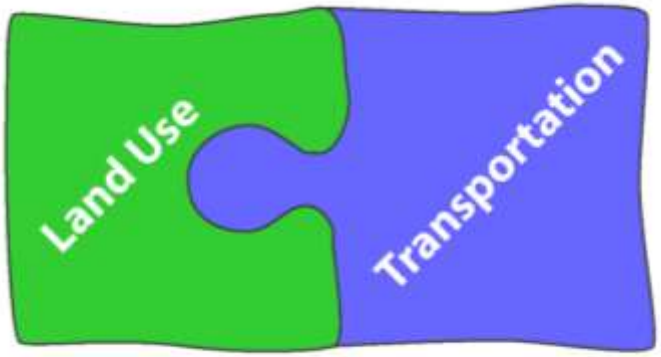


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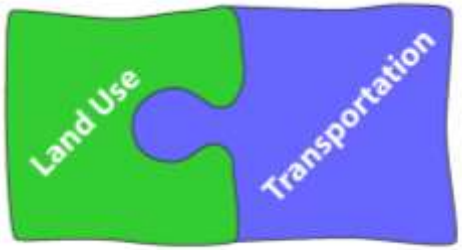


- **County Planning**
- **Planning at Different Scales**
- **Trends and Topics**
- **Survey Results**
- **Assets/Issues/Opportunities**

# COUNTY PLANNING

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SYRACUSE - ONONDAGA COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY

- **Work with SMTC**
- **Work with Depts. / Agencies**
- **Work with Municipalities**
- **Training / Education**
- **OCPB**

# PLANNING AT DIFFERENT SCALES

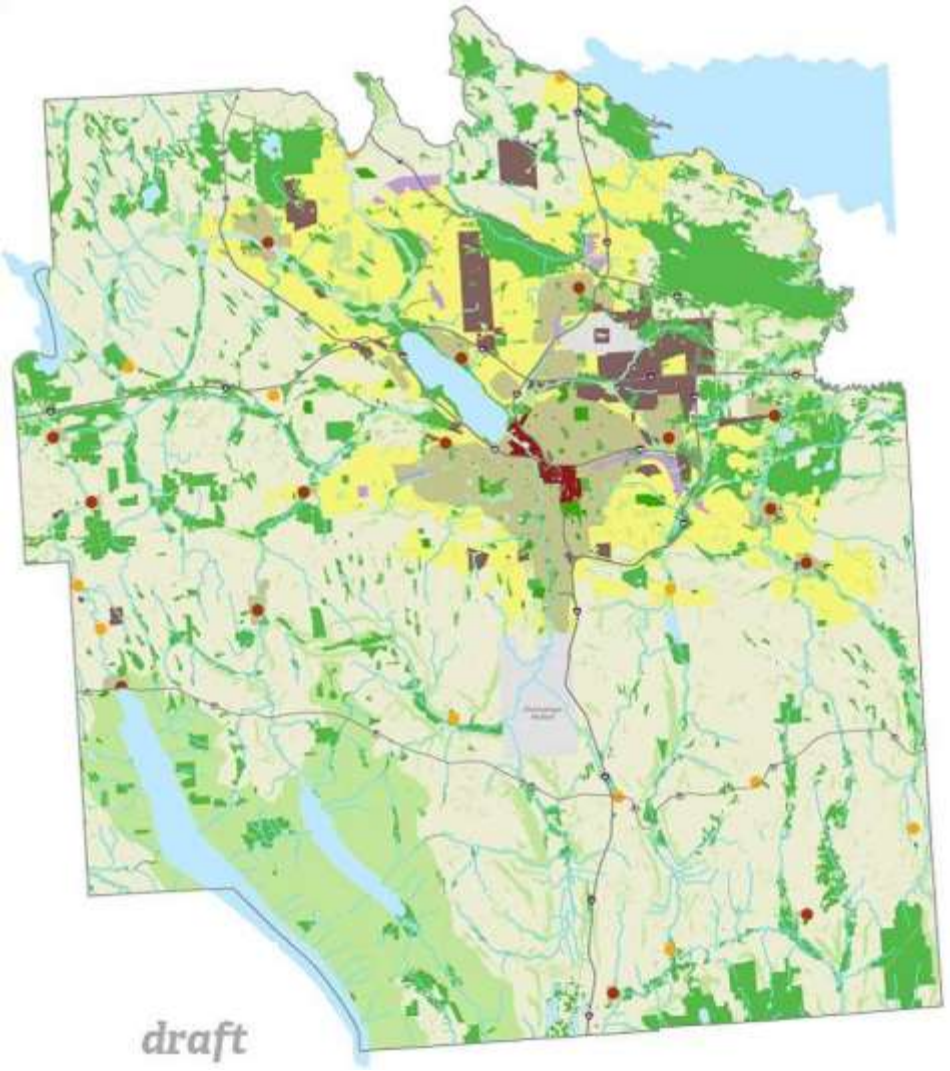
- **Region**
- **County / Metro Area**
- **Municipalities / Community**
- **Neighborhood / Node / Corridor**
- **Individual Site**

# REGION

- **Regional Mobility**
- **Highways / Air / Rail / Ports**
- **Economic Development / Freight**
- **Regional VMT / Emissions**
- **Federal Funding**

# COUNTY / METRO AREA

- **Mobility / Safety / Access**
- **Commuting behavior / Housing Choices**
- **Growth / Sprawl**
- **Funding / Ownership**
- **Transit Systems**
- **Bike / Ped Connections**
- **Quality Communities**



# MUNICIPALITY / COMMUNITY

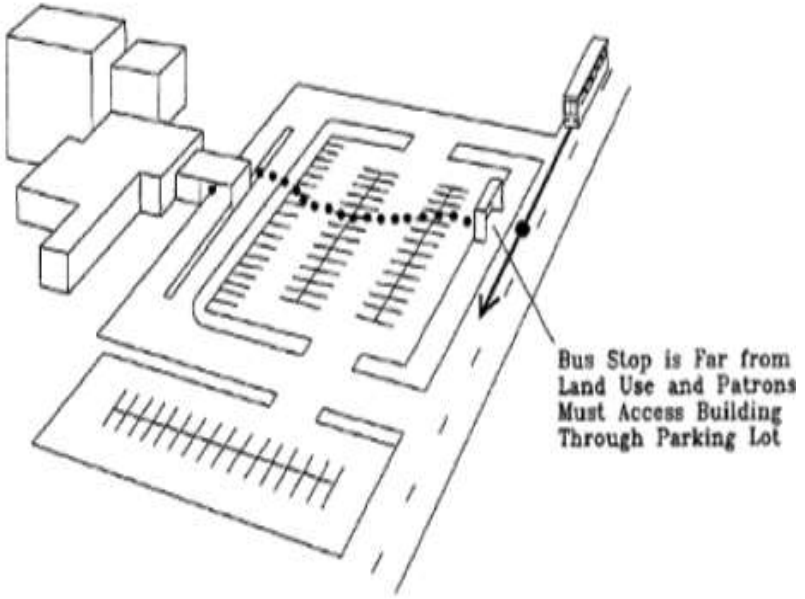
- **Multi-Modal**
- **Segmented ownership**
- **Network Planning**
- **Who owns? Who pays? Who benefits?**
- **Community Goals vs Individual Property**
- **ZONING / LAND USE IS LOCAL**

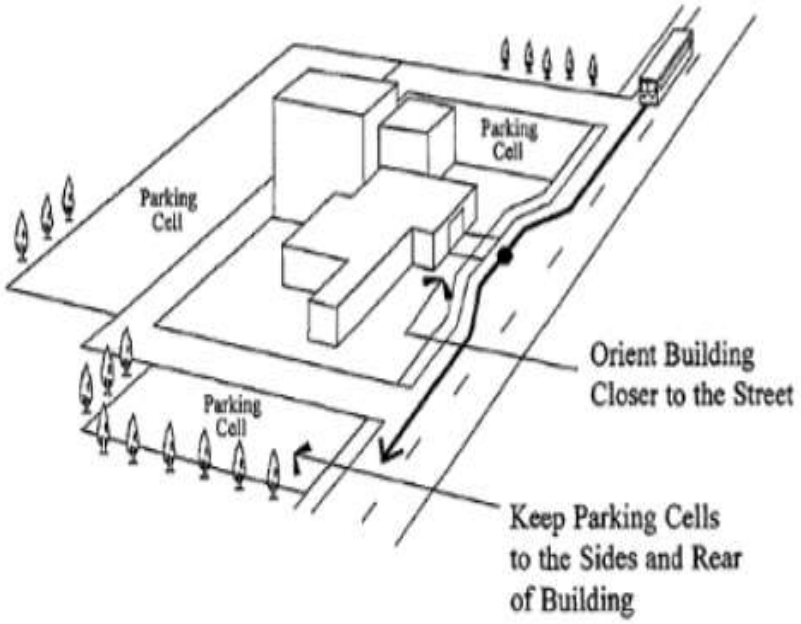
# NEIGHBORHOOD

- **Community Character**
- **Traditional or Suburban Design**
- **Interconnected or District-ed**
- **Multi-Modal Implementation**
- **Lots of Choices and Trade-Offs**

# INDIVIDUAL SITE

- **Site Planning**
- **Parking**
- **Building Disposition**
- **Right-of-Way Treatment**
- **Connectivity to Neighbors**



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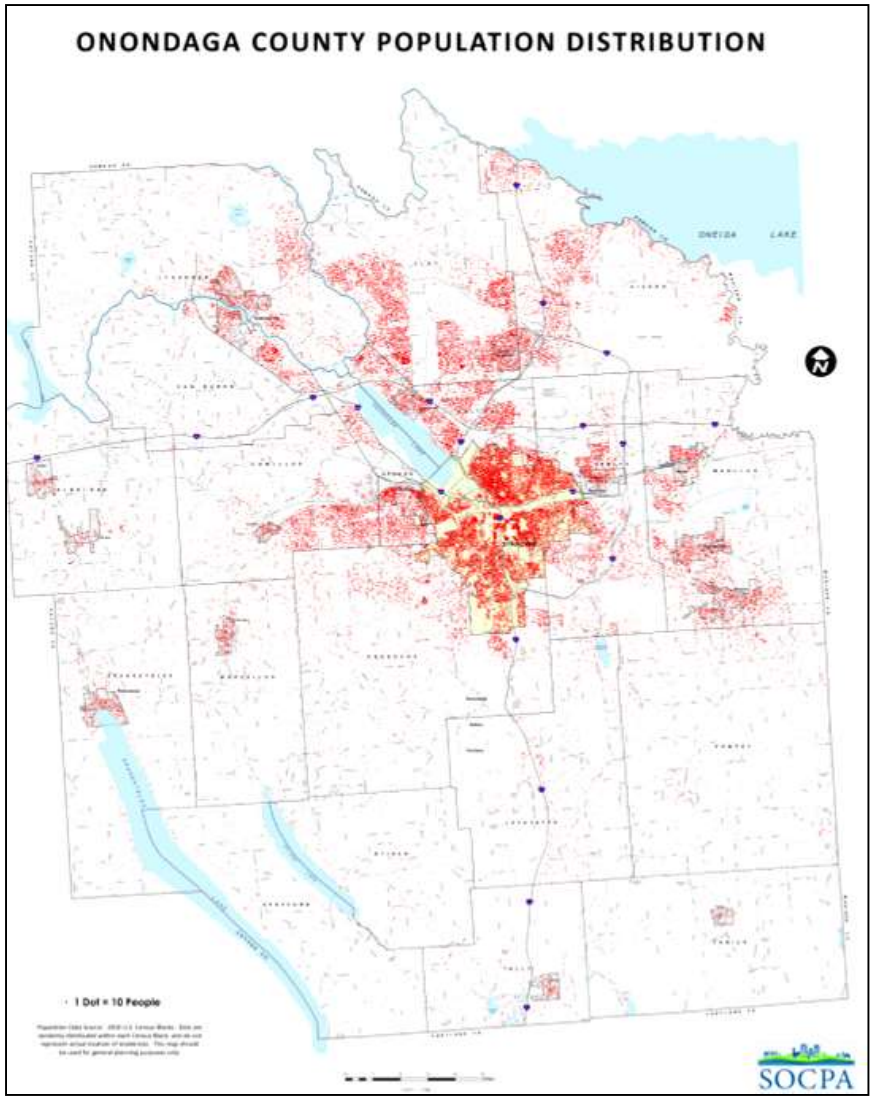
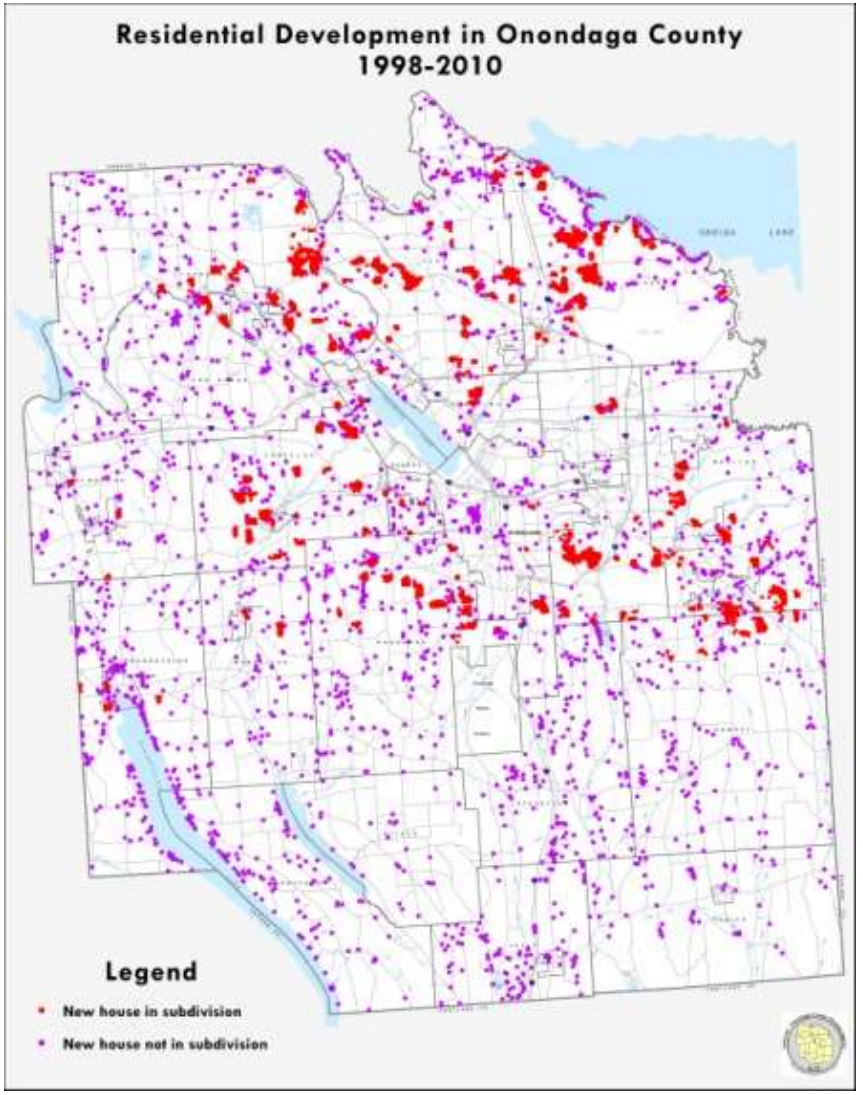
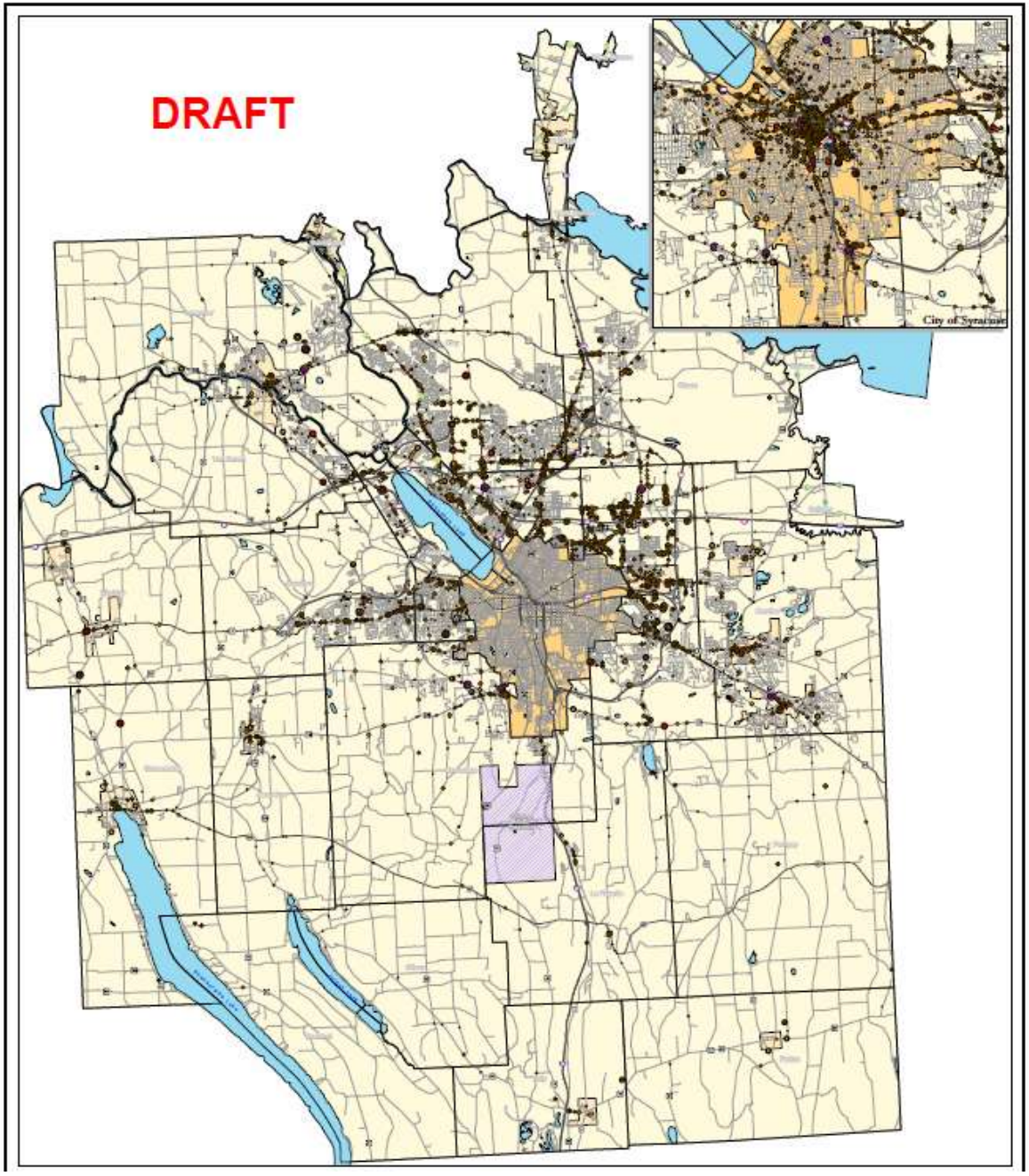



1 Dot = 10 people

# WHERE WE WORK



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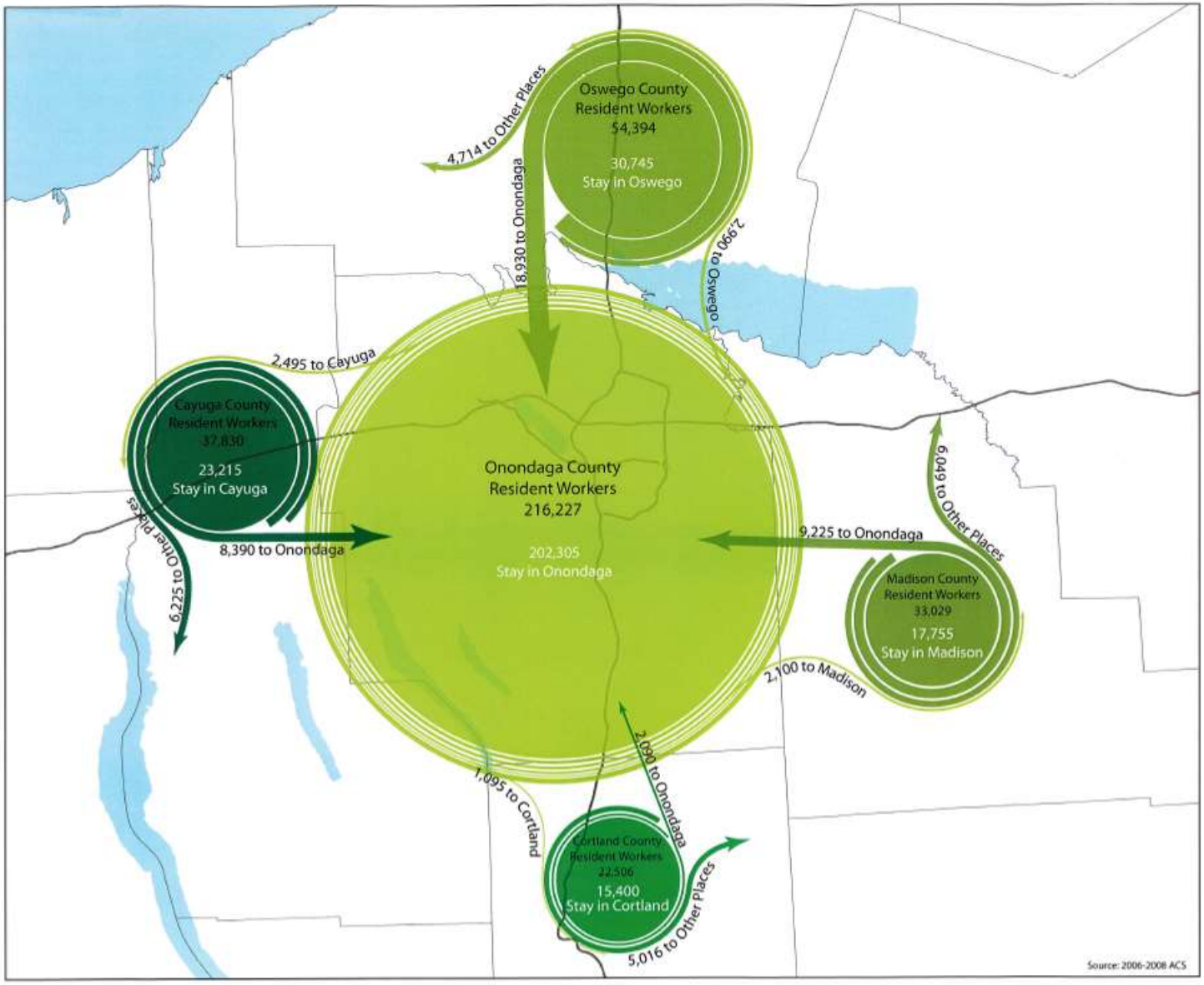

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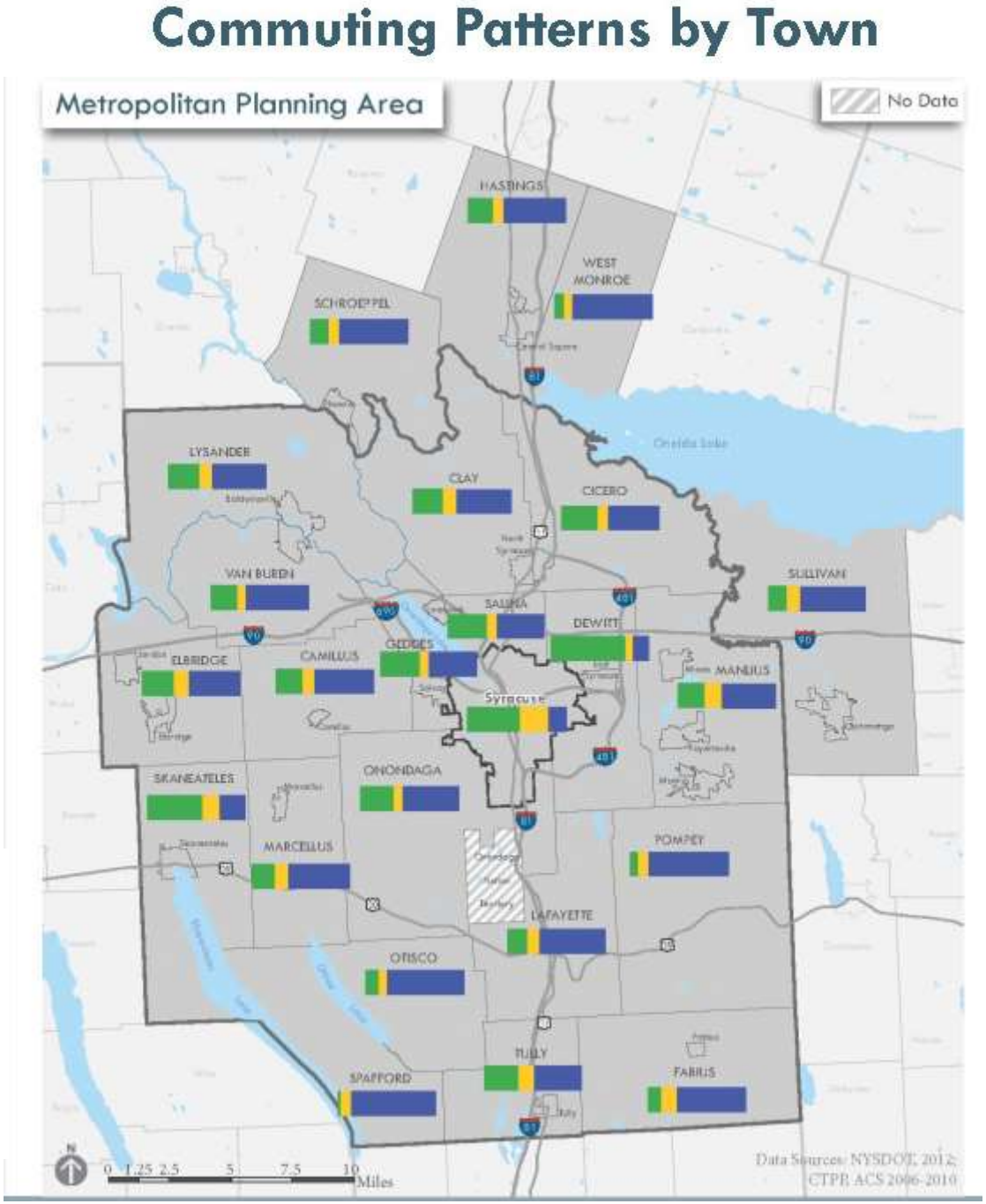
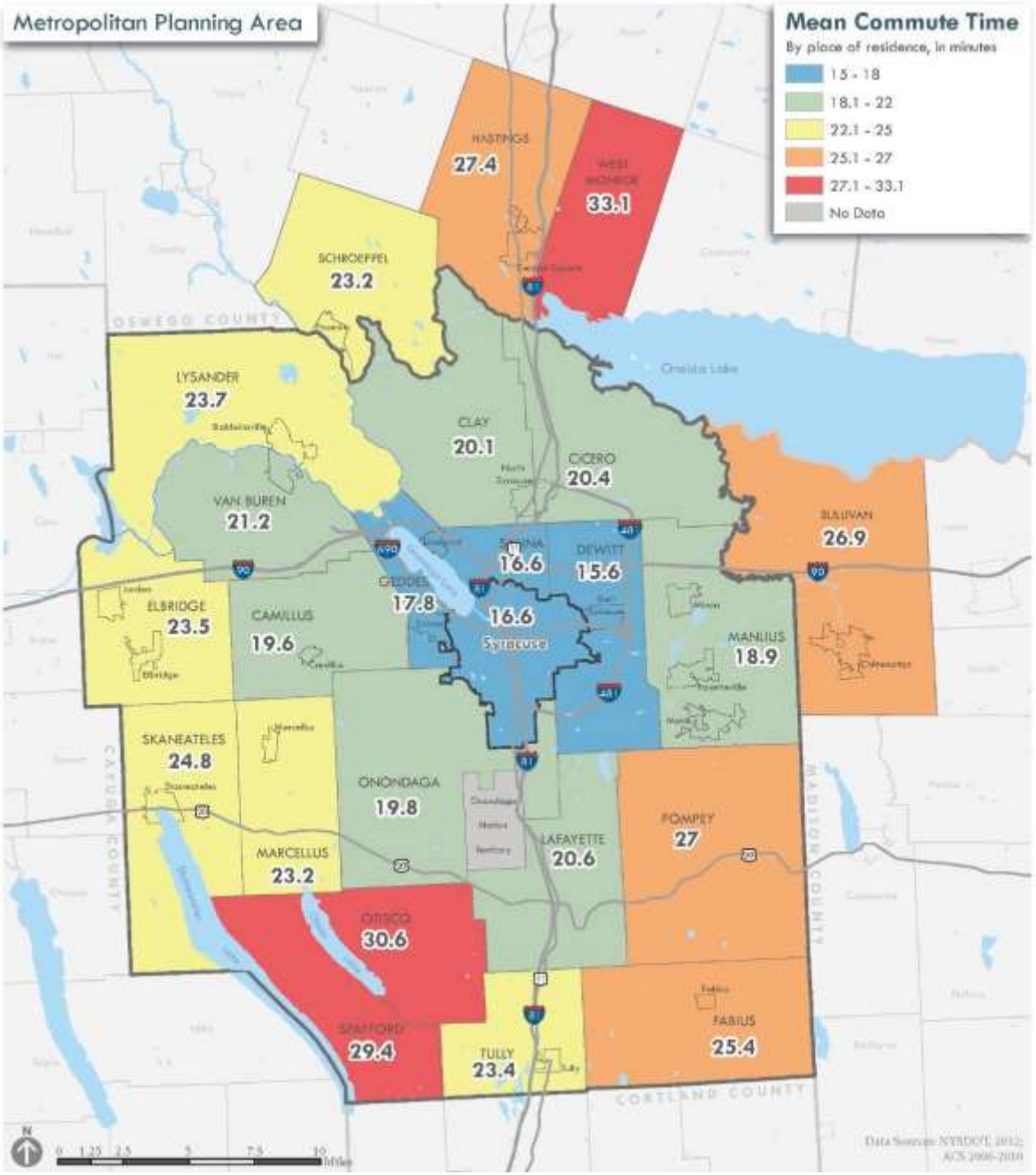



Work in town/city but live elsewhere

Live and work in same town/city

Live in town/city but work elsewhere

# COMMUTE TIMES



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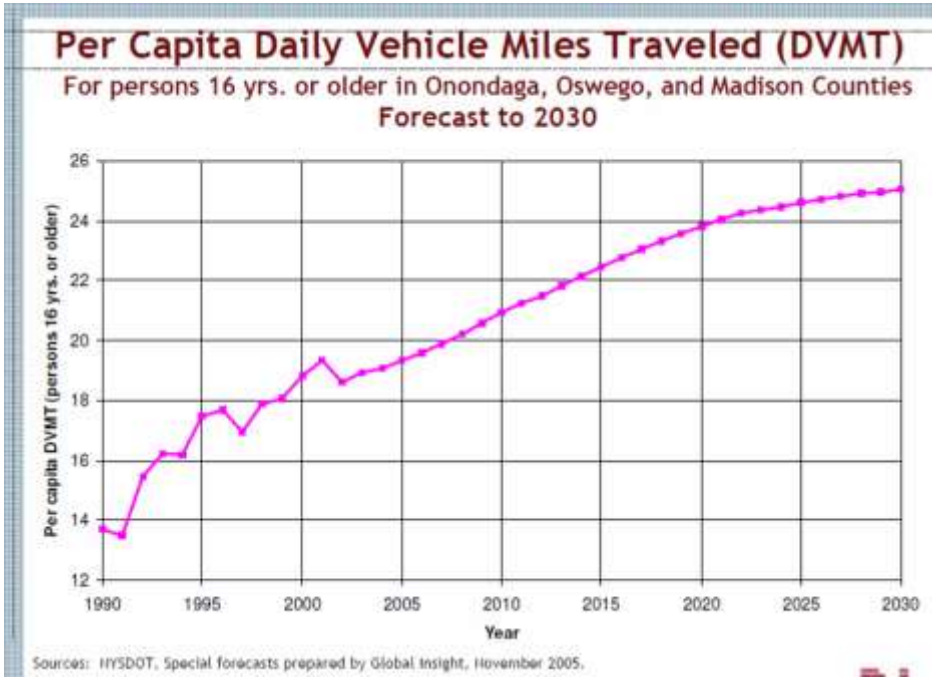
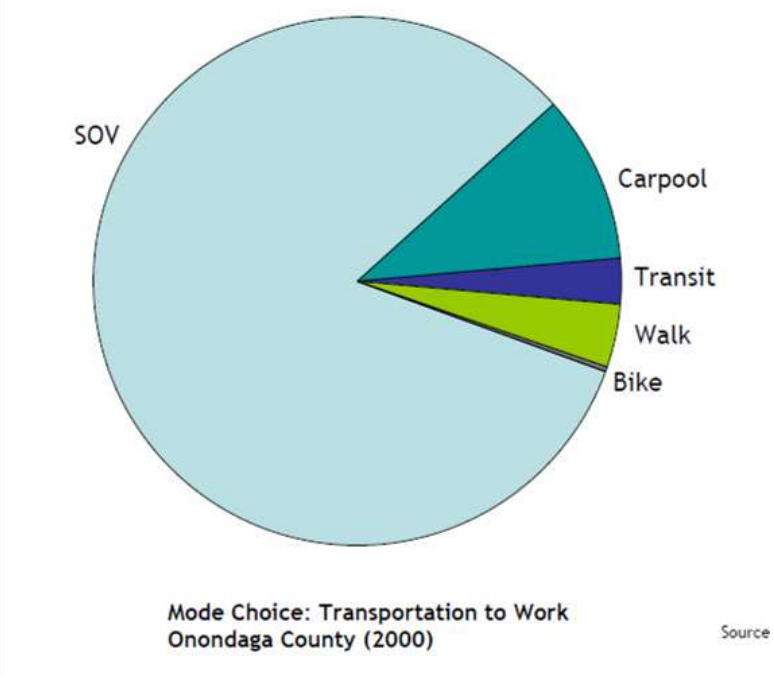


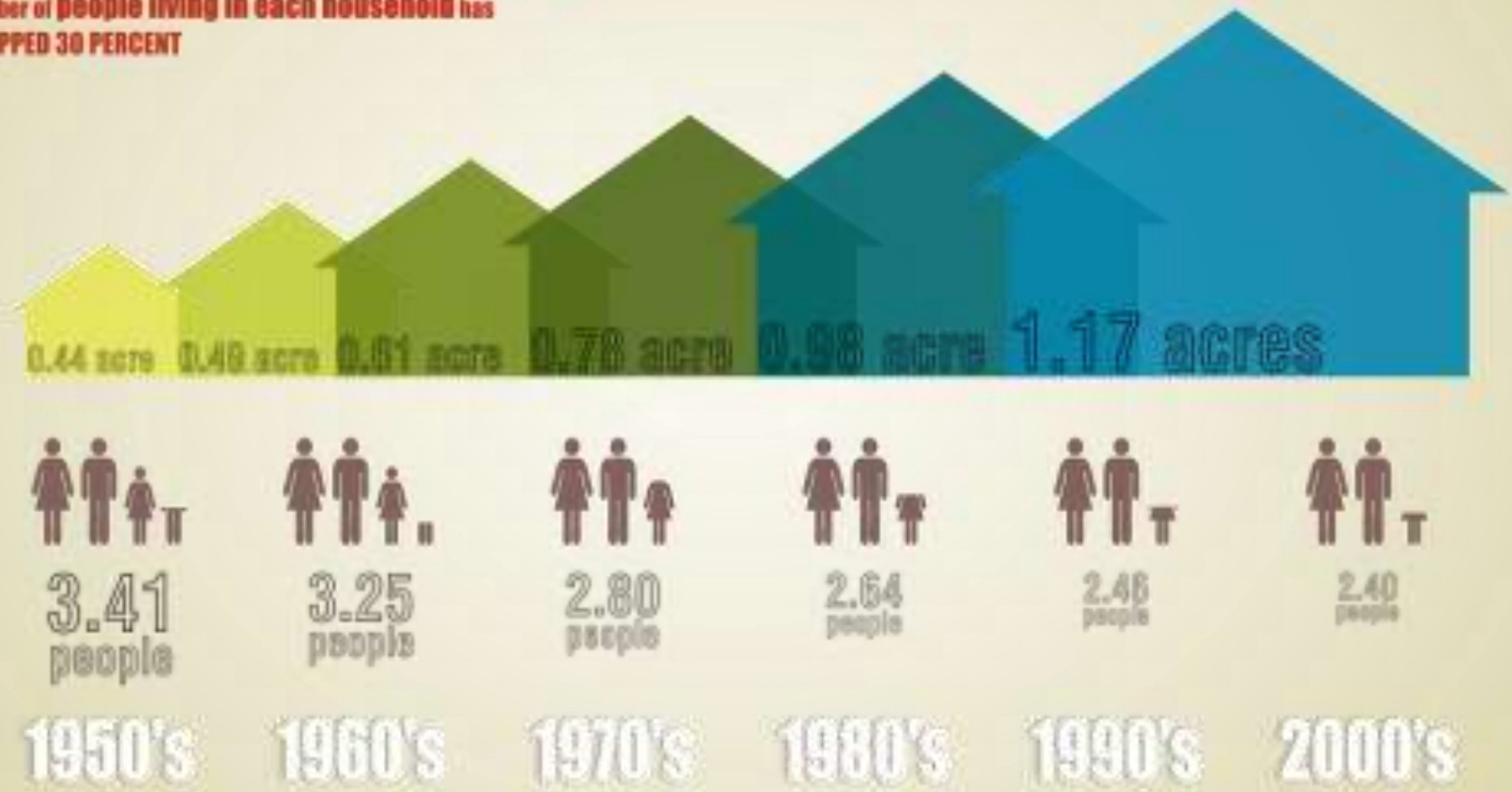




**DAILY VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED**

**MODE TO WORK**

# Land Development & Population in Onondaga County

Since the 1950's, the **average parcel size** for single family residences in Onondaga County has almost **TRIPLED**, while the number of **people living in each household** has **DROPPED 30 PERCENT**




Source: U.S. Census and the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

# DEMOGRAPHICS

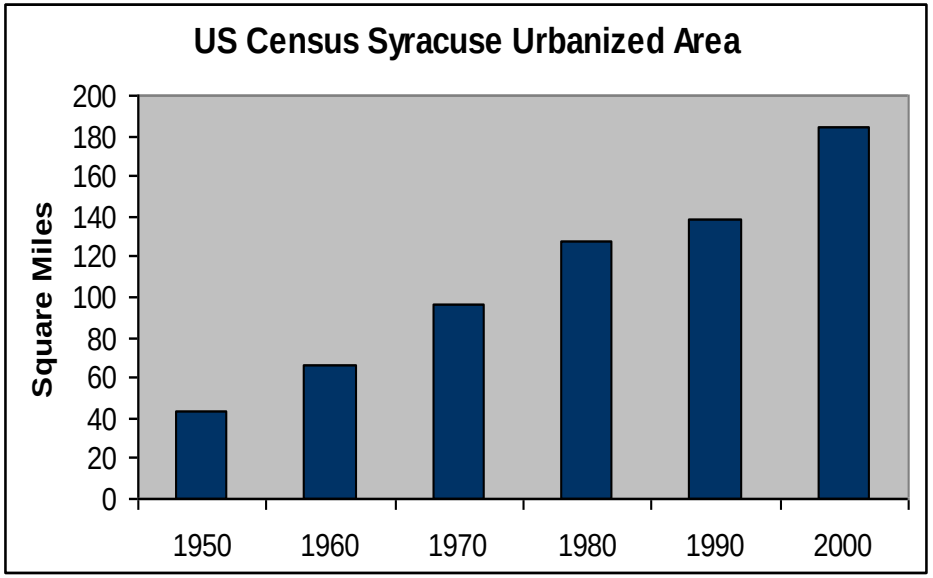
Trending Up:

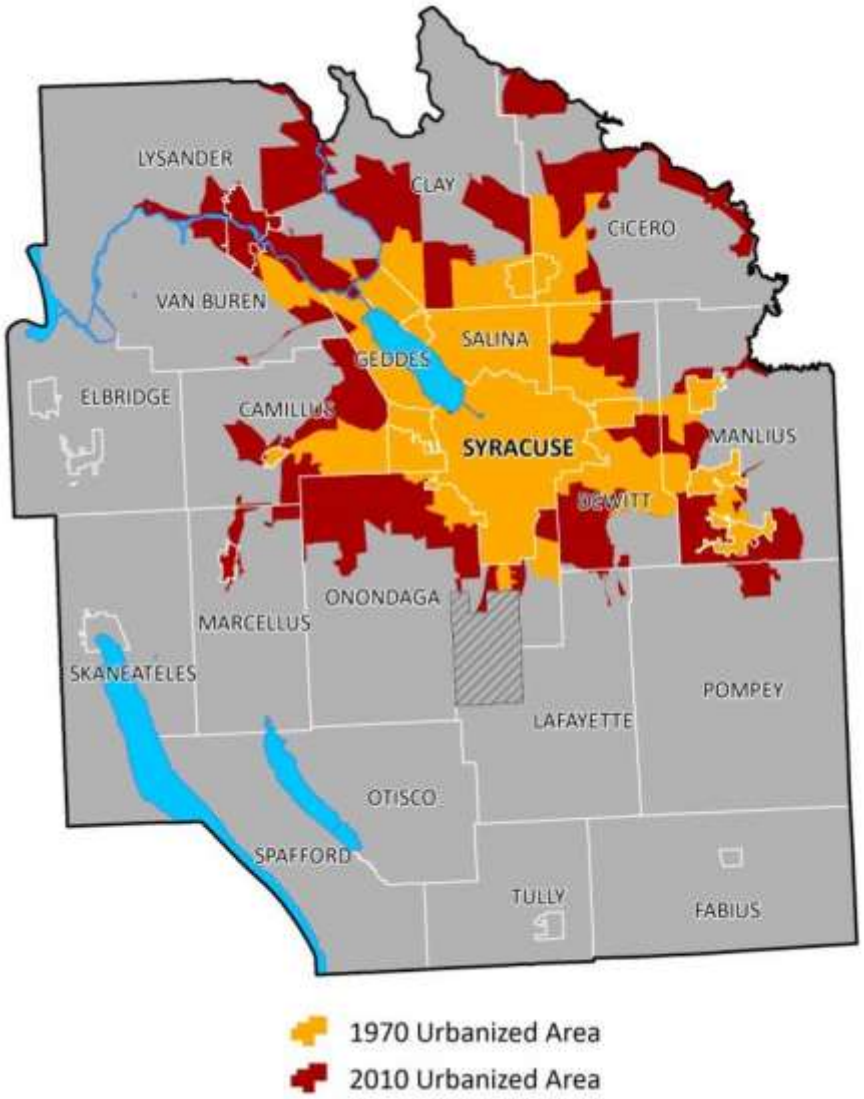
- Median Age of HH'er
- HHD's over Age 75
- 1-Person HHDs
- Non-Traditional HHDs

Trending Down:

- Large Family HHDs
- Married Couple HHDs
- 2-Parent HHDs
- Generation Y Interest in Homeownership

# URBANIZED AREA



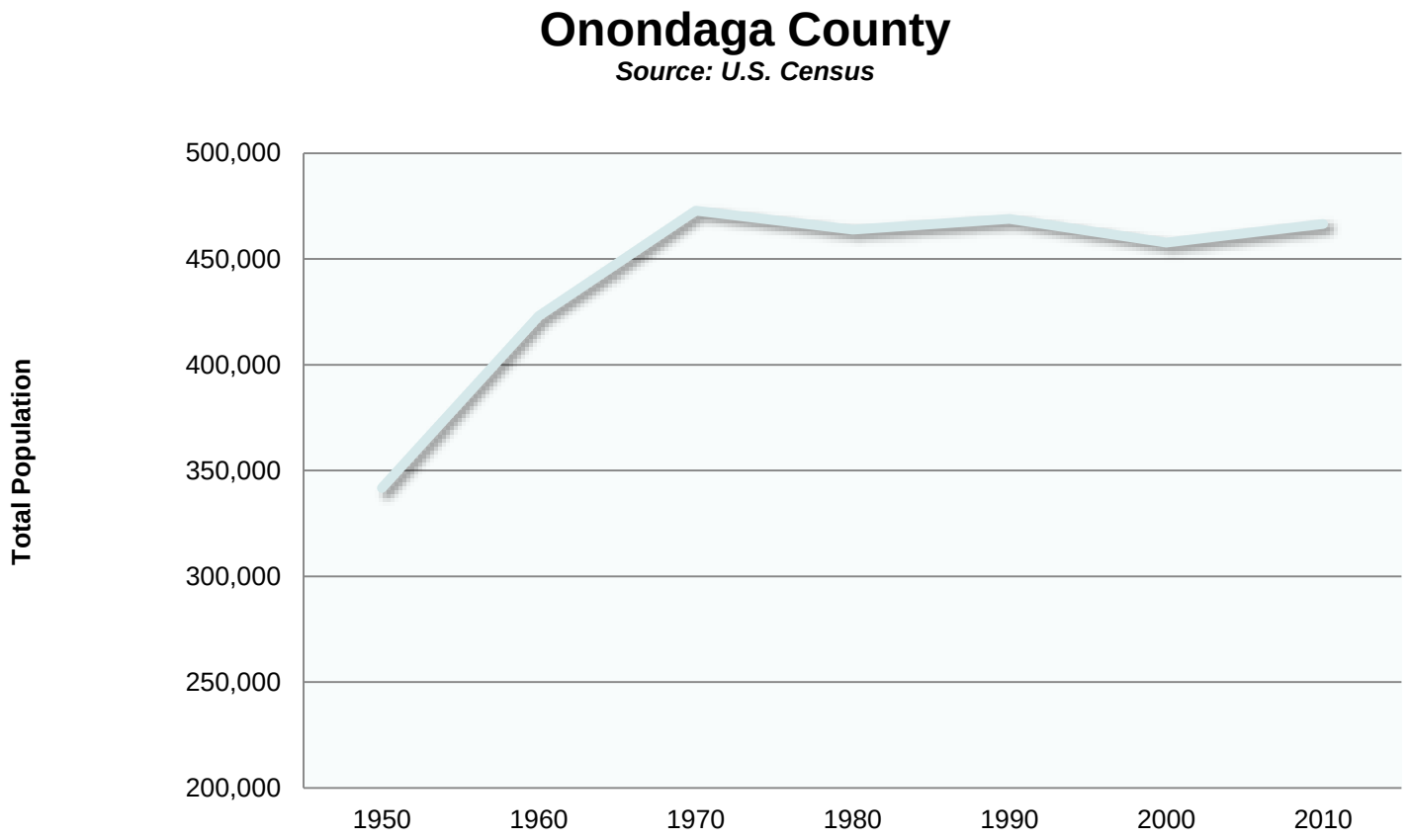




**1970 Urbanized Land Area – 96 sq. miles**

**2010 Urbanized Land Area* – 186 sq. miles**

* ***Onondaga County only***

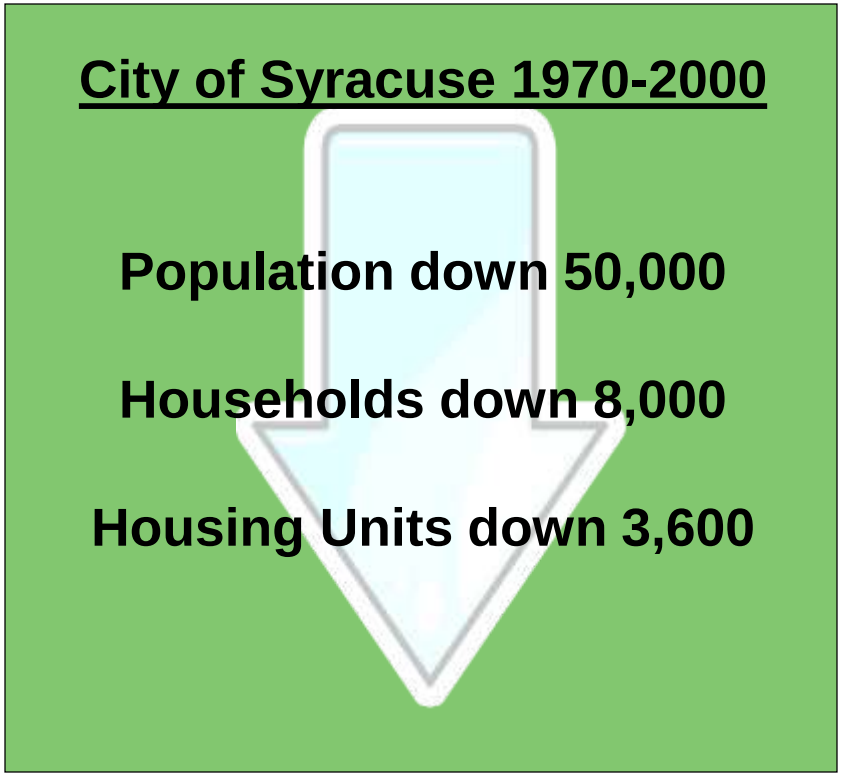
# POPULATION

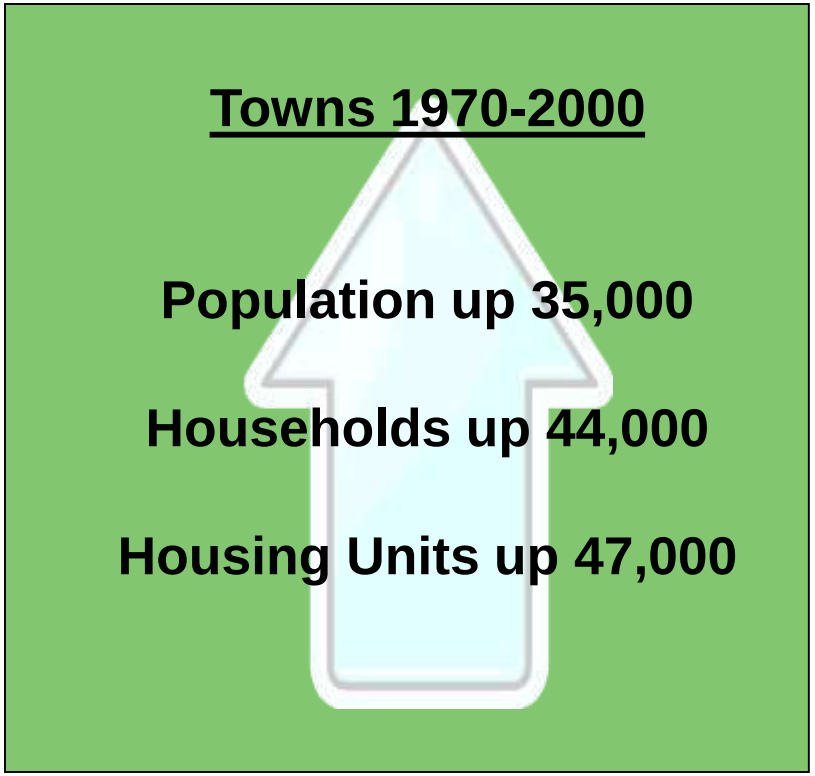



**1970 Population – 472,835**

**2010 Population – 467,026**

# SUBURBAN MIGRATION



# SMART GROWTH

1. Provide a variety of **transportation choices**.
2. **Mix land uses**.
3. Create a **range of housing** opportunities and choices.
4. Create **walkable** neighborhoods.
5. Encourage community and stakeholder **collaboration**
6. Foster distinctive, attractive communities with a **sense of place**.
7. Make development decisions **predictable, fair, and cost effective**.
8. **Preserve open space**, farmland, and critical environmental areas.
9. Focus development primarily towards **existing communities**.
10. **Compact building design** and **efficient infrastructure** design.

# FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSES & SCENARIO PLANNING

**17,500** fewer acres of farmland and open space lost to development

**6,300** more households supporting the existing public sewer system

**12,500** more households in close proximity to assets such as libraries, parks, schools & grocery stores

**30** million fewer miles driven to work each year

**8,300** more households living in highly walkable neighborhoods

**$21** million more in tax benefits for municipalities in Onondaga County

# Community Planning & Transportation Survey

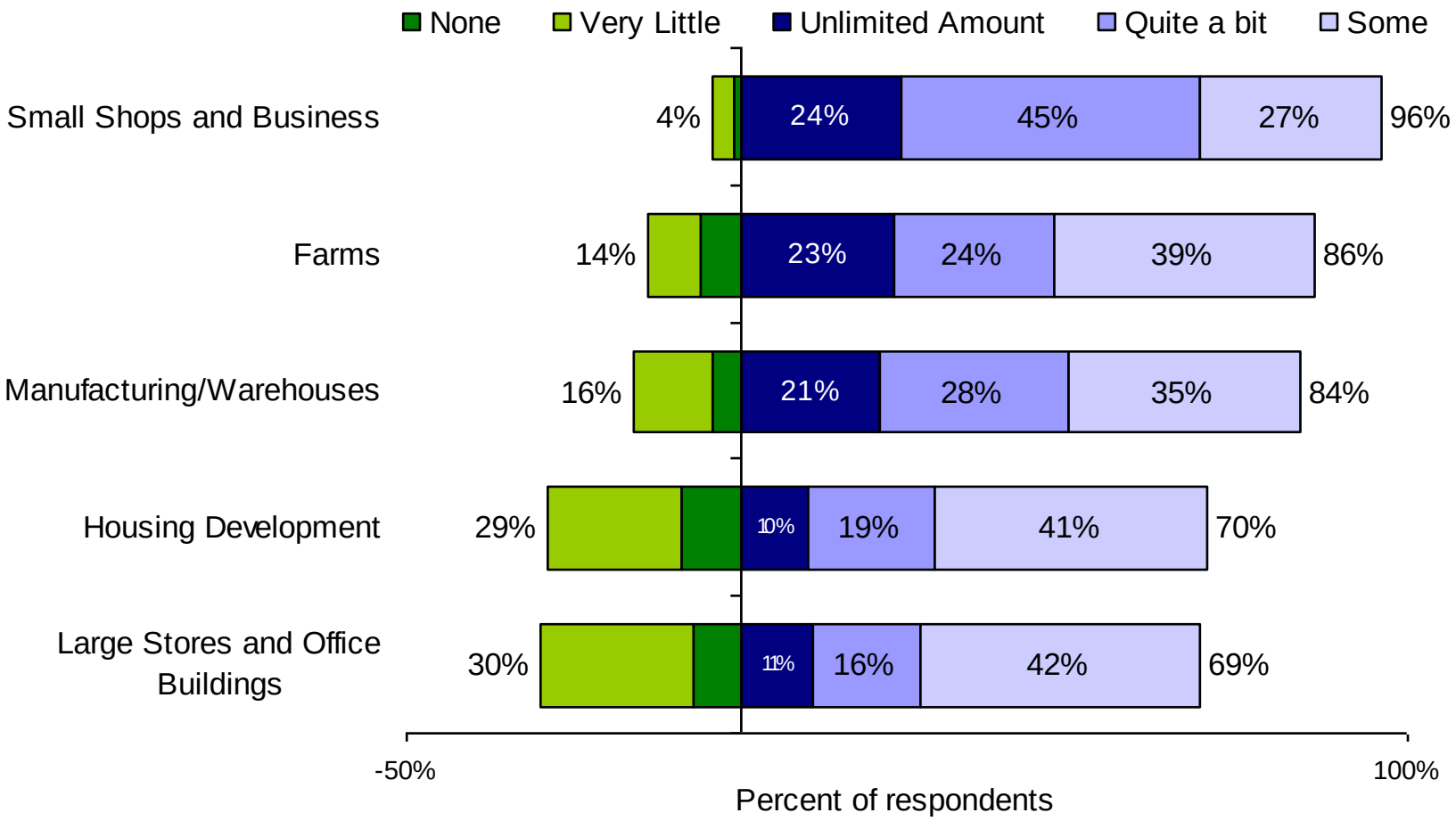
November 2010

Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council

Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency

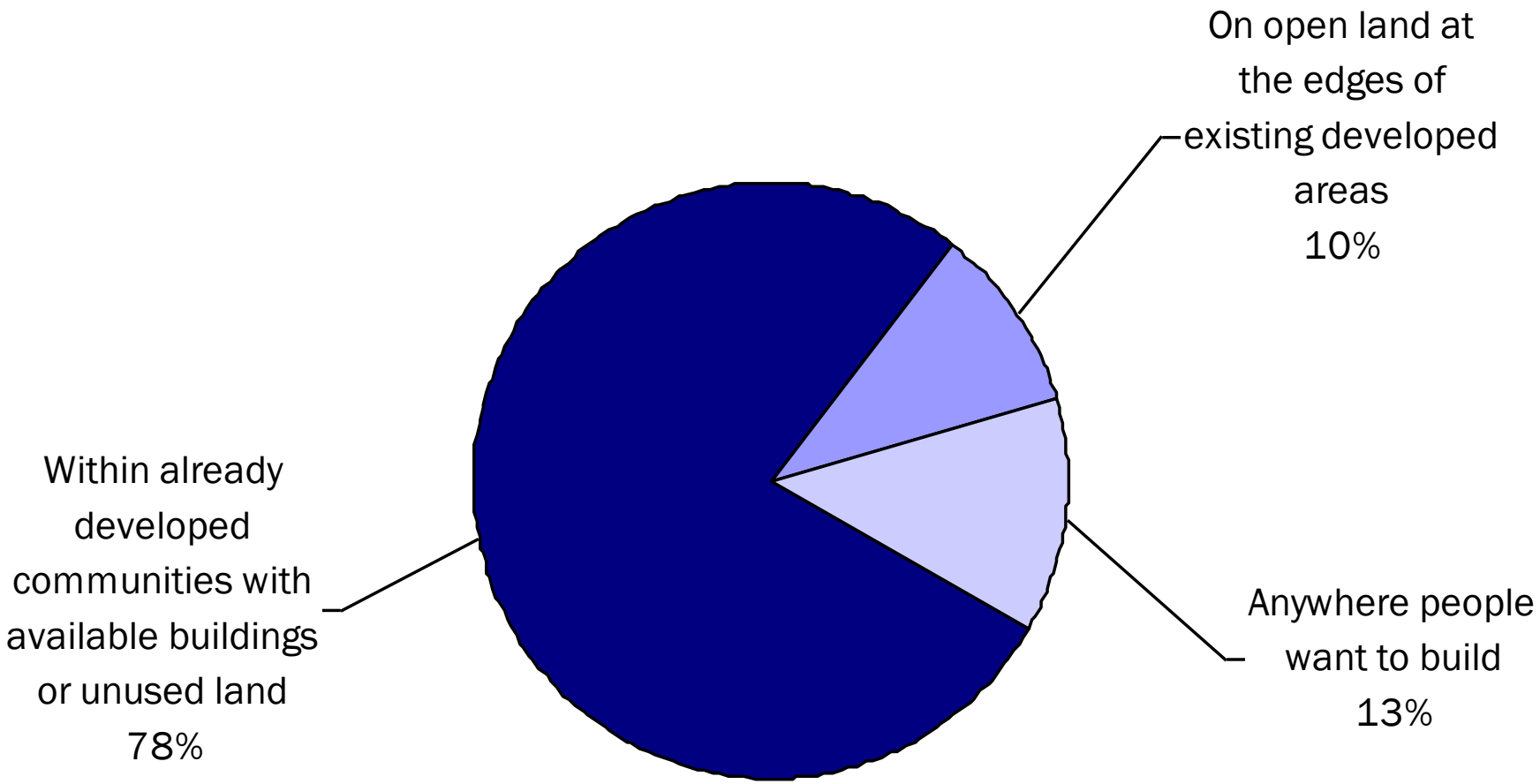
# New Development Types

Please tell us how much of each type of new development you'd like to see in Onondaga County in the next 30 years, assuming our population remains generally the same as today.



# Location of New Development

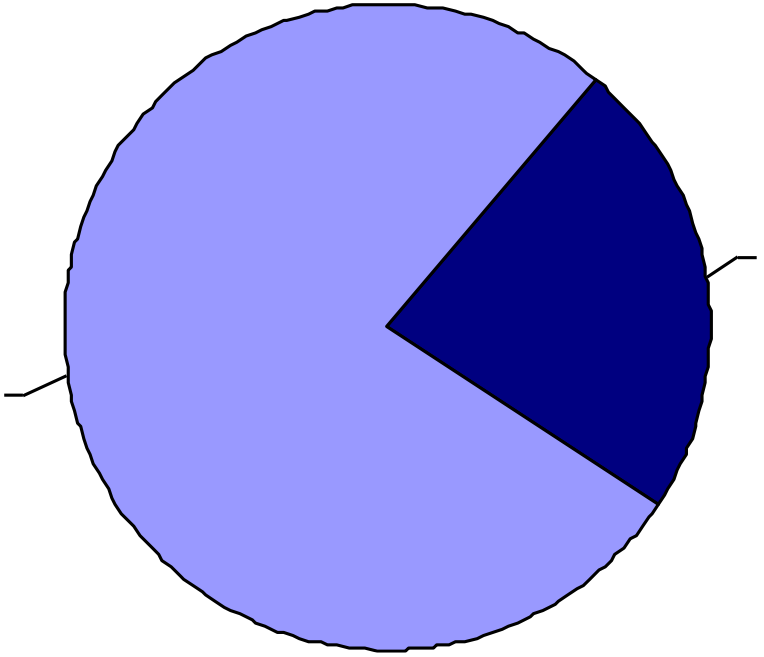
Please tell us where most future development in Onondaga County should be located.



# Model of New Development

Please tell us how future development in Onondaga County should be arranged.

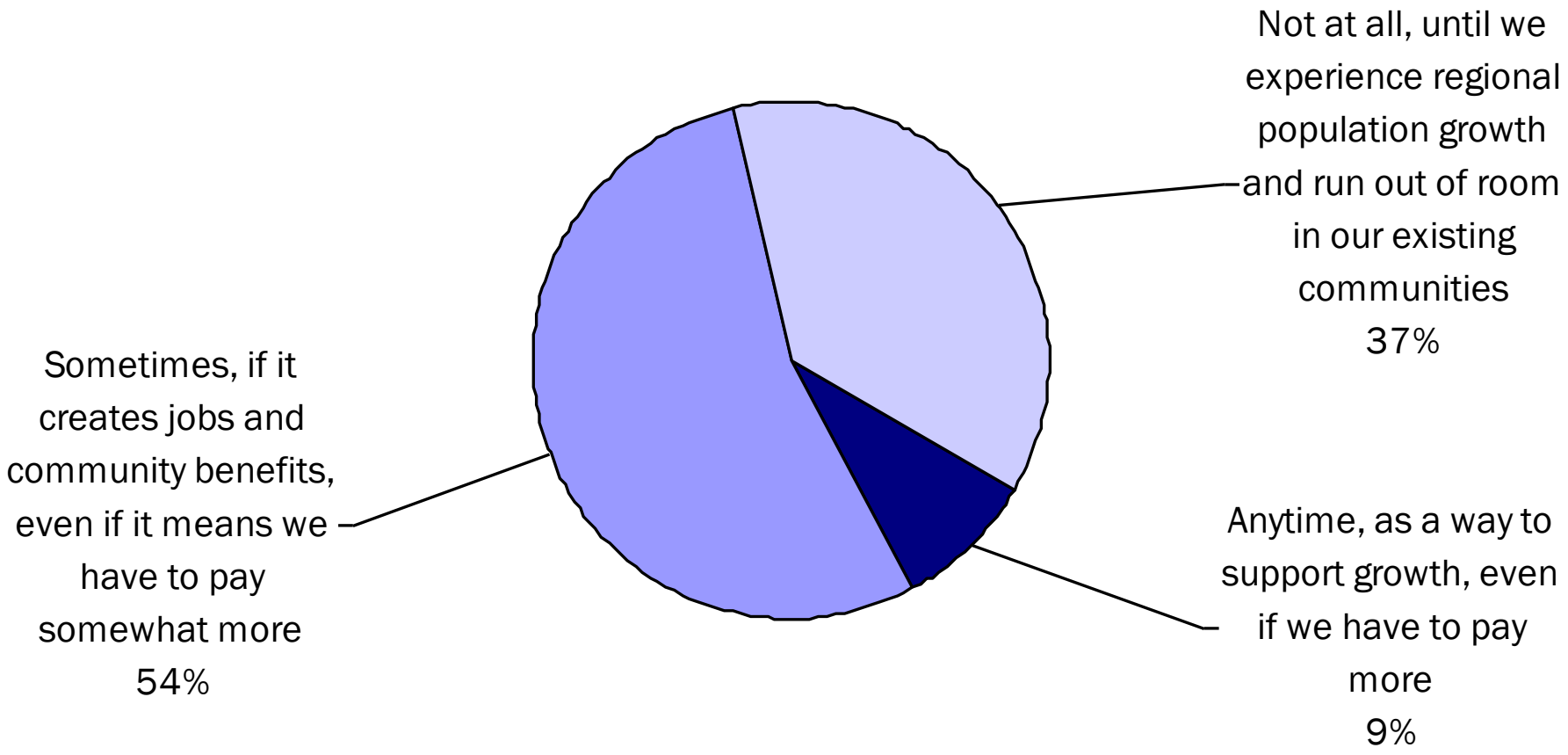
Housing and buildings should be closely spaced, with sidewalks leading to nearby shops and parks, even if it means having smaller homes and yards and less space for parking lots
77%



Housing and buildings should be spread out, even if it means less open areas and farmland and having to drive more
23%

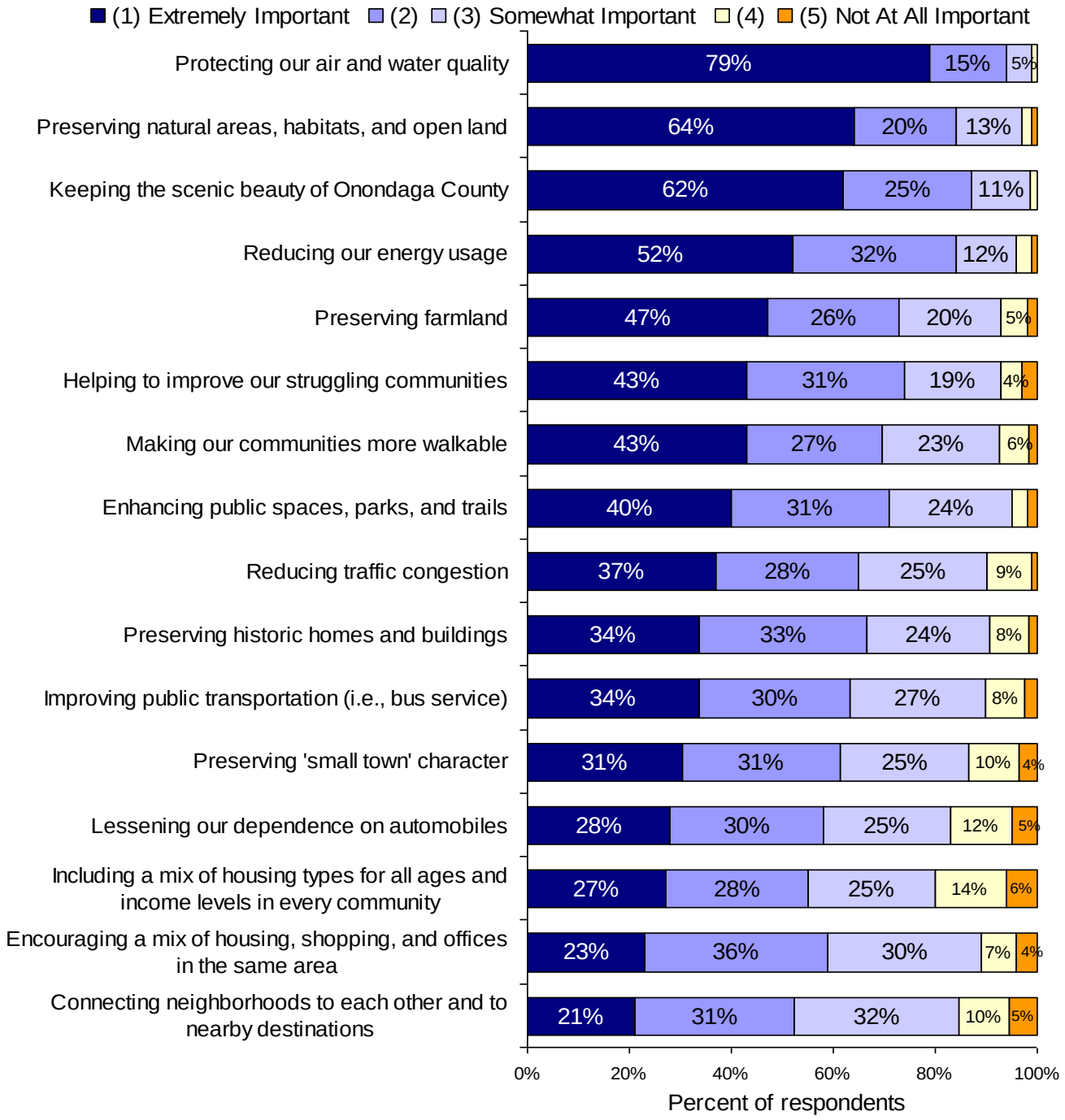
# Expansion of Services

When should government expand infrastructure and services into new areas (i.e., roads, sewers, schools)?



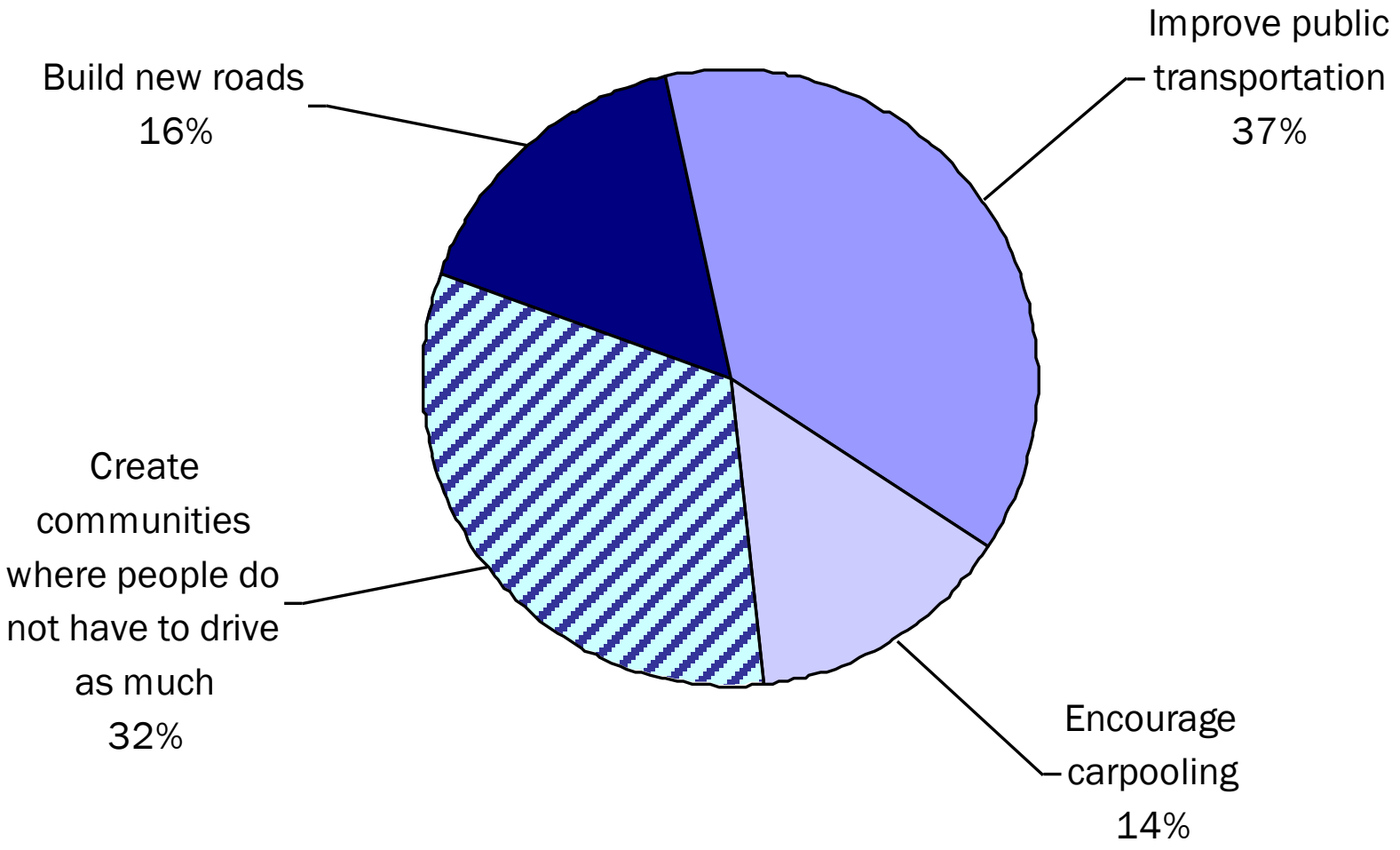
# Priority Areas

Rank how important each of the following ideas are to help make Onondaga County a great place to live for you and future generations.



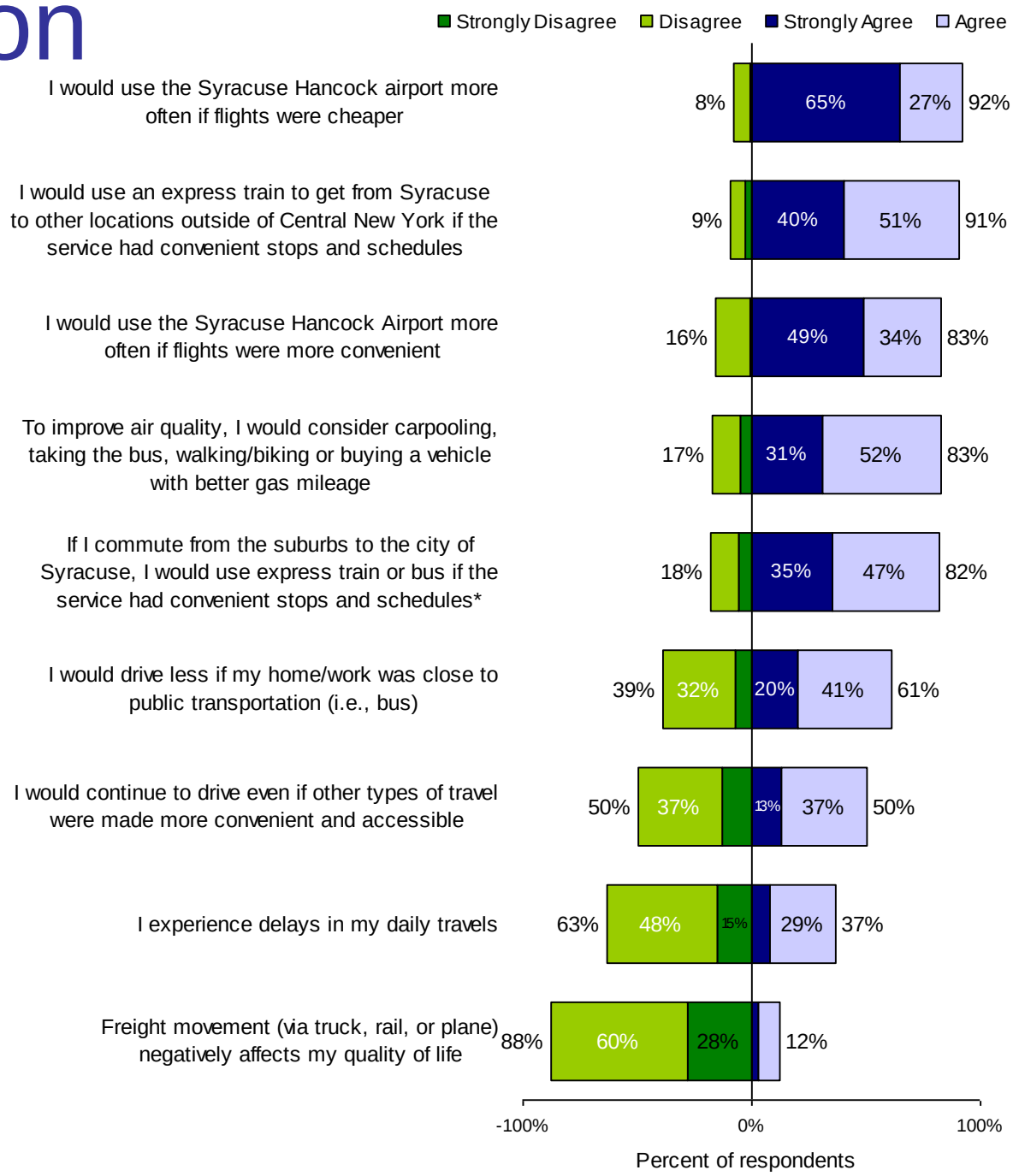
# Solutions to Congestion

In your opinion, which of the following do you think is the best long-term solution to reducing traffic congestion in Onondaga County?



# Transportation Options

Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with each of these statements.



# OUR ASSETS

- **Great Regional Connections**
- **Good Commute Times**
- **Relatively Compact Metro**
- **Existing System**
- **Good Coordination**
- **Great Traditional Communities**

# OUR ISSUES

- **Pollution**
- **Segmented Land Use Control**
- **Death By 1,000 Cuts**
- **Funding / Maintenance**
- **Sprawl without Growth**
- **Transit / Bike / Ped support**

# OUR OPPORTUNITIES

- **Better Road Design**
- **Cost of Gas**
- **Market Preferences**
- **Fiscal Analysis**
- **Transit Options**
- **Public Health and Aging Advocacy**