Tools Summit / Scenario Planning Workshop Building Scenarios: Techniques and Technical Tools



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- Introduction
- Parts of a Scenario Planning Analysis
 - Current Conditions / Baseline
 - Trend Scenario
 - Alternative Scenarios
- Tools Demonstration
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Baseline: Current Conditions

- Purpose
 - Quantify current conditions
 - Context against which to compare scenarios
 - Build data, technical, and community capacity

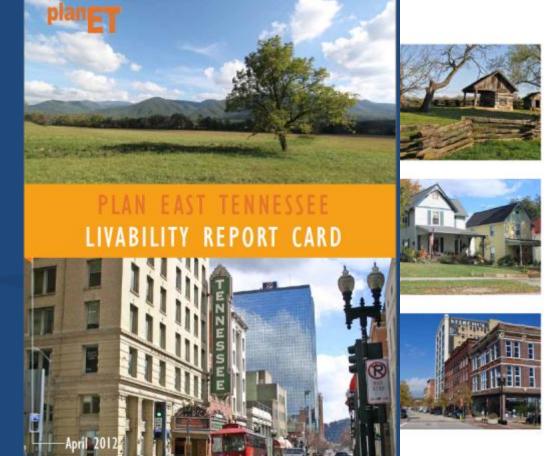
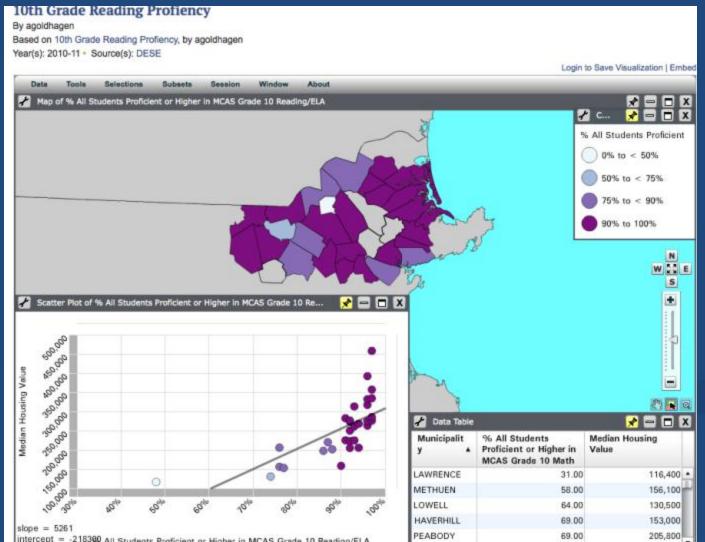


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Baseline: Current Conditions

Metropolitan Area Planning Council, MA (Boston Region)



Baseline: Current Conditions



Economic Engines

Research and development and security activities are critical pieces of the region's economy. Financial services and insurance, industrial machinery, rubber and aluminum products, machine tools, information services, and plastics manufacturing also have emerged as important industry clusters.

The region has industry clusters that could provide competitive advantages

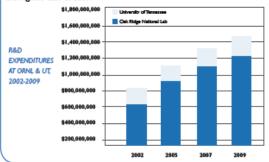
These six industry clusters are projected to add jobs over the next decade and could be important emphases for the region's business retention and expansion efforts.

- I. Financial services & insurance
- 2. Industrial machinery
- 3. Rubber & aluminum products
- 4. Machine tools
- 5. Information services
- 6. Plastics manufacturing

ORNL & UT ARE MAJOR EMPLOYERS & ATTRACT INVESTMENT TO THE REGION

With over 13,000 jobs, the U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) is the region's largest employer. The University of Tennessee (UT) is the region's second-largest employer with almost 8,000 jobs. These institutions added over 3,400 jobs between 2006 and 2010.

Research and development (R&D) investments at ORNL and UT not only stimulate technology development, but also promote technology-based businesses that generate high-quality jobs in the region. R&D expenditures at ORNL have almost doubled since 2002, growing from \$620 million in 2002 to almost \$1.3 billion in 2009. R&D expenditures at UT increased from approximately \$188 million in 2002 to \$278 million in 2009. Total R&D expenditures at these two institutions represented more than five percent of the region's GDP in 2009.



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- R&D expenditures at ORNL grew at twice the national rate between 2002 and 2009.
- Aluminum products and industrial equipment jobs are significantly more concentrated in the region than in the national economy (50 percent and 200 percent, respectively).
- The region's information services cluster grew twice as fast as the national rate between 2006 and 2011.
 Plastics manufacturing showed strong growth in the region between 2006 and 2011; this industry lost jobs nationally during the same period.
- Financial services/insurance jobs are expected to become more concentrated in the region while the national economy loses jobs in this industry cluster.

REGIONAL LIVABILITY REPORT CARD

The Report Card summarizes ratings for all of the focus area trends/issues sections found on pages 8 – 39 of the PlanET Livability Report. It provides a brief overview of the region's strengths and areas that need improvement. Ratings are based on overall regional statistics and not how a particular community or county performs in a given area.

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Economy				
Economic Engines	*			
Employment Levels		+		
Workers				
Jobs				N
Transportation & Infrastructure	e			
Regional Commutes & Highway Congestion	*			
Transportation Costs				N
Alternatives to Automobile Transportation				
Air Travel				
Infrastructure & Development		+		
Housing & Neighborhoods				
Housing Values, Sales, & Rentals		+		
Housing Tenure		+		
Housing Affordability	*			
Healthy Communities				
Rates of Disease/Illness				N
Health Insurance				
Access to Medical Services & Healthy Foods		+		
Crime		+		
Environment				
Air Quality				N
Water Quality				
Agriculture				N
Parks, Recreation, & Tourism	-			

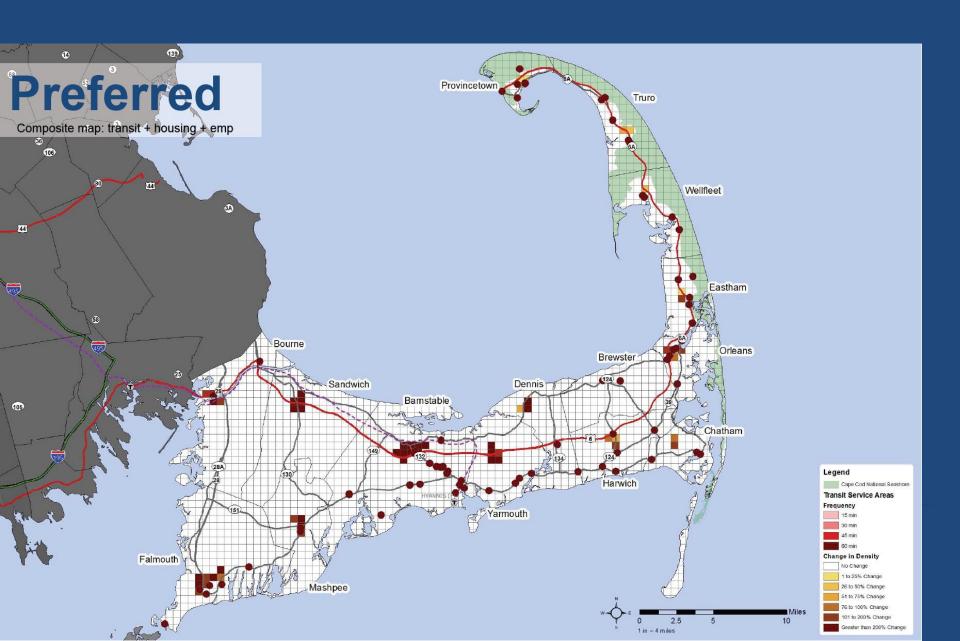
Baseline: Data Management

Capacity Assessment Tool

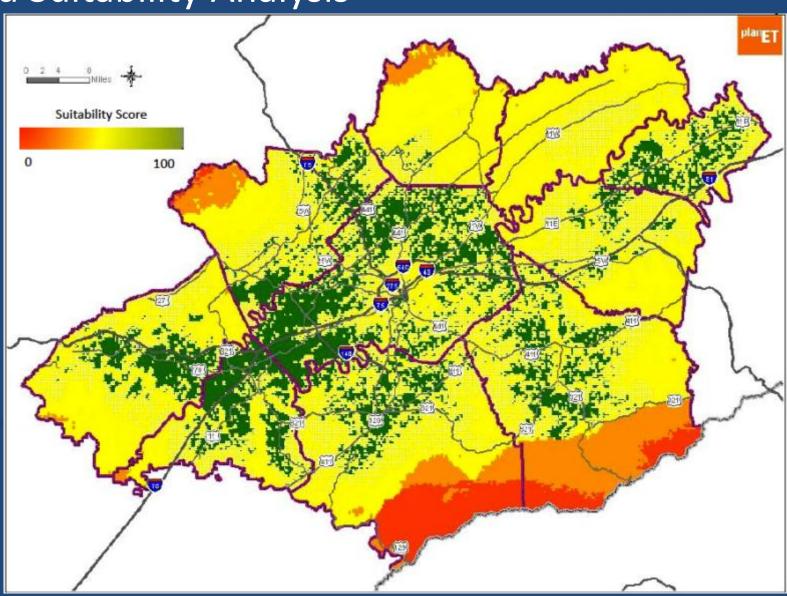
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Baseline: Data Management



Land Suitability Analysis



Placetypes

Placetype	Rural Residential	Suburban Residential (Low Density)	Suburban Residential (Moderate Density)	Suburban Apt	Strip Commercial	Community Activity Center
Character/ description	Large lot, single-family home sites within a rural setting. Each lot typically has direct access to the main arterial.	Low-density, suburban-style home sites characterized by larger lots/yards, curvilinear cul-de-sac street networks with few access points.	Similar in character to the Low Density placetype, but at slightly higher densities and with some attached dwelling units (i.e. townhomes).	Single use apartment communities, gated with an internal circulation system. Generally located in proximity to commercial areas.	Strip-style commercial development adjacent to arterials, characterized by single lot depth and large setbacks.	Suburban-style, internally-oriented 'power center' typically anchored by a national tenant and includes out- parcels. Located at the intersection of major arterials.
Average scale	10 acres	60 acres	60 acres	10 acres	60 acres	60 acres
Primary Uses	Single-family homes	Single-family homes	Single-family homes	Multi-family residential (townhomes and apts/condos)	Commercial	Commercial
Secondary Uses	None	None	Townhomes	None	Office	None
Residential Density	2 du/ac (single-family)	3 du/ac (single-family)	4 du/ac (single-family)	18 du/ac (multi-family)	NA NA	NA.
Non-residential Intensity	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA .	0.20 - 0.25 FAR	0.2 FAR
Building Heights	1-2 stories	1-2 stories	1-2 stories	1-4 stories	1-2 stories	1-2 stories
Open Space	10% Passive	10%, Active (pocket parks, regional parks)	5%, Active (pocket parks, regional parks) and Passive	5% Passive	5% Passive	5% Passive
Connectivity	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Current Zoning	A-1	R-1	R-1	R-3	C-2; C-3; C-5	C-2; C-3
Primary Modes	Automobile	Automobile	Automobile	Automobile	Automobile	Automobile
Secondary Modes	None	None	None	Walking	None	None
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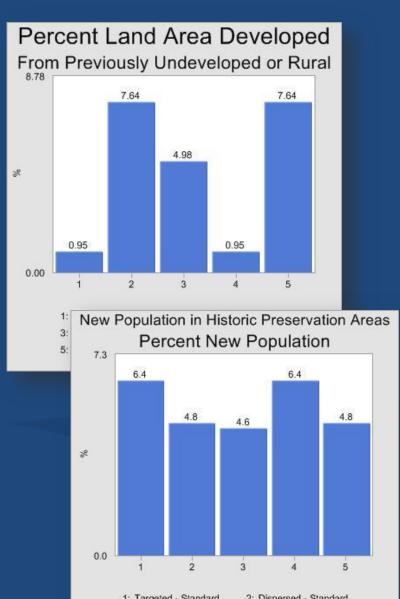
Indicators: Cape Cod

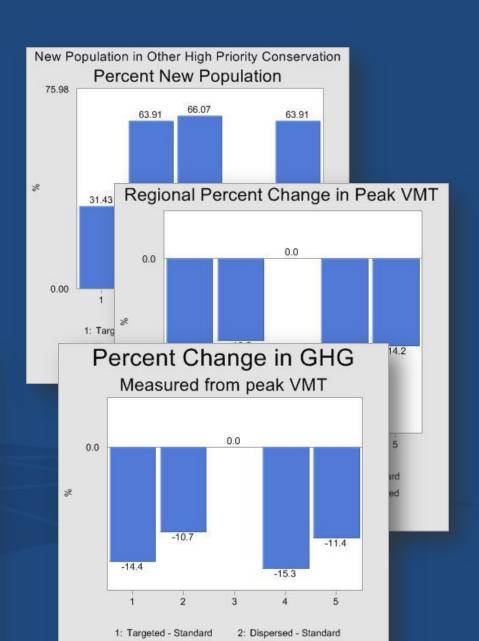
- Purpose: Evaluate impacts of different spatial strategies and possible futures
- Key Points
 - Scenario Indicators vs Monitoring Indicators
 - Choosing indicators
 - Major Issues
 - Data Availability
 - Ability to Inform Decision-Making

Indicators: Cape Cod

- Vehicle miles traveled (VMT):
 - Regional percentage change in peak VMT.
- GHG emissions:
 - Percentage change in GHG emissions.
- Impact of sea-level rise (SLR):
 - Percentage of new population in vulnerable areas
- Preservation of natural/existing ecosystems:
 - Percentage of new population in critical habitat areas.
 - Percentage land area developed (from previously undeveloped or rural)[15].
 - Percentage of new population in undeveloped or rural lands.
 - Percentage of new population in other high priority conservation areas[16].
- Impact on other areas:
 - Percentage of new population in water resource and wellhead protection areas and percentage of new population in areas with less than three dwelling units per acre
- Accessibility indicators:
 - Percentage of new population & employees served by transit.

Indicators





Equity Indicators: Opportunity Mapping

Education

- math test scores
- reading test scores
- student poverty
- teacher qualification
- graduation rates

Economic Health

- access to living wage iobs
- job growth trends, 2000–2010
- unemployment rate

Housing and Neighborhood Quality

- vacancy rate
- foreclosure rate
- high cost loan rate
- housing stock condition
- crime index

Mobility and Transportation

- cost per commute
- proximity to express bus stops
- average transit fare
- percent of commuters who walk

Health and Environment

- distance to nearest park or open space
- proximity to toxic waste release
- percent of area that is within a food desert

Source: PSRC

Equity Indicators: Opportunity Mapping

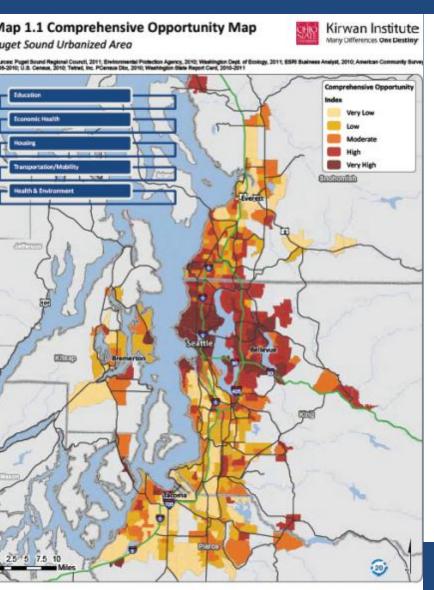
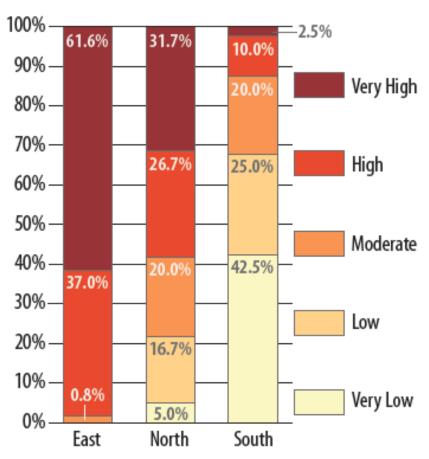


Figure 9. Light Rail Corridor Opportunity Analysis



Trend Scenario

- Purpose
 - Understand Driving Forces
 - Imagine what might happen without intervention



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ELVIS IMPERSONATORS REACH AN ALL-TIME HIGH

The number of Elvis Presley impersonators has reached an alltime record high — there are now at least 85,000 Elvis's around the world, compared to only 170 in 1957 when he died. At this rate of growth, experts predict that by 2019 Elvis impersonators will make up a third of the world population!

-ScienceWorld Online 3rd December 2000

Trend Scenario



Alternative Scenarios

- Purpose: Test the impacts and communicate the trade-offs of different spatial strategies.
- Sample workflow
 - Develop a narrative for each scenario.
 - Use GIS to locate placetypes and other features in locations that reflect the narrative for each scenario.
 - Evaluate the scenario against the evaluation criteria/indicators.