

Population Density in 1970

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0 - 1.5 people / acre

1.5 - 7.5 people / acre

7.5 - 15 people / acre

15 - 30 people / acre

> 30 people / acre

Dark gray indicates a density of <1.5 people per acre: the US Census definition of rural.

Dark purple indicates a density of 1.5-7.5 people per acre and light purple a density of 7.5-15 people per acre. These are suburban densities at which cars tend to dominate.

Orange indicates a density of 15-30 people per acre and yellow a density of >30 people per acre. These are densities at which transit tends to be a significant form of trransportation.

Data for 1970-2010 is from the IPUMS National Historical GIS, University of Minnesota, www.nhgis.org. Data from 2016 from the US Census American Communities Survey. Present-day county borders, transit, and roadways are shown on all years' maps.

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