

MEETING THE DEMAND

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How Will Preferences of Millennials and Boomers Influence What Gets Built Near Transit?

Urban restaurants living
Shared amenities

Transit- and bike friendly
Social Dog parks

interaction

Arts & entertainment

Transit- and bike friendly

Decent coffee

Stay near family... or perhaps live in Spain?



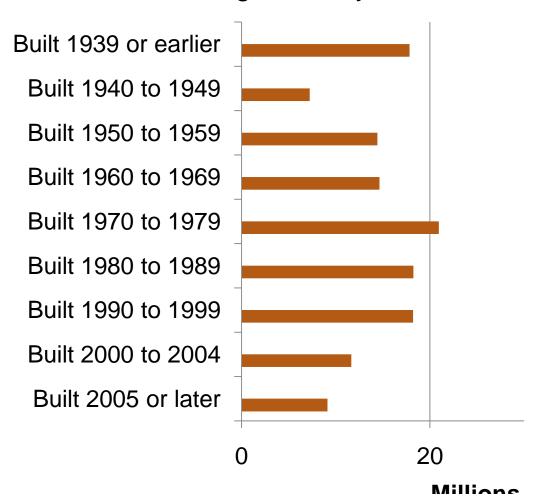


Change in the Supply of Housing Occurs at the Margins

- Current housing in the US: 61% single family
- The average US home was built in the late 70's or early 80's

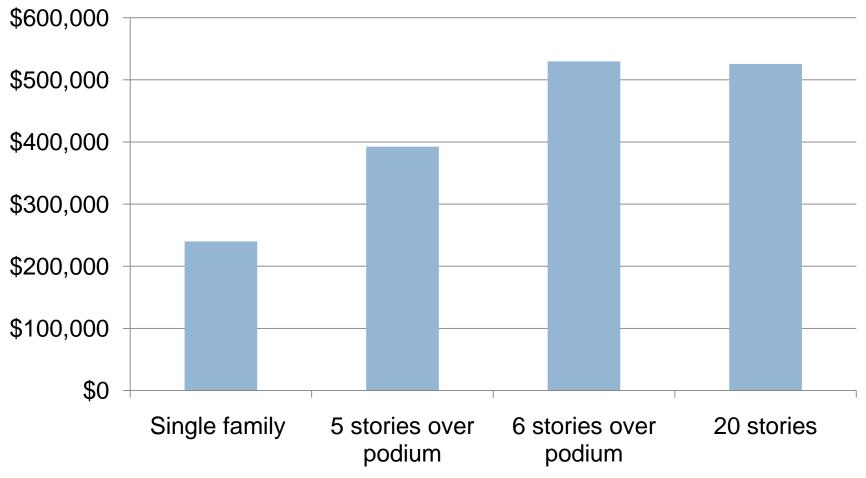


US Housing Stock by Year Built



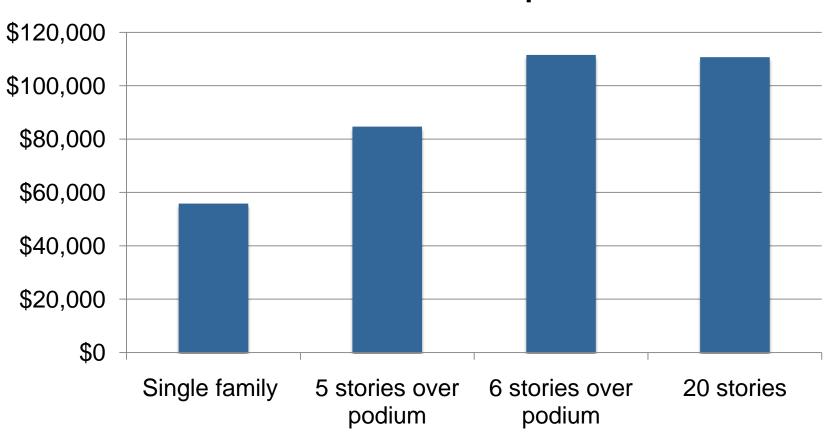
Higher Density Housing is More Expensive to Build

Typical Development Cost Per Unit (SF Bay Area)

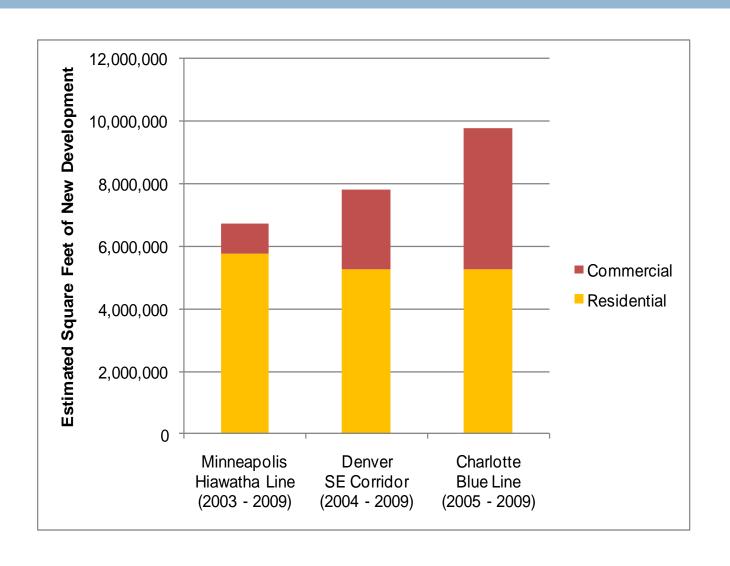


That's Why New Development Tends to Cater to the Higher End of the Market

Household Income Required

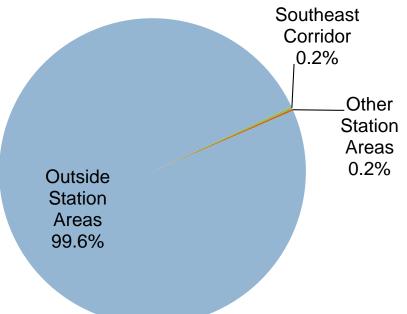


How Has the Market Been Delivering Near Transit?

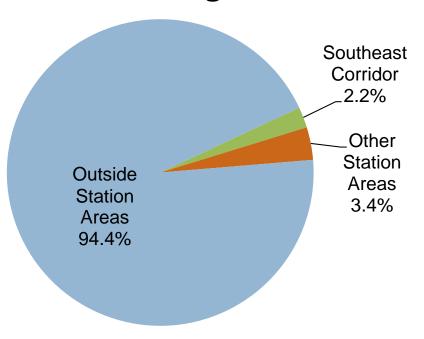


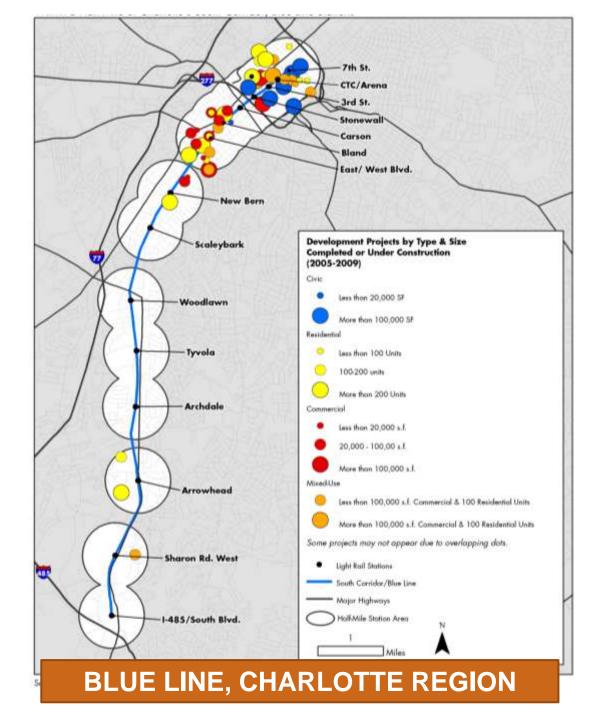
New Transit Corridors Attracted More than their "Fair Share" of Development Based on Land Area

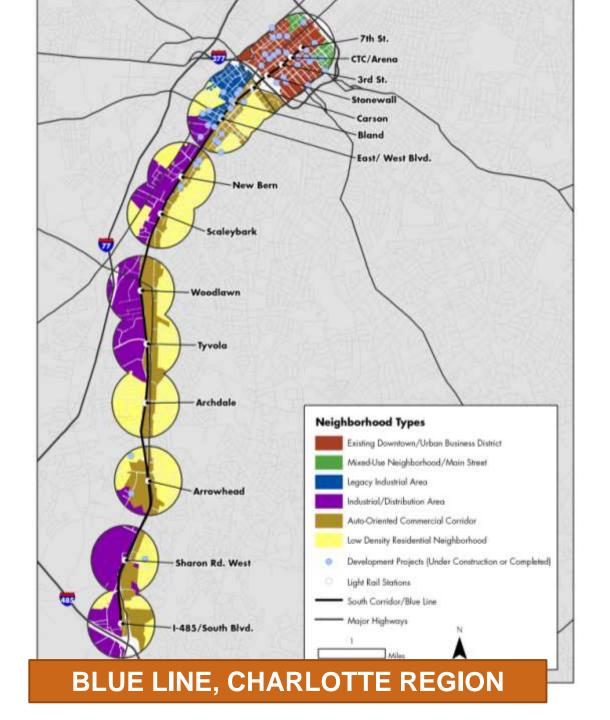




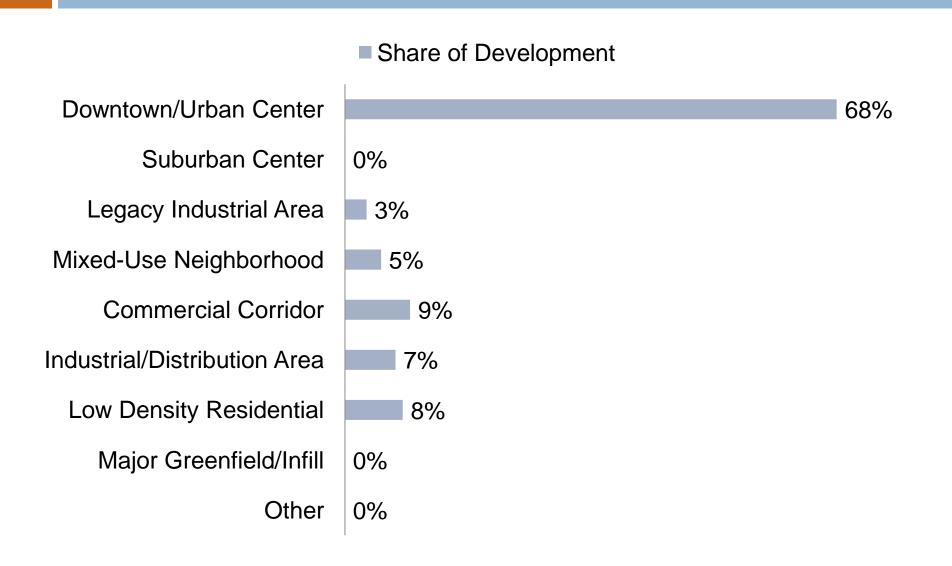
Housing Development in the Region



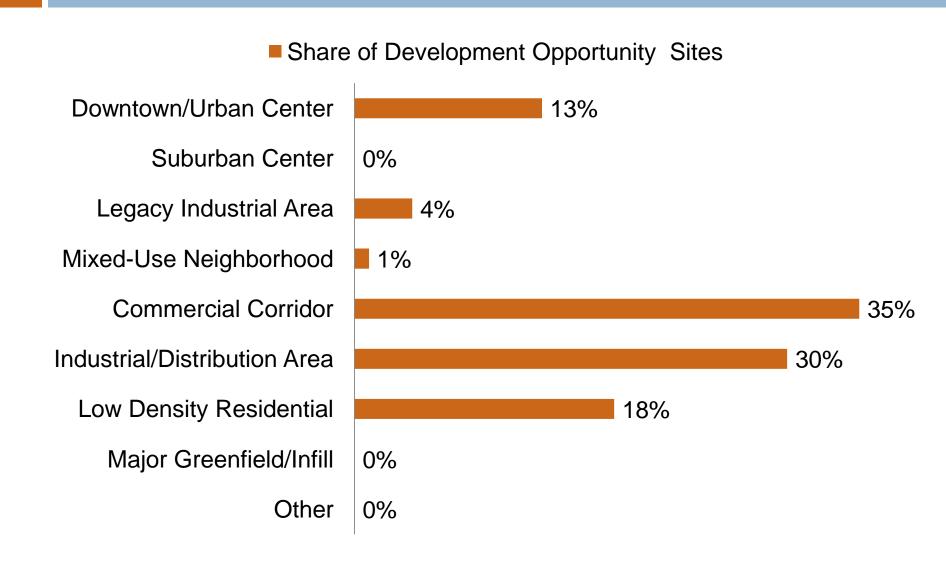




Charlotte Development



Charlotte Development Opportunity Sites



Residential Development Near Transit in the Last Market Cycle

WHAT:

 Mostly condos built for the higher end of the market; some apartments

WHERE:

- In and adjacent to downtowns
 - +/- ¾ of all development so far along the Blue and Hiawatha Lines
- In suburban employment centers
 - 61% of Denver SE Corridor development despite availability of "greenfield" TOD sites
- In neighborhoods that have been the focus of strategic efforts to promote infill development





Meeting the Demand for TOD

- Finding ways to take advantage of opportunity sites in infill locations will be critical
 - Infrastructure investments
 - Connectivity improvements
 - Neighborhood amenities, e.g. parks
- We need to be realistic about what the market can provide
 - Only certain places can achieve high enough price points or rents to justify higher density, mixed-use development
 - Zoning and other land use policies help to set market expectations, but don't dictate development
 - Over shooting the market can have negative consequences

Related CTOD Research

- Rails to Real Estate, 2011
 A retrospective look at development along three recently constructed light rail lines in the Denver, Charlotte, and Twin Cities regions http://www.ctod.org/portal/node/2302
- October 2012: Development Context and TOD
 A follow-up to Rails to Real Estate that looks more closely at the context for development near transit