Metro Vancouver: Governance & Growth

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Lambda Alpha International – Land Economics Week
Member Jurisdictions

Population: 2.5 million

Land Area: 287,736 ha
21 municipalities, one Treaty First Nation and one electoral area working together for a livable region.
Metro Vancouver Governance

23 Member Jurisdictions

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Recommendations for action
Regional Management Plans

Regional Parks
Drinking Water
Liquid Waste
Solid Waste
Affordable Housing
Regional Growth
Air Quality
Food System
Corporate Climate Change
Ecological Health
Supplemental Plans
“...Promote human settlement that is socially, economically and environmentally healthy and that makes efficient use of public facilities and services, land and other resources.”

Local Government Act
Regional Planning Context

• Contain and structure ongoing growth
• Support a prosperous economy
• Protect important lands (industrial, agricultural, conservation/recreation)
• Create complete and connected communities
• Support better mobility choices
Goal 1  Create a Compact Urban Area

Goal 2  Support a Sustainable Economy

Goal 3  Protect the Environment and Respond to Climate Change

Goal 4  Develop Complete Communities

Goal 5  Support Sustainable Transportation Choices
Collaboration is Key

- Partners in Planning
- Transportation: TransLink
- Housing: BC Housing/Provincial Government
- Many more partners
The Mayors’ 10-Year Vision for Metro Vancouver

The Phase One Plan will improve transportation across the region.
Goal 1: Create A Compact Urban Area
Metro Vancouver’s Historic Growth Trends

Census 2011-2016
- Population +150,000 / 30,000/yr
- Dwellings +70,000 / 14,000 /yr

Average past 30 years
- Population 33,000 per year
- Dwellings 14,000 per year

Housing
- Population
- Housing


Population: 150,000
Housing: 70,000
Municipal Population Growth 1971-2016

- Vancouver: 19% of Growth
- Surrey: 33%
- Burnaby: 6%
- Richmond: 5%
- Coquitlam: 8%
- Langley: 9%
Goal 1: Create a Compact Urban Area

Strategy 1.1:
Contain Urban Development within the Urban Containment Boundary

Summary Measure – Urban Containment

- percent of regional dwelling unit growth located within the Urban Containment Boundary
- **Metro 2040 Target** - 98%
Goal 1: Create a Compact Urban Area

Strategy 1.2:
Focus Growth in Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Areas

Summary Measures – Growth in Priority Areas

- percent of regional dwelling unit growth located in Urban Centres
  Metro 2040 Target – 40%
- percent of regional dwelling unit growth located in Frequent Transit Development Areas
  Metro 2040 Target – 28%
Net Dwelling Unit Growth

2011 - 2016

70,000 Units
# Metro 2040 Growth Concept – On Track

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Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy
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Strategy 2.1: Promote land development patterns that support a diverse regional economy and employment close to where people live
Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy

Strategy 2.2: Protect the supply of industrial land
Protect Important Lands:

Industrial & Mixed Employment
Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy

Strategy 2.3: Protect the supply of agricultural land and promote agricultural viability with an emphasis on food production
Protect Important Lands: Agricultural
Regional Prosperity

- Coordinated Economic Development at a Regional Level
- Direction through Board Strategic Plan
- External Pressure (Port, BoT)
The Regional Prosperity Initiative

• Absence of a collaborative, strategic approach to regional prosperity

• The Regional Prosperity Initiative will create a new regional organization bringing together business, academic and civic leaders
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Vision
Collaborating to advance shared economic prosperity, livability & sustainability in Canada’s Pacific gateway.

Mission
The Partnership will:

• Connect people, enterprises, academic institutions & governments to optimize economic development & quality of life.
• Research & promote the region’s attributes, assets & opportunities.
• Lead & catalyze projects to strengthen a distinct, sustainable & high performing urban region.
Activities & strategic priorities

COLLABORATION

RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

MARKETING & PROMOTION

HIGH IMPACT PROJECTS

Aligning people, enterprises, academic institutions & government around regional priorities for economic prosperity

Cooperation on actions to strengthen a distinct, sustainable & high performing urban region
Metro 2040 Dashboard
Metro 2040

PERFORMANCE MONITORING DASHBOARD

This dashboard tracks progress toward the five goals set out in Metro Vancouver’s regional growth strategy. Performance is evaluated on an ongoing basis as data becomes available, and is indicated by:

✔ on track  🔄 may not be on track  ⏳ waiting for data  👀 observing
GOAL 1: CREATE A COMPACT URBAN AREA

THE GOAL

Make sure growth and development happens in the right places to use our limited land base efficiently while protecting important lands for future generations.

- ✓ on track
- ! may not be on track
- ○ waiting for data
- ✝ observing

HOW ARE WE DOING

Contain Development

Since 2011, ninety-nine percent of the region's development occurred within the Urban Containment Boundary, helping to protect important lands and reduce utility costs.

Grow in the Right Places

Much of the region's growth has occurred in Urban Centres and areas with transit services, creating complete communities and reducing transit infrastructure costs.

Protect Rural Landscapes

Minimal growth has occurred in the region's rural areas, reducing utility expansion costs and reinforcing the Urban Containment Boundary.
PERFORMANCE DATA

Population
2,512,000 residents in 2016

Employment
1,266,600 jobs in 2015

Housing
970,000 dwelling units in 2016

Contain Sprawl
99% of growth is within Urban Containment Boundary

Urban Centres
26 Urban Centres in the region in 2016

Frequent Transit Development Areas (FTDAs)
13 FTDAs in the region 2015

Growth in Centres
39% of growth was in Urban Centres in 2016

Population in Centres & FTDAs
488,125 residents in Urban Centres and FTDAs in 2011
GROWTH IN PRIORITY AREAS

KEY SUMMARY MEASURE

By focusing growth in Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Areas, rather than by spreading growth across lands with a General Urban designation within the Urban Containment Boundary, municipalities create the critical mass for jobs and services and the efficient delivery of transit, sewers, and other infrastructure.

METRO 2040 VISION

40% of dwelling unit growth is targeted to Urban Centres, 28% is targeted to Frequent Transit Development Areas (FTDAs).

ON TRACK

39% of 2016 dwelling unit growth occurred in Urban Centres (data is not yet available for FTDAs).

Metro Vancouver 2011 Stats

- Metro Core
- Surrey Metro Centre
- RCCs
- MTCs
- FTDAs