

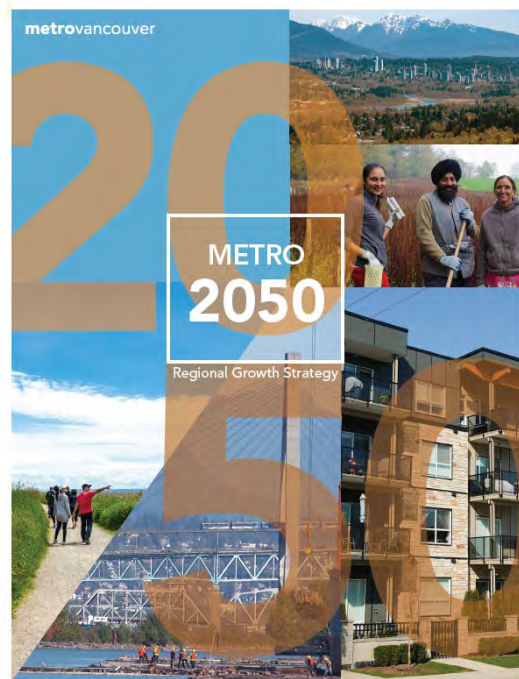
Regional Planning Bulletin

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Metro 2050: Regional Growth Strategy

On February 24, 2023 the Metro Vancouver Board adopted Metro 2050, the regional growth strategy. Metro 2050 replaces Metro 2040 as the region's long-range land use policy plan for accommodating a projected 1 million new residents, 500,000 new housing units, and 500,000 new jobs over the next 30 years.

Beginning in 2019, Metro Vancouver Regional Planning staff engaged closely with staff and elected officials from affected local governments, the Province, TransLink and other regional agencies, local First Nations, and the general public to identify priorities and preferred policy solutions to help us collectively respond to the challenges and opportunities facing this region. Metro 2050 was developed in close coordination with TransLink's Transport 2050 and Climate 2050 to ensure alignment with the region's new long-term transportation strategy and climate action plans. You can find and read a copy of Metro 2050 below, and learn more about the development of the new strategy [here](#).



[View Metro 2050](#)

Now that Metro 2050 is adopted, the next step will be to prepare Implementation Guidelines. Also, all Member Jurisdictions are required to submit a Regional Context Statement demonstrating consistency between local Official Community Plans (or equivalent) and Metro 2050 within two years. Metro

Vancouver staff are available to provide support and answer any questions. Please contact regionalplanning@metrovancover.org.

Metro Vancouver staff thank everyone who participated in the development of Metro 2050. The input we received helped to make the final version of Metro 2050 a true reflection of our collective vision for a more equitable, prosperous, and sustainable future.

E-Commerce Impacts on the Region's Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems

In support of the policy actions of Metro 2050 and the Regional Industrial Lands Strategy, Metro Vancouver commissioned the E-Commerce Impacts on Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems study. The study was completed by Colliers Strategy & Consulting Group, and received by the Metro Vancouver Board on February 24, 2023.

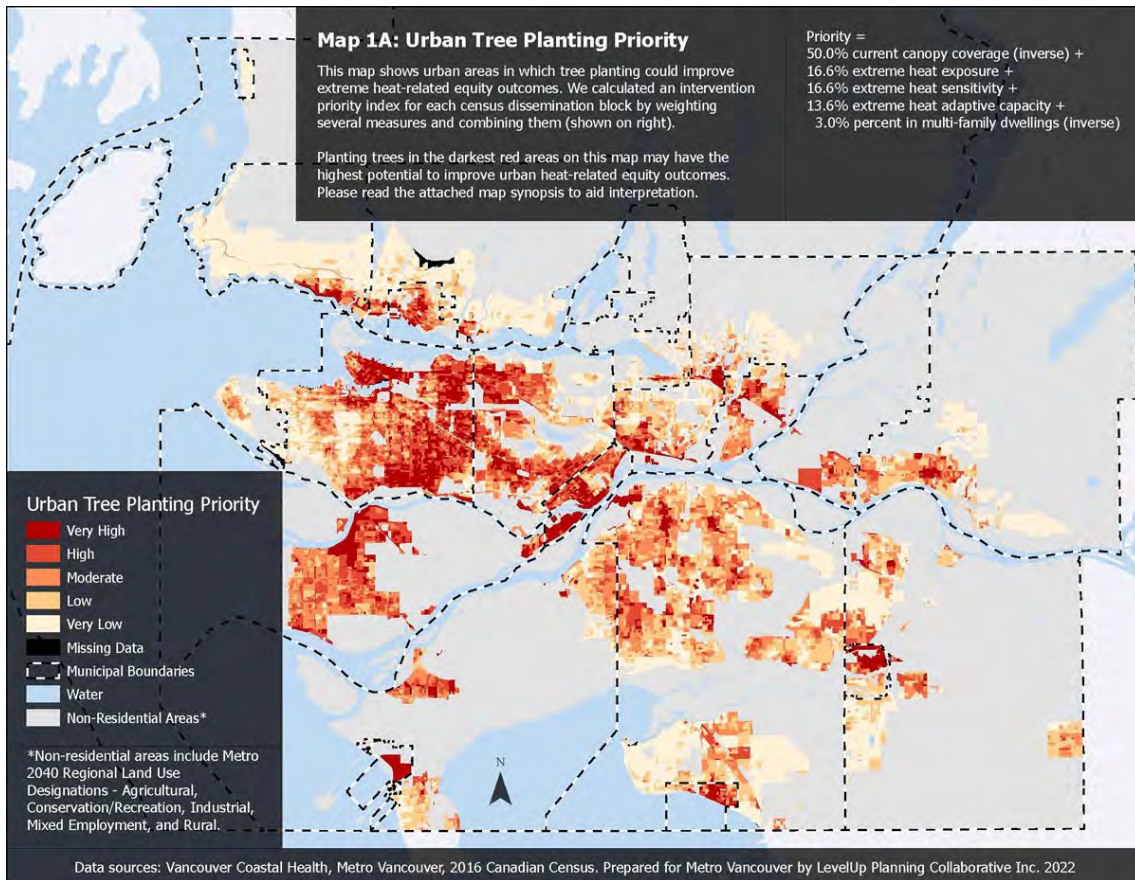
Metro Vancouver is hosting a free public webinar to present and discuss the findings of the study on Thursday, March 30 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

You can find and read a copy of the study [here](#), and you can learn more about Metro Vancouver's role in protecting and promoting the region's supply of industrial land and **register for Metro Vancouver's free E-Commerce Webinar** below.



[Register for the webinar](#)

Social Equity Spatial Analysis Case Studies – Final Report



The final report of the Social Equity Spatial Analysis Case Studies is now complete and is available for review below. The final report includes 4 case study summaries each with an accompanying map, developed using social equity spatial data. These case studies demonstrate how planners can use social equity spatial data to help prioritize planning interventions to support more equitable outcomes and better decision-making.

[View the final report here](#)

Given the regional scale of this work, additional local analysis and community engagement would be required in the use of this information for local and community-scaled planning. Map data is available on request to member jurisdictions to support that work by contacting regionalplanning@metrovancover.org.

Metro Vancouver Housing Data Book



The Metro Vancouver Housing Data Book was updated in December 2022. The data book is a great resource for policy makers, researchers, and members of the public who are interested in local housing trends in the Metro Vancouver region. It contains a large collection of regional and municipal level housing data from a variety of sources, such as [Statistics Canada](#), [Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation](#), [BC Housing](#), local real estate associations, and member jurisdictions, among others. This latest edition also includes housing-related data from the 2021 Census of Population that was released in late 2022, as well as 2022 data on BC Housing social housing waitlists and benchmark home sale prices. The Data Book and all Excel data tables are available for download below.

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