# **REDEVELOPING AREA NET RESIDENTIAL DENSITY**

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#### Average Residential Density of the Redeveloping Area



#### **Density by Zones** (Edmonton Zoning Bylaw 12800)



\*This report was prepared by the Urban Growth Unit (Planning and Environment Services) as part of the set of 2022 Growth Monitoring products. The dwelling unit, built year, lot size, and land use type information are taken from current year land use, property information, civic addressing and building permits corporate datasets (<a href="https://data.edmonton.ca/">https://data.edmonton.ca/</a>).





The forcus of this page of the report is the Redeveloping Area, which includes already established residential and non-residential areas that have gone through their first development lifecycle and are positioned for ongoing adaptation in the future. This area is generally defined as encompassing lands located within Anthony Henday Drive (AHD) and will be supported by concentrated development in nodes and along corridors (strategic hubs and streets for living, working and moving), as outlined in The City Plan (page 140).

Average Net Residential Density refers to the spatial concentration of dwelling units in an area. It is calculated by dividing the total number of residential dwelling units by the total amount of net residential land. Net residential land excludes non-residential areas such as open spaces and road right-of-ways.

From 2021 to 2022, the average net residential density increased slightly in the majority of districts, with the most notable increase in Scona District. The average net residential density in the redeveloping area remains at 31 dwelling units per net residential hectare (du/nrha). The Central district has the highest net residential density at 77 du/nrha.

When density is considered by zone, the median net residential density ranges from around 20 du/nrha in Single Detached Residential Zones (RF1, RPL, RSL) to over 300 du/nrha in High-Rise Apartment Zones (RA9) and to over 450 du/nrha in Residential Mixed Use Zone (RMU) in the redeveloping area of the city. The median net residential densities of 25 du/nrha in Residential Sones (RSL) and 30 du/nrha in Planned Lot Residential Zones (RPL) are higher than the older RF1(17 du/nrha) found in the redeveloping area.

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#### Annual Built Net Residential Density



There are 96 residential neighbourhoods in the Developing Area of the city. As of December 2022, 10 neighbourhoods are in the planning stage (no approved Neighbourhood Structure Plan (NSP)) and 86 neighbourhoods are in the developing stage. Of the 86 developing neighbourhoods, 15 neighbourhoods had NSPs repealed and 71 neighbourhoods have NSPs (or NASPs) in effect. Of the 71 neighbourhoods with plans in effect, 23 neighbourhoods have 95 to 100 per cent of the single family and semi-detached (low density) residential lots registered and 9 neighbourhoods have no low density residential lots registered. A total of 39 neighbourhoods are actively developing.

Of the 71 developing neighbourhoods with plans in effect, 48 have NSPs that were approved on or before 2010. Older NSPs typically have lower planned residential densities, while more recent NSPs have planned densities greater than 35 du/nrha. These recent NSPs contain a more balanced range of dwelling types, reflecting the regional and municipal land use policy changes that have occured since 2010.

The planned densities for developing area neighbourhoods meet or exceed the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board (EMRB) density targets that were in effect when the plans were approved. Some neighbourhoods like Heritage Valley Town Centre and Cashman in the Southwest district, and Clareview Town Centre and Gorman in the Northeast district have density targets higher than 90 du/nrha. In general, developing neighbourhoods in the Southwest district have higher planned densities than other districts.

The annual built residential density has been increasing continuously over the past 10 years from 28 du/nrha in 2012 to 36 du/nrha in 2022. A setback in 2021 (33 du/nrha) is attributed to increased demand for low density dwelling unit development as a result of the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic\*.

\*See CHBA Housing Market Index Q12022 updates.

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**Neighbourhood Planned Net Residential** 

The Developing Area includes new residential and non-residential growth opportunities within Edmonton's current boundary. This area is located primarily outside Anthony Henday Drive but does not include the future growth area (lands south of 41st Avenue SW).

Planned Net Residential Density refers to the spatial concentration of planned dwelling units in an area designated for residential purposes. It is calculated by dividing the total number of residential dwelling units by the total amount of net residential land. Net residential land excludes non-residential areas such as open spaces and road right-of-ways.

New neighbourhoods on the outer boundaries of the city may initially have low dwelling unit densities because development is in its early stages and single detached homes tend to be developed first. As the neighbourhood approaches completion, the built densities approach the planned densities and may even exceed them in some areas.

Annual Built Net Residential Density reports on the current year built dwelling unit density. It is calculated by dividing the current year built dwelling units by the total net residential land developed annually. The annual built net residential density reflects the development trend and housing supply composition in the developing area of the city.

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| ID | Neighbourhood               | Planned<br>Density | Built Density<br>(2022) |
|----|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1  | GOODRIDGE CORNERS           | 42                 | 0                       |
| 2  | ALBANY                      | 41                 | 49                      |
| 3  | RAPPERSWILL                 | 31                 | 28                      |
| 4  | CANOSSA                     | 18                 | 25                      |
| 5  | HORSE HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD 1A | 31                 | 0                       |
| 7  | CARLTON                     | 21                 | 26                      |
| 10 | KLARVATTEN                  | 24                 | 25                      |
| 11 | CRYSTALLINA NERA WEST       | 38                 | 40                      |
| 12 | CRYSTALLINA NERA EAST       | 35                 | 35                      |
| 13 | SCHONSEE                    | 39                 | 36                      |
| 14 | MCCONACHIE                  | 33                 | 36                      |
| 15 | CYBECKER                    | 34                 | 30                      |
| 16 | EAUX CLAIRES                | 49                 | 36                      |
| 21 | HOLLICK-KENYON              | 22                 | 28                      |
| 23 | GORMAN                      | 105                | 0                       |
| 24 | EBBERS                      | 42                 | 30                      |
| 25 | CLAREVIEW TOWN CENTRE       | 111                | 78                      |
| 26 | FRASER                      | 29                 | 26                      |
| 27 | RURAL NORTH EAST HORSE HILL | 26                 | 0                       |
| 28 | MARQUIS                     | 40                 | 0                       |
| 29 | RURAL NORTH EAST            | 31                 | 0                       |
| 30 | HUDSON                      | 23                 | 27                      |
| 31 | TAMARACK                    | 35                 | 44                      |
| 32 | MAPLE                       | 35                 | 41                      |
| 33 | ASTER                       | 34                 | 33                      |
| 34 | LAUREL                      | 31                 | 36                      |
| 35 | ELLERSLIE                   | 18                 | 33                      |
| 36 | CHARLESWORTH                | 35                 | 35                      |
| 37 | ALCES                       | 36                 | 0                       |
| 39 | WALKER                      | 35                 | 35                      |
| 40 | THE ORCHARDS AT ELLERSLIE   | 32                 | 35                      |
| 41 | MATTSON                     | 34                 | 0                       |
| 42 | MELTWATER                   | 45                 | 0                       |
| 44 | DECOTEAU                    | 34                 | 0                       |
| 46 | MACTAGGART                  | 36                 | 26                      |
| 47 | WINDERMERE                  | 24                 | 26                      |
| 48 | KESWICK                     | 34                 | 30                      |
| 49 | WINDERMERE AREA             | 27                 | 0                       |
| 50 | AMBLESIDE                   | 38                 | 40                      |
| 51 | GLENRIDDING HEIGHTS         | 37                 | 31                      |

### **Planned Net Residential Density**



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