Changes in the Urbanized Area for Metropolitan Washington

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Presentation overview

Definitions and background

- A look at the 2010 Census Urbanized Areas
 - Notable changes
 - Observations and implications

Definitions & Background

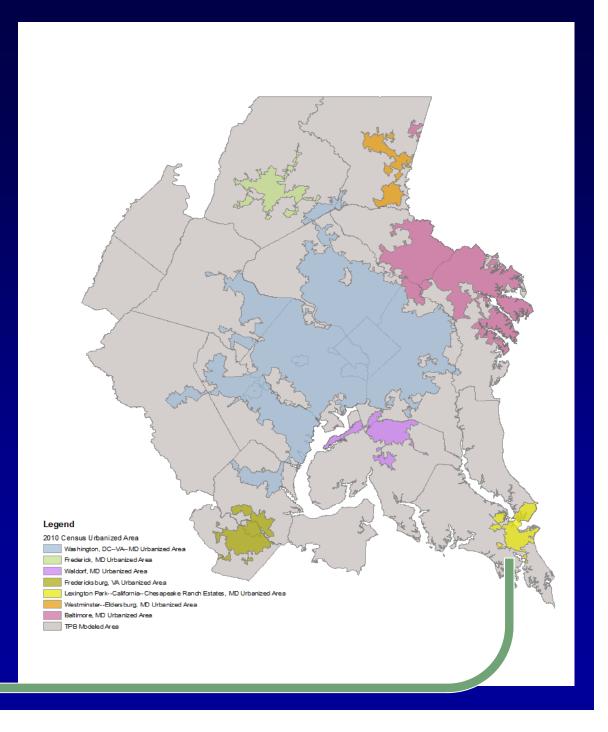
- Product of the Census Bureau
 - Delineated after the decennial Census
 - Distinction between urban and rural land
 - Expressly not developed for non-statistical purposes
 - Just released on 27 March 2012

- Based on population counts/density
 - Urbanized Areas (UA) over 50,000 persons
 - Urban Clusters (UC) between 2,500 and 50,000 persons
 - Rural designation for other areas not UA or UC

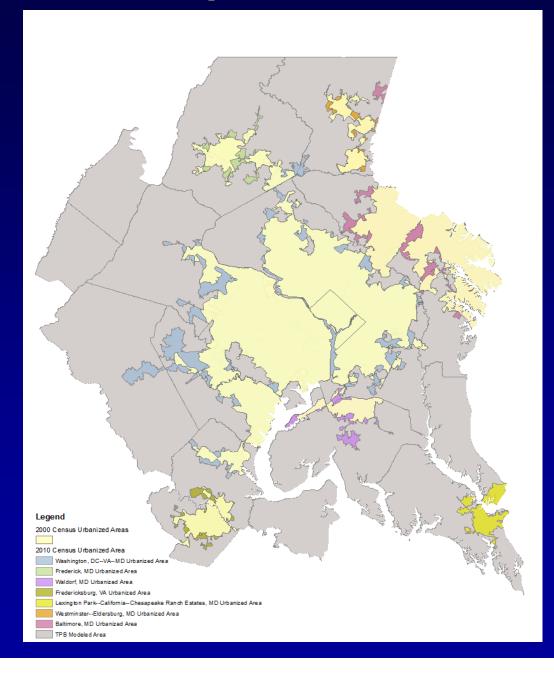
2010 Urbanized Areas for the TPB Modeled Area

- Seven Urbanized Areas within the modeled area
- Growth around all current UAs
- New urbanized area in Calvert/St. Mary's Counties-

Chesapeake Ranch Estates-Drum Point, MD Urban Cluster has become the Lexington Park--California--Chesapeake Ranch Estates, MD Urbanized Area



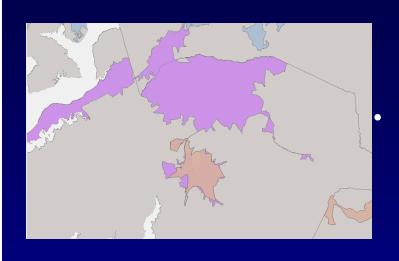
Comparison of 2000 and 2010 Census



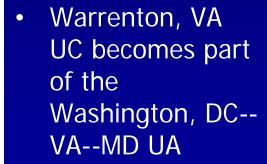
Urbanized Areas

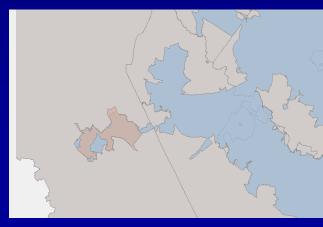
- Urbanization expanding throughout the modeled region
- The Washington, DC--VA--MD UA and the Fredericksburg, VA UA still remain separate urbanized areas
- Several 2000 Urban
 Clusters are now part of 2010 Urbanized Areas

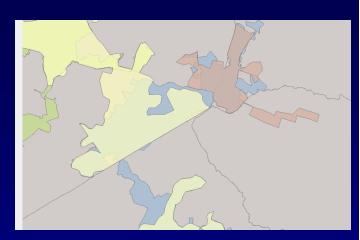
UCs to UAs, UAs to UAs



La Plata becomes part of the Waldorf UA







- Mount Airy, MD UC becomes part of the Washington, DC--VA--MD UA
- Part of the 2000
 Frederick MD UA
 becomes part of the
 Washington, DC--VA- MD UA