MWCOG Cooperative Forecasting Subcommittee

Population and Employment Forecast Methods



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Presentation Outline

- Forecast Method
 - Population
 - Employment
- Forecast Model

 Coordination with Arlington Public Schools





Background: Population 1950-2010

- From 1950-1980, the average household size steadily declined.
- Since 1980...
 - 1) The average household size has remained just above 2 persons per household.
 - Non-family households have grown much faster than family households, adding over 20,000 nonfamily households.



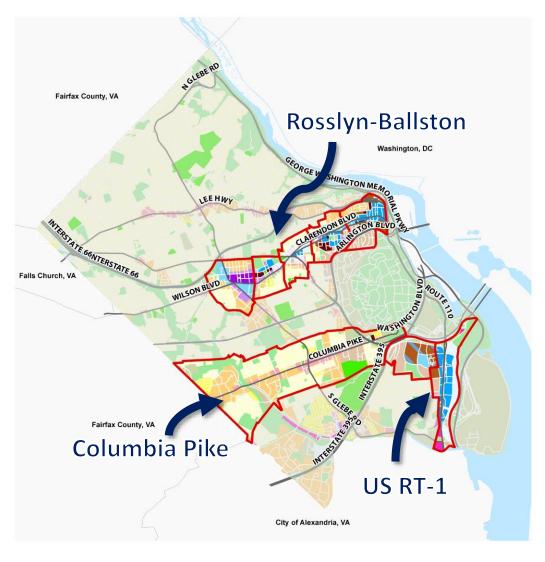


Background: Metro Corridors Development





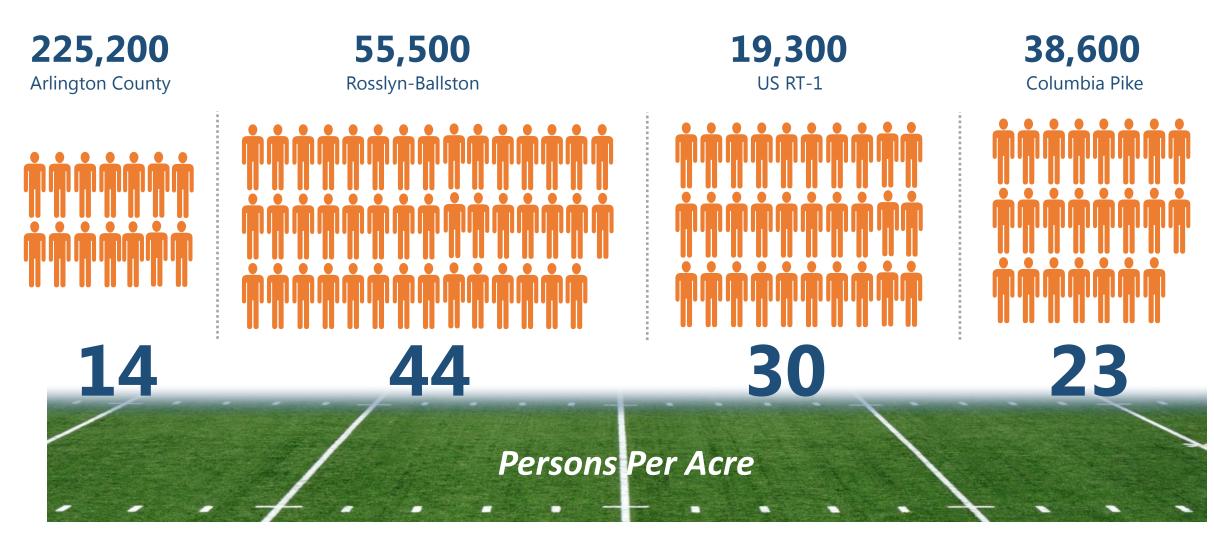
Background: Metro Corridors Development



- Concentrate density in the planning corridors:
 - Rosslyn-Ballston
 - US RT-1
 - Columbia Pike
- Preserve single family neighborhoods.
- ½ Population Resides in corridors = 22% of land



Background: 2018 Estimated Population Density



1 Acre = Football Field Between 5-Yard Lines



Step 1: Develop Current Year Development Base

- 2010 Census Housing Units + Net New Housing = Current Year Base
- 2010 Employment Base (current office vacancy rate) + Net New Commercial Development

Step 2: Determine Development Potential

• The General Land Use Plan (GLUP), County Board approved site plans, phased development site plans, sector plans, small area plans, and the zoning ordinance

Step 3: Calibration and Timing

• Historic absorptions rates are calculated for multifamily housing units, office square footage and retail square footage.

Step 4: Calculate Population and Employment

• Apply factors: occupancy, average households size, office vacancy rate, space conversion factors



Step 1: Develop Current Year Development Base

Housing Unit Base

2010 Census Housing Units + Net New Housing Units

(Household and Population Base)

Employment Base

2010 Employment Base (current office vacancy rate) + Net New Commercial Development

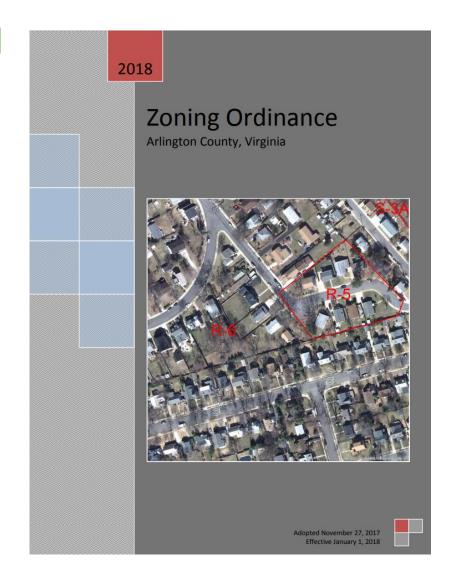
(GSA lease and Pentagon data)

Net new housing and commercial development calculation are based on the Research Team's Development Tracking Program which records all development activity on a quarterly basis.



Step 2: Determine Development Potential

- General Land Use Plan
- Zoning Ordinance
- Ballston Sector Plan (1980)
- Virginia Square Sector Plan (2002)
- Clarendon Sector Plan (2006)
- Courthouse Sector Plan Addendum (2015)
- Rosslyn Area Sector Plan (2015)
- The Rosslyn to Courthouse Urban Design Study (2003)
- Columbia Pike Revitalization Plan-Update (2005)
- Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Area Plan (2012)
- Crystal City Sector Plan (2010)
- Fort Myer Heights North Area Plan (2008)
- East Falls Church Area Plan (2011)
- Lee Highway/Cherrydale Revitalization Plan (1994)
- North Quincy Street Plan (1995)
- North Quincy Street Plan Addendum (2013)
- Nauck Village Center Action Plan (2004)
- Western Rosslyn Area Plan (2015)





Step 3: Calibration

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Development Tracking Round 9.1 Absorption Rates

RESIDENTIAL - Co	mpleted (NEV	N)											
	Arlington		BALLSTON	١	VA SQUARE	CLARENDON	COURTHOUSE	ROSSLYN	CRYSTAL CITY	PENTAGON CITY	COLUMBIA PIKE	SHIRLINGTON	OTHER AREAS
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	Arlington	BALLSTON	VA SQUARE	CLARENDON	COURTHOUSE	ROSSLYN	CRYSTAL CITY	PENTAGON CITY	COLUMBIA PIKE	SHIRLINGTON	OTHER AREAS
3Q2002-2Q2007	7,078	515	968	1,613	579	651	1,092	326	118	635	581
3Q2007-2Q2012	7,125	711	151	511	807	1,057	828	699	1,017	-	1,344
3Q2012-2Q2017	6,552	644	886	378	629	1,210	414	1,060	528		803

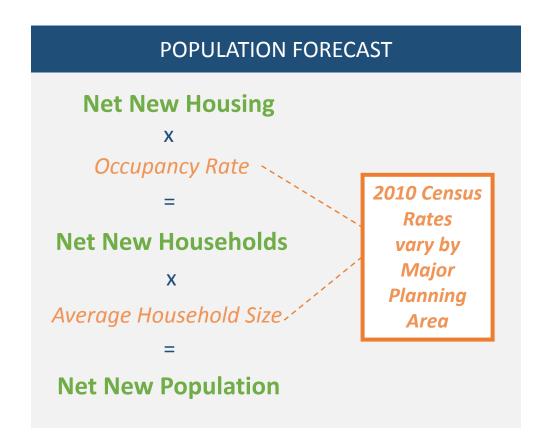
RESIDENTIAL - Co	ompleted-Demolitic	ons (NET)									
	Arlington	BALLSTON	VA SQUARE	CLARENDON	COURTHOUSE	ROSSLYN	CRYSTAL CITY	PENTAGON CITY	COLUMBIA PIKE	SHIRLINGTON	OTHER AREAS
3Q2002-2Q2007	6,257	436	951	1,613	445	215	1,092	326	75	635	469
3Q2007-2Q2012	6,577	583	115	511	807	920	828	699	1,017	0	1,097
302012-202017	6.319	601	886	378	610	1.147	414	1.060	472	0	751

RESIDENTIAL - 5	5-Year Rolling Averag	e - Detailed Stat	s (NEW)								
	Arlington	BALLSTON	VA SQUARE	CLARENDON	COURTHOUSE	ROSSLYN	CRYSTAL CITY	PENTAGON CITY	COLUMBIA PIKE	SHIRLINGTON	OTHER AREAS
Upper Limit	9,342	998	968	1,613	1,089	1,240	1,736	1,060	1,039	635	2,161
Lower Limit	4,958	305	43	378	86	621	_	-	118		285
Average	6,990	614	612	796	670	933	891	511	624	289	1,051
Median	7,078	589	721	641	615	925	828	411	528	-	933
Annual	1,384	125	134	167	134	195	156	139	111	42	182



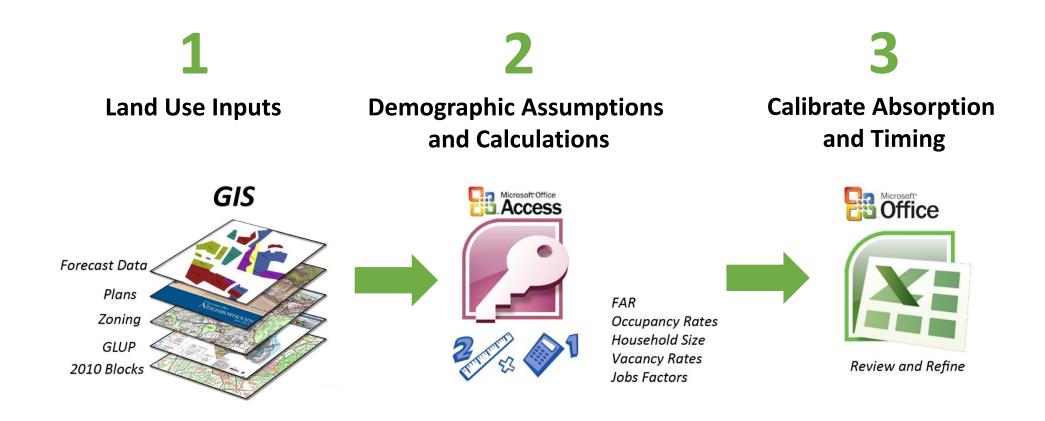
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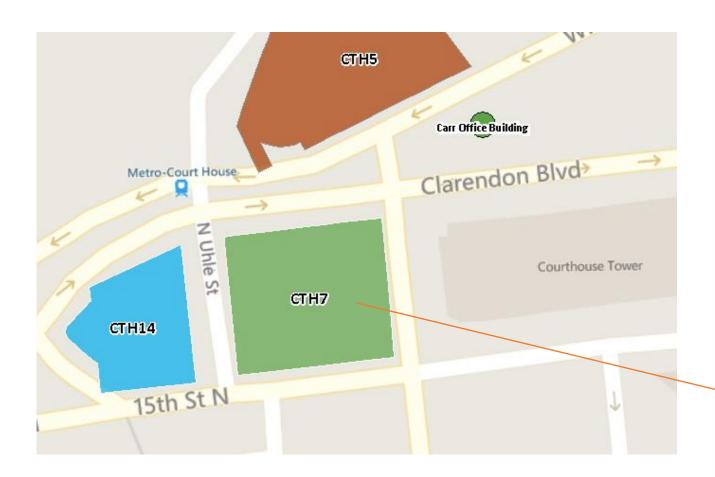
EMPLOYMENT FORECAST Net New Office Development Occupancy Rate (normalized over forecast) **Conversion Factor** (square feet per employee) **Net New Office Jobs** Repeat with static occupancy rate for retail development. Conversion factors vary by use: office, retail, other and industrial.







1. Land Use Inputs



Field	Value
OBJECTID_1	178
Shape	Polygon
OBJECTID	<null></null>
EVENT_ID	2012894
RPCMSTR	18001007
GLUP_CODE	состн
LOT_area	41889.66112
PER_res	0.9
PER_off	0
PER_retail	0.1
PER_hotel	0
PER_other	0
Block	510131018021001
DEM_res	0
DEM_off	19797
DEM_retail	22379
DEM_hotel	0
DEM_other	0
YEAR_	2025
Notes	CSP Redevelopment Site 2. Assume redevelopment of entir
AREA	COURTHOUSE
F_ID	CTH7
Shape_Length	816.649771
Shape_Area	41889.66112
NAME	Landmark Block
PLAN	Courthouse Sector Plan



2. Demographic Assumptions and Calculations

Land Use Assumptions Table

OBJECTID 💌	Code	→ Glup_Category	→ Units →	Office_Jobs 🕶	Retail_Jobs ▼	Hotel_Room →	Hotel_Jobs →	Other_Jobs -
1	LR10	Low Residential (1-10 units/acre)	4356	200	450	725	2	600
2	LR15	Low Residential (11-15 units/acre)	2904	200	450	725	2	600
3	LMR	Low-Medium Residential	1210	200	450	725	2	60
4	MR	Medium Residential	605	200	450	725	2	60
5	HMR	High-Medium Residential (3.24 FAR)	1100	200	450	725	2	60
6	HR	High Residential	1100	200	450	725	2	60

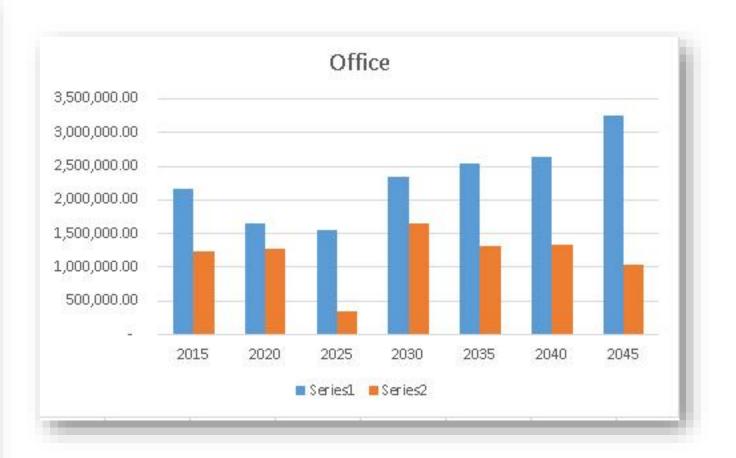
Rates Table

OBJECTID →	AREA	 Vacancy_Office_2010 - 	Vacancy_Retail_2010 ▼	Occupancy_Office_2010 -	Occupancy_Retail_2010 •	Residential_Occupancy -	Residential_HH_Size -
1 Ro	osslyn	0.07695	0.06	0.92305	0.94	0.892163950824958	1.72833333333333
2 Co	ourthouse	0.11415	0.06	0.88585	0.94	0.953508369118224	2.07304347826087
3 Cla	arendon	0.04955	0.06	0.95045	0.94	0.946186429442071	2.4219512195122
4 Vi	rginia Square	0.03979	0.06	0.96021	0.94	0.917756179896453	2.16333333333333
5 Ba	allston	0.05117	0.06	0.94883	0.94	0.953536317647806	2.22380952380952
6 Cr	ystal City	0.11951	0.06	0.88049	0.94	0.760240290925207	1.53388888888888



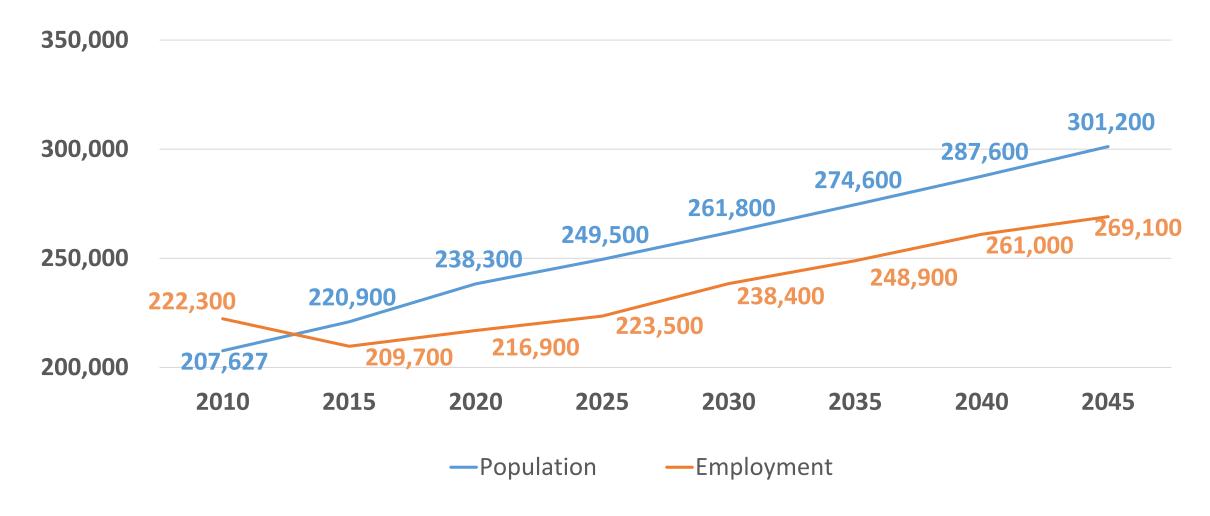
3. Calibrate Absorption and Timing

1	A	В	С		
1		27.00	1		
2	AREA	(All)			
3			2		
4			Sum of NET_OFFICE		
5	2015	2,166,266	1,233,860		
6	2020	1,649,522	1,281,992		
7	2025	1,560,921	350,982		
8	2030	2,352,308	1,655,606		
9	2035	2,550,350	1,318,237		
10	2040	2,637,266	1,327,900		
11	2045	3,251,524	1,038,831		
12	Grand Total	16,168,157	8,207,408		
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14					
15					
16		ARLINGTON			
17		NEW	NET		
18	Upper Limit	4,113,280	3,427,461		
19	LowerLimit	1,039,903	(203,684)		
20	Average	2,540,338	1,759,217		
21	Median	2,435,722	2,249,675		
22	Annual	469,548	315,161		
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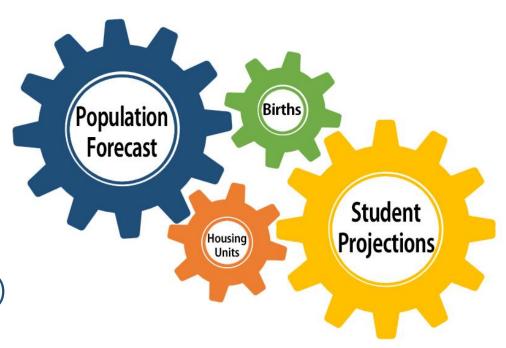
Arlington County Forecast Round 9.1





Coordination with Arlington Public Schools

- Special Housing Unit Forecast
 - Annual Housing Units and Parcel Level
 - 10-Year Forecast
 - Apply Student Generation Factors
- Cohort-Component Model
 - Forecast by Age
 - Project Birth (annually for 10-year period)





Thank you!

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