



Urban Centers

Goal: Encourage the development of higher-density, mixed-use, transit and pedestrian-oriented urban centers throughout the Denver region.

Policy: A significant portion of future regional population and employment growth will occur within recognized urban centers.

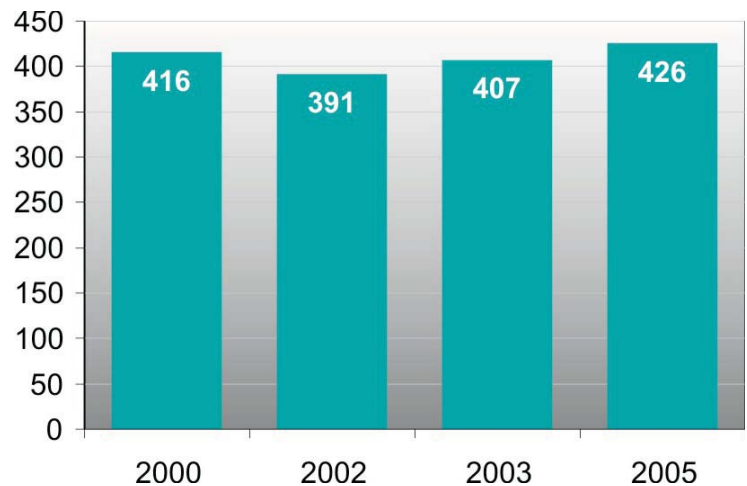
Measure: Housing and employment change within the urban centers identified in Metro Vision.

Conclusion: The continued success of urban centers depends on significant growth in both housing and employment. Although urban center employment declined between 2000 and 2002, both employment and households increased between 2002 and 2005. In 2005, urban centers contained 27 percent of total regional employment but only 6 percent of total regional housing units.

Action Steps: To promote the development of urban centers, our region can take the following actions:

- Support job-producing economic development at urban centers.
- Re-evaluate urban centers periodically to determine if they are developing as expected.
- Explore regional incentives to guide jobs into planned centers.
- Provide appropriate capacity to serve the travel demand at the urban centers.

Urban Center Employment
(Thousands)



Urban Center Housing Units
(Thousands)

