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What is Density?

“Density” is identified as the number of residences, or dwelling units (DUs), within a specific area (such as per acre or square mile).

While density might have some negative associations to some, it is an effective benchmark when analyzing a community’s development pattern.

There are many benefits of density, specifically in Hawaii where land designated for development is limited and available housing is in short supply.

Increasing density in existing neighborhoods adds additional homes without requiring a new subdivision, which generally is extremely costly and may take years to complete.

Increasing density does not need to change the overall character of the neighborhood. It can be done over time by incorporating different housing types and through infill and redevelopment efforts.

Compare the Single Family Residential and Mixed Density examples to the right:

