

# Our Plan Toronto: Land Needs Assessment

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### **Land Needs Assessment**





# What is a LNA?

- Required by the Growth Plan as part of an MCR
- Determine the total quantity of land needed to accommodate forecasted growth to the Growth Plan horizon
- Includes the need for any settlement area boundary expansions, employment land conversions, and the quantity of any excess lands
- Toronto is bounded and cannot expand, so all growth is intensification

# Why is it important to Toronto?

- Background information to the MCR, and provides context for the Employment Policies and for Strategic Growth Areas such as MTSAs
- Long-range projections are needed for land use planning, transportation planning and infrastructure needs
- Provides context for Secondary Plans, the EHON Initiatives and other policies



# **LNA Methodology**



### **Common Features**

- Time Frame the Growth Plan forecast horizon 35 years to 2051
- Alternative Growth Scenarios Growth Plan forecasts are minimums
- Community Areas

  Housing, population-related jobs, most office jobs, some employment land jobs
- Employment Areas
  Employment Land Employment i.e. employment in industrial type buildings

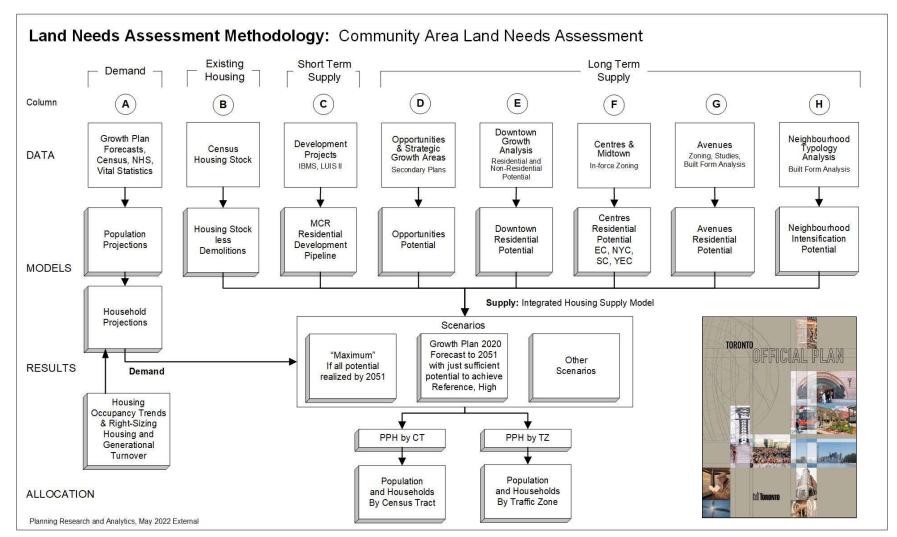
### Community Land Area Needs

- Population Forecasts
- Housing Need
- Housing Supply Potential

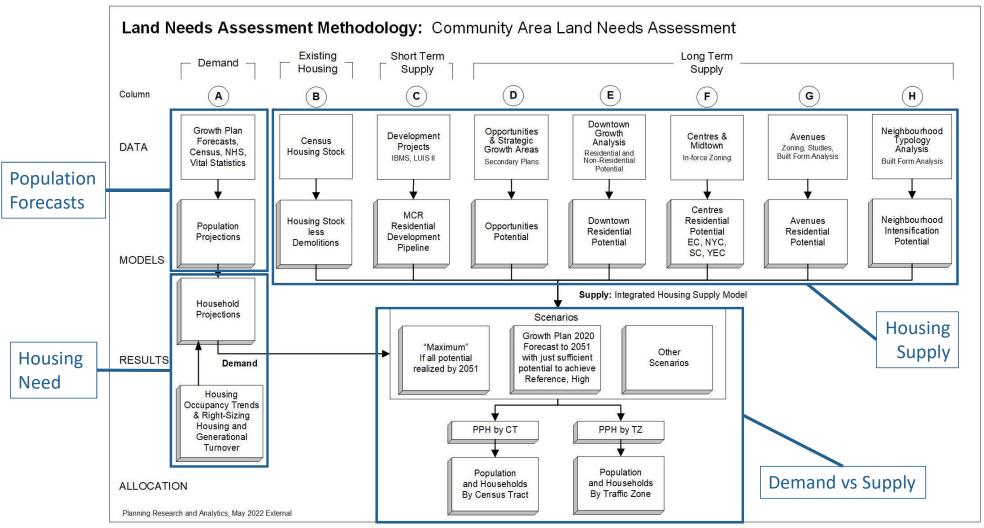
### **Employment Land Area Needs**

- Employment Forecasts
- Employment Allocation
- Employment Area Potential











### Population and Household Projections

### **Population Projections**

• Cohort – Component Model

#### **Household Projections**

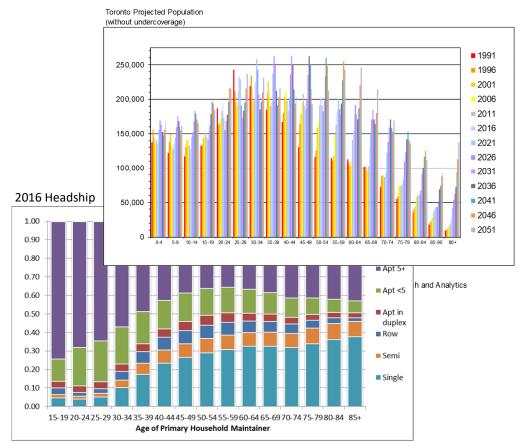
- · Housing Demand Model
- Market-based demand for housing based on demographic trends

### **Integrated Housing Supply**

- · Combined sources of supply
- Persons per household rates

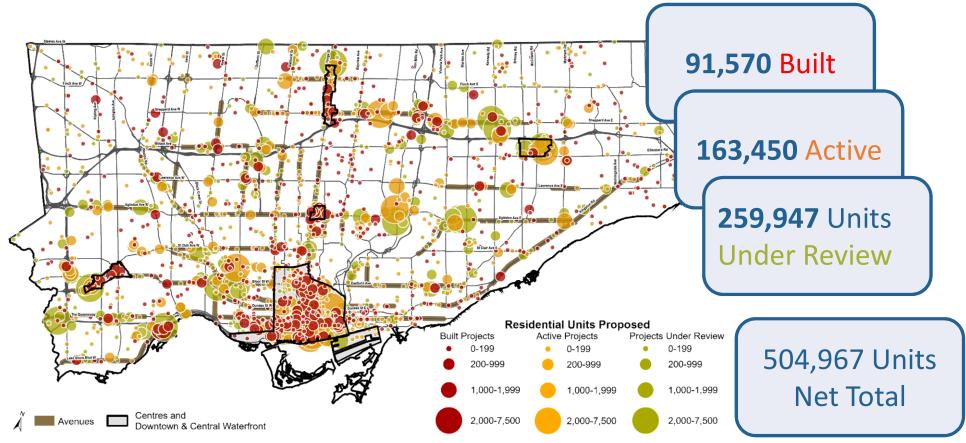
#### **Scenarios**

- Hemson 2020 Reference
- · Hemson 2020 High
- Ministry of Finance 2021
- · Maximum, if total potential were realized



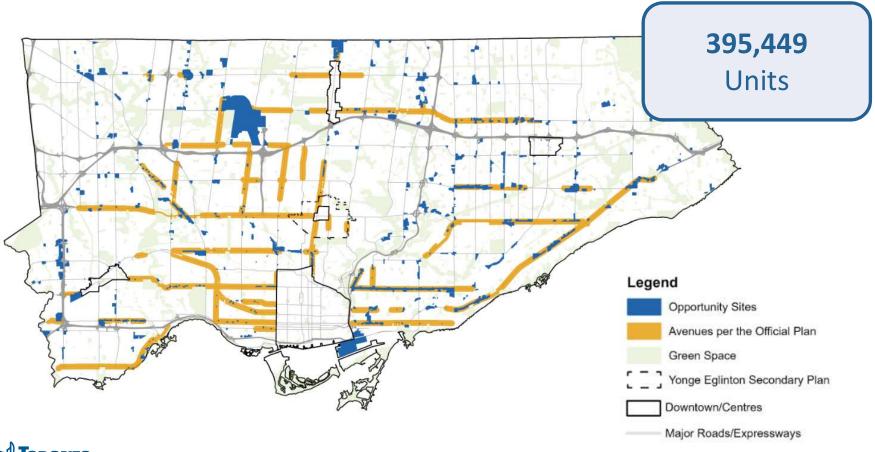


# **Development Pipeline**



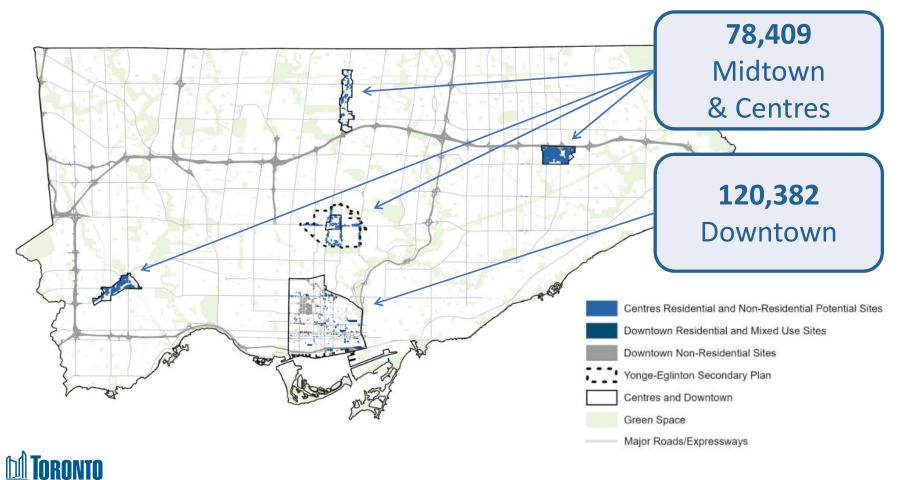


# **Major Redevelopment Opportunities**

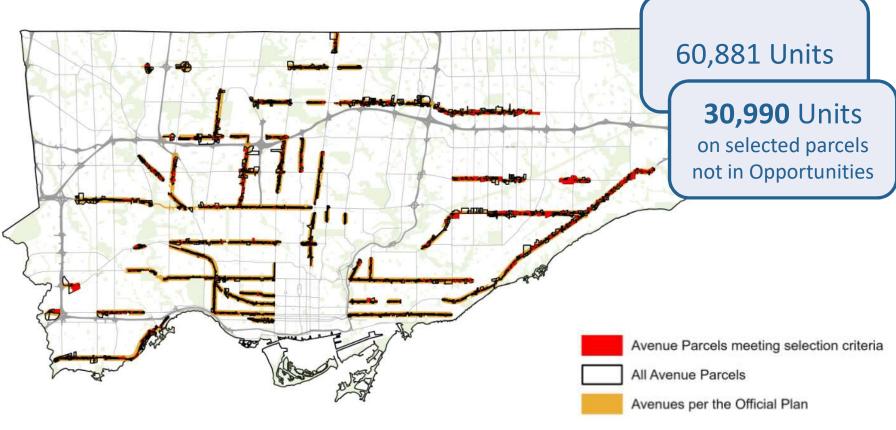




# **Downtown, Midtown and Centres**

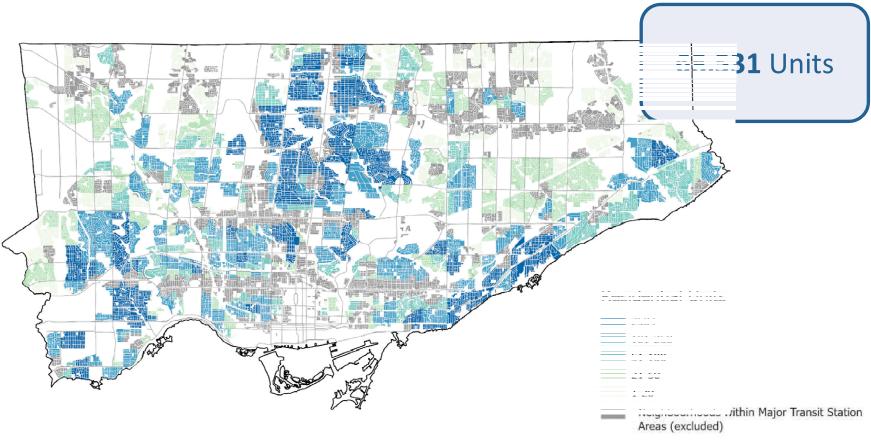


### **Avenues**



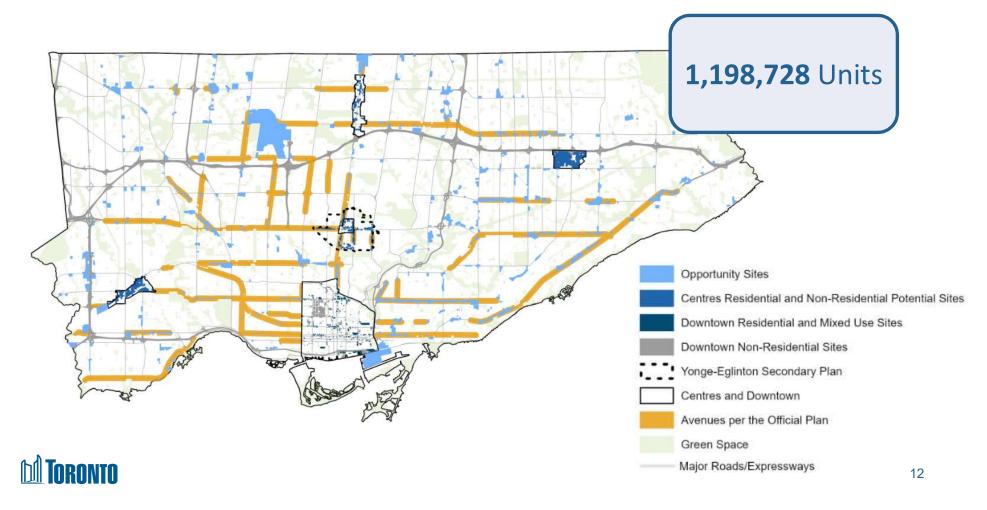


# **Neighbourhood Intensification**





# **Potential Housing Supply**



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- 2016 Census Housing is 1,112,930 occupied private dwellings
- Hemson 2020 Reference Household Forecast is 430,900 households over thirty-five years to 2051
- Translates into 562,000 households based on housing occupancy rates and 566,000 units based on potential supply
- City's Net Potential Supply is more than double the projected demand
- Ministry of Finance projections translates into 791,440 households
- City's Net Potential Supply has a surplus of 9 to 23 years depending on composition of the supply

SOURCE OF SUPPLY	Ground Related units	Mid/High rise Apartments of 5 or more storeys	TOTAL POTENTIAL UNITS	Share
MCR Pipeline Built Projects	5,468	86,102	91,570	8.0%
MCR Pipeline Active Projects	7,820	155,630	163,450	14.4%
MCR Pipeline Under Review Projects	5,194	244,753	249,947	21.9%
Opportunities Potential	14,764	380,685	395,449	34.7%
Downtown Residential Potential	1,139	119,243	120,382	10.6%
Centres Residential Potential	1,197	77,212	78,409	6.9%
Avenues Residential Potential	3,129	27,861	30,990	2.7%
Neighbourhood Intensification	68,531	0	68,531	6.0%
TOTAL POTENTIAL SUPPLY	107,242	1,091,486	1,198,728	
Estimated Demolitions	-55,835	-3,986	-59,821	- 5.3%
NET POTENTIAL SUPPLY	51,407	1,087,500	1,138,907	100.0%

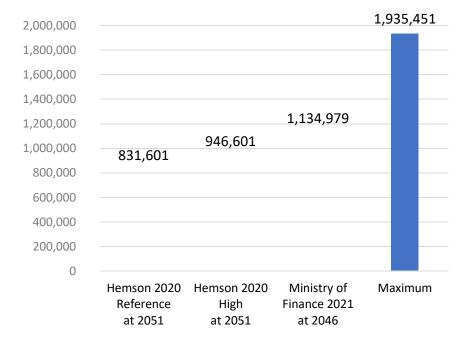


# **Population Growth**

#### **Population Forecasts and Projections**

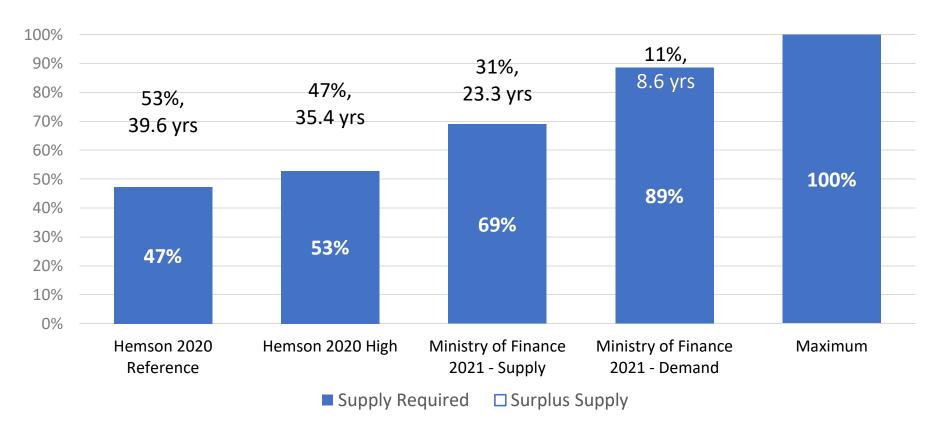
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#### Population Growth versus 2016



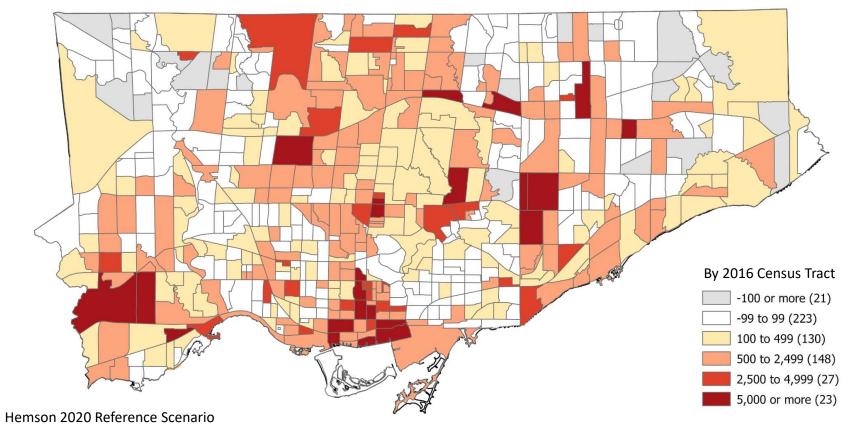


# **Supply Surplus**

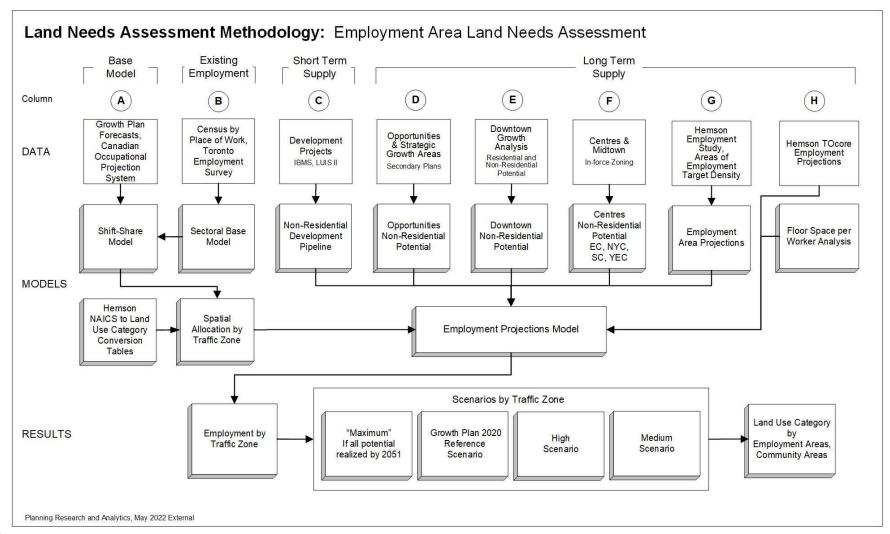




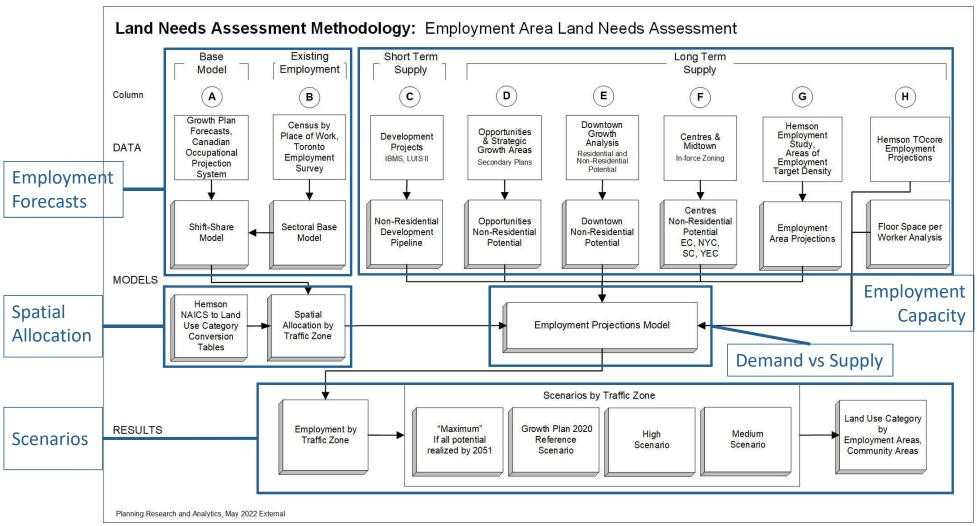
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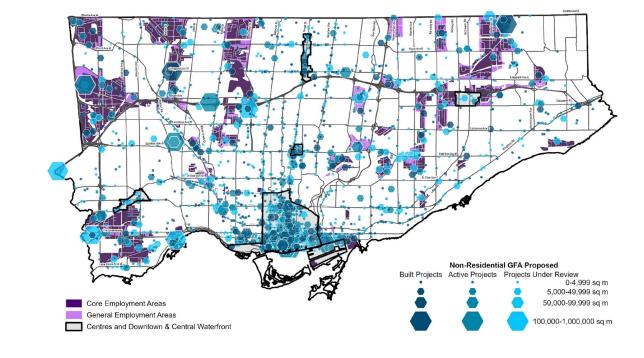






# **Development Pipeline**

- Non-Residential Development proposals
- Proposal Activity
   January 2016 to June 2021
- 12.9 million square metres non-residential gross floor area
  - 3.0 million m<sup>2</sup> Built
  - 5.2 million m<sup>2</sup> in Active projects
  - 4.7 million m<sup>2</sup> Under Review

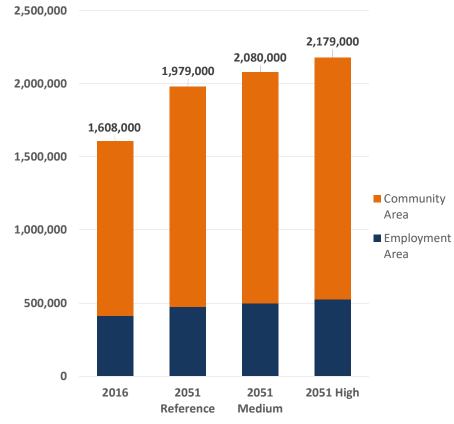




### **Projection Outcomes**

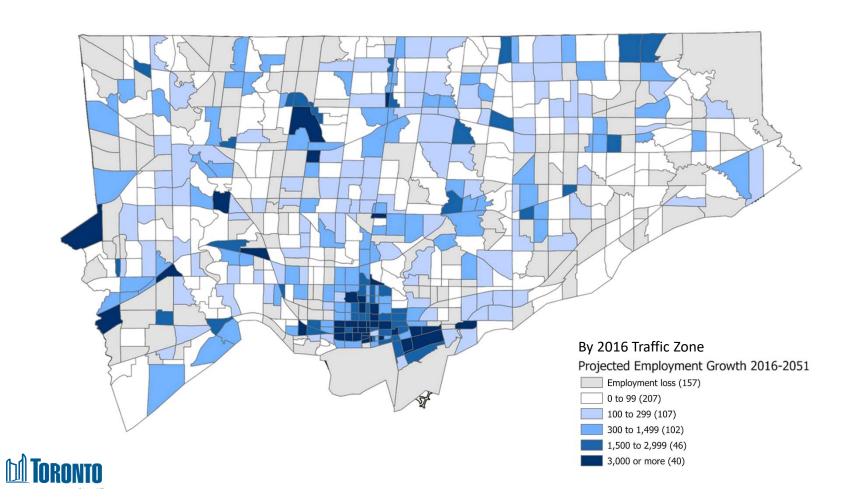
- The Growth Plan forecasts 1,979,000 jobs by 2051, an added 371,000 jobs over 35 years.
- The preferred growth scenario is the Medium Scenario.
- This projection would see Toronto reach 2,080,400 jobs by 2051, versus 1,979,000 in Schedule 3, 101,400 workers above the Growth Plan.
- It would require Toronto adding about 13,500 jobs a year, which is the same number the Employment Survey recorded Toronto adding from 2011 to 2021.

#### **Employment Projection Scenarios**

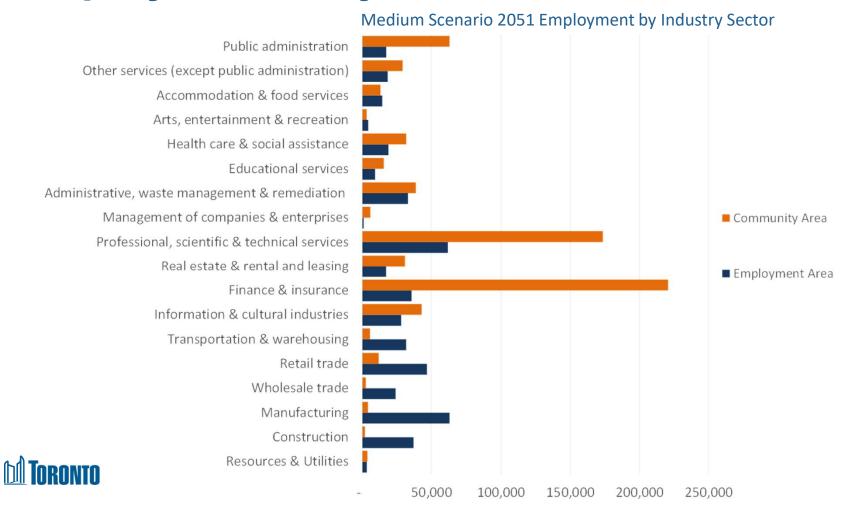




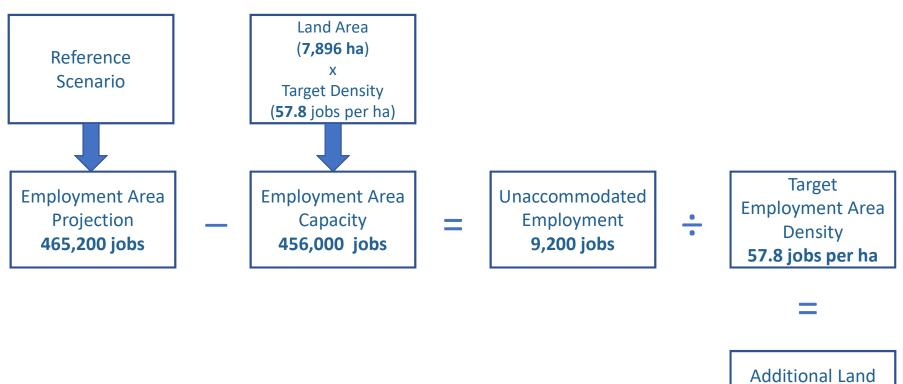
### **Projected Employment Growth 2016-2051**



### **Employment Projections**



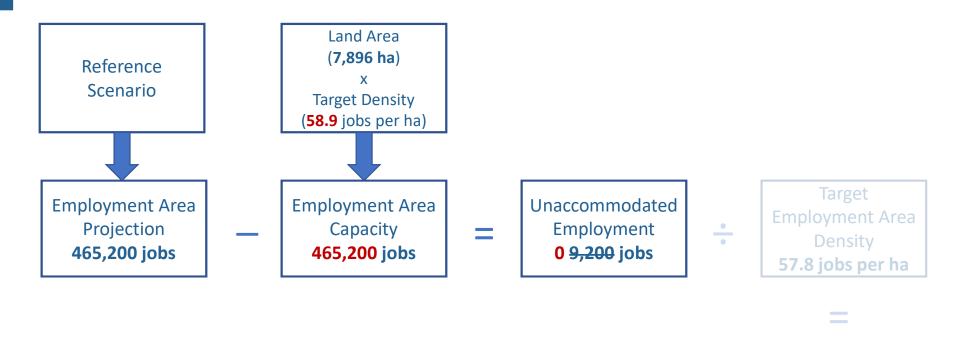
# **LNA Calculations – Constant Density**







### **LNA Calculations – Constant Land Area**



Additional Land Required 159 hectares



### **LNA Results**

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#### **Employment Area Land Needs (Jobs)**

- Toronto has a shortfall of Employment Area land needs. While we expect to be able to overcome this through higher densities, it also means that we need to retain our currently designated lands in order to accommodate forecasted growth.
- Toronto can accommodate the forecasted employment growth as per Schedule 3 of the Growth Plan in areas designated for growth by the Official Plan.
- Toronto needs to retain its currently designated Employment Areas in order to accommodate the forecasted employment growth, and that these lands will need to intensify to accommodate projected growth.





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