


Concentric Zone Model	Traditional/Historical Pattern	Recent Changes
	See below	Incr. density/Urban sprawl. 1) Suburbanization = more pop. in suburbs, empty areas filled in, but mostly reflected in sprawl not people/sq. mile. (continued below)
	Middle Class Homes. As distance from CBD increases land prices decrease. Residents can afford single family homes with small yards (ex. Bungalows)	Density remains relatively stable. Mostly “filled in”, families move out, families move in. Some density decreases with demographic changes = smaller families.
	Working Class Homes. 1 st zone where residences outbid services/industry. Intensive residential land use takes the form of apts., two/three flats = multi-family housing. (below)	Decr. density (3 major reasons). 1) With gentrification multi-family units converted to single-family, less children 2) Public housing projects demolished (continued below)
	Zone of Transition. Relatively low res. density as ind. outbids res. for location near RR hubs near the CBD. (below)	Incr. density. Proximity to CBD attracts yuppies/ empty nesters (continued below)
	Central Business District Low residential density. According to bid-rent theory, retail and services outbid industry and residential land use because they require an easily accessible location to meet range and threshold requirements.	Incr. density. CBD becoming more attractive to young urban prof./empty nesters unconcerned about schools, space, home upkeep, etc. Attracted to proximity to work and other amenities such as culture (museums theatre), entertainment, restaurants, nightlife, etc.
	Zone of Transition (continued). Some pockets of residential density. Immigrants, tenements, filtered housing, etc.	(continued from above) Gentrification and deindustrialization → Factories and warehouses repurposed as residential.
	Working Class Homes (continued from above) Residential intensity decreases thru zone and into outer zones as land prices decrease with distance from CBD.	(continued from above) 3) low-income/high crime areas suffer from depopulation as residents move to suburbs, economic crisis leads to abandoned homes.
	See above	(continued from above) No dramatic changes. Some multi-family housing being built = in transit friendly locations (Transit Oriented Development = TODs)
	Commuter Zone (upper/upper middle-class homes) Distance from CBD leads to cheap land prices (bid-rent theory) which allows large lots and homes. Density is low.	(continued from above) 2) Industrial edge cities require industrial worker housing = more apartment complexes being built. 3) New urbanism design stresses higher density housing in development near commuter hubs