

**National Survey on Growth and Land Development
September 2000
for *Smart Growth America***

Interviewing conducted September 7-10, 2000
N = 1,007 adults 18 years old or older
Margin of sampling error is ± 3 percentage points
Data have been weighted by gender, age, region and race
Percents may add to 99% or 101% due to rounding
* indicates less than 1%, — indicates zero

1	Thinking about the area where you live, has traffic over the last three years gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?	GOTTEN BETTER	4%
		GOTTEN WORSE	54
		ABOUT THE SAME	37
		DK/REFUSE	4

2	Do you agree more with those who say it is better to have land-use planning to guide the place and size of development in your county or area, or more with those who say that people and industry should be allowed to build wherever they want?	SUPPORT LAND-USE PLANNING	78%
		ALLOW TO BUILD	7
		DK/REFUSE	5

3	Now, thinking about your state, is there a need to do more or to do less to manage and plan for new growth and development in your state?	DO MORE	76%
		DO LESS	3
		DK/REFUSE	2

Here are some proposals on development and land use policy in your state. For each one, please tell me if you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the proposal. [ROTATE Q4-12]

	Favor		Oppose		DK/ ref
	Strng	Smwt	Smwt	Strng	
4 Increase coordinated efforts among towns to plan for growth	46%	39	6	4	5
5 Have state government give funding priority to maintain services, such as schools and roads, in existing communities rather than to encourage new development in the countryside	47%	34	8	6	5
6 Establish zones for green space, farming, and forests outside of existing cities and suburbs that would be off-limits to developers	56%	27	8	6	3
7 Require that all new housing developments built in your state include at least 15% of housing for moderate and low-income families	32%	34	17	13	4
8 Have government provide tax credits and low-interest loans for people to revitalize cities, suburbs and rural communities that are not doing so well economically	41%	40	9	8	3
9 Have government use tax dollars to buy land for more parks and open space and to protect wildlife	46%	31	10	11	3
10 Have your state government use more of its transportation budget for improvements in public transportation, such as trains, buses and light rail, even if this means less money to build new highways	29%	31	21	15	5
11 Use part of the state transportation budget to create more sidewalks and stop signs in communities, to make it safer and easier for children to walk to school, even if this means less money to build new highways	47%	30	12	7	3
12 Provide tax credits and low-interest loans for people to rehabilitate historic houses and revitalize neighborhoods in cities and older suburbs	44%	35	11	7	3

