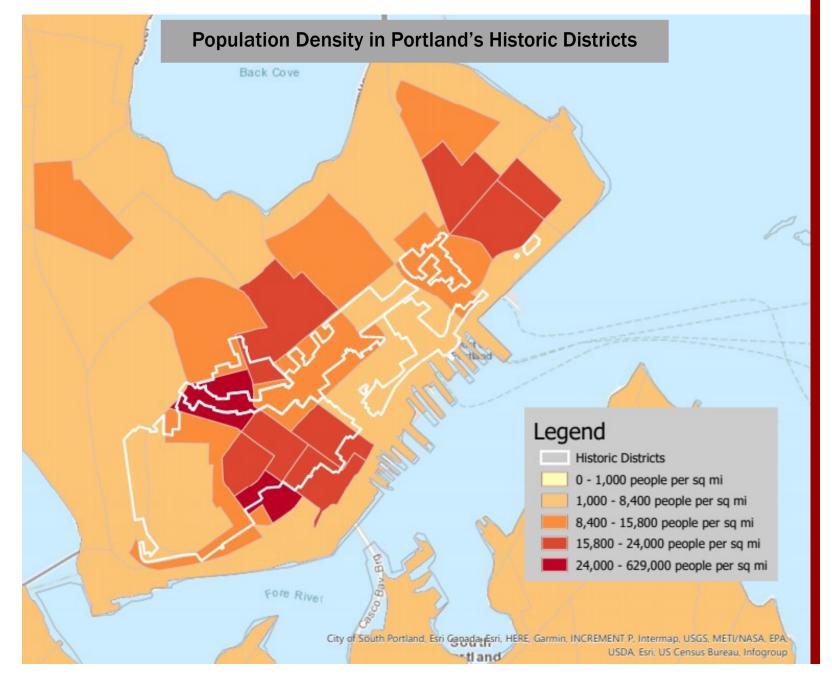
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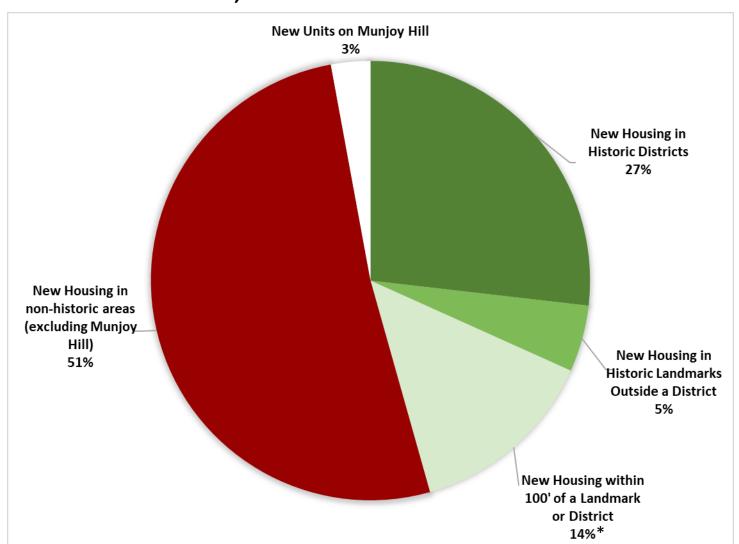
Historic districts are an important strategy for housing affordability

- Building new buildings to rent or sell is expensive unless there are deep subsidies, so older housing stock plays an important role in affordable housing.
- Emerging patterns on Munjoy Hill indicate that affordable units of housing are being replaced with expensive condominiums.

Density is often seen as a synonym for height, but Portland's historic districts are some of the city's densest neighborhoods.



NEW HOUSING UNITS BUILT, UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR APPROVED IN LAST 5 YEARS



Historic districts help ensure Portland can successfully achieve housing goals by providing housing options for a range of household sizes and incomes, while providing for a balance of healthy change and neighborhood stability.

- Portland's Historic Districts and Individual Landmarks cover 8% of Portland's land area.
- 570 units, or 32% of the approximately 1,797 total units of new housing built or approved in the last five years in Portland, are located in a historic district or individual landmark building.

*An additional 14% of new housing units located within 100' feet of a landmark or historic district were reviewed by the Historic Preservation Board with a recommendation to the Planning Board under city site plan approval requirements.

482 New Housing Units Built, Under Construction or Approved in Portland's Historic Districts in the Last Five Years







