Downtown Demographics

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DOWNTOWN AREA PLAN

Themes

Citywide Trends

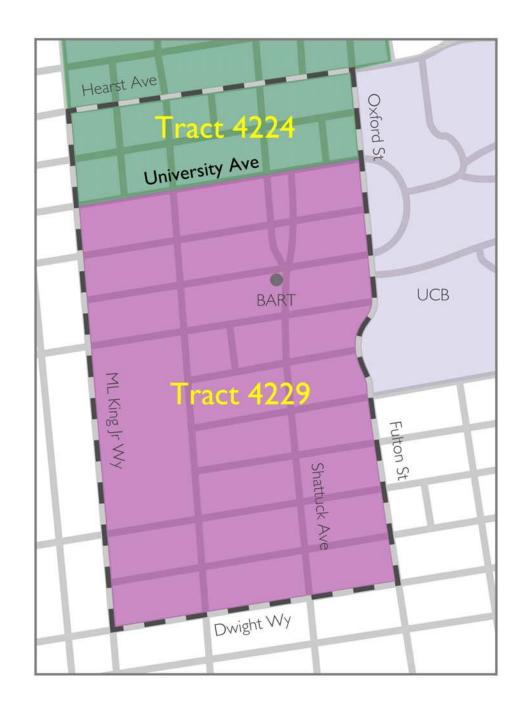
- Population
- Jobs
- Workforce/housing imbalance

Downtown Characteristics

- Ages
- Travel behavior
- Incomes
- Housing stock
- New construction
- Retail performance

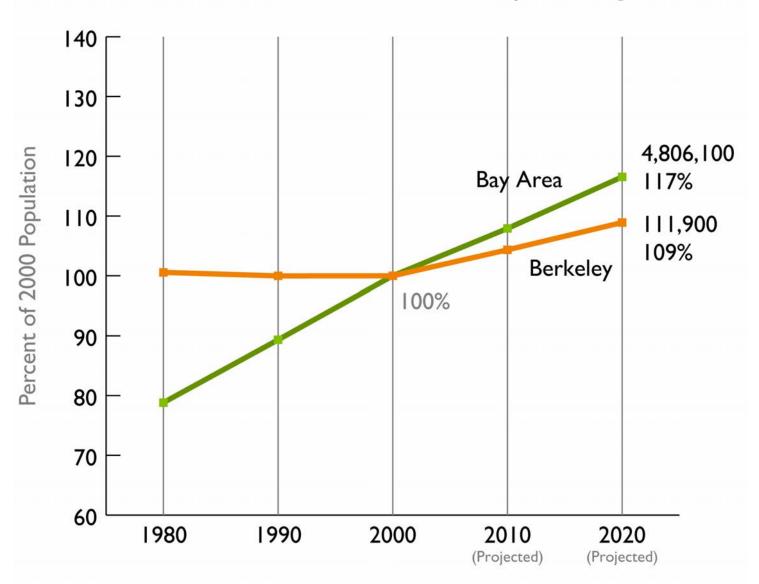
A Note about Sources

- Population and housing unit statistics are calculated for the entire DAP study area
- All other statistics are available for the portion of the study area south of University—the area covered by Census Tract 4229





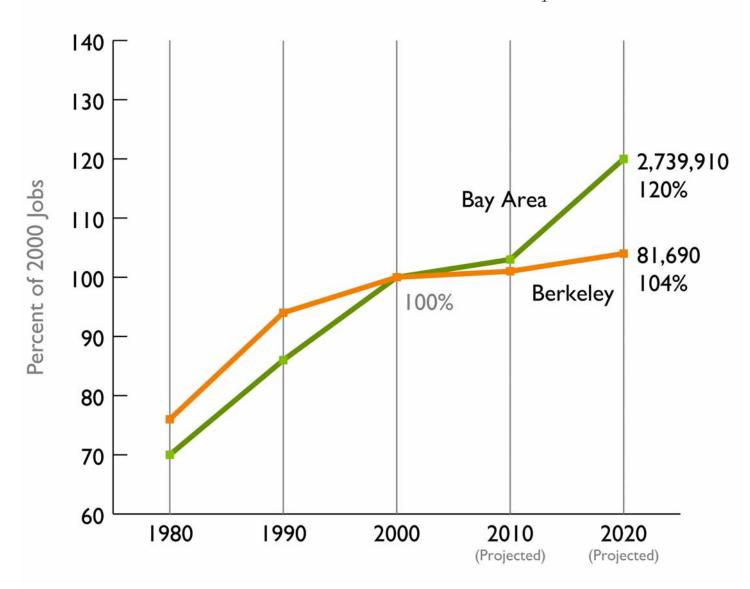
Berkeley's population will grow, but not as fast as the region's



Association of Bay Area Governments, Projections (various years)

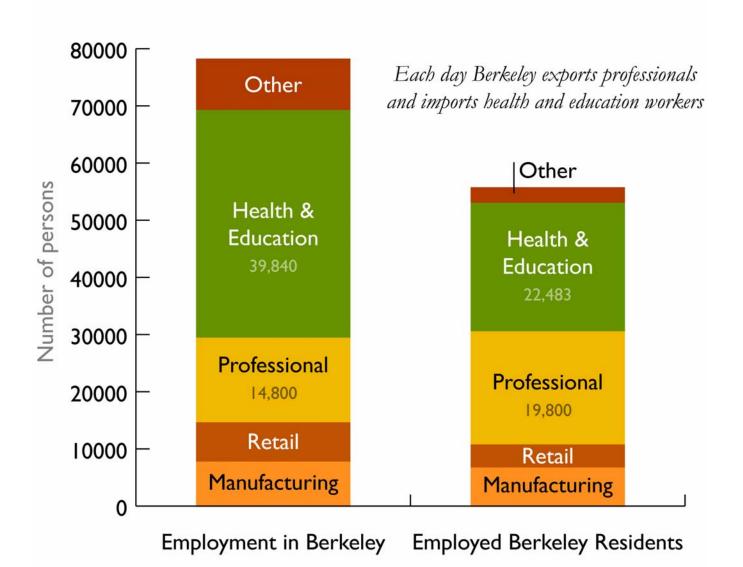


Job growth in Berkeley is expected to slow



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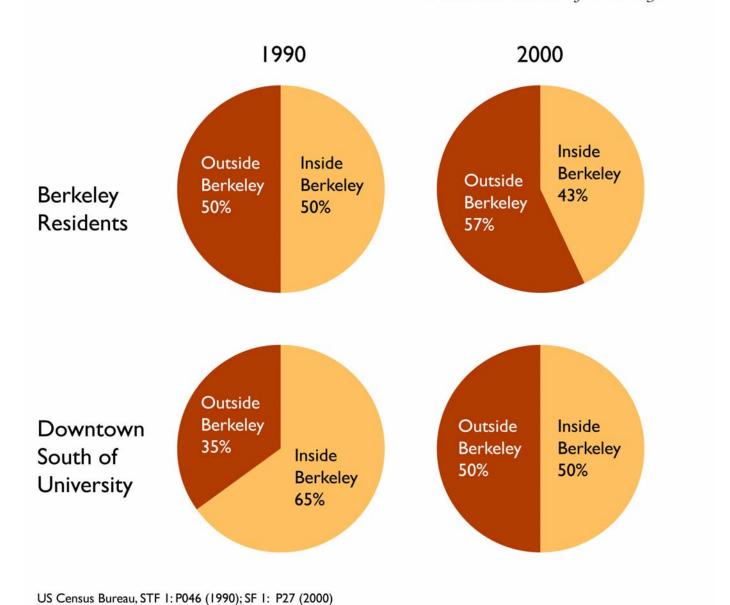
Workforce vs. Housing Supply



US Census Bureau, STF 3: DP-3; Association of Bay Area Governments, *Projections* 2005

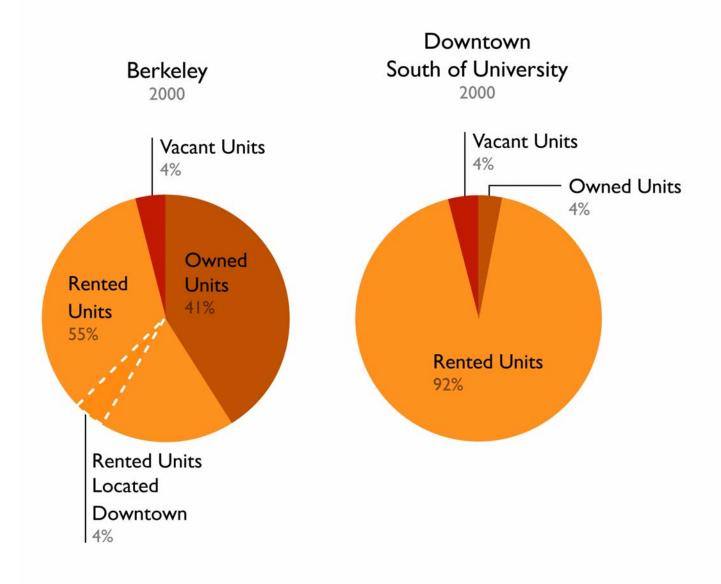
Work Destinations

More and more residents are commuting to locations outside of Berkeley



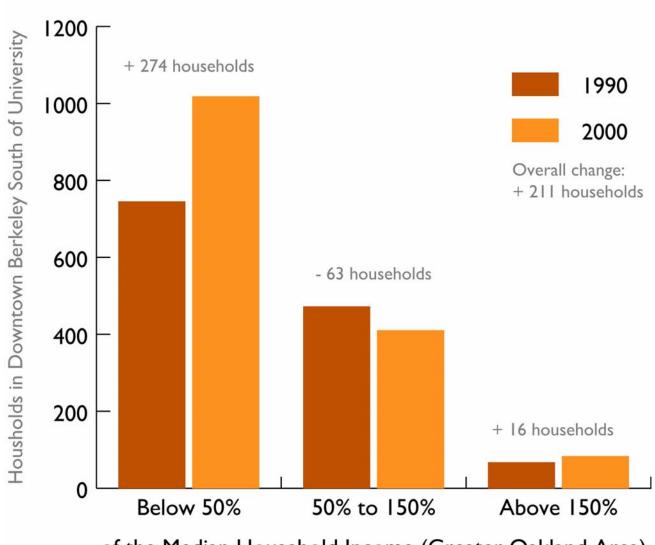
Housing Type

Rental units predominate in downtown Berkeley, but comprise only a modest fraction of all rental units in Berkeley



US Census Bureau, STF 1: DP-1 (1990); SF 1: H4, H5 (2000)

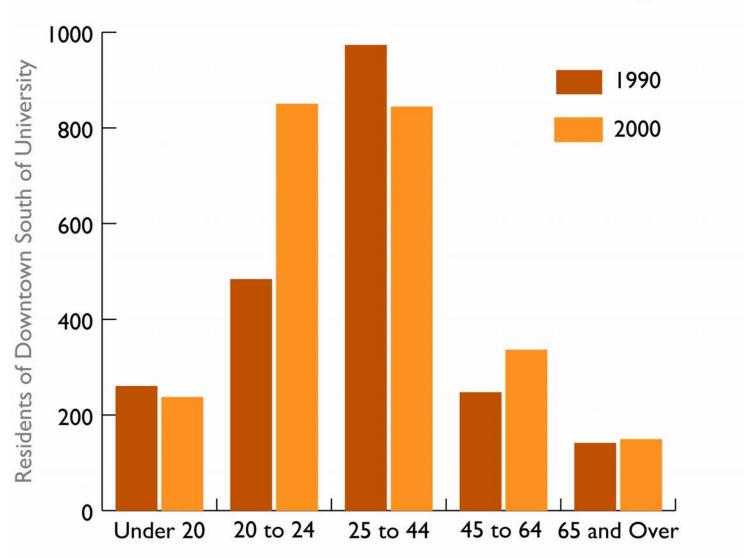
Income of Downtown Households



of the Median Household Income (Greater Oakland Area)

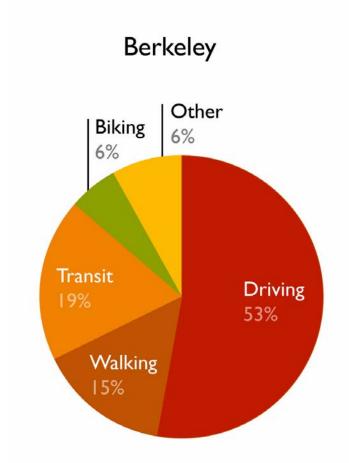
Ages of Downtown Residents

More students and older adults are living downtown

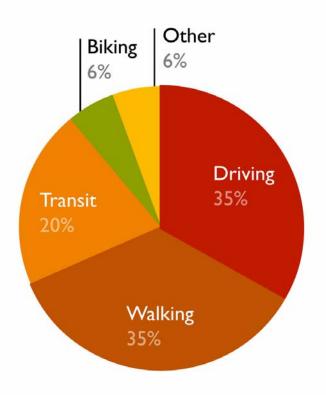


Commute Mode

Downtown residents walk more and drive less than most Berkeley residents



Downtown South of University



US Census Bureau, STF 3: P039 (1990); SF 3:P30 (2000)

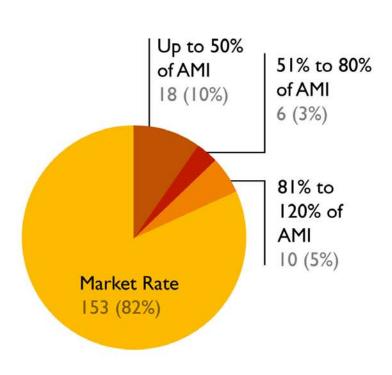
Downtown Construction Since 1999

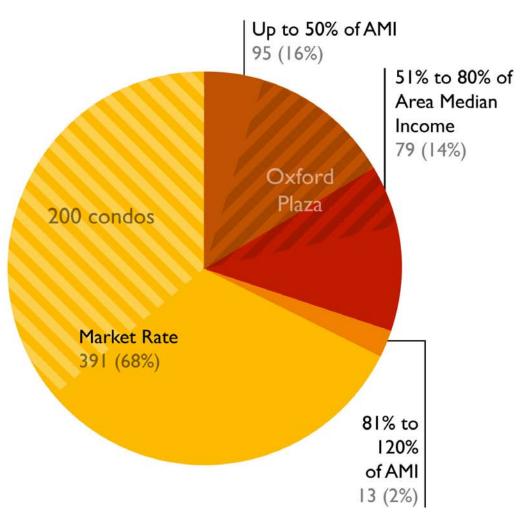
578 units planned

28% increase from 2,060 units in 2005

187 units completed since 1999

10% increase from 1,873 units in 2000

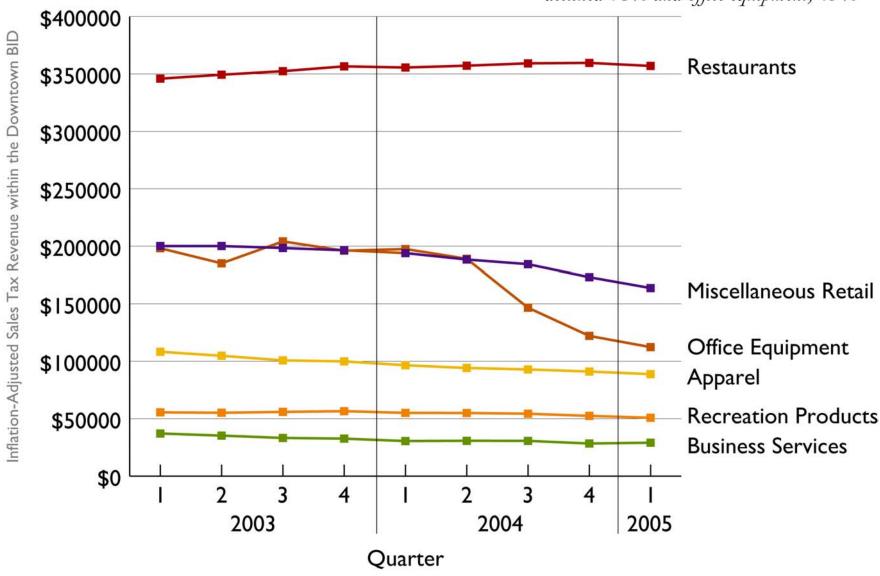




Planning Department, City of Berkeley; US Census

Downtown Sales Tax Revenues

While the activity of most businesses has remained steady, miscellaneous retail has declined 18% and office equipment, 43%



Office of Economic Development, City of Berkeley