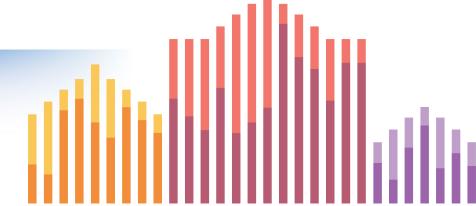




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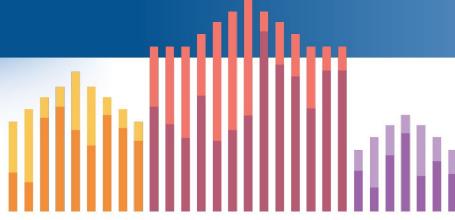






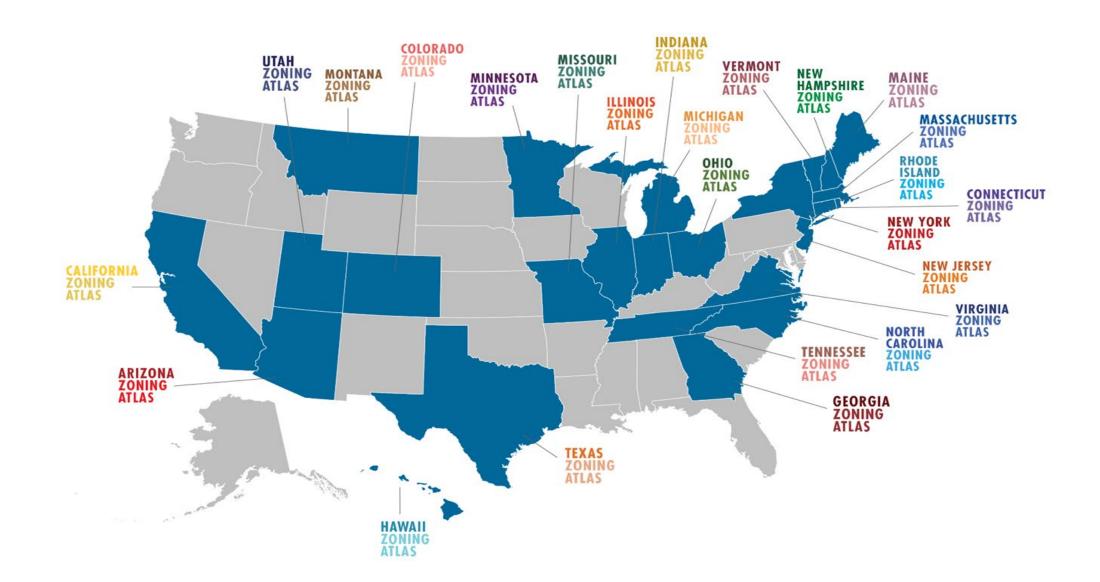
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ATLAS SCOPE

We collected data from over 23,000 pages of zoning, subdivision, & site plan review ordinances (& zoning maps) as of June 1, 2022.

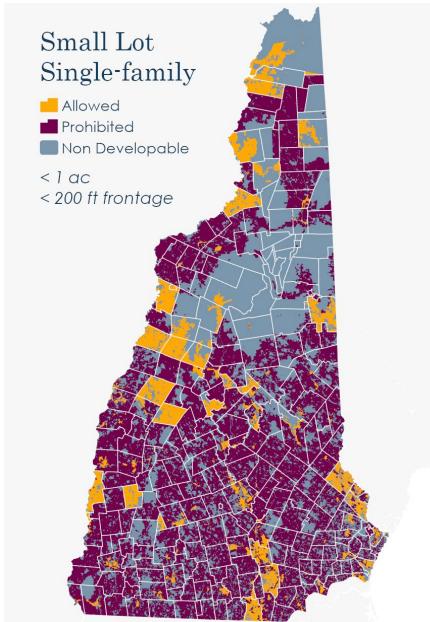
269 jurisdictions, 2139 districts

- → Residential vs. non-residential
- → 1- to 5-family, affordable, accessory dwelling units, manufactured housing
- → Dimensional regulations including min. lot size, setback requirements, lot coverage and height restrictions, and more
- → Parking requirements



In NH, it is hard to find land to build small homes or starter homes in an economically viable way.

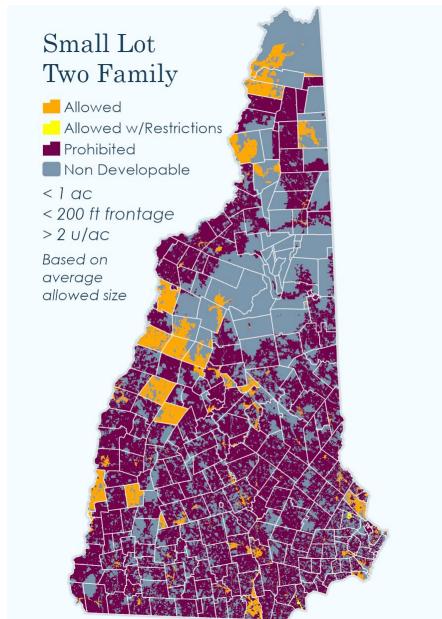
Most communities have prohibited single family homes on small lots over most or all of their territory.





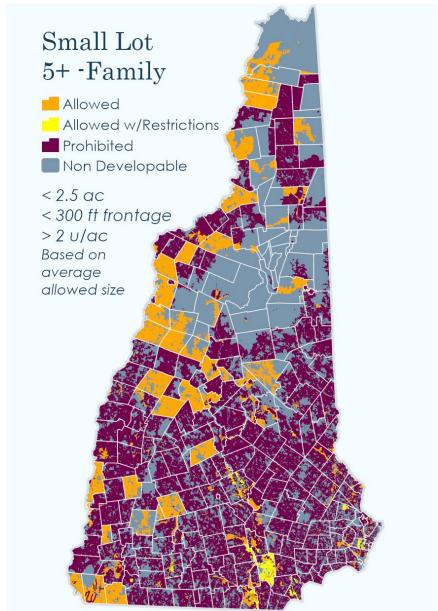
In New Hampshire, there is less area zoned for small lot two-family homes than there is for any other type of housing.

There are also 70 jurisdictions that do not allow two-family by right anywhere.



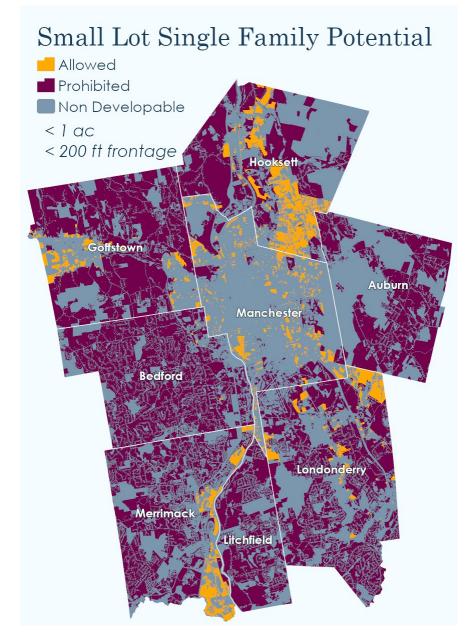


Many of New Hampshire's communities, including those close to job markets, require larger lots for multifamily housing, thereby driving up the cost of these homes and making them unaffordable to residents.



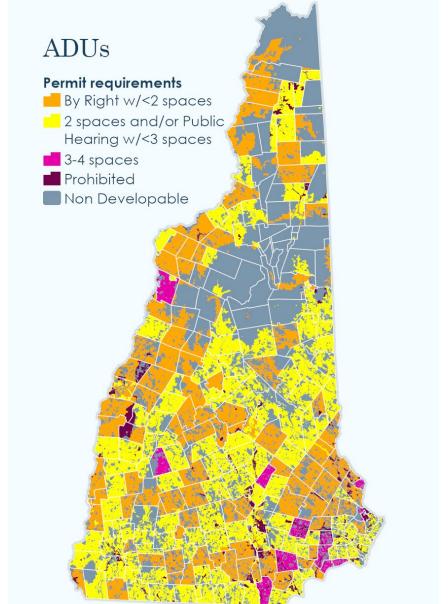


An analysis of New Hampshire's largest metropolitan area (Manchester & contiguous communities) shows that once existing development and land use restrictions are taken into account, the percentage of by-right buildable small lots for single family homes shrinks from 21% to 7.8%.





Under NH law communities are required to allow attached ADUs, but various local barriers remain and make them difficult for many homeowners to add.

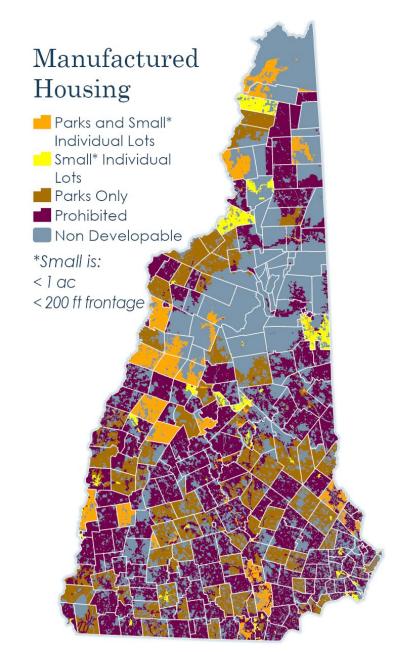






NH law requires communities to allow manufactured homes, but they can choose how to meet that requirement.

Manufactured homes on small lots and in parks are allowed on only 9.9% of developable land statewide.







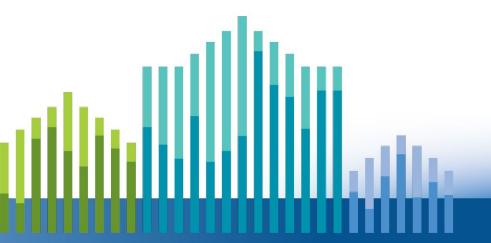
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Phase II Initiatives

- 2023 updates
- Public and legislative education
- Community dashboards
- Water and sewer
- Building permit review and analysis



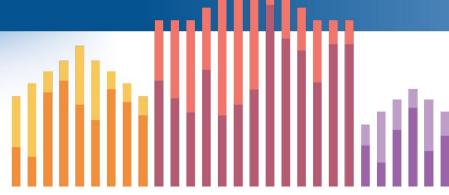
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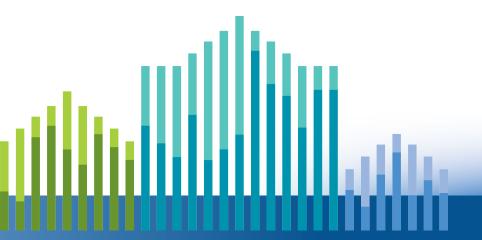




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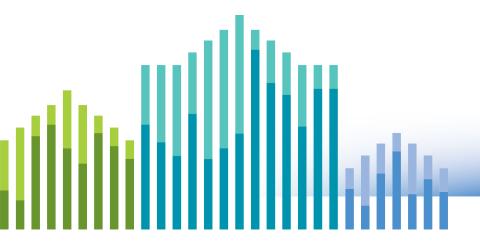




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