



**AGENDA**  
**EAR / COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**  
**PUBLIC WORKSHOP**  
**AUGUST 10, 2026**  
**5:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. PRESENTATION
4. PUBLIC INPUT
5. ADJOURNMENT

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council, committee, board, panel, or agency with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she will may need to ensure that a record of the verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon the appeal is to be based.

"Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in this meeting are requested to notify the City Clerk's Office 850.837.4242 at least 48 hours in advance".



# Destin 2050 Comprehensive Plan Update

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Public Workshop  
August 10, 2026

# Agenda

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1. Project Team
2. Project Scope and Schedule
3. Community Profile
4. Public Engagement





# Project Team

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## City Staff



**Tina Deater, AICP**  
Community Development  
Director

**Daniel Butler**  
Principal Planner

## Project Consultant



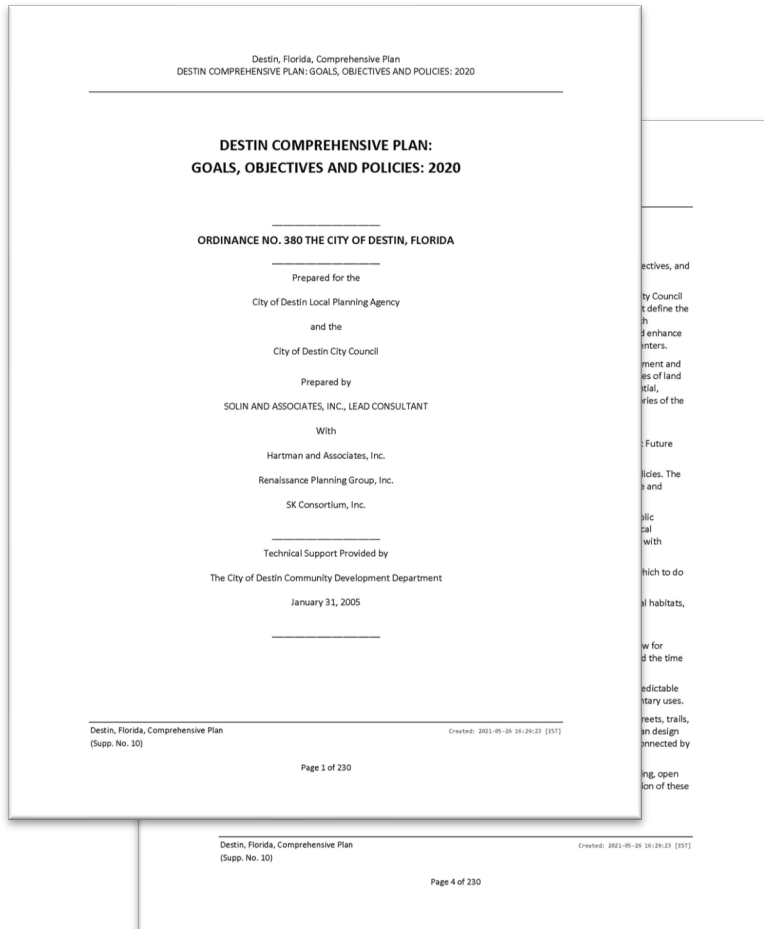


# **Project Scope and Schedule**

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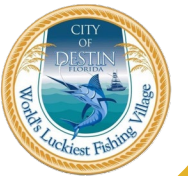
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# What is a Comprehensive Plan



Long-term vision for future development.  
Blueprint for how the City intends to  
manage growth and development.

Goals, objectives, and policies to guide  
decisions related to growth.



# Why are we updating the Plan?

- Required per Florida Statutes (every 7 years)
  - The last major update was in 2005
  - The next update is due April 16, 2027
- Plan for growth and development through 2050
- Revisit the community vision



# Plan Components

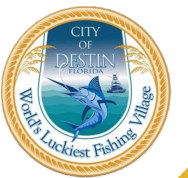
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*Data & Analysis*



*Goals, Objectives, &  
Policies*



# Plan Elements

**1** Future Land Use

**1a** Property Rights

**2** Transportation

**3** Housing

**4** Public Facilities

**5** Conservation

**6** Coastal Management

**7** Recreation & Open Space

**8** Intergovernmental Coordination

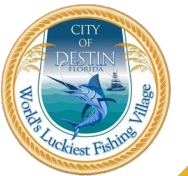
**9** Capital Improvements

**10** Economic Development

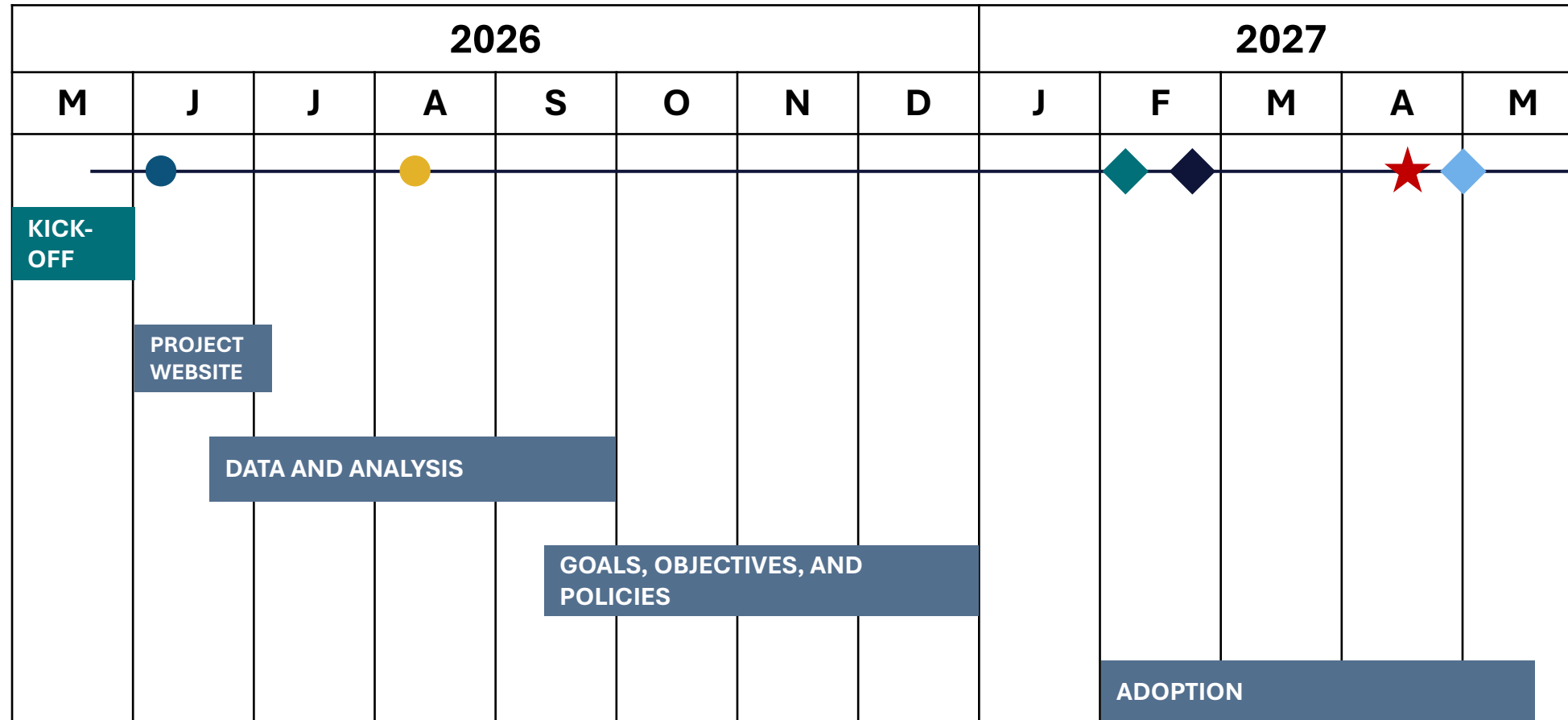
**11** Public School Facilities

**12** Administration

**13** Glossary



# Project Timeline



- Directors' Meeting
- Public Workshop
- ◆ Local Planning Agency Meeting
- ◆ City Council Transmittal Hearing
- ★ Transmittal Deadline
- ◆ City Council Adoption Hearing



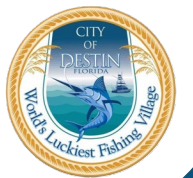
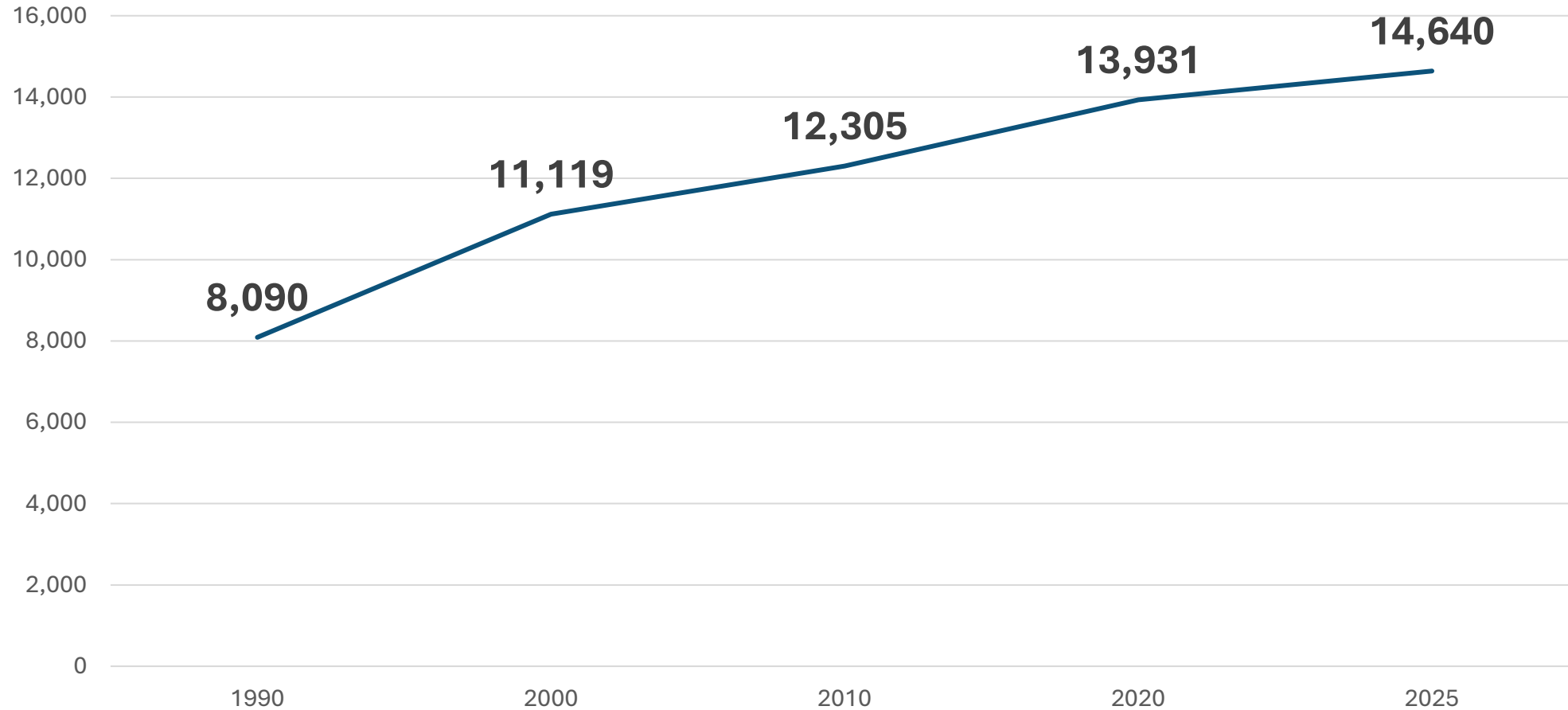


# Community Profile

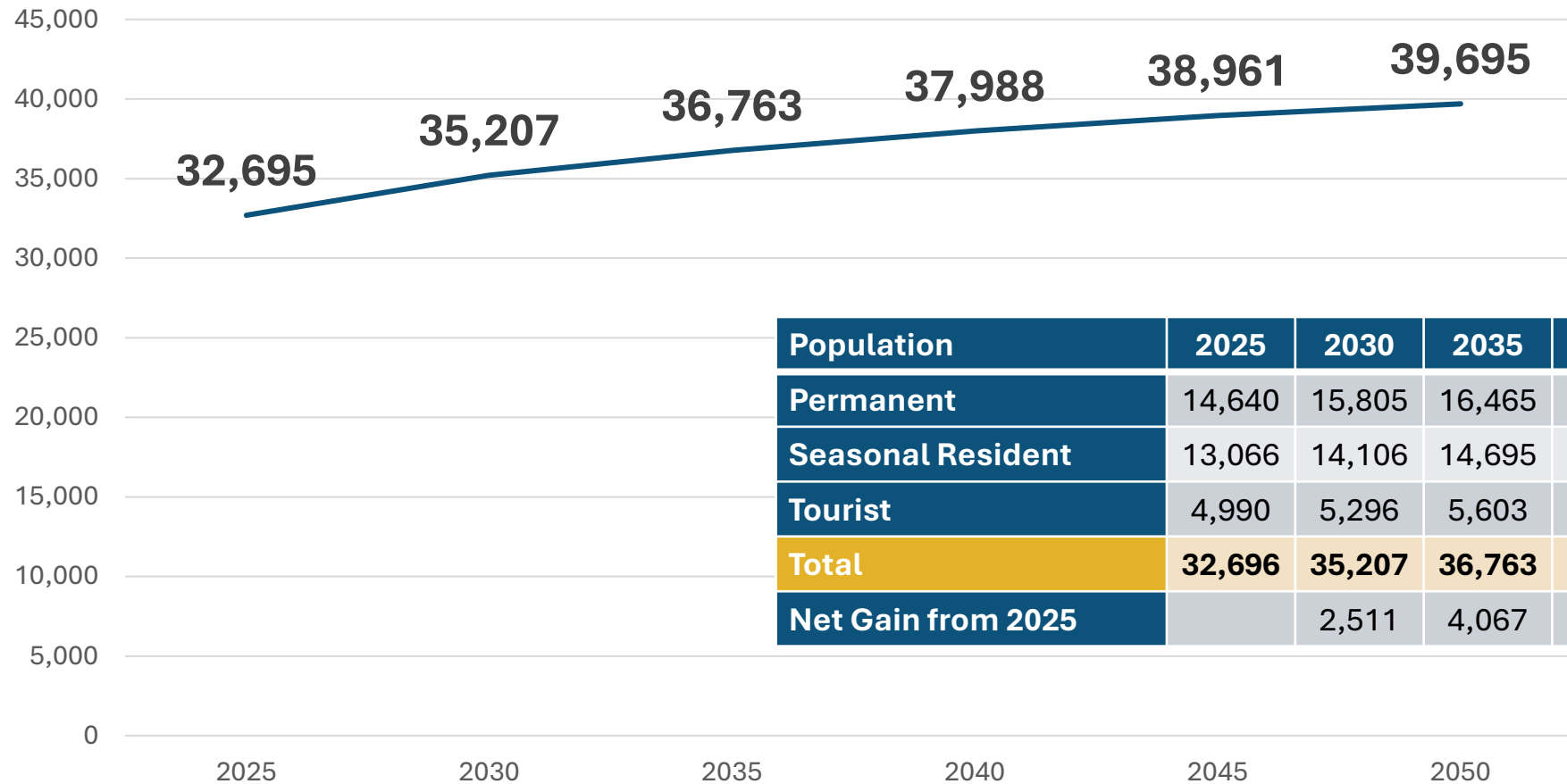
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# Historical Permanent Population



# Projected Total Population



# Demographics



44.1

## Median Age

39.0 - Okaloosa  
43.6 - Florida



2.24

## Average Household Size

2.45 - Okaloosa  
2.5 - Florida



2.1%

## Unemployment Rate

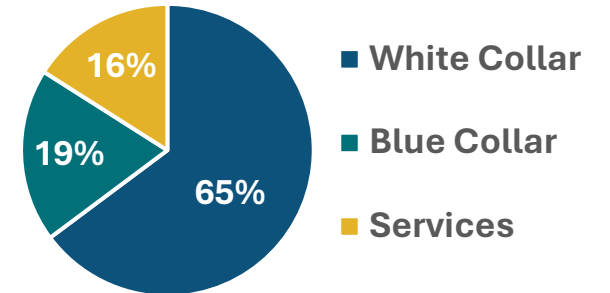
6.0% - Okaloosa  
4.6% - Florida



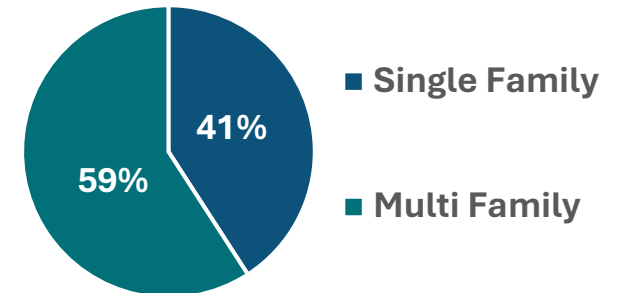
\$106,951

## Median Household Income

\$91,193 - Okaloosa  
\$82,707 - Florida

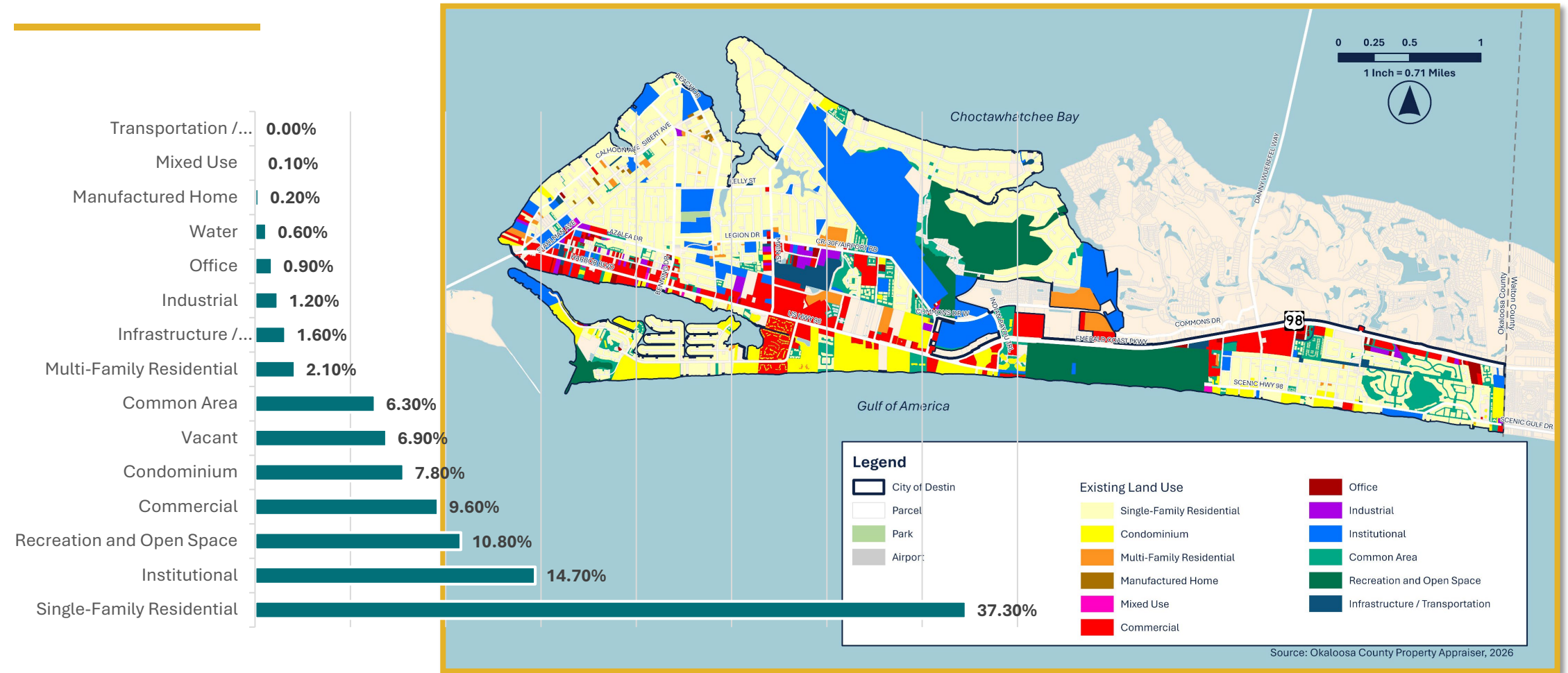


## Employment Type

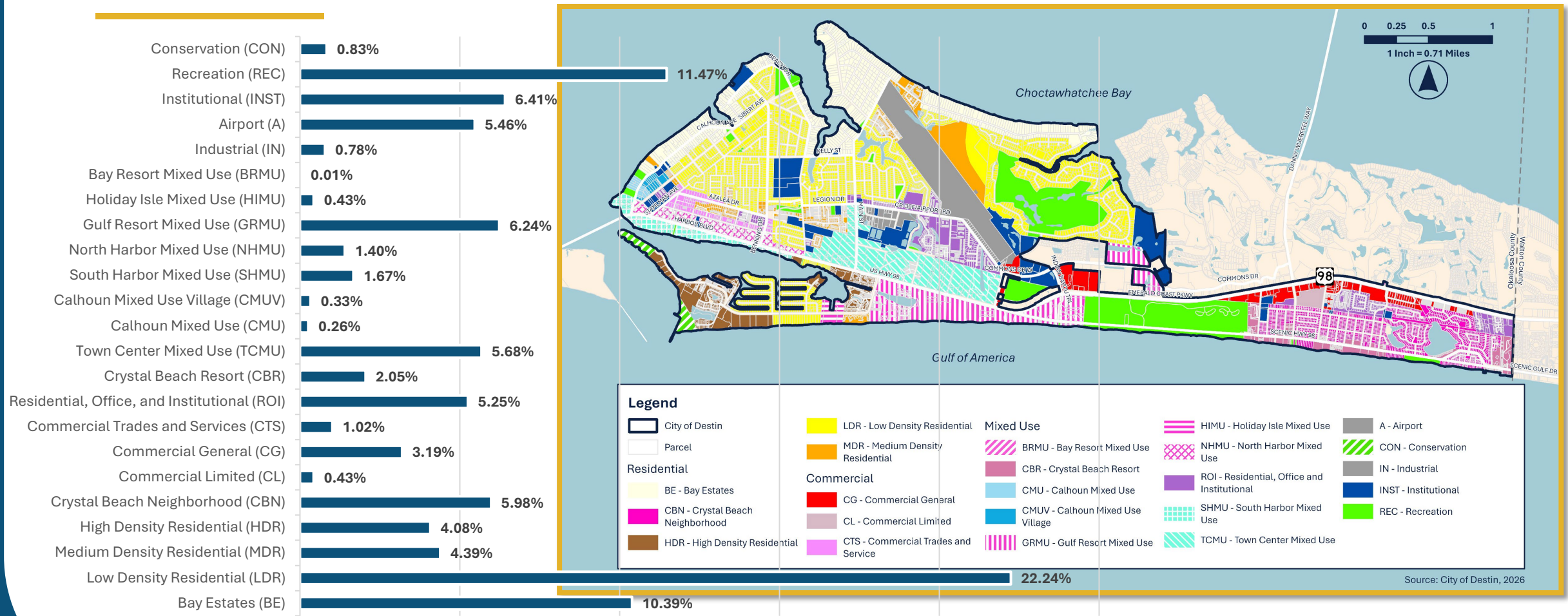


## Housing Type

# Existing Land Use



# Future Land Use (Adopted)





# Public Engagement

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# Project Website

- Take a quick survey to help shape the Comprehensive Plan
- Sign up to receive updates
- View Project Timeline Updates
- Project documents (as they are produced)
- FAQs



<https://www.inspire-engagement.com/destin-comprehensive-plan>

A screenshot of the Destin Comprehensive Plan project website. The header features the title "Destin Comprehensive Plan" in white text on a dark blue background, with the City of Destin logo to the right. The main content area includes an "Introduction" section with text about the city's history and the plan's purpose, followed by a "We want to hear from you!" section with a "Take a Short Survey!" button. A "Timeline" section on the right lists key dates and events from May 2026 to April 2027. At the bottom, there is an "FAQs" section with expandable questions and a "Stay Informed!" section with a sign-up form for email notifications.

## Destin Comprehensive Plan

**Introduction**

Destin is renowned for its sugar-white beaches, emerald-green waters, and reputation as one of America's premier coastal destinations. What's less known is that beyond the millions of visitors who enjoy our shores each year, Destin is home to nearly 15,000 residents. Behind our postcard landscape is a close-knit community built on family, hard work, and neighbors helping neighbors. Visitors know Destin as a world-class getaway. But those of us who live here know it as a place where people still care about one another and take pride in where they live. More than a destination, Destin is a hometown.

Destin is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan to guide the city's growth and development through 2050. This long-range document establishes the goals, objectives, and policies that will shape Destin's future, encompassing key areas such as land use, coastal management, transportation, housing, infrastructure, conservation, and parks and recreation.

We invite Destin residents, businesses owners, and other stakeholders to share their perspectives and help shape a unified vision for the City's future.

**We want to hear from you!**

[Open](#)

### Take a Short Survey!

Please complete this short survey to help shape the new Comprehensive Plan.

[Start](#)

**FAQs**

- + What is a Comprehensive Plan?
- + What is a Strategic Plan? Is it different from the Comprehensive Plan?
- + How can I see the current Comprehensive Plan?
- + Why does the Plan need to be updated?

**Timeline**

- ✓ May 2026  
Project Kickoff
- ✓ June 2, 2026  
Director's Meeting
- ★ June 2026 - September 2026  
Update Data & Analysis
- ★ August 10, 2026  
Public Workshop  
Time: 5:30 pm  
Location: City Hall Annex  
4100 Indian Bayou Trail  
Destin, FL 32541
- ★ September 2026 - December 2026  
Update Goals, Objectives, & Policies
- ★ February 2027 - April 2027  
Adoption Process

[See less](#)

**Stay Informed!**

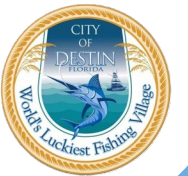
Provide your email address below to receive notification about upcoming public meetings.

Email address

[Submit](#)

# Tonight's Activities

- 1 What do you love/want to change
- 2 In 2050, Destin will be
- 3 Current & Future Transportation Type
- 4 Land Use
- 5 2050 Priorities
- 6 Community Idea Wall





**Thank You!**  
**Please visit the**  
**website and**  
**take the survey**

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