

The Sprawl Index

Albuquerque, NM

Overall Sprawl Index Score: 124.45

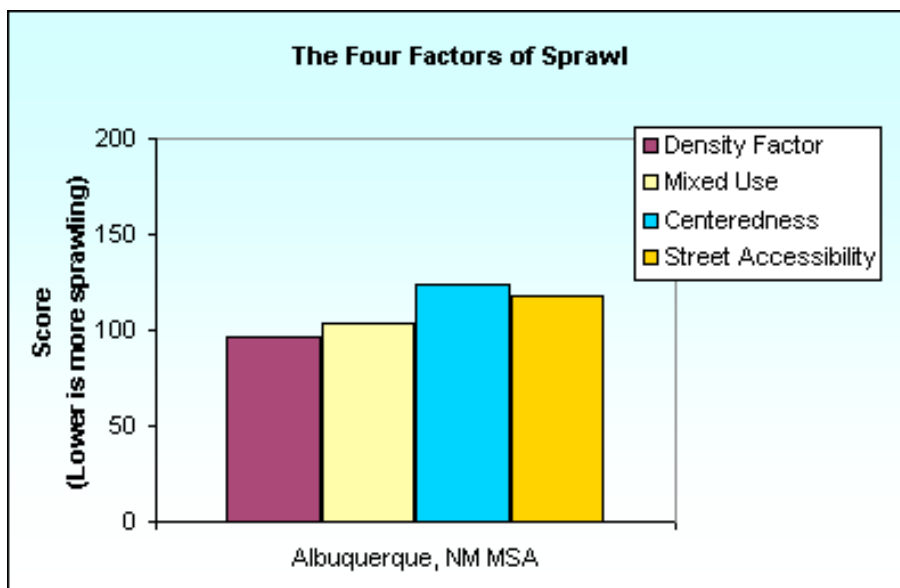
ranking it 72nd most sprawling of 83 metro areas measured.

A lower score on the index indicates a greater degree of sprawl. The average score for all metros ranked is 100. A lower score indicates below average conditions among these 83 U.S. metro areas: for example, less compact housing, a poorer mix of homes and jobs, poor street connectivity, or weaker than average town centers. A score above 100 indicates above average performance, when compared to the other metro areas ranked. Most metro areas score between 50 and 150 on the scale.

What Makes a Place Sprawling:

The sprawl index measured sprawl in four ways. Below are index scores for this metro area. See the report for a full explanation of each factor.

| Sprawl Factor | Index Score | Ranking out of 83 <i>(most to least sprawling)</i> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Residential Density Factor | 96.96 | 49 |
| Mix of homes, jobs & services | 103.69 | 44 |
| Strength of town centers/downtowns | 123.97 | 72 |
| Accessibility of street network | 117.80 | 64 |



The Impact of Sprawl:

Outcomes Affected by Sprawl in Albuquerque

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| Peak 8-hour ozone level (parts per billion) | 71 |
| Fatal accidents per 100,000 persons | 10.78 |
| Daily Miles Driven per person (DMVT) | 28.40 |
| Average number of vehicles per household | 1.74 |
| Percent of commuters using Transit | 1.54% |
| Percent of commuters walking to work | 2.65% |
| Average commute time, in minutes | 21.30 |
| Average annual traffic delay, in hours | 20.57 |

2000 Population: 556,678

MSA is Metropolitan Statistical Area. For more information on MSAs, PMSAs, CMSAs, and NECMAs, see the Census Bureau.