

## The Sprawl Index

Ventura-Oxnard, CA

**Overall Sprawl Index Score: 75.12**

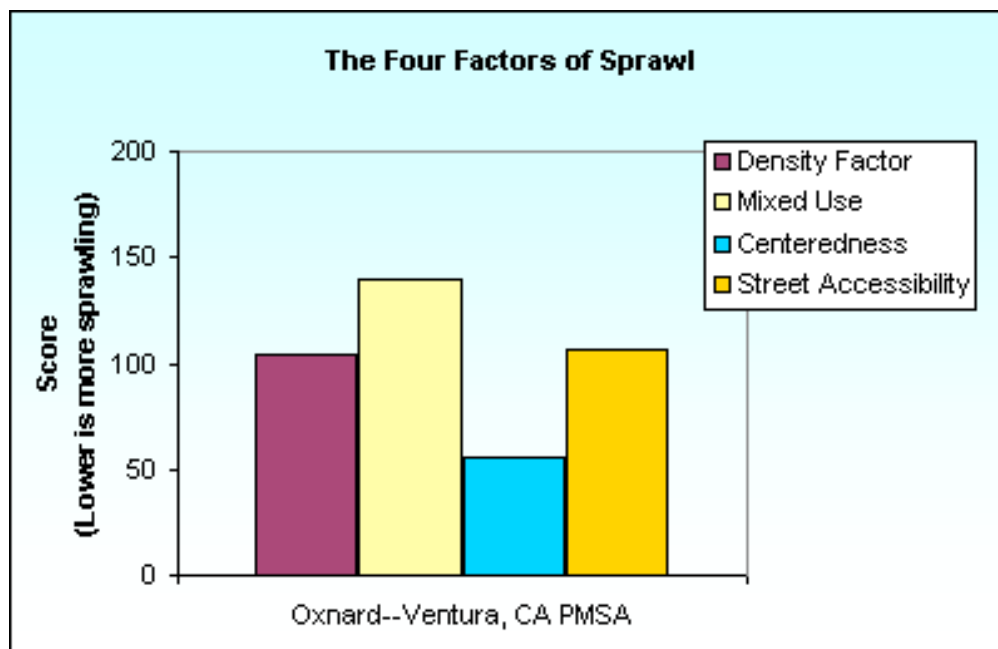
*ranking it 9th most sprawling of 83 metro areas measured.*

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	103.94	63
Mix of homes, jobs & services	139.39	80
Strength of town centers/downtowns	55.52	5
Accessibility of street network	106.45	53



## The Impact of Sprawl:

### *Outcomes Affected by Sprawl in Ventura*

Peak 8-hour ozone level (parts per billion)	n/a
Fatal accidents per 100,000 persons	11.68
Daily Miles Driven per person (DMVT)	24.40
Average number of vehicles per household	1.98
Percent of commuters using Transit	1.13%
Percent of commuters walking to work	2.17%
Average commute time, in minutes	25.40
Average annual traffic delay, in hours	n/a

**2000 Population:** 753,197

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