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Introduction to Report

Annually, the City of Meridian Community Development Department prepares a summary of land use, zoning, and permitting information. This summary data is intended to provide a citywide snapshot of comparative land use and development activities.

Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to memorialize land use, zoning, and development activities in the city. Without an understanding for what we have and where we've come from, understanding our needs as a City and ensuring a diverse and well balanced portfolio of development opportunities going forward would be more difficult.

In part, this Report relates to policy goal 3.06.00 of the City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan. This Report does not satisfy all of the policies in this goal, but in coordination with other materials including the Existing Conditions Report (ECR) should help to convey to city staff, elected officials, and the public, what the City's existing and future land use portfolio looks like.

For information on population, income, and other demographics, see the City of Meridian ECR on the Comprehensive Plan website at: https://www.meridiancity.org/compplan.

Report History

City staff began informally tracking land uses and zoning activities in 2012. For the first several years of collection there was no benchmark to understand what some of the data represented. After years of collection, some of this data has become comparable over time and is better able to show change. In time and as more indicators are tracked, it is hoped that trends become even more apparent.

Ensure a variety and balance of land uses to support the Area of City Impact.

- policy 3.06.00

Data Sources

This Report uses city-wide data created and maintained by both Ada County and the City of Meridian. Ada County provides all parcel and zoning based information. Some of the data in this report uses parcel level land values, improvement values, property exemptions, acreage, and ownership, among other attributes for analysis. The City maintains and tracks all permit data and future land use information, and is responsible for the aggregate and joined data in this report.

The information in this report is updated and largely generated automatically through a series of models and indicators created through SQL script, ESRI ArcPRO Models, and Python scripts. Data generated through this process is then output for the current year and further refined. Microsoft Excel is used to generate all of the tables and charts in this report.

Data varies by source, but all information in this summary was compiled on April 15th, 2025.



Meridian City Limits | 2025

Note: Vertical scale, "Acres', does not start at zero to improve visibility.



Note: AOCI assumes reduced Planning area due to State required changes. Acres annexed per year based on 5-year average. Growth will slow long before greenfield is developed.

Report Use

All charts, data, and analysis in this report is only as valid and accurate as original source material, for which the City makes no guarantee. Because parcel valuation information is based on assessed values and not market values, trends should be considered comparative. *It is not intended that any information in this Report be compared with other areas outside of Meridian*. The City's permit types, process, and classification are unique, and is similarly comparative within Meridian only. Described geographic areas are also unique, and may vary from other similar data sources such as from COMPASS and the Intermountain MLS. Charts and tables should be taken as generalized.

General Definitions

Exempt: Properties that are "exempt" are parcels that do not pay "normal" property taxes. These may be government, quasi government, commercial properties with tax exemptions (such as State incentives), or land that is currently in transition (e.g. - annexing, changing zoning, etc.). Schools and churches often make up very large portions of any given zoning designations total land area, but are also not assessed.

Undeveloped Land: Properties that are characterized as undeveloped are generally those considered to be ready for development. However, in many cases land that is ready for development has some level of assessed improvement values. For example, many large agricultural properties which are expected to redevelop, actually have structures on them with assessed values. To consider some of these properties as undeveloped, especially for old dilapidated structures, a minimum improvement assumption value and a minimum improvement per square foot assumption value is used to include or exclude properties with limited improvements respective of the larger parcel. Details on these assumption values can be requested.

Developed Land: These properties are those with assessed improvement values greater than the minimum improvement assumption values. See above.

City Non Parcels: These areas of the City are those that are not part of a parcel, such as public right-of-way, the rail corridor, and some irrigation facilities, but annexed and incorporated into the City.

Note: for charts referencing historical information, the month will be shown after the year in format YYYY/MM.



Note: See General Definitions for information on Exempt, Developed, and Undeveloped land, and City Non Parcels.



Note: Areas not annexed are those lands within Meridian's Area of City Impact (AOCI), but not yet annexed into the City.



Future Land Use Areas

KEY INFORMATION

FUTURE LAND USES

Future land uses are designated and defined in the City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan. For the purposes of this report, land uses are characterized and combined into four groups:

- *Residential.* Includes low density residential (LDR), medium density residential (MDR), medium-high density residential (MHDR), and high density residential (HDR).
- Mixed Use. Includes mixed use neighborhood (MU-N), mixed use community (MU-C), mixed use regional (MU-R), mixed use non-residential, (MU-NR) mixed use interchange (MU-I), old-town (O-T), mixed use commercial (MU-Com), and mixed use residenial (MU-Res).
- *Employment*. Includes commercial (Com), office (Off), industrial (Ind), high density employment (HDE), low density employment (LDE), and mixed employment (ME),
- *Civic.* Includes Civic only. Other designations such as Gas and Park are no longer used.

The following tables and charts are current as of April 15th, 2025.



Note: Land use groups are for comparative purposes only, and do not correlate with City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan text or City zoning districts. See the following page for a table of all individual acreage values. Land Use areas are for the entire Area of City Impact and not just annexed lands.





LAND USE AREA: Land Use Acres LDR 8,274 MDR 16,714 MHDR 992 HDR 659 MU-N 1,047 MU-C 1,808 MU-R 1,588 MU-NR 322 MU-I 247 0-T 337 MU-Com 188 MU-Res 24 COM 1,791 OFF 316 IND 1,235 HDE 0 97 LDE ME 508 Civic 1,696 37,844 Total

Future Land Use: Mixed Use Areas | 2025 2,000 1,808 1,800 1,588 1,600 1,400 1,200 1,047 **YCLES** 1,000 800 600 400 322 337 247 188 200 24 0 MURES MUC Mucom MU.N ANU! MUR MUMP o[^]





Note: See Key Information on previous page for full list of abbreviations and names of future land use designations. Please note that the vertical bar scales may vary significantly for each of the charts.



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Future Land Use: Change in Residential Areas | 2025



Future Land Use: Change in Employment Areas | 2025



Future Land Use: Change in Mixed Use Areas | 2025



Future Land Use: Change in Other Areas | 2025



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Change in Land Use Area:						
Land Use	2015/04	2025/04				
Rural	1,949	-				
LDR	10,152	8,274				
MDR	15,234	16,714				
MHDR	710	992				
HDR	612	659				
MU-N	926	1,047				
MU-C	1,443	1,808				
MU-R	1,603	1,588				
MU-NR	499	322				
MU-I	270	247				
0-T	336	337				
MU- Com	162	188				
MU-Res	44	24				
LC	73	-				
COM	1,555	1,791				
OFF	350	316				
IND	955	1,235				
HDE	74	-				
LDE	98	97				
ME	488	508				
Civic	1,394	1,696				
Park	37	-				
Gas	14	-				
Civic TM	91	-				
Total	39,071	37,844				
Note: Values are in acres and represent the total Area of City Impact, in the referenced year. Land Use designations without a value are no longer used.						



Acres of Non-Residential Future Land Uses for Every 100 Residential Acres | 2025

Note: These charts compare the ratio of residential to non-residential land uses, by depicting how many acres exist of non-residential land uses for every 100 acres of residential. Residential land uses include all residential designations plus assumed ratios for each of the mixed use designations. Employment designations are all non-residential designations, excluding those that are Civic type, and portions of mixed use.

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Ratio of Residential Future Land Uses to Others

	Not Mixed Use	In Mixed Use	Total	Ratio	Acres		
Туре							
Residential	26,639	1,679	28,318	1.00	100		
Employment	3,947	3,598	7,545	0.27	26.64		
Civic	1,696	593	2,289	0.08	8.08		
Non-Residential - 0.35 34.73							

Note: This chart uses information from the Land Use Area tables on previous page.

Acres of Non-Residential Future Land Uses for Every 100 Residential Acres | 2025



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Future Mixed Use Assumptions

	% Residential	% Office	% Commercial	% Civic	Total % NR
Туре					
MU-N	50	30	10	10	40
MU-C	35	25	30	10	55
MU-R	15	25	50	10	75
MU-NR	0	40	55	5	95
MU-Com	20	25	50	5	75
0-T	25	25	35	15	60
MU-Res	50	25	20	5	45
MU-I	30	30	20	20	50
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Note: While some of the mixed use assumptions are based on performance criteria of the past, others are simply planning for a diversified and balanced future buildout. This chart uses information from the Land Use Area tables on previous page. NR is non-residential but excludes Civic uses.



Land Use Areas: Remaining Undeveloped |2025

Notes:

These charts explore the different land uses and groups by their annexatin status.

The sunburst chart (top-left) shows remaining (unincorporated) lands in relation to the total available for each land use. Remaining lands are those on the outside edge of the chart. The section titled County Estate, are those subdivisions and estate homes on non-farm subdivisions approved through the County, and which are likely to remain in their current configuration, even when annexed. Some of this area does fall into land use groups other than LDR, but are consolidated into County Estate category for reporting.

The bar chart (top-right) shows the relationship of land use groups by total AOCI (in and outside of the City, by annexed (in the City), and by not annexed (in the County). % Not Annexed are those areas that may be annexed into the City in the future.



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STATUS OF FUTURE LAND USE AREAS BY ANNEXATION

	AOCI Acres	Annexed Acres	Not Annexed Acres	% AOCI	% Annexed	% Not Annexed			
Group									
Residential	26,639	15,667	10,972	70.4%	58.8%	41.2%			
Mixed Use	5,561	3,788	1,773	14.7%	68.1%	31.9%			
Employment	3,947	2,989	958	10.4%	75.7%	24.3%			
Civic	1,696	1,433	263	4.5%	84.5%	15.5%			

Note: Civic will continue to grow in area (size) over time, as new parks, schools, and other public facilities are added to the map. This will come out of the other land use designtions.

Zoning District Areas

KEY INFORMATION

ZONING DISTRICTS

Zoning is outlined and described within the City of Meridian Unified Development Code (UDC). For the purposes of this report, and to more closely compare with future land uses (outlined in the City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan), zoning can be characterized in four groups:

- Residential. This includes low density (R-2), medium-low density (R-4), medium density (R-8), medium-high density (R-15), and high density (R-40).
- Traditional. This includes old town (O-T), traditional neighborhood residential (TN-R), and traditional neighborhood center (TN-C).
- Commercial. This includes neighborhood business district (C-N), community business district (C-C), and general retail and service commercial district (C-G).
- Employment. This includes limited office (L-O), mixed employment (M-E), high-density employment (H-E), light industrial (I-L), and heavy industrial (I-H).

The following tables and charts are current as of "April 15th, 2025".



Note: Zoning by groups are for comparative purposes only and do not necessarily correlate with text in City Code. See the following page for a table of all individual acreage values. Land Use areas are for the entire Area of City Impact and not just annexed lands





Acres

ZONING AREA: Land Use Acres R-2 340 R-4 8,323 R-8 6,887 R-15 1,529 R-40 309 0-T 142 TN-C 64 TN-R 209 C-N 184 C-C 758 C-G 3,012 L-O 763 92 M-E H-E 56 I-L 1,435 I-H 0 24,103 Total

Note: This information is official city-wide zoning data and includes areas of land that are public rightof-way. Zoning district areas that are parcel specific may have different totals. See Key Information on previous page for full list of abbreviations and names of zoning designations. Please note that the vertical bar scales may vary significantly for each of the charts.





Zoning: Traditional Areas | 2025



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DATA CHANGE IN ZONING AREA (ACRES): TN-C R-2 R-4 R-15 0-т TN-R C-N C-C C-G L-0 R-8 R-40 M-E H-E I-L Year Zoning Area (acres) 2015/04 71 277 7,029 5,042 661 125 134 99 136 540 2,751 781 65 54 1,238 2025/04 340 8,323 6,887 1,529 309 142 64 209 184 758 3,012 763 92 56 1,435 Change 63 1,295 1,845 867 184 8 -35 138 47 218 261 -19 27 198

Note: This information is official city-wide zoning data and includes area of land that is public right-of-way. Zoning district totals that are parcel specific may have different totals.



Change in Zoning Group Area

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Change in Zonii	Change in Zoning Groups								
	2017/04	2018/04	2019/04	2020/04	2021/04	2022/04	2023/04	2024/04	2025/04
Acres in Zoning									
Residential	14,963	15,341	15,769	16,128	16,432	16,746	16,851	17,042	17,389
Traditional	326	298	313	314	314	345	393	417	416
Commercial	3,572	3,557	3,590	3,728	3,814	3,953	3,934	3,915	3,954
Employment	2,175	2,186	2,218	2,206	2,196	2,185	2,368	2,374	2,345

Note: This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Mixed use zoning designations (such as Old Town) are not shown. Dates above are in sequential YYYY/MM format.



Non-residential Zoning for every 100 Acres of Residential Zoning

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Non-residential Zoning for Every 100 Acres of Residential Zoning: 2017/04 2018/04 2019/04 2020/04 2021/04 2022/04 2023/04 2024/04 2025/04 Acres of Designations shown on the left, for every 100 Acres of Residential Zoning Designations 1.1 C-N 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 C-C 3.9 4.2 4.5 4.5 4.3 4.4 4.4 4.1 4.1 C-G 18.6 17.9 17.7 17.8 17.6 18.0 17.9 17.5 17.3 L-O 5.2 4.9 4.8 4.7 4.6 4.6 4.5 4.4 5.1 I-L 8.5 8.4 8.3 8.0 7.8 7.7 8.6 8.5 8.3

Note: This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Mixed use zoning designations (such as Old Town) are not shown. Dates above are in sequential YYYY/MM format.



DEVELOPMENT COVER BY ZONING (ACRES): TN-C TN-R C-N R-2 R-4 R-8 R-15 R-40 0-Т C-C C-G L-0 M-E H-E I-L Zoning Area (acres) Undeveloped 66 436 713 353 73 18 77 21 339 778 112 31 102 197 -Developed 203 4,745 3,470 515 155 43 20 27 39 223 1,390 222 2 773 -49 420 Exempt 1,806 1,361 414 28 37 4 64 420 101 372 17 193 Total 318 6,986 5,543 1,282 256 98 23 167 479 663 2,587 707 50 102 1,164

Note: This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Development Cover refers to all land as being either developed, undeveloped, or exempt.



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Developement Cover by Zoning (%)							
Land Use	Undev .	Dev.	Exempt				
R-2	2.0%	1.7%	0.9%				
R-4	13.1%	40.1%	34.2%				
R-8	21.5%	29.3%	25.7%				
R-15	10.7%	4.4%	7.8%				
R-40	2.2%	1.3%	0.5%				
O-T	0.5%	0.4%	0.7%				
TN-C	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%				
TN-R	2.3%	0.2%	1.2%				
C-N	0.6%	0.3%	7.9%				
C-C	10.2%	1.9%	1.9%				
C-G	23.5%	11.8%	7.9%				
L-O	3.4%	1.9%	7.0%				
M-E	0.9%	0.0%	0.3%				
H-E	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%				
I-L	6.0%	6.5%	3.7%				
I-H	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%				

Note: This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-ofway. Development Cover refers to all land as being either developed, undeveloped, or exempt.

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KEY INFORMATION

ADDRESSING

Clear and consistent addressing is important for a variety of reasons, most predominately for life-safety, but data points can also be used in conjunction with other sources of information to provide insights into the framework of the City. Addressing for the purposes of this Report is either residential or non-residential, or both (the total), and then combined with developed land use areas (zoning) to understand make-up, density, and trends (over time).

- Residential. Address points for residential uses can exist in virtually every zoning designation for a variety of uses, from traditional residential to care-taker units in industrial storage.
- Non-residential. Address points for nonresidential uses can also exist in virtually every zoning designation. However, schools, churches, and other quasigovernmental agencies are generally parsed out.

The following tables and charts are current as of April 15th, 2025. The addressing data presented is currently Ada County addressing, and not Meridian's own addressing database. The City is migrating towards the Meridian Enterprise Addressing Database which is more accurate, includes more data points, and more closely aligns with City permititng.



Note: Address totals exclude many public agency facilities in residential districts, and may include many "building" addresses that utilize sub address points such as units, suites, and apartments. Addresses are only those annexed and zoned in the City of Meridian.

All Addresses by Zoning | 2025



Comparison of Address Types by Zoning | 2025

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Address Types by Zoning:															
	R-2	R-4	R-8	R-15	R-40	0-т	TN-C	TN-R	C-N	C-C	C-G	L-0	M-E	H-E	I-L
Address Type	Address Type # of Addresses														
Residential	336	19,543	20,936	7,168	3,268	345	335	529	0	169	2,889	329	0	0	37
Non-resdiential	0	4	2	0	0	300	16	106	217	718	3,016	758	3	0	1,048
Total	336	19,547	20,938	7,168	3,268	645	351	635	217	887	5,905	1,087	3	0	1,085

Note: Address totals exclude many public agency facilities in residential districts, and may include many "building" addresses that utilize sub address points such as units, suites, and apartments. Addresses are only those annexed and zoned in the City of Meridian.

Address Density by Zoning | 2025



Average Residential Density by Zoning



Average Acres Needed for 100 Residential Units | 2025



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Address Per Acre

Zoning	Residential Types	All Types
R-2	1.7	1.7
R-4	4.1	4.1
R-8	6.0	6.1
R-15	13.9	14.8
R-40	21.0	22.5
0-T	8.0	14.9
TN-C	17.2	18.0
TN-R	19.9	23.9
C-N	0.0	5.6
C-C	0.8	4.0
C-G	2.1	4.2
L-0	1.5	4.9
M-E	0.0	1.7
H-E	0.0	0.0
I-L	0.0	1.4

Notes: Acreage needed for 100 acres is a hypethical comparison of the area needed to develop residential units, using average density.

Address densities (residential and not-residential) in commercial and traditional neighborhood districts are low due to being averaged over all developed acreage, often including expansive areas of parking. Residential addresses densities in commercial areas does not reflect density trends in specific projects, such as multi-family in C-G zones.

The Future of Address Reporting

KEY INFORMATION

MEAD

The Meridian Enterprise Addressing Database (MEAD) serves as the primary location identifier for permitting in the City. Addressing verification is the first requisite step for virtually all Community Development permits. MEAD, and addressing in general, is regulated by Title 8, Chapter 2 of City Code, and is intended to assist the public and emergency services providers in the consistent identificatio. *This system is also part of a complex Countywide addressing exchange* and serves as the primary routing system for Ada County Dispatch (including Meridian Police and Fire).

For years Community Development has used the countywide addressing dataset, which includes MEAD addresses, but is stripped of many valuable data points that require more assumptions and work to evaluate. This year's Report is a point of transition, including both Ada County and MEAD datasets, and then transitioning next year to MEAD only. MEAD data includes more status and use type information that is better linked together, and includes more opportunity for related expansion as part of normal activities.

MEAD data was processed on April 15th, 2025.



Note: Addressing by use includes both primary and secondary addressing. For example, current practice is for a multifamily "structure" to have one primary address, and then for each apartment to have a secondary sub-address. Future updates will better distinguish between units such as apartments or suites, and "structures".

LAND VALUATION

KEY INFORMATION

SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

The following land valuation information and parcel information is based on Ada County Assessor records, and does not necessarily reflect market rates. This information is intended to inform comparisons of taxable land values only. While not exhaustive, the following are a sample of indicators used to compile this data:

- County Property Code. This is used in conjunction with zoning districts, to determine whether a property is being used for a residence, commercial property, or other.
- Zoning District. This is used in almost all indicators to group types of development together.
- Improvement Values. This is used most frequently to determine if a property is developed or not. It is often used with a minimum improvement assumption and minimum square foot assumption values, such that small improvements like an old houses or small shed on large properties, are excluded from developed property aggregate.

Total Developed Land Values by Zoning District Group | 2025



Note: These values do not reflect improvement costs on exempt land, such as City facilities, Schools, Churches, those properties with tax exemptions, etc. See Zoning section for explanation of zoning district groups. For explanation of developed land, see the Introduction section.



Total Developed Land Value by Zoning | 2025

Note: This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Land values are based on Ada County Assessor data, and does not necessarily reflect actual market values. Exempt land such as government buildings and churches are not included.

Median Home Property Value | 2025



Median Home Property Value by Zoning | 2025



Median Property Value per Square Foot | 2025 Median





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Median Home Value:

	Total Value
R-2	1,074,150
R-4	478,300
R-8	451,500
R-15	416,150
Median	460,100

Note: Only parcels with residential "R" propcodes are included in median value calculations. Median value includes both land and improvements.

MEDIAN HOME VALUE:

	Value/SQFT
R-2	49.8
R-4	50.2
R-8	66.2
R-15	98.1
Residential	58.6

Note: Only parcels with residential "R" propcodes are included in median value calculations. PPSF indicates property per square foot. Median PPSF values are based on the total property value divided by the total land area.



Median Property Value per Square Foot by Zoning District | 2025

Median Land Value Per Square Foot by Zoning District | 2025





Median Improvement Value Per Square Foot by Zoning District | 2025

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Median Improvement Value per Square Foot (dollars):															
	R-2	R-4	R-8	R-15	R-40	0-т	TN-C	TN-R	C-N	C-C	C-G	L-O	M-E	H-E	I-L
Value by Zoning															
SQFT Value (dollars)	199.7	149.7	155.7	162.8	158.8	152.5	298.6	241.2	185.9	156.9	184.6	204.4	52.3	0.0	123.6

Note: Median values shown are for the parcel improvement value (which excludes value of the land) and the building area of a parcel (not the entire parcel). This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Land values are based on Ada County Assessor data, and does not necessarily reflect actual market values. Exempt land such as government buildings and churches are not included.



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Median Assessed R	% Change, Median Assessed Residential Values Over Prior Year										
	R-2	R-4	R-8	R-15			R-2	R-4	R-8	R-15	
Year	Dollar Value					Year	Percent Change in Dollar Value				
2020/04	\$563,800	\$309,700	\$291,100	\$263,300		2020 to 2021	7.3%	5.0%	5.3%	6.1%	
2021/04	\$604,800	\$325,200	\$306,500	\$279,400		2021 to 2022	20.4%	27.8%	27.8%	29.2%	
2022/04	\$728,200	\$415,600	\$391,700	\$360,950		2022 to 2023	43.0%	33.2%	33.4%	35.2%	
2023/04	\$1,041,100	\$553,400	\$522,500	\$487,950		2023 to 2024	-9.5%	-17.9%	-17.5%	-18.0%	
2024/04	\$942,200	\$454,400	\$431,100	\$399,900		2024 to 2025	14.0%	5.3%	4.7%	4.1%	
2025/04	\$1,074,150	\$478,300	\$451,500	\$416,150							

Note: Median values shown are for entire parcel area and their total value. This information is based on unofficial parcel specific zoning, and varies from official zoning data which is not parcel specific. Official zoning information includes all land such as public right-of-way. Land values are based on Ada County Assessor data, and does not necessarily reflect actual market values. Exempt land such as government buildings and churches are not included.
PERMIT DEVELOPMENT

KEY INFORMATION

SUMMARY OF PERMITTING DATA

The Community Development Departments New Construction (N.C.) permits process when geolocated can be coded to zoning designations and demographic areas. Demographic areas define specific geographic areas of Meridian.

By grouping permits into demographic areas and zoning districts it is more apparent which areas are seeing development activity. It also helps to generally understand the types of development, either residential or commercial, and to better understand the general size and configuration of residential development based on zoning designations. Keep in mind that zoning is not always an indication of use; some facilities such as schools and utilities are allowed in many zoning designations.

The following maps, tables, and charts are based on new construction permit data only, for the entire previous calendar year. This permit data does not include permit information for remodels, tenant improvements, or other similar types of activities. Some new construction permits with temporary or generalized addresses may not be reflected in all of the charts, tables, and maps.



2024 N.C. Permit Counts by Zoning

Note: For additional zoning information, see the Zoning District section. See the following page for a complete table of assocaited permit values. Please note that zoning designations do not indicate density. Instead, zoning defines elements like building envelopes, setbacks, minimum property/building size, etc.



2024 N.C. Single Family Units



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N.C. Permit Information by Zoning:

Zoning Designation	Total Permits	Permit Valuation	Dwelling Units	Single Family Units	Multi Family Units
R-2	2	\$1,292,981	2	2	0
R-4	190	\$56,765,475	188	188	0
R-8	731	\$166,534,138	729	729	0
R-15	406	\$98,512,791	558	395	163
R-40	1	\$1,500,745	12	0	12
O-T	1	\$145,595	1	1	0
TN-C	-	\$-	-	0	0
TN-R	21	\$3,954,293	21	21	0
C-N	2	\$5,303,187	-	0	0
C-C	14	\$22,498,005	-	0	0
C-G	21	\$39,213,465	-	0	0
L-0	9	\$7,968,830	-	0	0
M-E	-	\$-	-	0	0
H-E	-	\$-	-	0	0
I-L	11	\$79,072,458	-	0	0
Total	1,409	\$482,761,963	1,511	1,336	175

2024 N.C. Multi Family Units





MAP

Permits by Demographic Areas

The map to the left shows N.C. permits geolocated by address and correlated by relative permit value.

- Typically commercial permits such as large retail, office, and multifamily projects, are of significantly greater value than other permits,. There are fewer of these permit types. One multifamily permit may for example be for many dwelling units.
- The larger the permit value, the larger the ring.
- Areas of many dense smaller overlapping rings are typically single-family homes in traditional subdivisions. Increasingly, some of these may also be commercially owned.

The demographic areas defined on the map are named by their geographic area within the City. Downtown Meridian is the only one not generally defined entirely by major roadway corridors, or by the Area of City Impact boundary.



2024 N.C. Total Permits

2024 N.C. Commercial Permits



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N.C. Permit Information by Demographic Area:

Demographic Area	Total Permits	Commercial Permits	Total Dwell- ing Units	Total Single Family Units	Total Multi Family Units
North	529	21	508	508	-
West	105	22	227	83	144
East	45	6	39	39	-
Northeast	25	2	35	23	12
Northwest	163	2	161	161	-
Southwest	217	6	230	211	19
Southeast	363	14	349	349	-
Downtown	2	0	2	2	-
Total	1,449	73	1,551	1,376	175

For more information of Demographic Areas, see the Permit Development Section intro sidebar.

> 2024 N.C. Single Family Permits Downtown, 2,0%





N.C. Permit Hot Spots

The map to the left shows all applicable permits types across the City. Hot spots are areas defined as being of high density, either in the total number of points (permit addresses), or in a "population" control field such as dwelling units or permit value.

This map looks at the density of permits only, and does not use a population control.

The search radius is set at 1 mile or 5,280 feet, and displays values in relative acres.



N.C. DWELLING UNIT PERMIT HOT SPOTS

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This map looks first at the permit location, and then factors a population control representing dwelling units. Large multi-family complexes are typically much higher densities than single-family homes, and so those types of facilities may be more pronounced on this map.

The search radius is set at 1 mile or 5,280 feet, and displays values in relative acres.



2024 N.C. Commercial Permit Valuation



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N.C. PERMIT VALUATION BY DEMOGRAPHIC AREA:

Demographic Area	Total Valuation	Commercial Valuation	Single Family Resi- dential Valuation
North	\$183,620,426	\$64,242,581	\$119,377,845
West	\$87,387,930	\$71,276,203	\$16,111,726
East	\$18,584,606	\$11,107,658	\$7,476,948
Northeast	\$9,974,010	\$3,795,889	\$6,178,121
Northwest	\$37,658,264	\$2,202,175	\$35,456,089
Southwest	\$49,497,233	\$6,539,528	\$42,957,705
Southeast	\$105,243,763	\$22,764,489	\$82,479,274
Downtown	\$340,131	\$-	\$340,131
Total	\$492,306,363	\$181,928,524	\$310,377,840

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N.C. PERMIT VALUATION HOT SPOTS

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Permitting Over Time

PERMIT VALUATIONS AND FEES

Residential building permit valuations are determined by multiplying the proposed square footage of a structure by the Building Valuation Data (BVD). The City of Meridian uses BVD figures established by the International Code Council (ICC) in 2006. For commercial permits, including multi-family developments, valuations are provided by the developer or builder, though City staff may audit data.

Permit fees are calculated based on the valuation using the City's adopted fee schedule, which includes both valuationbased components and flat-rate charges. The fee assessment process follows the standards outlined in the 2018 International Building Code (IBC). For example, the IBC requires that the City not issue a permit until all associated fees have been paid.

The following fee data reflects the building permit fees for single-family residential, multi-family residential, and commercial permits only. Recent data shows a decline in average valuations, likely reflecting smaller projects, despite rising development costs and high visibility of a few larger projects. Fees follow this trend.



Total Valuation of Building Permits

Note: Permits represented include R-New (new single-family homes), C-NEW (new commercial), C-MULTI (new multi-family), and C-SHELL (new commercial shells, or those buildings intended to be subdivided into suites with future tenant improvements). These are the most commonly reported record types. Permit values represent quantities reported in other areas of the Report. C-MULTI valuations are included in Commercial ("C") permitting types.



Average Commercial Building Permit Value

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Average Permit Value

Year	Residential	Commercial	Combined		
2019	\$235,614	\$1,783,598	\$352,905		
2020	\$242,101	\$1,872,350	\$339,226		
2021	\$245,075	\$2,624,091	\$454,554		
2022	\$218,624	\$2,897,331	\$500,969		
2023	\$227,292	\$2,738,848	\$403,679		
2024	\$225,565	\$2,492,172	\$339,756		
Average	\$232,379	\$2,401,398	\$398,515		
Notes: Permite represented include P. Now Incursingle family homes) C. NEW (now					

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Average Residential Building Permit Value



Average Combined Building Permit Value





Average Commercial Building Permit Fee

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Average Permit Fee

Year	Residential	Commercial	Combined
2019	\$1,296	\$9,441	\$1,899
2020	\$1,358	\$9,301	\$1,845
2021	\$1,394	\$14,307	\$2,416
2022	\$1,251	\$15,825	\$2,743
2023	\$1,283	\$14,932	\$2,242
2024	\$1,277	\$10,632	\$1,714
Average	\$1,310	\$12,406	\$2,143

Notes: Average permit fee generally mirrors the trend of average permit value as they are related. The same types of records are included. However, average permit fee values look at fewer total records than average permit value records, and so while there is still a close correlation to permit values, they are not the same. City projects for example are processed and reviewed, but there is no invoice and so those associated projects that are included for permit value summaries, are absent in permit fee summaries.

Average Residential Building Permit Fee



Average Combined Building Permit Fee



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