


Current and Future Conditions and Assessment

The Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee reviewed findings on current and forecasted conditions and analysis for the Corridor to determine future needs and challenges of the Corridor between 2020 and 2050. The future analysis presents the baseline condition, which includes the existing roadways in the Corridor, plus any currently planned and programmed projects by TxDOT or Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the Corridor. The baseline condition does not include upgrading the Corridor to an interstate.

What are the Population Trends in the Corridor?

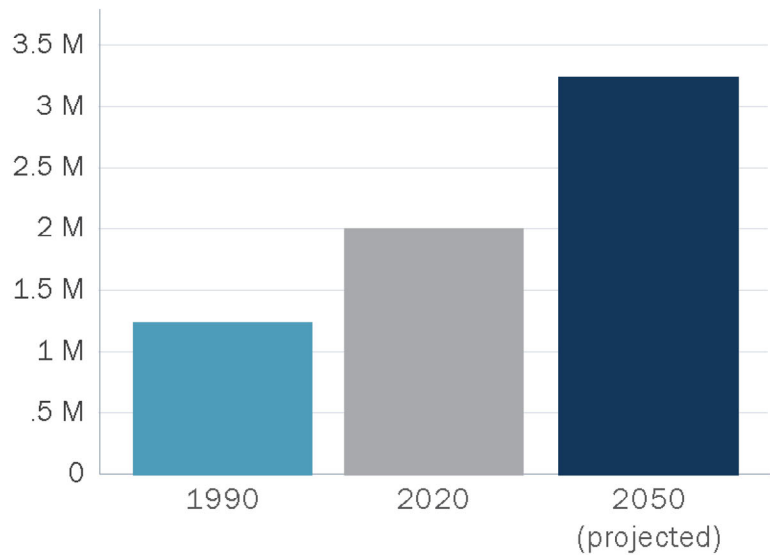


Population


The Ports-to-Plains Corridor experienced steady growth from 1990 to 2017, **growing from 1.4 million in 1990 to 1.8 million in 2017**, an increase of 33 percent.

From 2020 to 2050, the Corridor is **projected to grow 61 percent, adding over a million people**, from approximately two million in 2020 to over three million in 2050.

Historical and Forecasted Population



Source: U.S. Census (1990) and Texas Demographic Center (Projections Developed in 2018)



Andrews (352%) and Midland (206%) counties led the corridor in projected population growth, potentially due to oil and gas continuing to play a prominent economic role in the Corridor.

Corridor Population Growth

