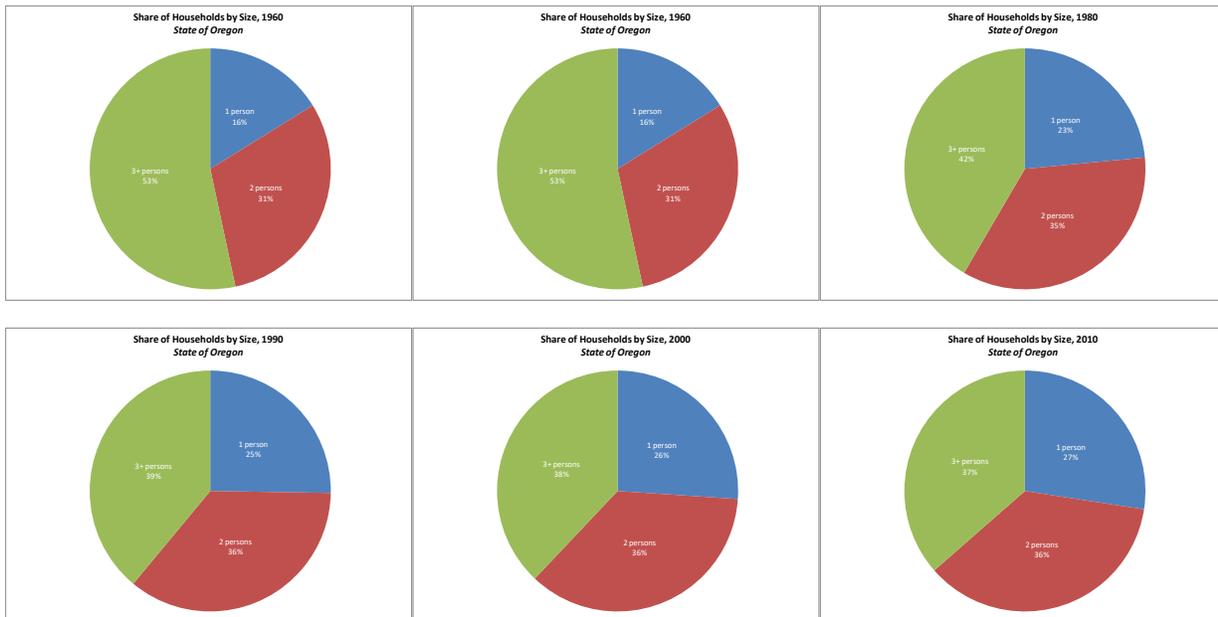


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Dear Oregon Legislators,

This is expert testimony in support of **HB 2001**.

Each decade since 1960, **Oregon's population has shifted towards more one and two-person households, and away from larger 3+ person households**. This demographic trend is due to many factors including: longer lifespans; adults are having fewer children if they choose to have them at all; and increasing numbers of adults that are opting not to be married.



The share of 3+ person Oregonian households has dropped from 53% to 37% between 1960 and 2010

Meanwhile, in the decades **from 1920s-1970s, municipal governments increasingly instituted single-family residential zoning in the lands they controlled**. Nowadays, many jurisdictions have half of their land indelibly locked into the stranglehold of single-family residential zoning, while only very small percentages of municipal land allow for any multifamily development.

