Regional Housing Planning

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The SCAG Region

Nation's Largest MPO

191 Cities 6 Counties

19 Million People

16th Largest Economy in the World

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SCAG Regional Issues

TRANSPORTATION

GOODS MOVEMENT

HOUSING

AIR QUALITY

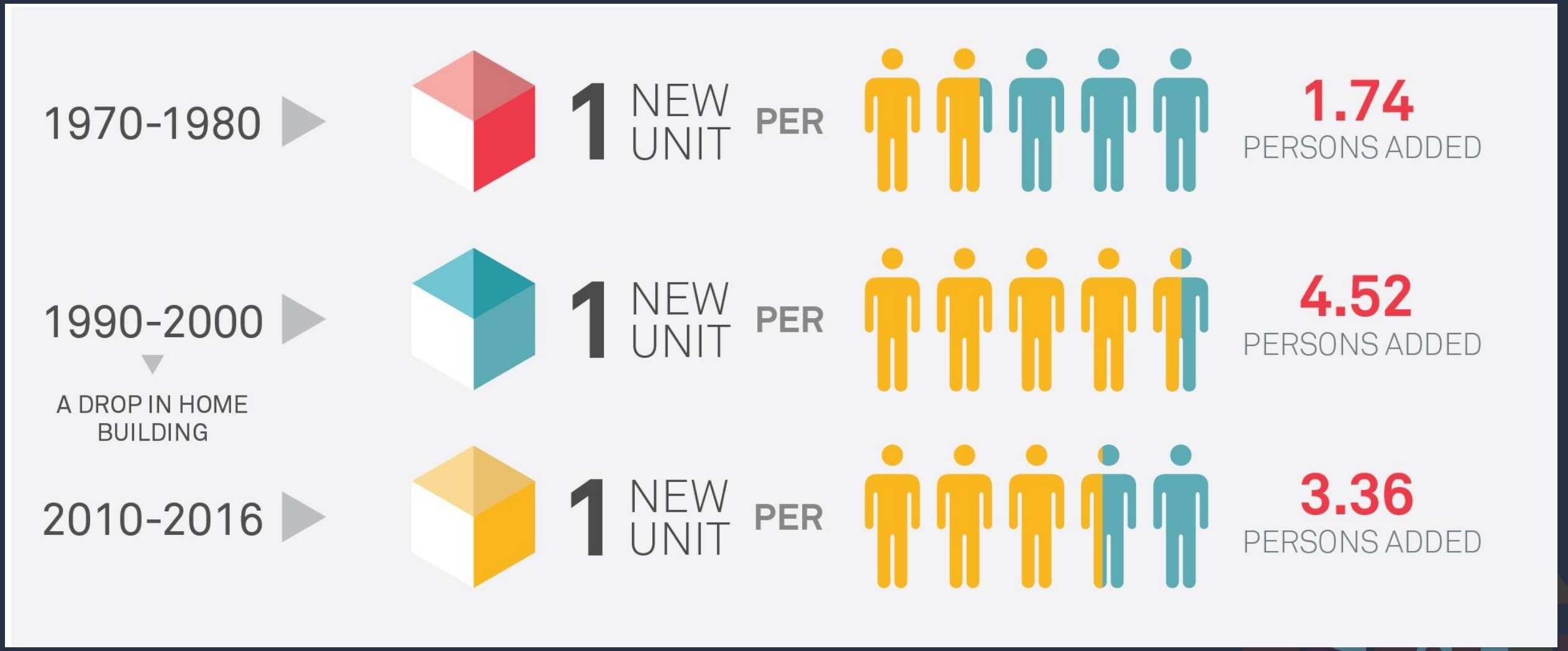
SCS/LAND USE

FUNDING

LONG TERM GROWTH FORECAST

WATER

Housing Crisis: Decades in the Making



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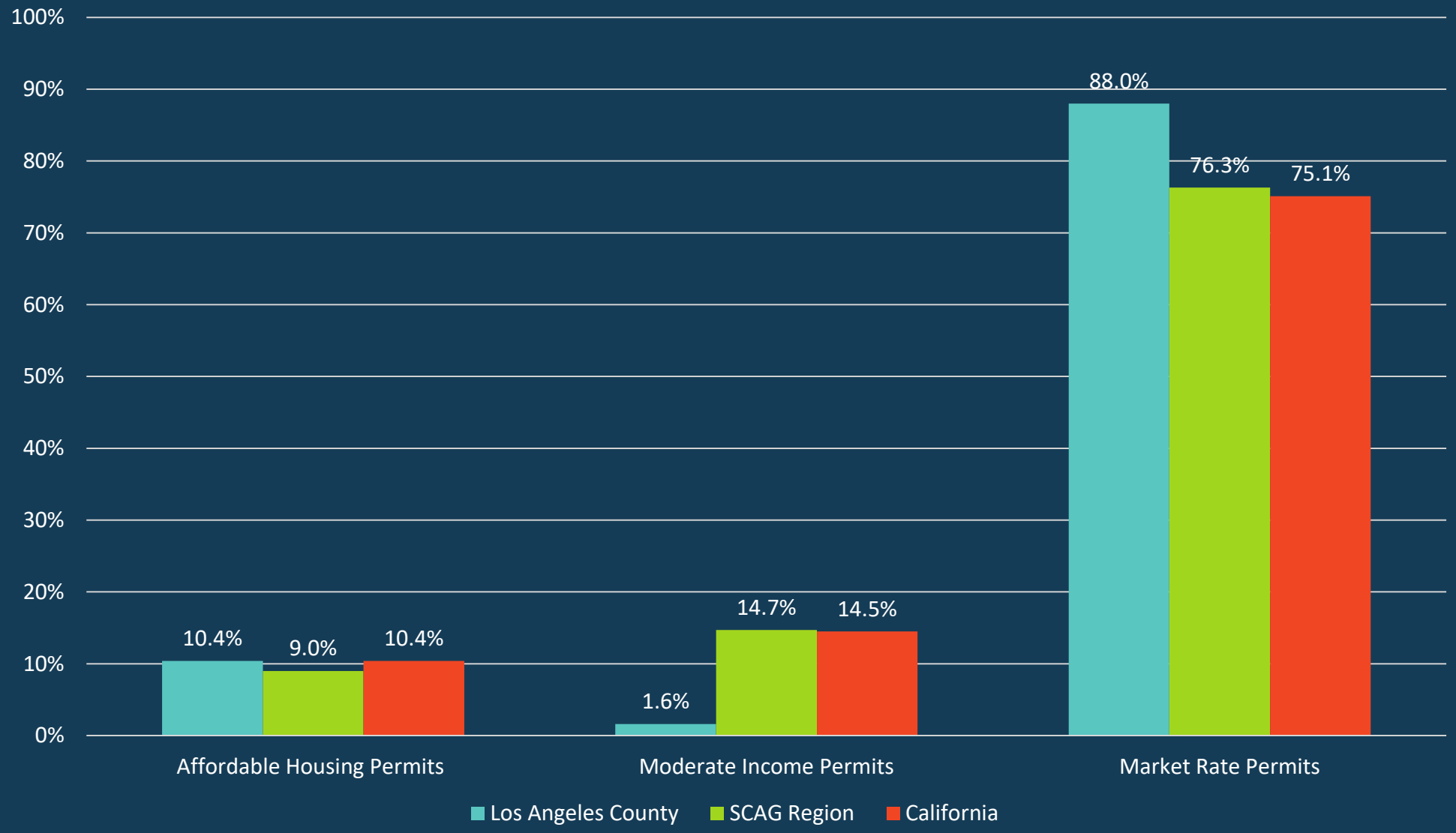
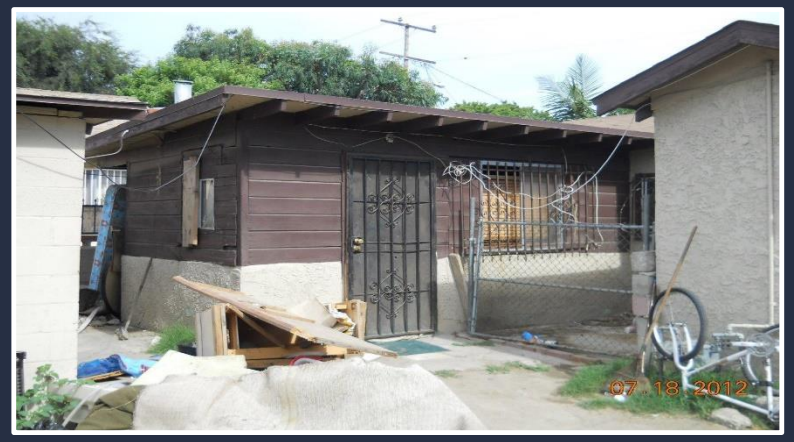
Percentage of Residential Building Permits Issued 2013-2017



The Cost of Not Housing

Overcrowding

Outmigration and Loss of Talent



Health and Safety Issues

Economic Impacts

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Barriers to Regional Housing Planning

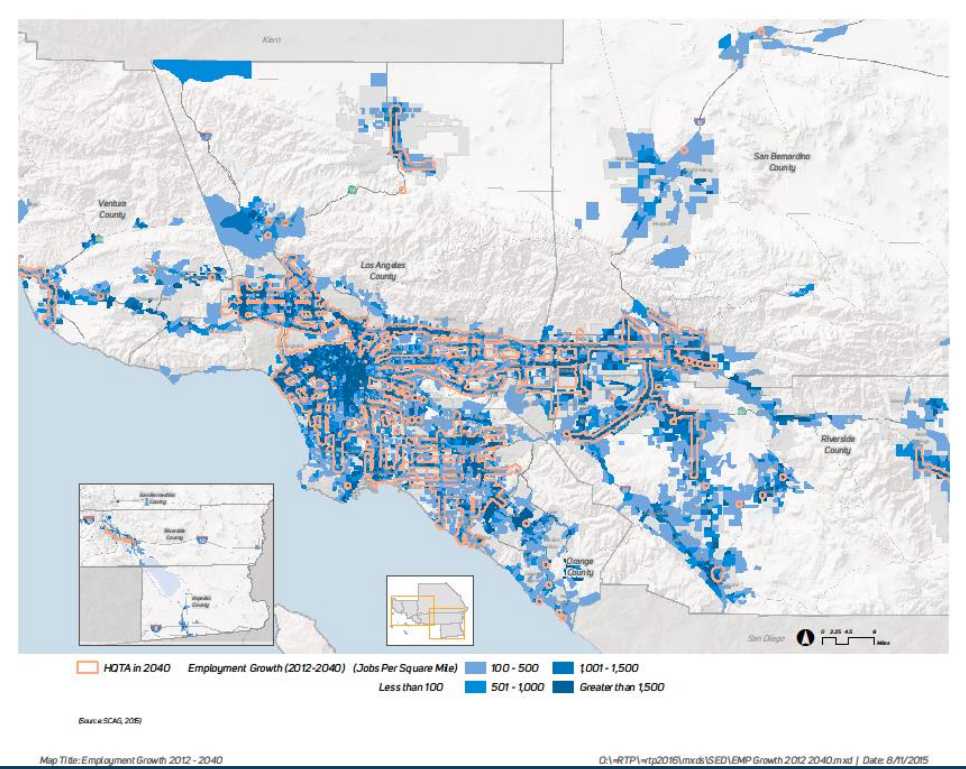
- Local control
  - Housing permitting is done at the local level
- Lack of incentives to care about neighboring cities
- Lack of funding
- NIMBY

Why Regional Housing Planning?

- Housing issues go beyond city boundaries
  - Economic development
  - Traffic impacts
  - Environmental impacts

- Better coordination with regional transportation planning
  - Targeting areas with economic growth potential
  - Areas with high scores of walkability
  - Areas with high transit use

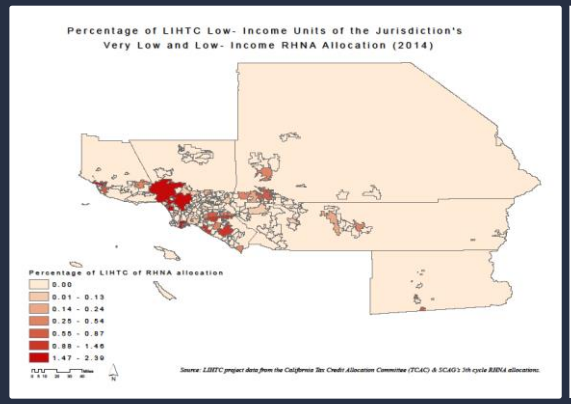
Thinking Regionally



- You can't talk about traffic without talking about housing
- You can't talk about jobs without talking about housing
  - Housing is where jobs sleep at night
- The housing crisis is a collective problem... and requires a collective solution

SCAG's Role in Regional Housing Planning

- Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA)
- Connect SoCal: Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS)
- Toolbox and Best Practices
- Technical Support for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (aka "Cap and Trade")
- Facilitation of local stakeholder meetings and workshops



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