Developed & Displaced

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Abstract

The late industrialization and rapid development of China is a central focus for the international community. The acceleration of building technologies combined with the appearance of entire cities conceived *whole-cloth* has had dramatic impacts both locally and abroad. Does the growth of Chinese cities, such as Beijing, mirror previously development in cities across the United States?

Through parallel examination of the revitalization efforts in Cincinnati, Ohio and the rapid growth of Beijing, China we hope to analyze the impact of development on those citizens who already inhabit these spaces of change. Unfortunately, in both instances, the process of development often results in the displacement of lower income citizens that live in these areas of development. We hope to identify a specific area in either city and propose a way the current residents might cultivate and create their own capital to enhance and maintain their residence through public space.

Outline

- I. China's Development
 - existing legislation
 - migration
 - land use vs. ownership
 - potential challenges
- II. Cincinnati's Development
 - creation of the city
 - special zoning initiatives
 - current Conditions and Proposals
 - issues created
- III. Areas of focus
- IV. Public Space Initiative
 - cultivating existing human capital
 - proposed project

Land Use Policy in China 1950 -

- 1950 Regulations on the Reforms of Suburban Land
- 1956 Regulations on Agricultural Producer Cooperatives
- 1962 rural land based on collective ownership legitimized.
- 1979 four Special Economic Zones created
- 1984 fourteen coastal cities termed "Open Coastal Cities"
- 1987 use rights in Shenzen first sold to foreign investors
- 1988 sale of use rights ratified as constitutional in 1988



Migration

Whereas the majority of the population relied on subsistence farming in the 1980's, structural shifts in economic organization, together with the desire for higher incomes and better standards of living, have caused many rural laborers to seek urban, non-agricultural employment.

Rapid industrialization will continue to produce dramatic urban-rural population shifts.

Migration to big cities is tightly controlled, though migration to small and medium-sized cities and small cities is encouraged. Policies have become more relaxed in this regard.

Most population increases have occurred in the urban centers of eastern provinces.

Allocation vs. Dispensation

Allocation - the dispensation of land use rights to state-owned or non-profit users

Conveyance - the transfer of land use rights to commercial users

Problem: A conflict of interest between State and provincial governments. The lack of sufficient regulations has resulted in the dramatic loss of arable land.

Potential Challenges

- Agriculture / food
- Employment
- Urbanization

Development of Cincinnati, Ohio

Founded in 1788 - 185 miles in diameter

Geography divide into two areas: Basin and Hilltops

Transportation:

First railway built in 1836 connecting Cincinnati to Springfield

52 barge facilities along the Ohio River

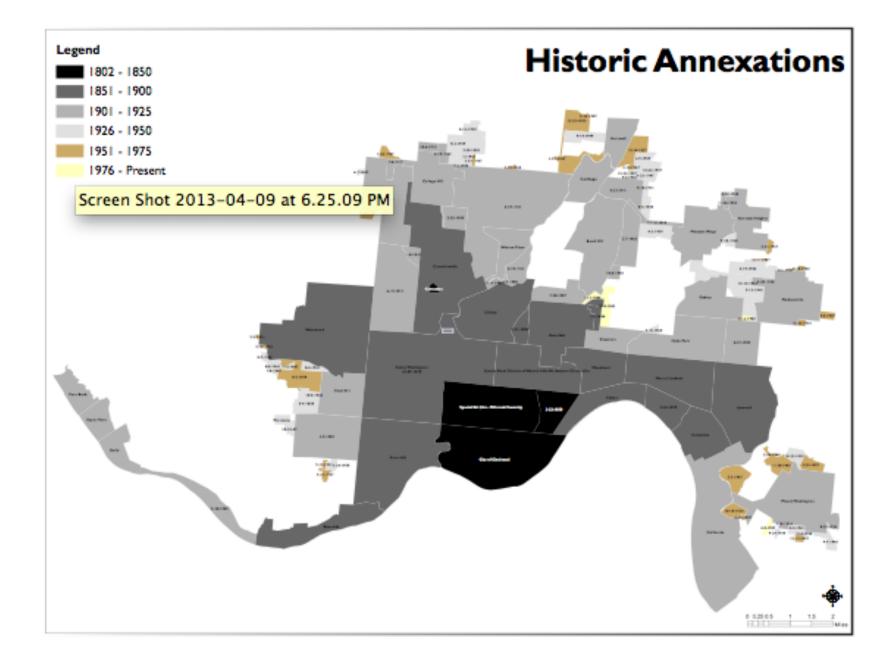
Attempt to construct subway after WWI

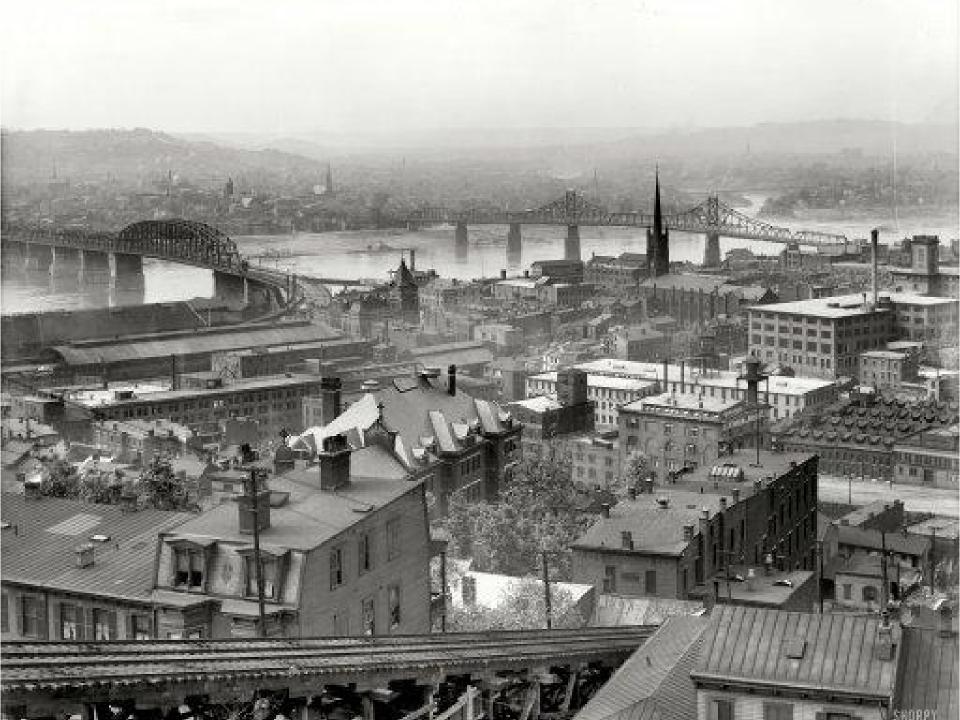
Growth:

1840-1950 city grew at rate of 45,000 people per year

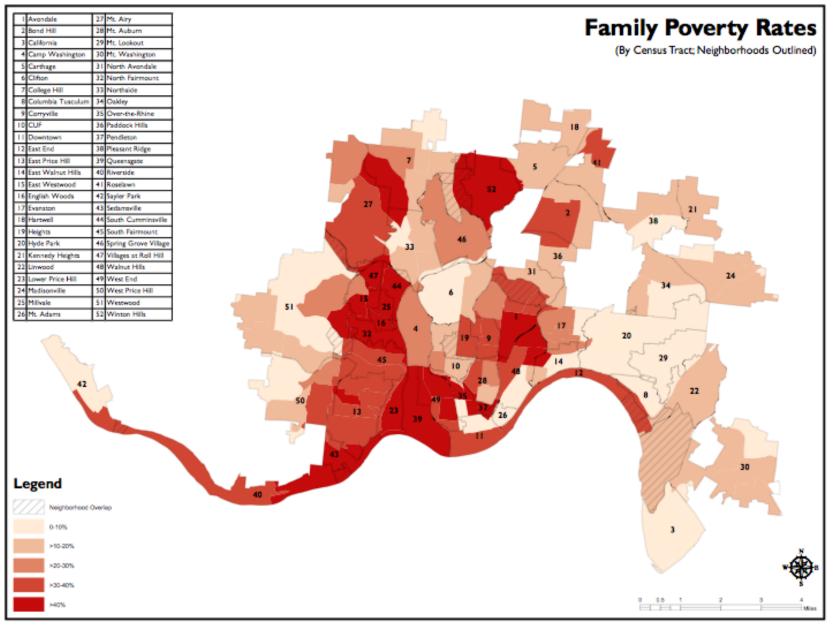
Began decline in 1980's

By 2010 population 296,945 down 41% from highest population in 1950

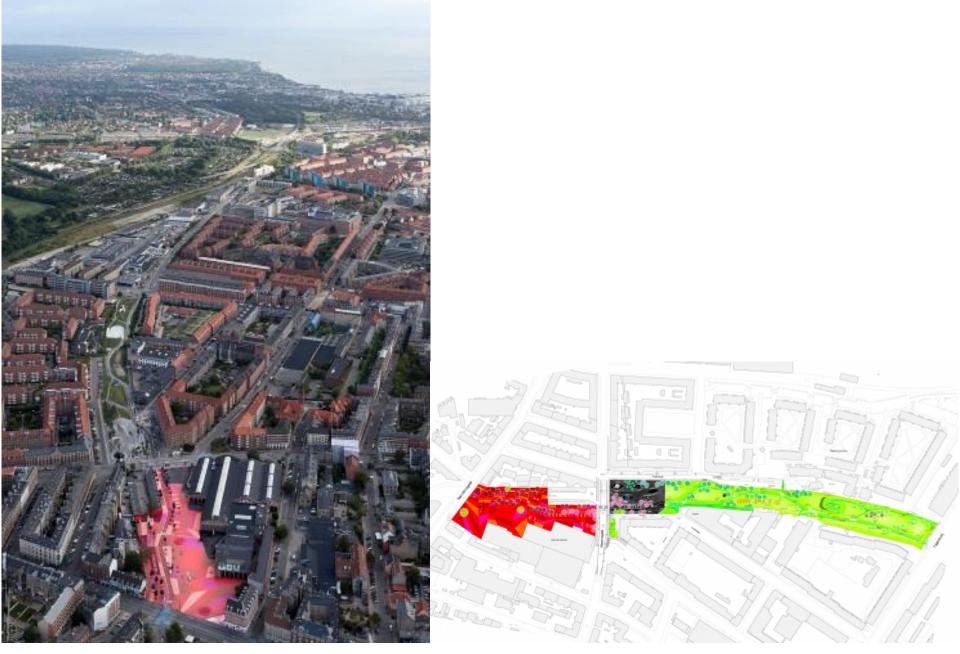








Source: American Community Survey 5-year estimates (2006-2010)



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