

Land Use: 254 Assisted Living

Description

Assisted living complexes are residential settings that provide either routine general protective oversight or assistance with activities necessary for independent living to mentally or physically limited persons. They commonly have separate living quarters for residents, and services include dining, housekeeping, social and physical activities, medication administration and transportation. Alzheimer's and ALS care are commonly offered by these facilities, though the living quarters for these patients may be located separately from the other residents. Assisted care commonly bridges the gap between independent living and nursing homes. In some areas of the country, assisted living residences may be called personal care, residential care, or domiciliary care. Staff may be available at an assisted care facility 24 hours a day, but skilled medical care—which is limited in nature—is not required. Continuing care retirement community (Land Use 255) and nursing home (Land Use 620) are related uses.

Additional Data

The rooms in these facilities may be private or shared accommodations, consisting of either a single room or a small apartment-style unit with a kitchenette and living space.

One study reported that according to national and local data, less than 5 percent of the residents owned cars, which were rarely driven. Employees, visitors and delivery trucks made most of the trips to these facilities.

Truck traffic was captured for some studies in this land use and is presented in the table below. Although truck traffic was very low overall, most trips occurred during the mid-day period on a weekday.

The peak hour of the generator typically did not coincide with the peak hour of the adjacent street traffic, primarily because of the shifts of the employees. For the data collected in this land use, shifts typically began at 7:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. The a.m. peak hour of the generator typically occurred between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., while the p.m. peak hour of the generator typically occurred between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Time Period	% Trucks
Weekday Morning (6:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.)	1
Weekday Mid-Day (11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.)	9
Weekday Evening (2:45 p.m.–6:45 p.m.)	2
Saturday Mid-Day (11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.)	4
Saturday Evening (3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.)	0
Sunday Mid-Day (11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.)	1
Sunday Evening (3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.)	0