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## The Politics of Growth on MDI



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Mount Deart Island plays, host to scene of the most exquisite landscape in the country. By virtus of Acadia National Path's protection, most of MDI's cological resurvers. have enjoyed a guaranteed immonity from the hands of unscruppious developers, thorever, the rest of the island has begun to experience the very real pressures of growth and development.

According to MDI Tensorrow's forecast based on current trends, unplanned growth on MDI will lead to a least of the country of the product of th

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Today, COA readors are thrilled to find a round for \$500 a mouth and the average coart of a single family humon on MOI acquired for find a round for \$500 a mouth and the average coart of a single family home on MOI acquired for find a round for \$500 a mouth and the average coart of a single family home on MOI is close to \$120,000.

"The roat of housing on the Island has more than doubled," notes realtor Lbo Saminalsy, "but incomes, expecially the incomes of working people, have and."

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