

## Noise Pollution

Noise pollution is a public health problem; at some levels of exposure, these loud disturbances can bring about hearing loss and contribute to increased levels of stress. Uncontrolled growth and development have contributed to increasing levels of noise pollution, as city planners and developers rush to complete projects without careful consideration of the associated health impacts.

### Case Studies

- [Coastal Smart Growth: Low-Impact Development Case Study](#)
  - This case study demonstrates how Boston area officials were able to address noise pollution by installing a “green” roof on city hall.

### Other Resources

- [Highway Traffic Noise and Land Use Development; Coordinating Federal, State and Local Authorities. Transportation Research Board of the National Academies. Number 240. \(964 KB\)](#)
  - A Transportation Research Board (TRB) newsletter focused on controlling transportation noise.
- [Noise Pollution Clearinghouse: Montpelier, VT](#)
  - The Noise Pollution Clearinghouse is a national non-profit organization with extensive online noise related resources.