

Before we begin: Take some dot labels to the *Will it sink or float* chart and make your predictions.

“I’m Your Density!”

The Mathematics of Crowdedness

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Population Density

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Density of Matter

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- Population Density & The Density of Matter **Done!**
- Rigid Transformations: Shapes on a Plane **Done!**
- The Power of Exponents **Done!**
- Lines, Angles, & Shapes: Measuring Our World **Soon!**
- Tools of Algebra: Expressions, Equations, and Inequalities
- Tools of Algebra: Linear Functions
- Tools of Algebra: Non-Linear Functions
- Statistics & Probability

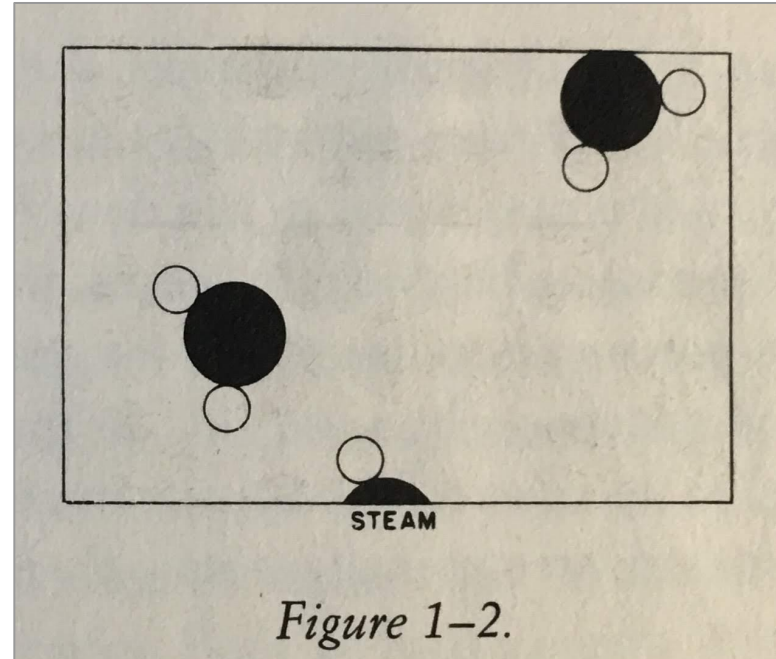
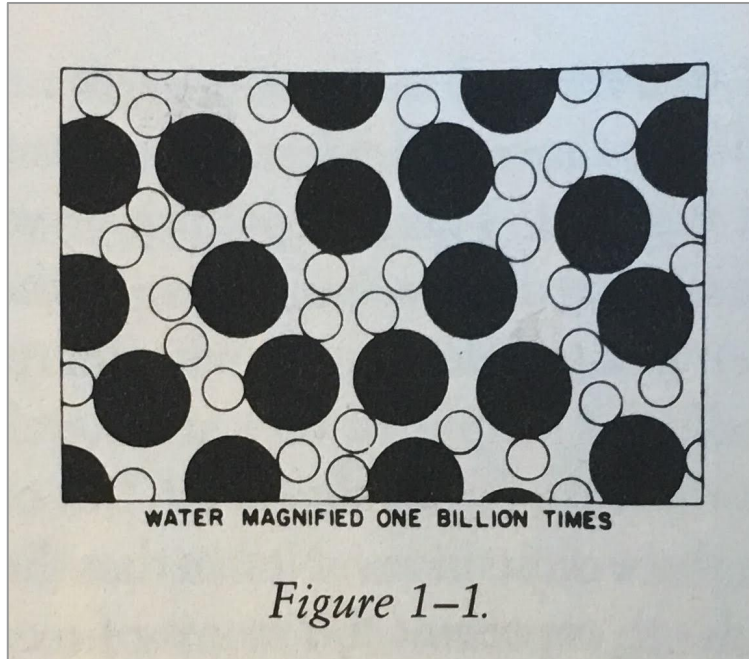
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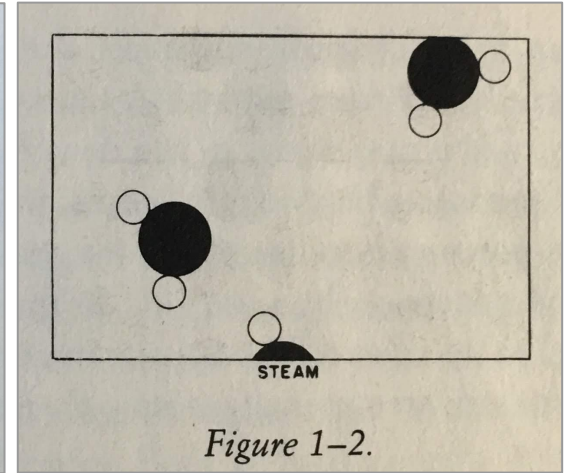
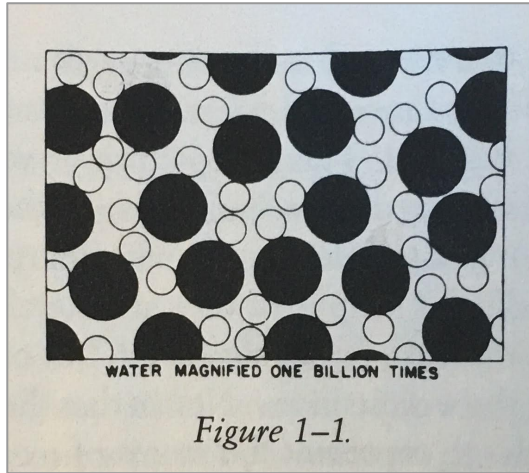


Images from Six Easy Pieces, by Richard Feynman

What is density?

Write a one-sentence definition.

What do we notice about these 3 images?



Content Standard

size of a
2-dimensional surface

size of a
3-dimensional space

Apply concepts of density based on **area** and **volume** in **modeling** situations (e.g., persons **per square mile**, BTUs **per cubic foot**). - CCRS, 2013

“for every” - unit rate
(proportion)

understanding of
linear, square, and
cubic units
(measurement)

application in the real world

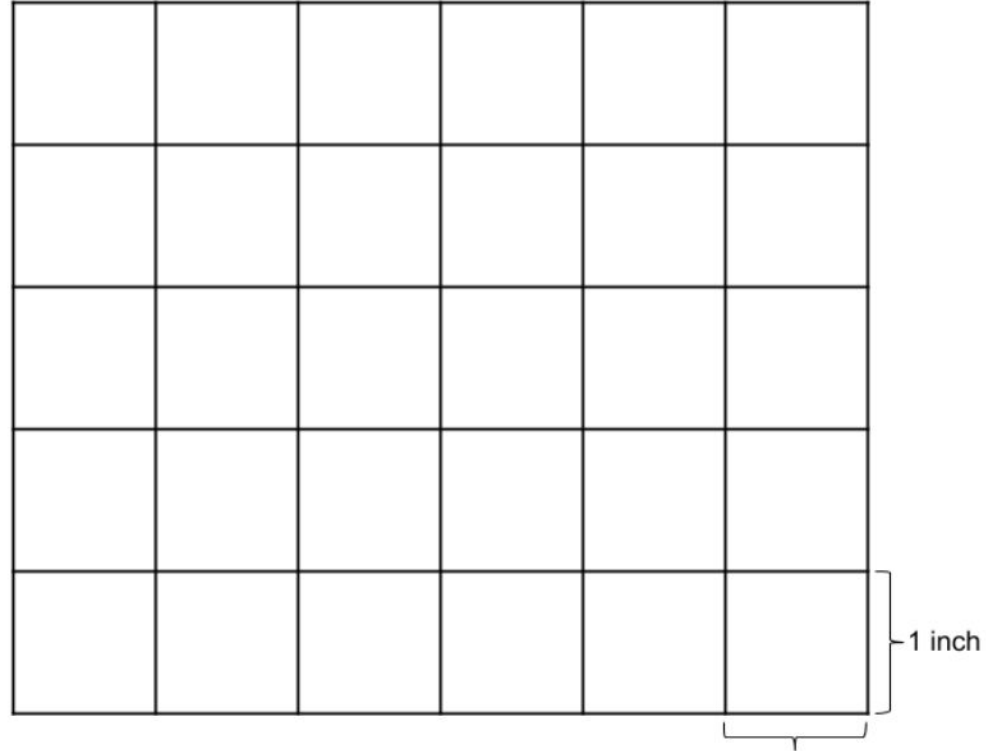
* *British Thermal Units (BTUs) are a way of measuring heat.*

Let's think about the area of the figure below. It's made of squares that are 1 inch on each side.

Area

Before talking about density, we explore area as the size of a surface, measured in squares.

We encourage students to count the squares to be sure of the area.



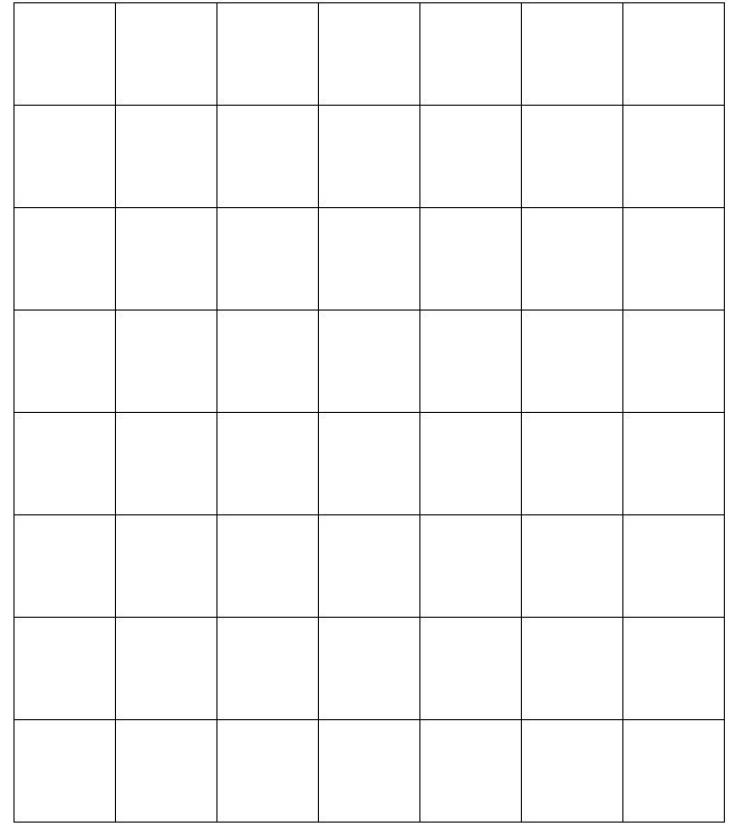
How many squares are there in total? 30

What is the area of the rectangular grid? 30 square inches

Beans and Density

For this activity, you will need about 100 beans and the grid paper on the next page.

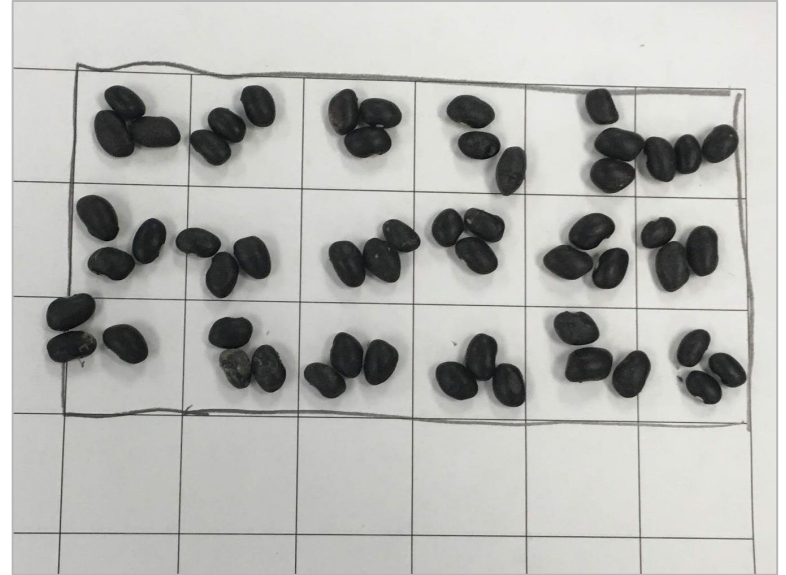
- 1) On grid paper, fill in an area of 18 square inches.
- 2) Count out 54 beans and pour them on to your 18 square-inch area.
- 3) Spread the beans out equally so that there is the same number of beans in each of the 18 squares.



Beans and Density



You should be able to put an equal number of beans on each square. Once you divide up all 54 beans equally, how many are there in each square? 3

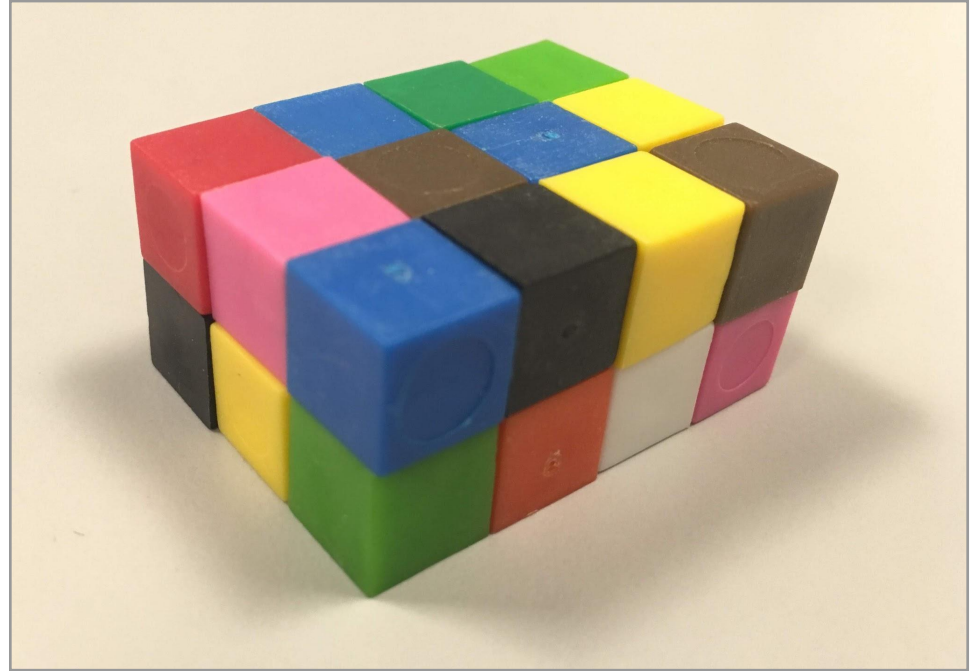


This grid has a density of 3 beans per square inch. (In other words: *How many beans are in each square?*)

Ideas

Density of Matter

- **volume:** measurement of 3-dimensional space by counting cubes
- **division of mass:** separate into a number of groups that matches the volume



Activities from the Packets

	Population Density	Density of Matter
Concept	Finding Density from Area and Population	What is the Density of Matter?
Application	Chicken Coops	Density of Common Substances
HSE Practice	2-3 exam-style questions	2-3 exam-style questions
Language	What does the word “per” mean?	Fill in the Blanks summary

Population Density

Area (squares)

Populations: beans,
foxes, chickens,...

World population

State populations

Which is more crowded?

Density of Matter

Volume (cubes)

Mass (weight)

Matter: anything with
volume and mass

Identifying substances

Indiana Jones &
the density of gold

Air convection

Will it float?

Density

Measurement

Division

“Per” - unit rate

Where does the density
formula come from?

Math vocabulary

Reading charts and graphs

Function tables

Reflection

One thing I learned about
density is...

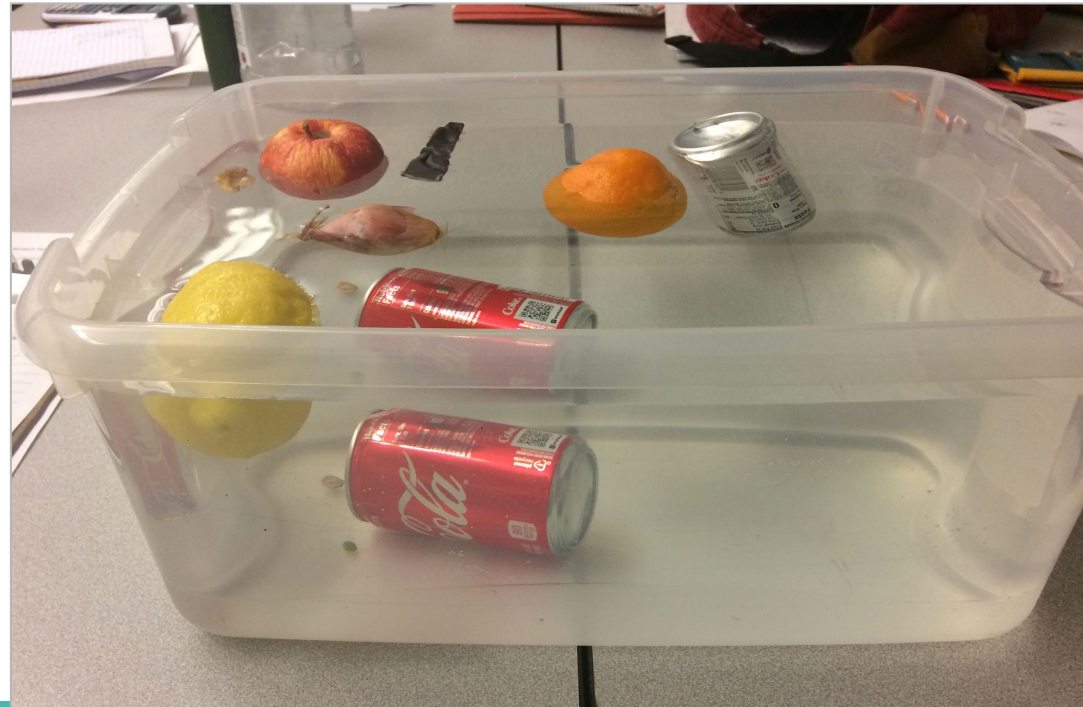
One thing I learned about
teaching density is...

One question I have about
density is...

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Patricia Helmuth's class

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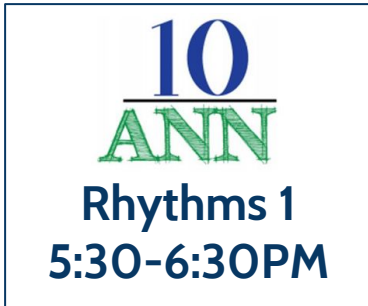


	Sink	Float
Regular Coke	7	
Diet Coke	2	5
Apple		7
Lemon	7	0
Orange	3	4
Cabbage		7
Walnut	4	3
Shallot	7	0
Green Pea	0	7
Pinto Bean	0	7
Rice	7	

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