

Unprecedented Funding for Unprecedented Times: Demystifying Federal Funds for Climate Resilience



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Access to Federal Funding for Community Resilience

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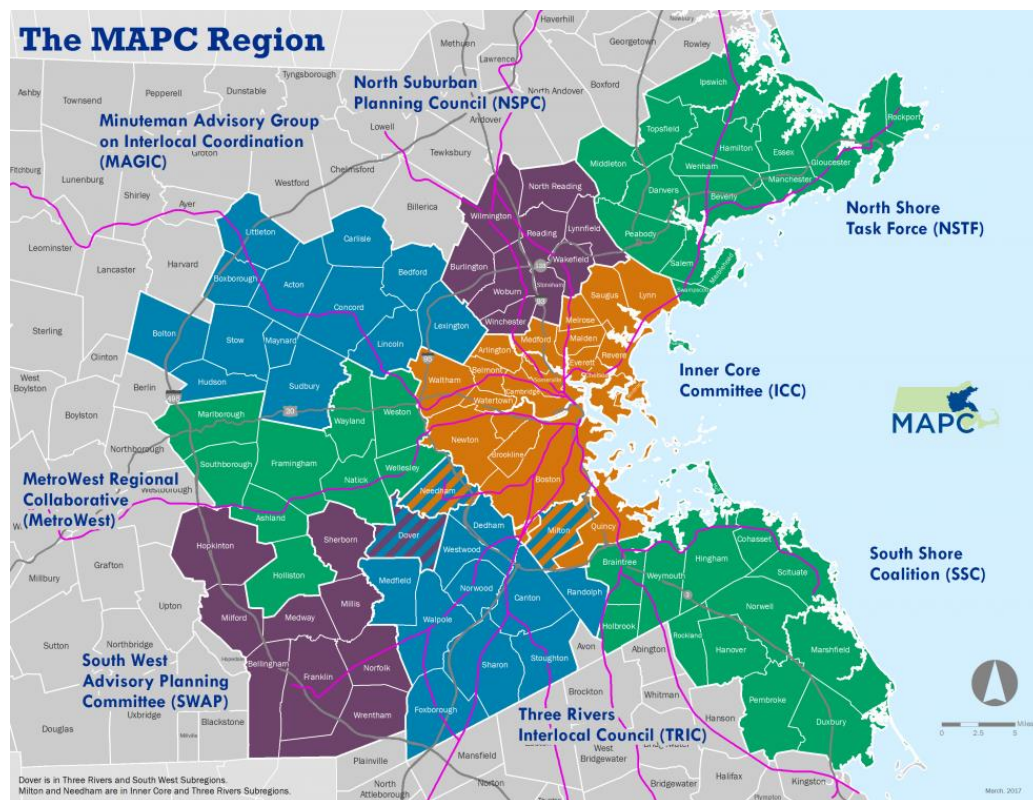
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MAPC Overview

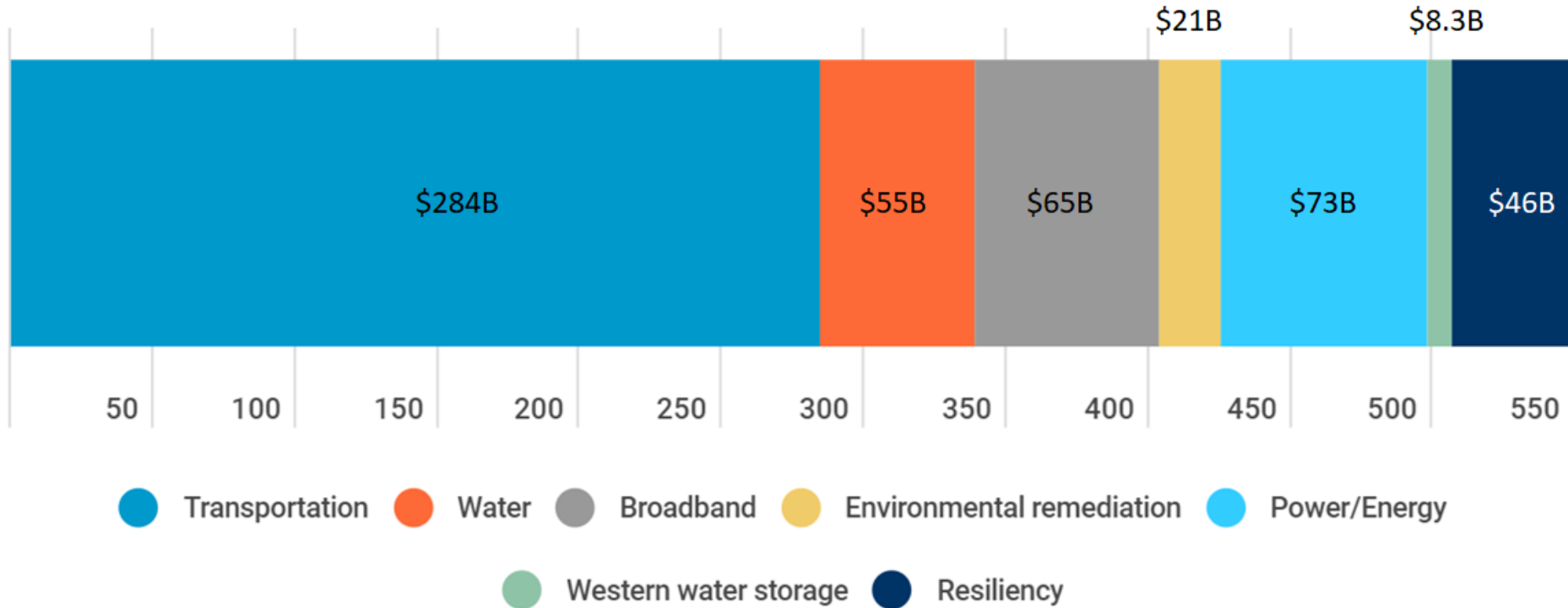


- ▶ Regional planning agency that serves the 101 cities and towns of Metro Boston, home to 3.4 million residents
- ▶ Mission is to promote smart growth and regional collaboration
- ▶ Guided by our recently adopted regional plan, [MetroCommon x 2050](#)

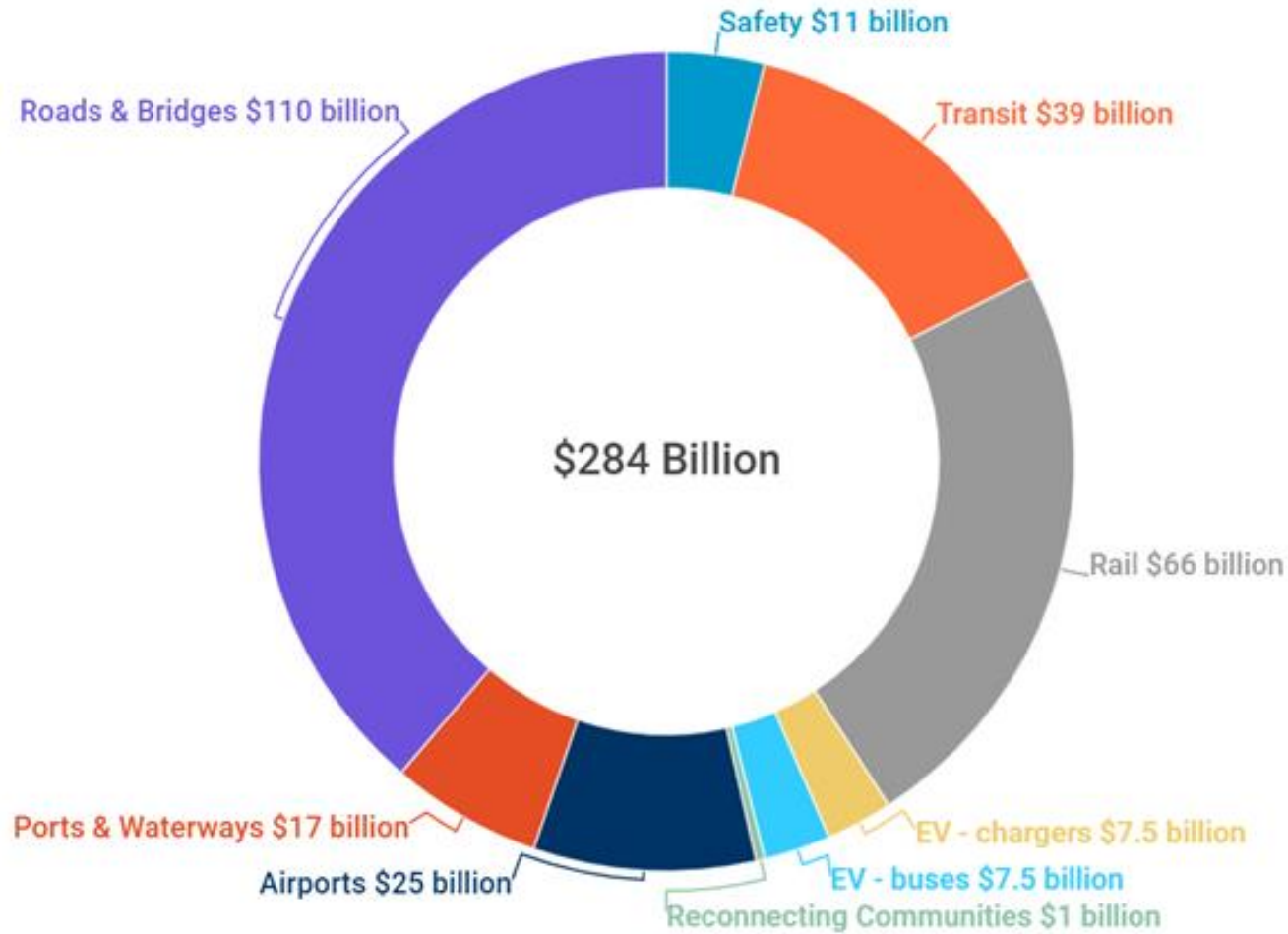
IIJA Overview

- ▶ \$1.2T five-year law includes reauthorization of surface transportation and drinking/wastewater legislation, as well as new money for transportation, clean energy, broadband infrastructure, climate resiliency, and more.
 - ▶ New funding available totals at approximately \$550B
- ▶ Funding is generally available through new and existing formula and competitive grant programs

The \$550B in new investments include:



The \$284B in new transportation funding includes:



Opportunities for Massachusetts

- ▶ Estimated formula funds to Massachusetts over five years include:
 - ▶ \$5.3B in Federal highway formula funding for highways and bridges
 - ▶ \$2.8B to improve public transit options
 - ▶ \$1.1B for water infrastructure improvements
 - ▶ \$244M for airport infrastructure
 - ▶ \$107M for transportation resiliency improvements
 - ▶ \$94M to reduce transportation emissions
 - ▶ \$63M to expand EV charging infrastructure
- ▶ Additional expected funding allocations include:
 - ▶ \$100M to expand broadband access
 - ▶ \$15.7M for cyber attack protection
 - ▶ \$5.8M for wildfire protection
- ▶ This does not include opportunities available through new and existing competitive grant programs

Role of MPOs

- ▶ Metropolitan Planning Organizations: federally designated entities that carry out transportation planning for a specific metropolitan area. There are ten MPOs in Massachusetts and three Rural Transportation Organizations that function similarly.
- ▶ All federal transportation funding is programmed by MPOs for specific projects, both formula funds and competitive grants.
- ▶ MassDOT, MBTA, and RTAs identify the majority of projects for funding that the MPOs review for approval. The MPOs also reserve a subset of funding each year for municipal priorities that cities and towns compete for.
- ▶ Since the IIJA contains the Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act, federal transportation funds will continue to be allocated based on this process.
- ▶ The greatest opportunity for "additional" funding through the IIJA are the new discretionary grant programs that municipalities, regions, and states will compete for.

Additional Resources

- ▶ White House infrastructure bill page: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/build/>
- ▶ Several federal agencies have created webpages specifically for IJA updates
 - ▶ <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/>
 - ▶ <https://www.transit.dot.gov/BIL>
 - ▶ <https://www.epa.gov/infrastructure>
 - ▶ <https://www.energy.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law>
- ▶ MAPC is compiling IJA summaries and resources on our website here: <https://www.mapc.org/resource-library/ija/>

Thank you!

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Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund: Water & Sewer Infrastructure and Climate Resiliency

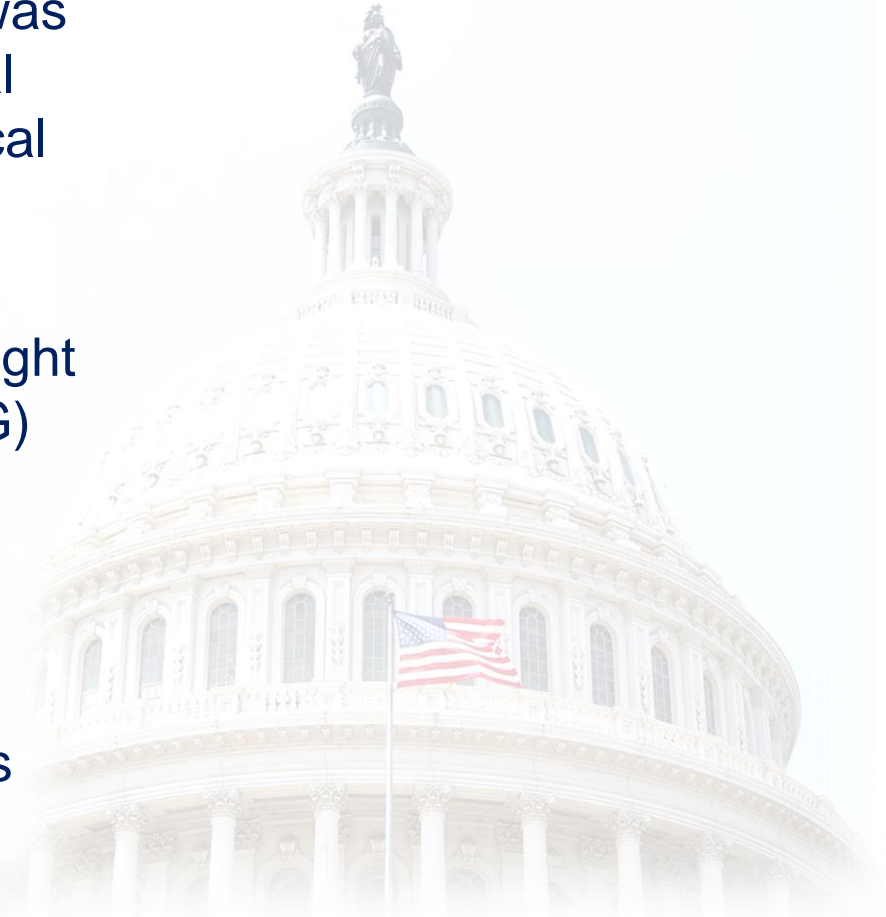
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State and Local Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

- On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law, appropriating **\$350 B** for direct state and local government aid through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF)
- This program is administered at the federal level by the US Department of the Treasury (“Treasury”) with audit and oversight provided by the US Treasury Office of Inspector General (OIG)
- “Interim Final Rule” created by US Treasury in May 2021
- Final Rule issued in January 2022
 - › Final Rule takes effect on **April 1, 2022**
 - › Until April 1, the Interim Final Rule remains in effect; funds used consistently with the IFR while it is in effect are in compliance with the SLFRF program





Water & Sewer Infrastructure and Climate Resiliency

Relevant Highlights from State's \$4 Billion Federal COVID-19 Relief Funding Spending Bill

- \$100 million to fund grants for water and sewer infrastructure improvements
- \$100 million to improve culverts, dams, and other environmental infrastructure
- \$90 million for marine port development
- \$25 million for greening gateway cities



Overview

Four Key Eligible Use Categories

1. Public Sector Revenues
2. Public Health & Economic Response
3. Premium Pay for Essential Workers
4. Water, Sewer & Broadband Infrastructure



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

Building/Repairing Water and Sewer Infrastructure

- There are opportunities for communities to use CLFRF funding to address necessary resiliency measures to adapt to climate change
- Water and sewer infrastructure projects are eligible under EPA's State Revolving Funds are eligible
 - › Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)
 - › Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)
- Final Rule expands eligibility to include lead remediation, stormwater infrastructure (incl. culverts), residential wells, and certain dam and reservoir rehabilitation



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

Examples of Eligible Projects (CWSRF)

- Construction of publicly owned treatment works
- Projects pursuant to implementation of a nonpoint source pollution management program established under the Clean Water Act (CWA)
- Decentralized wastewater treatment systems that treat municipal wastewater or domestic sewage
- Management and treatment of stormwater or subsurface drainage water
- Water conservation, efficiency, or reuse measures
- Development and implementation of a conservation and management plan under the CWA
- Watershed projects meeting the criteria set forth in the CWA
- Energy consumption reduction for publicly owned treatment works
- Reuse or recycling of wastewater, stormwater, or subsurface drainage water
- Security of publicly owned treatment works



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

Examples of Eligible Projects (DWSRF)

- Facilities to improve drinking water quality
- Transmission and distribution, including improvements of water pressure or prevention of contamination in infrastructure and lead service line replacements
- New sources to replace contaminated drinking water or increase drought resilience, including aquifer storage and recovery system for water storage
- Green infrastructure, including green roofs, rainwater harvesting collection, permeable pavement
- Storage of drinking water, such as to prevent contaminants or equalize water demands
- Purchase of water systems and interconnection of systems
- New community water systems



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

New Eligible Projects Under the Final Rule

- Culvert repair, resizing, and removal, replacement of storm sewers, and additional types of stormwater infrastructure
- Infrastructure to improve access to safe drinking water for individual served by residential wells, including testing initiatives, and treatment/remediation strategies that address contamination
- Dam and reservoir rehabilitation if primary purpose of dam or reservoir is for drinking water supply and project is necessary for provision of drinking water
- Broad set of lead remediation projects eligible under EPA grant programs authorized by the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, such as lead testing, installation of corrosion control treatment, lead service line replacement, as well as water quality testing, compliance monitoring, and remediation activities, including replacement of internal plumbing and faucets and fixtures in schools and childcare facilities



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

Helpful Links

- [US Treasury CSLFRF Resources](#)
 - › [Final Rule](#)
 - › [Overview of the Final Rule](#)
- [Overview of State's \\$4 B COVID-19 Relief Bill](#)
 - › [List of Earmarked Funding](#)

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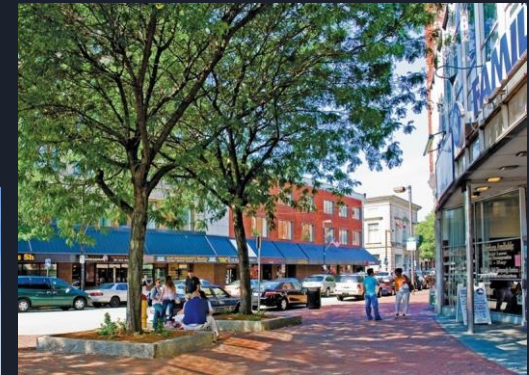


Malden Earmarks in the ARPA Bill:

Town Line Brook Floodgate: \$50,000 shall be expended for repairs for the Town Line brook floodgate between the cities of Malden and Revere.

Malden Urban Forestry Greening: \$100,000 shall be expended to the City of Malden for urban and community forestry greening.

Malden Energy Efficient Street Lighting: \$85,000 shall be expended to the City of Malden for the replacement of inefficient 1868 street lighting with energy efficient alternatives.





Bread of Life

Food for the body...Nurture for the soul



eliminating racism
empowering women

ywca

miva

malden overcoming addiction



The Immigrant Learning Center



Lead Line Replacements



\$2M in American Rescue Plan Funding



\$3.36M in Community Project Funding (CPF)



Malden River Works



Department of Public Works



Climate Resilience

Use the park to improve climate resilience

- **For flooding from sea level rise:** create a flood resilient Malden River Greenway
- **For flooding from storms:** Use nature-based processes (plants and soils) to hold and filter stormwater
- **For extreme heat:** Increase tree and plant coverage to lower local temperatures



Left to right: Malden River Greenway plan, elevated walkway at Hunter's Point South (NYC), nature-based water management in Toronto. See the full Concept Design Report at maldenriverworks.org.

Partnerships:

MALDEN RIVER WORKS
FOR WATERFRONT EQUITY + RESILIENCE



Mystic River
WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Grants:

Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Grant: \$350,000

State ARPA Funds: \$150,000

Community Preservation Act Funds: \$200,000

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS

Climate Adaptation Forum: The View from Capitol Hill

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We've enacted more than 200 climate policy solutions through the American Rescue Plan, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, NDAA & More

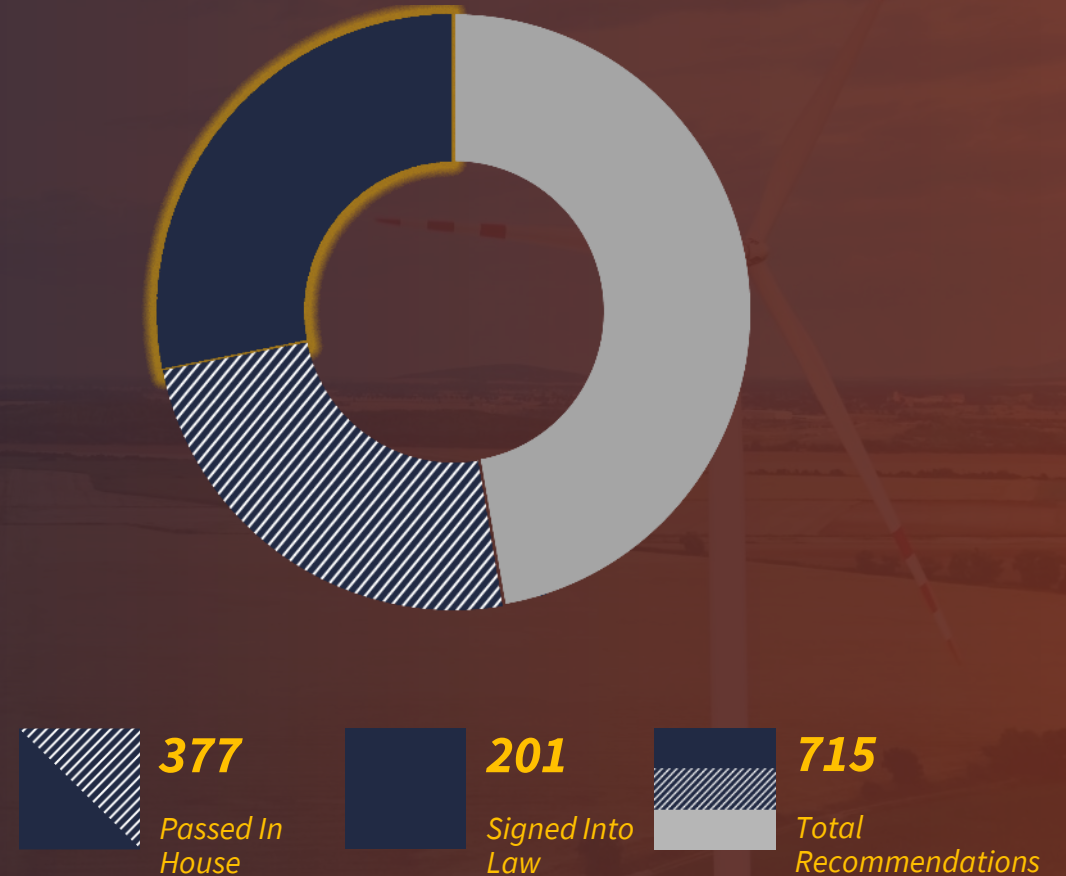


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PROGRESS ON CLIMATE CRISIS ACTION PLAN

201 Solutions Turned Into Law

- Strengthening the grid
- Supporting electric vehicles
- Advancing environmental justice
- Strengthening community resilience to floods, drought and wildfires
- Helping military installations reach net-zero and improve preparedness to extreme weather
- Expanding long-duration energy storage



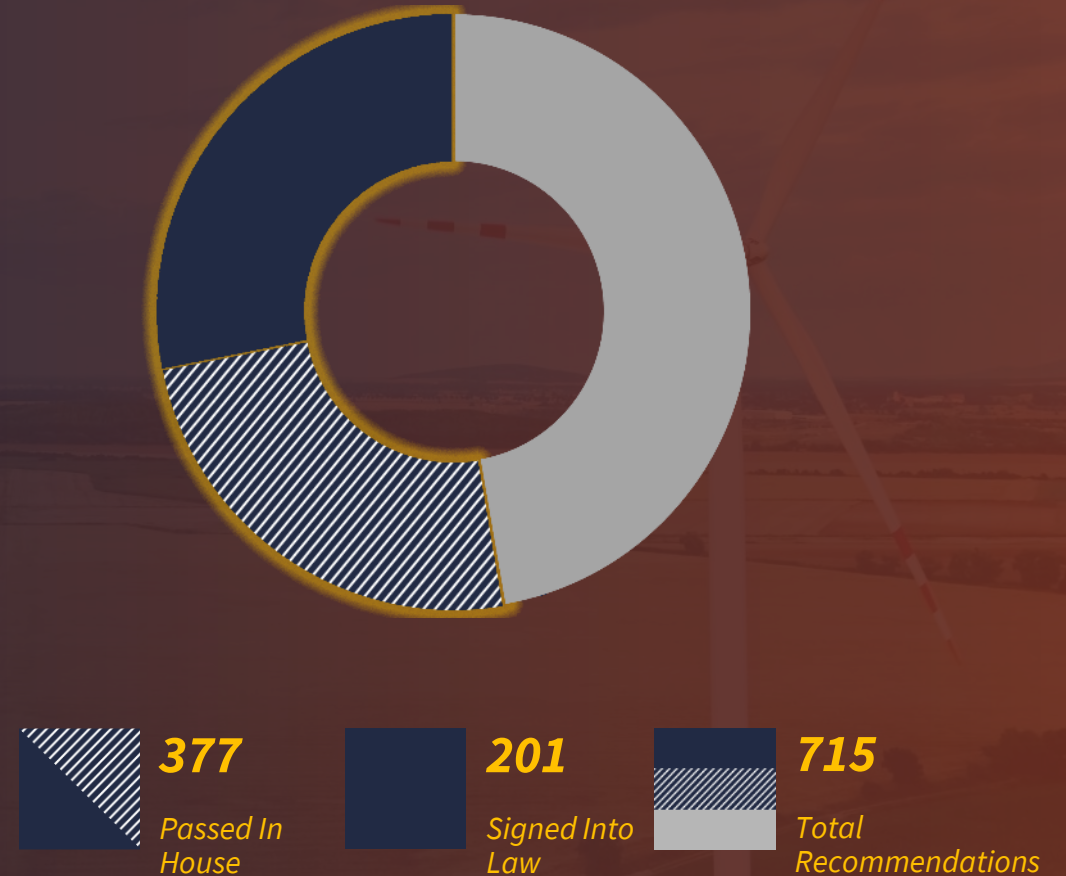


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PROGRESS ON CLIMATE CRISIS ACTION PLAN

377 Solutions Passed The House

- Expanding tax incentives for resilience retrofits and energy efficiency
- Investing in frontline communities
- Strengthening housing, public buildings and infrastructure against worsening climate impacts
- Helping vulnerable communities access grants and loans for sustainable, resilient economic development





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EXAMPLES

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

American Rescue Plan

National Defense Authorization Act

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American Rescue Plan

**Making environmental justice
a cornerstone of recovery**

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The American Rescue Plan invested \$100 million for environmental justice grants, including \$50 million to increase air quality monitoring, and \$50 million to identify and address disproportionate environmental or public health harms and risks in vulnerable populations.



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

**A down payment toward
modernized, climate-ready
communities**

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Signed by President Biden in November, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law includes:

- *Community Climate Resilience*: \$1 billion to FEMA for the BRIC program; \$500 million in state hazard mitigation revolving loan programs; \$466 million for tribal communities.
- *Flood and Coastal Resilience*: \$3.5 billion to FEMA for Flood Mitigation Resistance Grants; \$5 billion to USACE flood risk reduction programs; more than \$1 billion to NOAA; \$500 million to NRCS for Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations.
- *Water Infrastructure, Supply, and Drought Resilience*: \$8.3 billion to the Department of Interior for water efficiency and recycling programs, rural water projects, and dam safety.
- *The largest investment in clean drinking water in American history*, including \$15 billion to replace lead service lines.



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- **Ecosystem Restoration and Resilience:** \$1.4 billion including funding for stewardship contracts, ecosystem restoration projects, invasive species detection and prevention, and native vegetation restoration efforts.
- **Transportation:** \$9 billion to DOT's PROTECT Act Grant Programs.
- **Grid Resilience:** \$5 billion to DOE Program Upgrading Our Electric Grid and Ensuring Reliability and Resiliency; and \$5 billion to DOE Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid Grants.
- **Reducing Wildfire Risk,** including funding for hazardous fuels reduction, controlled burning, and community defense resources (\$3.3 billion), ecosystem restoration on public and private lands (\$2 billion), and burying power lines and building microgrids (\$5 billion)



National Defense Authorization Act

**Confronting the climate
security threat**

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The bipartisan **FY22 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)** includes important climate and resilience provisions that will help military installations reach net-zero on energy, water, and waste by 2035; strengthen military preparedness to the growing threats of wildfire and floods; and expand long-duration energy storage.



Build Back Better Act

**Delivering equitable, resilient,
clean energy solutions**

- Clean energy tax credit extension and expansion for renewable sources
- Civilian Climate Corps and workforce development programs
- Climate and Weather R&D
- Flood and Coastal Climate Resilience
- Technical Assistance to help communities modernize codes and standards
- & More!

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NEXT STEPS:

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Implementation Climate Provisions of the Build Back Better Act

MORE DETAILS:

climatecrisis.house.gov/tracker

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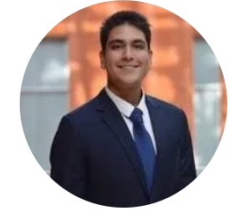
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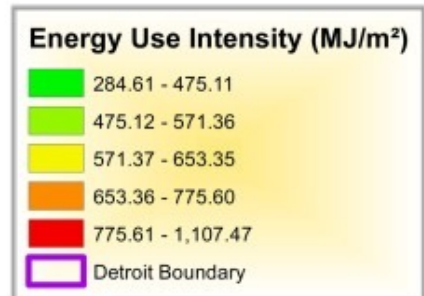
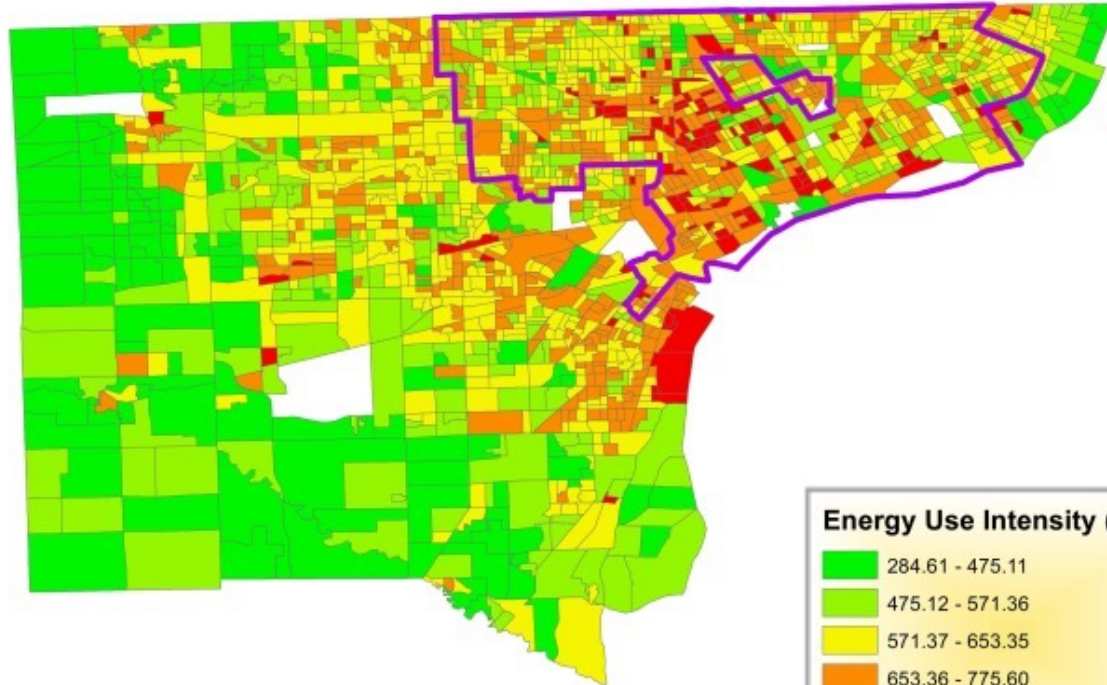
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Data Source: RECS, 2009, US Census, American Community Survey (2006-2010 Est.)

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VISION:

The presence of an equity measurement framework for clean energy programs will improve outcomes for BIPOC, lower-income and frontline environmental justice communities. These communities have historically borne the brunt of environmental harms without partaking in the benefits of more efficient, less polluting, and more affordable forms of energy.



THE FOUR PILLARS OF ENERGY JUSTICE

- Recognition – who is vulnerable, who is privileged, and how?
- Procedural – who is at the table and what voice and power do they have in influencing planning, decision-making, and implementation?
- Distributional – who bears the brunt of the burdens? who benefits and how?
- Restorative – how can we rectify past injustices caused by the energy system and prevent future harms?

EEP FRAMEWORK

- 10 listening sessions, 400+ participants
- 4 dimensions
- 50 workgroup members
- 12 indices
- 40+ metrics

| DIMENSION | INDEX | DESCRIPTION | SAMPLE METRICS |
|--------------|---|---|--|
| Recognition | Historical | Captures historic disinvestment, discrimination, disenfranchisement, and environmental justice burdens that continue to impact present circumstances. | - Proportionate disparities in historic program spending and savings by race, income - Historic presence of toxic facilities / superfund sites / cancer clusters - Anti-equity / anti-clean energy lobbying expenditures - Redlining and housing discrimination |
| | Identity | Captures demographic, social-economic, and geographic variables that are closely correlated with energy and climate vulnerability and disproportionately high burdens and low benefits from the energy system | - Climate vulnerability score - Housing access / stress - Demographics - Pollution burden - Health measures (e.g. asthma rates) - Economic indicators (e.g. % HH below 50% AMI) |
| | Security | Captures data that indicate how continuously, safely, and reliably one has access to energy without interruption or compromising other basic needs or comfort. | - Power outage frequency and disparities - Shutoffs / shutoff policies - Arrearages - Energy as human right declarations |
| | Affordability | Considers rate structures, payment plans, financial assistance, household financial benefits from clean energy programs, and disparities in energy costs among different demographic groups. | - Presence of progressive / lifeline rate structures - Maximum limits on energy burdens - Rate disparities between residential, commercial, industrial - Size of overall safety net (per capita) - % of safety net spent on longterm affordability, vs bill assistance |
| Procedural | Procedural | To what extent are BIPOC, frontline, and low-income residents able to engage in PUC cases, decarbonization planning, and have a meaningful voice in how plan and policies are created and designed. To what extent are they the architects of their energy future? | - Presence / extent of intervenor funding and resources - PUC commissioner selection process and representation - Mandatory equity training for PUC (and utility?) staff - Data disclosure requirements - Utility performance incentives and penalties tied to equity targets |
| | Access | How easy is it for people to learn about, qualify for, and enroll in programs? | - Multi-lingual ads, program materials, enrollment, and participation - Marketing representing and to BIPOC, frontline audiences - Disparities in participation rates - Financing availability and eligibility requirements - Access for renters - Auto- and co-enrollments, ease of enrollment |
| Distributive | Household benefits | Captures immediate financial and health benefits that participating households receive | - Proportion of high impact programs received by BIPOC, LI, frontline households - % BIPOC households achieving >25% energy savings - Reduction in unhealthy / unsafe housing conditions among BIPOC; improved indoor air quality - Reductions in negative health conditions among BIPOC |
| | Community benefits | Captures medium- and long-term community level or indirect benefits including health, wealth-building, jobs, and environment | - % of new jobs held by BIPOC, frontline, low-income - % of work for BIPOC-owned businesses; supportive policies - Wages and job quality for BIPOC, disparities - Reduction in heat islands, localized flooding - Improved outdoor air quality - Community health outcomes |
| Restorative | Reparations & Accountability | How do we liberate data and ensure transparency? How do we rectify and compensate for past harms and ensure they are not perpetuated in the future? How do we ensure that all dimensions of equity are considered holistically, with no dimensions ignored? | |
| | Power to the People | Who owns clean energy and receives the economic and environmental benefits? How do governance structures benefit or harm frontline communities? Who designs the systems? Who are the ultimate decision-makers? | |
| | Indigenous Sovereignty | How can a just transition promote visibility, healing, and a different relationship with energy? How are we connecting Indigenous justice and environmental justice and elevating the landback movement? How can clean energy & climate programs respect and honor Indigenous Sovereignty and traditional knowledge? How can we ensure that we are not perpetuating the language and practices of colonizers and move beyond a capitalist mindset? How do we measure/evaluate progress towards Indigenous Sovereignty in the realm of energy and climate? | |
| | Restoring Our Relations | How do are we protecting and restoring ecosystems holistically and not merely transferring impacts to far away sacrifice zones? How can we shift our language and cultural practices to recognize non-human kin? How do we recognize and uplift the right of other species and ecosystems to exist? How can we ensure a habitable planet for future generations? | |

JUSTICE 40

This is not a web tool. This is an experiment. It is an exploration on how to present Environmental Justice (EJ) datasets in a unified way. Later, we will add widgets and features to convert this presentation into a more useful tool to explore bias in EJ data.

Select an Environmental Index to Explore Map

- PM2.5
- TOXIC AIR
- OZONE
- FLOOD
- EJ SCORE**
- HUD

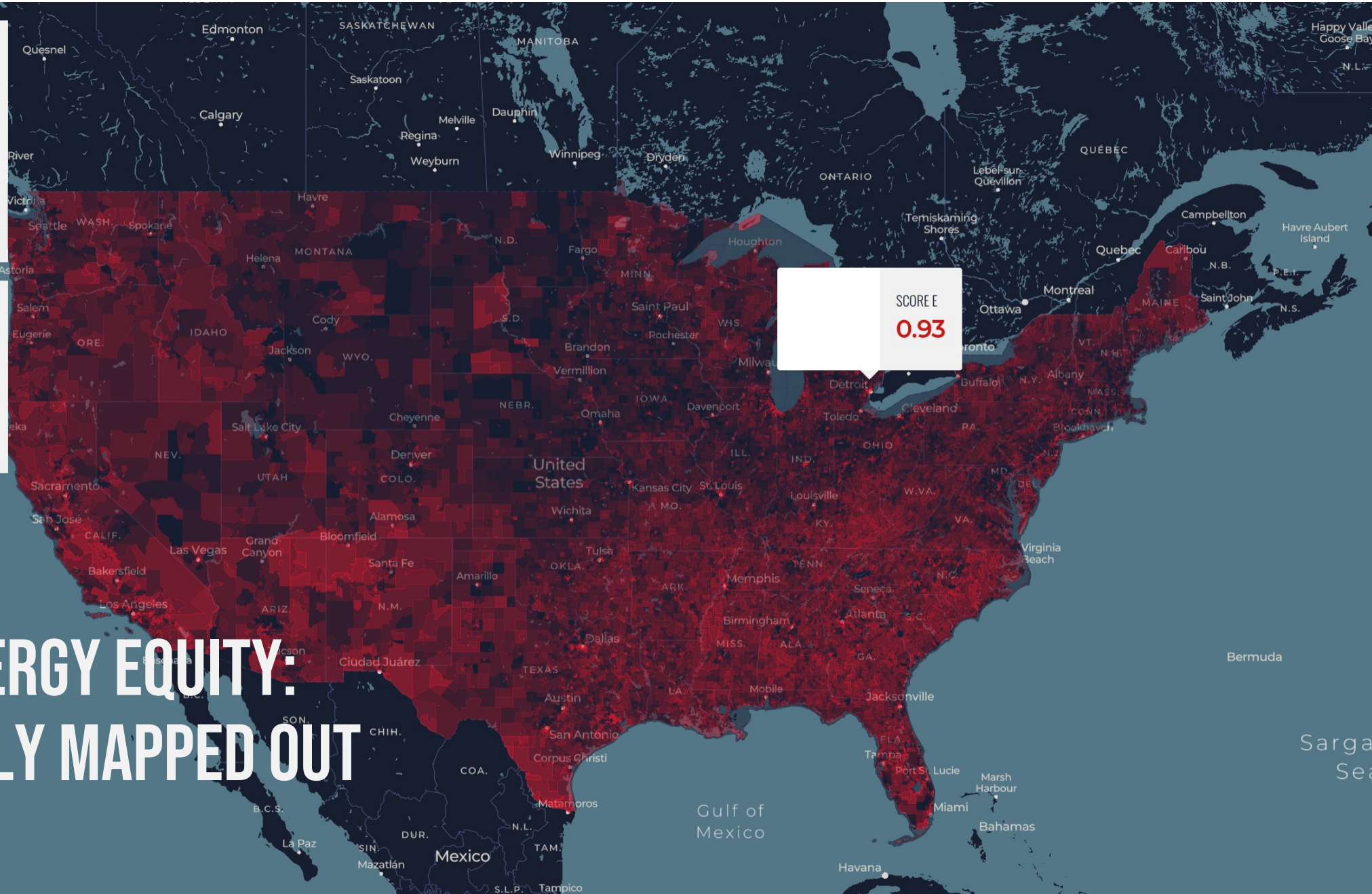
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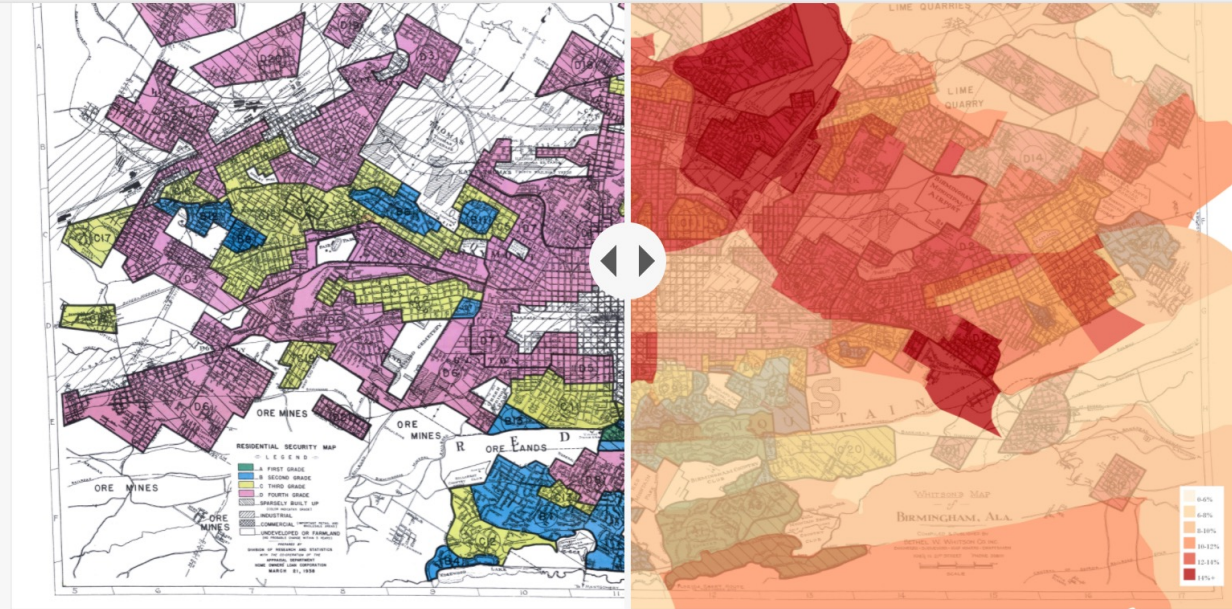
Zoom in to explore

Credit: EJ Score is an open source project collaboration between different EJ partners

ENERGY EQUITY: FINALLY MAPPED OUT



GUIDANCE ON INTEGRATING QUALITATIVE INFORMATION



Home Owners' Loan Corporation (HOLC) Redlining Maps vs. Current Energy Burden

Birmingham, Alabama (above) and Dallas, Texas (below)

The solutions for addressing energy insecurity are complex. Accurately identifying the groups most vulnerable to energy insecurities is essential to creating meaningful and effective policy to address the cascading effects of energy insecurity. The **built environment** team at SEEA is actively researching and analyzing metrics to identify energy insecure households and how policy and programs can best support affected communities in the Southeast.

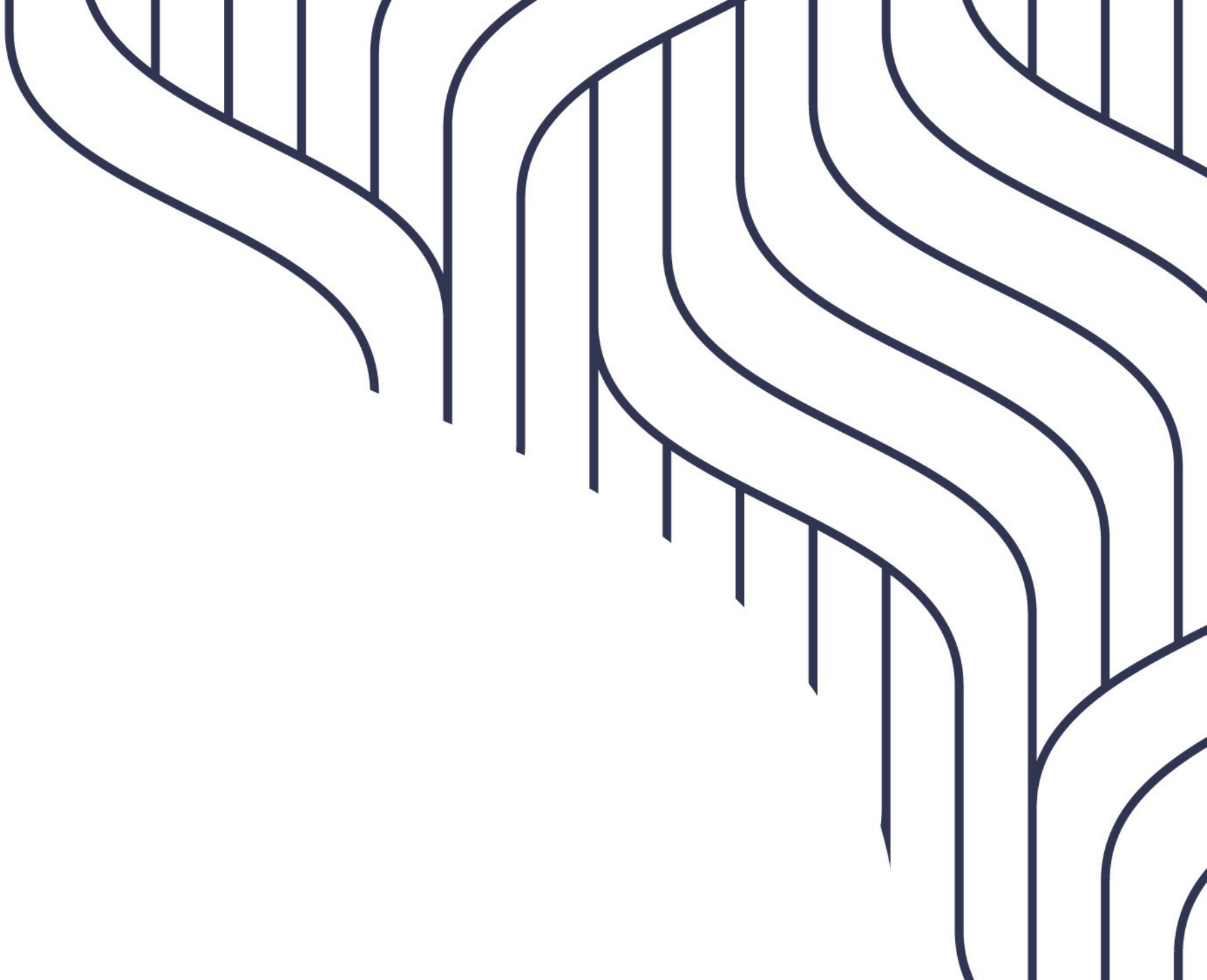
Questions? Contact built environment project managers [Maggie Kelley](#) or [Will Bryan](#).

TOOLS & BEST PRACTICES

EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF INVESTMENTS

| Disadvantage by decile (higher percentile = greater disadvantage) | Proportional but not equitable (30% benefits go to 30% most disadvantaged) | Emerging (50% of benefits to top 30%) | Strong (70% of benefit to top 30%) | Exemplary program - corrects for past inequities (90% of benefits to top 30%) |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 90-100% | 10.00% | 22.50% | 30.00% | 40.00% |
| 80-89% | 10.00% | 17.50% | 22.50% | 30.00% |
| 70-79% | 10.00% | 10.00% | 17.50% | 20.00% |
| 60-69% | 10.00% | 9.00% | 10.00% | 10.00% |
| 50-59% | 10.00% | 8.00% | 8.00% | 0.00% |
| 40-49% | 10.00% | 8.00% | 6.00% | 0.00% |
| 30-39% | 10.00% | 7.00% | 4.00% | 0.00% |
| 20-29% | 10.00% | 7.00% | 2.00% | 0.00% |
| 10-19% | 10.00% | 6.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| 0-9% | 10.00% | 5.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| TOTALS | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| TOP 30% | 30.00% | 50.00% | 70.00% | 90.00% |

JUSTICE40
ANALYSES



BUILD BACK BETTER - JUSTICE40 ALIGNMENT

Budget: \$555M

J40 Target: \$222M
(40%)

Actual: \$81.9M
(14.8%)

Gap: \$140.1M

Cells in green align with Justice 40

| General Area | Provision | Initial budget | Justice40 Target | Change | Aligns with Justice40 |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Vehicles | New EV tax credits | \$125,000 | \$75,000 | -\$50,000 | Unlikely |
| Clean energy | Advanced energy manufacturing (1.) | \$105,000 | \$50,000 | -\$55,000 | Unlikely |
| Resilience | Various measures - Ag, community, | \$105,000 | \$60,000 | -\$45,000 | Potentially |
| Clean energy | Loan guarantees | \$43,600 | \$22,500 | -\$21,100 | Unlikely |
| Financing | Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund | \$29,000 | \$30,000 | \$1,000 | Yes |
| Tribal sovereignty | Tribal Loan guarantees | \$20,000 | \$20,000 | \$0 | Yes |
| Workforce | Civilian Climate Corps | \$19,400 | \$25,000 | \$5,600 | Partially - est 35% |
| Vehicles | Used EV tax credits | \$10,800 | \$35,000 | \$24,200 | Partially - est 35% |
| Clean energy | USDA loans and grants | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$0 | TBD |
| Environmental Justice | Lead remediation | \$9,000 | \$45,000 | \$36,000 | Yes |
| Climate-smart agriculture | Envl Quality Incentives | \$9,000 | \$9,000 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Climate-smart agriculture | Regional Conservation Partnership | \$7,500 | \$7,500 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Vehicles | EV charging stations | \$7,500 | \$7,500 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Vehicles | Advanced manufacturing | \$6,500 | \$6,500 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Vehicles | Federal EV fleet - general services | \$6,000 | \$6,000 | \$0 | No |
| Buildings | Home Owner Management (2.) | \$5,890 | \$30,000 | \$24,110 | Partially - est 35% |
| Clean energy | DOE investments in frontline | \$5,000 | \$30,000 | \$25,000 | Yes |
| Vehicles | Replace polluting heavy duty | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$0 | Partially - est 35% |
| Climate-smart agriculture | Conservation Stewardship | \$4,100 | \$4,100 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Buildings | Advanced industrial facilities | \$4,000 | \$2,000 | -\$2,000 | Somewhat |
| Environmental Justice | Electrification for tribal and low- | \$3,800 | \$15,000 | \$11,200 | Yes |
| Environmental Justice | Environmental and Climate Justice | \$3,000 | \$30,000 | \$27,000 | Yes |
| Vehicles | Federa EV fleet - USPS | \$3,000 | \$3,000 | \$0 | No |
| Clean energy | Transmission lines | \$2,800 | \$2,800 | \$0 | Unlikely |
| Buildings | Residential Electrification (3.) | \$2,230 | \$3,000 | \$770 | Unlikely |



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State

| | A | B | C | D | E |
|----|---------------------|--|---|---|--|
| 1 | State | Policy | Definitional Term | Definition Type | Policy Type |
| 2 | ENACTED LEGISLATION | | | | |
| 3 | CA | CA Legislation, SB 535 (2012) ; AB 1550 (2016) | Disadvantaged community | Threshold: Highest scoring census tracts for cumulative impacts scores = top 25% of census tracts | Redistributive (targets investment of cap and trade funds and enforcement) |
| 4 | CT | CT Dep of Energy & Env. Protection (DEEP), HB7008, EJ Law (2020) | EJ community | Threshold: Census block group with at least 30% or more of the population living below 200% FPL or distressed municipalities | Protective (file public participation plan) |
| 5 | MA | Climate Law, Bill S.9 (2021) | EJ population | Threshold AND Community ID: AMHHI <65% of state median HH income; >40% minorities; >25% lack English proficiency; may designate geographic portion as an EJ population upon the petition of at least 10 residents | Protective |
| 6 | MA | MA EEA Agency EJ Policy (2017) | EJ population | Threshold: AMHHI <65% of state median HH income; >25% minorities; >25% lack English proficiency | Protective, consultations, studies |
| 7 | NJ | EJ Law S232 (2020) | Overburdened community | Threshold: >35% low-income households; >40% minority or tribal community; >40% limited English proficiency | Protective, redistributive, permitting decisions |
| 8 | WA | The Healthy Environment for All (HEAL) Act, E2SSB 5141 | Overburdened community; Highly impacted community | Threshold: Overburdened community where vulnerable populations face combined, multiple environmental harms and health impacts; Highly impacted communities designated by the department of health based on cumulative impact analyses or a community fully or partially on "Indian country" | Protective, enhanced participation, reviews, public health interventions |
| 9 | NY | Power NY Act (2011) | EJ area | Threshold: >23.59% low-income or > 51.1% minority in an urban area and 33.8%* in a rural area | Protective, permitting review enhanced |
| 10 | VA | VA EJ Act, (2020) | EJ community; Fenceline community | Threshold: Any low-income community or community of color with %> than statewide average; "Fenceline community" area that contains all or part of a low-income or community of color and presents an increased health risk to its residents due to its proximity to a major source of pollution | Protective, reduce adverse impacts in decision making |

DEFINING DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES IN NY

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Environmental Burdens and Climate Change Risks: Draft Indicators (20)

Potential Pollution Exposures

- Vehicle traffic density
- Diesel truck and bus traffic
- Particulate Matter (PM2.5)
- Benzene concentration
- Wastewater discharge

Land use and facilities associated with historical discrimination or disinvestment

- Remediation Sites (e.g., NPL Superfund or State Superfund/Class II sites)
- Regulated Management Plan (chemical) sites
- Major oil storage facilities (incl. airports)
- Power generation facilities
- Active landfills
- Municipal waste combustors
- Scrap metal processors
- Industrial/manufacturing/mining land use (zoning)
- Housing vacancy rate

Potential Climate Change Risks

- Extreme heat projections (>90° days in 2050)
- Flooding in coastal and tidally influenced areas (projected)
- Flooding in inland areas (projected)
- Low vegetative cover
- Agricultural land
- Driving time to hospitals or urgent/critical care

DEFINING DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES IN NY

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Population Characteristics and Health Vulnerabilities: Draft Indicators (25)

| Income, Education & Employment | Race, Ethnicity & Language | Health Impacts & Sensitivities | Housing, Energy, Communications |
|--|---|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pct <80% Area Median Income• Pct <100% of Federal Poverty Line• Pct without Bachelor's Degree• Unemployment rate• Pct Single-parent households | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pct Latino/a or Hispanic• Pct Black or African American• Pct Asian• Pct Native American or Indigenous• Limited English Proficiency• Historical redlining score | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asthma ED visits• COPD ED visits• Heart attack (MI) hospitalization• Premature Deaths• Low Birthweight• Pct without Health Insurance• Pct with Disabilities• Pct Adults age 65+ | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pct Renter-Occupied Homes• Housing cost burden (rental costs)• Energy Poverty / Cost Burden• Manufactured homes• Homes built before 1960• Pct without Internet (home or cellular) |
| Within this factor, both income metrics have 2x weight | Within this factor, Pct Latino/a and Pct Black have 2x weight | | |

DEFINING DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES IN NY

| Region | % Designated DAC |
|----------------|------------------|
| New York City | 45% |
| Long Island | 12% |
| Mid-Hudson | 45% |
| Western NY | 32% |
| Finger Lakes | 35% |
| Capital Region | 22% |
| Central NY | 36% |
| Southern Tier | 18% |
| Mohawk Valley | 19% |
| North Country | 15% |
| Total | 35% |

About 45% of NYC are designated a Geographic DAC.

In rural regions, a smaller share of tracts are designated.

On average (and overall), 35% of tracts are designated



Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool **BETA**

The Justice40 Initiative



The tool will provide important information for the Justice40 Initiative. The goal of the Justice40 Initiative is to provide 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments in seven key areas to disadvantaged communities. These seven key areas are: climate change, clean energy and energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, the remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and the development of critical clean water infrastructure.

Read more about the Justice40 Initiative in President Biden's [Executive Order 14008](#) on *Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad*.

Climate change

Communities are **identified as disadvantaged**

IF at or above 90th percentile for [expected agriculture loss rate](#) OR [expected building loss rate](#) OR [expected population loss rate](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Clean energy and energy efficiency

Communities are **identified as disadvantaged**

IF at or above 90th percentile for [energy burden](#) OR [PM2.5 in the air](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Clean transit

Communities are **identified as disadvantaged**

IF at or above 90th percentile for [diesel particulate matter exposure](#) or [traffic proximity and volume](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Affordable and sustainable housing

Communities are **identified as disadvantaged**

IF at or above 90th percentile for [lead paint](#) AND [median home value](#) is at or less than 90th percentile OR at or above the 90th percentile for the [housing cost burden](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Reduction and remediation of legacy pollution

Communities are *identified as disadvantaged*

IF at or above 90th percentile for [proximity to hazardous waste facilities](#) OR [proximity to NPL sites](#) OR [proximity to RMP facilities](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Critical clean water and waste infrastructure

Communities are *identified as disadvantaged*

IF at or above 90th percentile for [wastewater discharge](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Health burdens

Communities are *identified as disadvantaged*

IF at or above 90th percentile for [asthma](#) OR [diabetes](#) OR [heart disease](#) OR [low life expectancy](#)

AND is above 65th percentile for [low income](#) AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)

Training and workforce development

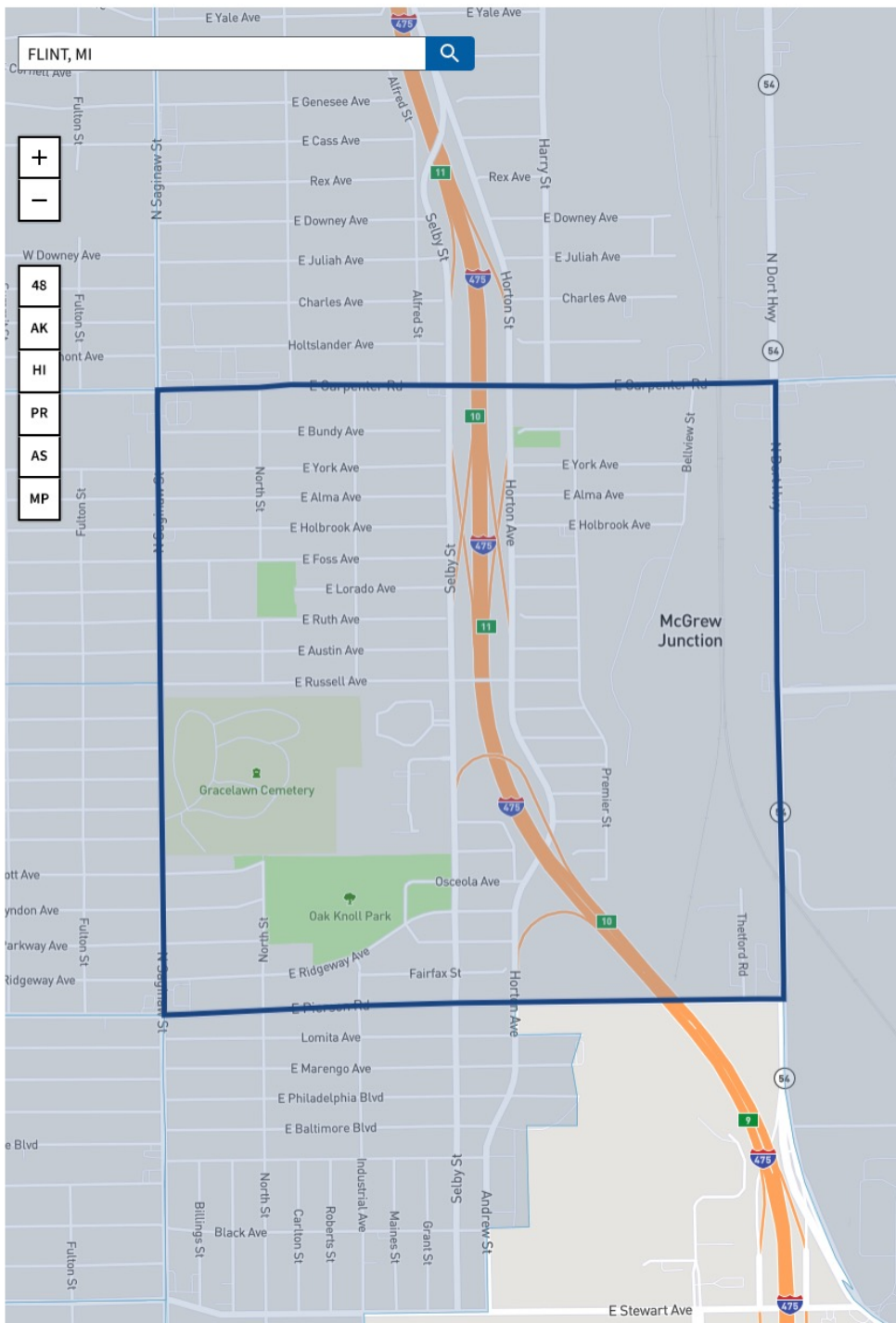
Communities are *identified as disadvantaged*

IF at or above the 90th percentile for [low median income](#) as a percent of area median income OR [linguistic isolation](#) OR [unemployment](#) OR percent individuals in households at or below 100% Federal [poverty](#) level

AND is at or less than 90% for [high school degree attainment rate](#) for adults 25 years and older AND at or below 20% for [higher ed enrollment rate](#)



Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool **BETA**



Census tract: 26049001700
County: Genesee County
State: Michigan
Population: 1,492

Identified as disadvantaged?
YES
 10 of 21 thresholds exceeded

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Climate change +

Clean energy and energy efficiency ● —

INDICATOR PERCENTILE (0-100)

Energy burden 99th
 Average annual energy costs divided by household income

PM2.5 in the air 26th
 Fine inhalable particles, 2.5 micrometers and smaller

Low income 96th
 Household income is less than or equal to twice the federal poverty level

Higher ed enrollment rate 2%
 Percent of population enrolled in college, university, or graduate school

Clean transportation +

Sustainable housing ● —

INDICATOR PERCENTILE (0-100)

Housing cost burden 98th
 Low income households spending more than 30% of income on housing

Lead paint 91st
 Percentile of number of homes built before 1960 that are not among the most expensive

Low income 96th
 Household income is less than or equal to twice the federal poverty level

Higher ed enrollment rate 2%
 Percent of population enrolled in college, university, or graduate school

Health burdens ● —

INDICATOR PERCENTILE (0-100)

Asthma 99th
 Weighted percent of people who have been told they have asthma

Diabetes 99th
 Weighted percent of people ages 18 years and older who have diabetes other than diabetes during pregnancy

Heart disease 95th
 Weighted percent of people ages 18 years and older who have been told they have heart disease

Low life expectancy 97th
 Average number of years a person can expect to live

Low income 96th
 Household income is less than or equal to twice the federal poverty level

Higher ed enrollment rate 2%
 Percent of population enrolled in college, university, or graduate school

Workforce development ● —

INDICATOR PERCENTILE (0-100)

Linguistic isolation 12th
 Percent of households where no one over the age 14 speaks English well

Low median income 96th
 Median income calculated as a percent of the area's median income

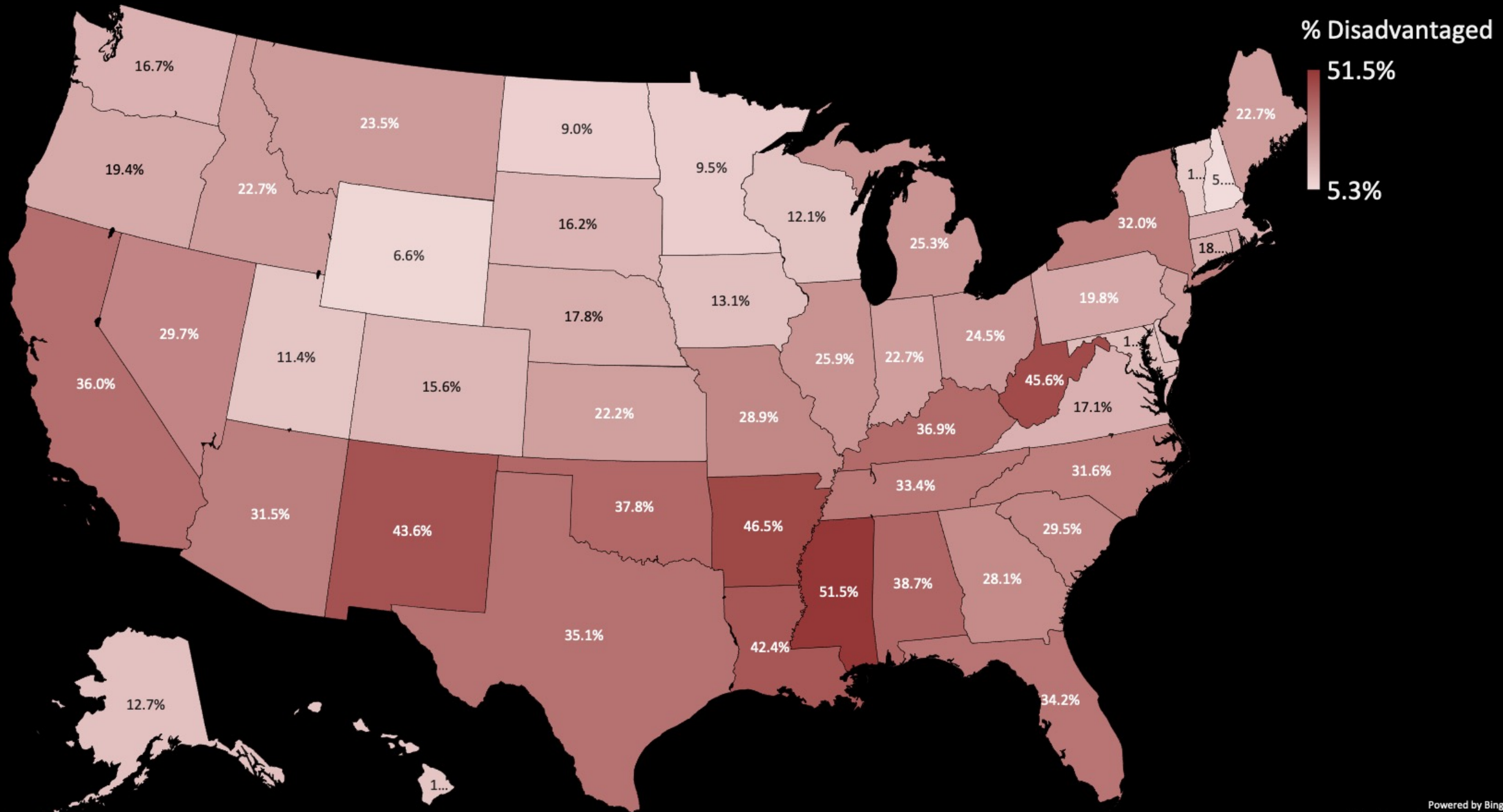
Unemployment 99th
 Number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force

Poverty 96th
 Percent of a tract's population in households where the household income is at or below 100% of the Federal poverty level

High school degree attainment rate 24%
 Proportion of people ages 25 years or older whose education level is less than a high school diploma

Higher ed enrollment rate 2%
 Percent of population enrolled

% of residents living in disadvantaged tracts - by state



% Disadvantaged

51.5%

5.3%

| DC rank by % population | State data | # Disadvantged Tracts | % | # Non-disadvantage d Tracts | % | Population in Disadvantaged tracts | % | Population in Non-DI Tracts | % |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | US | 23,418 | 31.6% | 50,584 | 68.4% | 93,459,891 | 28.7% | 232,706,396 | 71.3% |
| 1 | Puerto Rico | 823 | 87.1% | 122 | 12.9% | 3,186,269 | 94.1% | 200,672 | 5.9% |
| 2 | Mississippi | 382 | 57.5% | 282 | 42.5% | 1,539,275 | 51.5% | 1,449,487 | 48.5% |
| 3 | Arkansas | 361 | 52.6% | 325 | 47.4% | 1,389,290 | 46.5% | 1,601,381 | 53.5% |
| 4 | West Virginia | 246 | 50.8% | 238 | 49.2% | 834,069 | 45.6% | 994,985 | 54.4% |
| 5 | New Mexico | 226 | 45.3% | 273 | 54.7% | 912,454 | 43.6% | 1,179,980 | 56.4% |
| 6 | Louisiana | 569 | 49.6% | 579 | 50.4% | 1,977,812 | 42.4% | 2,685,804 | 57.6% |
| 7 | Alabama | 570 | 48.3% | 611 | 51.7% | 1,880,394 | 38.7% | 2,984,286 | 61.3% |
| 8 | Oklahoma | 451 | 43.1% | 595 | 56.9% | 1,482,390 | 37.8% | 2,435,747 | 62.2% |
| 9 | Kentucky | 474 | 42.5% | 641 | 57.5% | 1,639,397 | 36.9% | 2,800,807 | 63.1% |
| 10 | California | 2,907 | 36.1% | 5,150 | 63.9% | 14,097,906 | 36.0% | 25,045,862 | 64.0% |
| 11 | Texas | 2,069 | 39.3% | 3,196 | 60.7% | 9,782,683 | 35.1% | 18,102,512 | 64.9% |
| 12 | Florida | 1,482 | 34.9% | 2,763 | 65.1% | 7,050,788 | 34.2% | 13,547,351 | 65.8% |
| 13 | Tennessee | 573 | 38.3% | 924 | 61.7% | 2,222,211 | 33.4% | 4,428,878 | 66.6% |
| 14 | New York | 1,597 | 32.5% | 3,322 | 67.5% | 6,265,381 | 32.0% | 13,296,105 | 68.0% |
| 15 | North Carolina | 742 | 33.8% | 1,453 | 66.2% | 3,211,317 | 31.6% | 6,944,307 | 68.4% |
| 16 | Arizona | 494 | 32.4% | 1,032 | 67.6% | 2,175,422 | 31.5% | 4,738,506 | 68.5% |
| 17 | District of Columbia | 60 | 33.5% | 119 | 66.5% | 212,238 | 31.0% | 472,260 | 69.0% |
| 18 | Nevada | 221 | 32.2% | 466 | 67.8% | 868,635 | 29.7% | 2,054,214 | 70.3% |
| 19 | South Carolina | 385 | 34.9% | 718 | 65.1% | 1,460,671 | 29.5% | 3,495,254 | 70.5% |
| 20 | Missouri | 478 | 34.3% | 915 | 65.7% | 1,760,868 | 28.9% | 4,329,194 | 71.1% |
| 21 | Georgia | 692 | 35.1% | 1,277 | 64.9% | 2,890,663 | 28.1% | 7,406,821 | 71.9% |
| 22 | Illinois | 951 | 30.5% | 2,172 | 69.5% | 3,316,183 | 25.9% | 9,505,314 | 74.1% |
| 23 | Michigan | 858 | 30.5% | 1,955 | 69.5% | 2,523,158 | 25.3% | 7,434,330 | 74.7% |
| 24 | Ohio | 968 | 32.8% | 1,984 | 67.2% | 2,856,571 | 24.5% | 8,785,308 | 75.5% |
| 25 | Montana | 71 | 26.2% | 200 | 73.8% | 244,872 | 23.5% | 796,860 | 76.5% |

| DC rank by % population | State data | # Disadvantaged Tracts | % | # Non-disadvantaged Tracts | % | Population in Disadvantaged tracts | % | Population in Non-DI Tracts | % |
|-------------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| | US | 23,418 | 31.6% | 50,584 | 68.4% | 93,459,891 | 28.7% | 232,706,396 | 71.3% |
| 26 | Idaho | 83 | 27.9% | 215 | 72.1% | 383,480 | 22.7% | 1,304,329 | 77.3% |
| 27 | Maine | 100 | 27.9% | 258 | 72.1% | 302,759 | 22.7% | 1,030,054 | 77.3% |
| 28 | Indiana | 455 | 30.1% | 1,056 | 69.9% | 1,504,901 | 22.7% | 5,132,525 | 77.3% |
| 29 | New Jersey | 492 | 24.5% | 1,518 | 75.5% | 2,000,195 | 22.5% | 6,881,650 | 77.5% |
| 30 | Kansas | 204 | 26.5% | 566 | 73.5% | 645,702 | 22.2% | 2,263,074 | 77.8% |
| 31 | Rhode Island | 50 | 20.5% | 194 | 79.5% | 211,174 | 20.0% | 845,437 | 80.0% |
| 32 | Pennsylvania | 747 | 23.2% | 2,471 | 76.8% | 2,532,045 | 19.8% | 10,259,136 | 80.2% |
| 33 | Oregon | 166 | 19.9% | 668 | 80.1% | 792,030 | 19.4% | 3,289,913 | 80.6% |
| 34 | Connecticut | 171 | 20.5% | 662 | 79.5% | 650,407 | 18.2% | 2,931,097 | 81.8% |
| 35 | Nebraska | 104 | 19.5% | 428 | 80.5% | 339,739 | 17.8% | 1,565,021 | 82.2% |
| 36 | Massachusetts | 294 | 19.9% | 1,184 | 80.1% | 1,195,012 | 17.5% | 5,635,181 | 82.5% |
| 37 | Virginia | 376 | 19.7% | 1,531 | 80.3% | 1,437,763 | 17.1% | 6,969,576 | 82.9% |
| 38 | Washington | 259 | 17.8% | 1,199 | 82.2% | 1,216,474 | 16.7% | 6,077,862 | 83.3% |
| 39 | South Dakota | 44 | 19.8% | 178 | 80.2% | 137,749 | 16.2% | 712,205 | 83.8% |
| 40 | Colorado | 211 | 16.9% | 1,038 | 83.1% | 860,850 | 15.6% | 4,670,291 | 84.4% |
| 41 | Maryland | 246 | 17.5% | 1,160 | 82.5% | 863,765 | 14.4% | 5,139,670 | 85.6% |
| 42 | Delaware | 37 | 17.0% | 181 | 83.0% | 124,983 | 13.2% | 824,512 | 86.8% |
| 43 | Iowa | 132 | 16.0% | 693 | 84.0% | 409,904 | 13.1% | 2,722,595 | 86.9% |
| 44 | Alaska | 30 | 18.0% | 137 | 82.0% | 93,050 | 12.7% | 637,268 | 87.3% |
| 45 | Wisconsin | 230 | 16.3% | 1,179 | 83.7% | 696,699 | 12.1% | 5,081,695 | 87.9% |
| 46 | Hawaii | 40 | 11.4% | 311 | 88.6% | 162,639 | 11.4% | 1,259,390 | 88.6% |
| 47 | Utah | 76 | 12.9% | 512 | 87.1% | 348,047 | 11.4% | 2,697,303 | 88.6% |
| 48 | Vermont | 19 | 10.3% | 165 | 89.7% | 65,028 | 10.4% | 559,949 | 89.6% |
| 49 | Minnesota | 149 | 11.1% | 1,189 | 88.9% | 527,335 | 9.5% | 5,000,023 | 90.5% |
| 50 | North Dakota | 22 | 10.7% | 183 | 89.3% | 67,452 | 9.0% | 684,749 | 91.0% |
| 51 | Wyoming | 11 | 8.3% | 121 | 91.7% | 38,667 | 6.6% | 543,169 | 93.4% |
| 52 | New Hampshire | 20 | 6.8% | 275 | 93.2% | 71,125 | 5.3% | 1,272,497 | 94.7% |

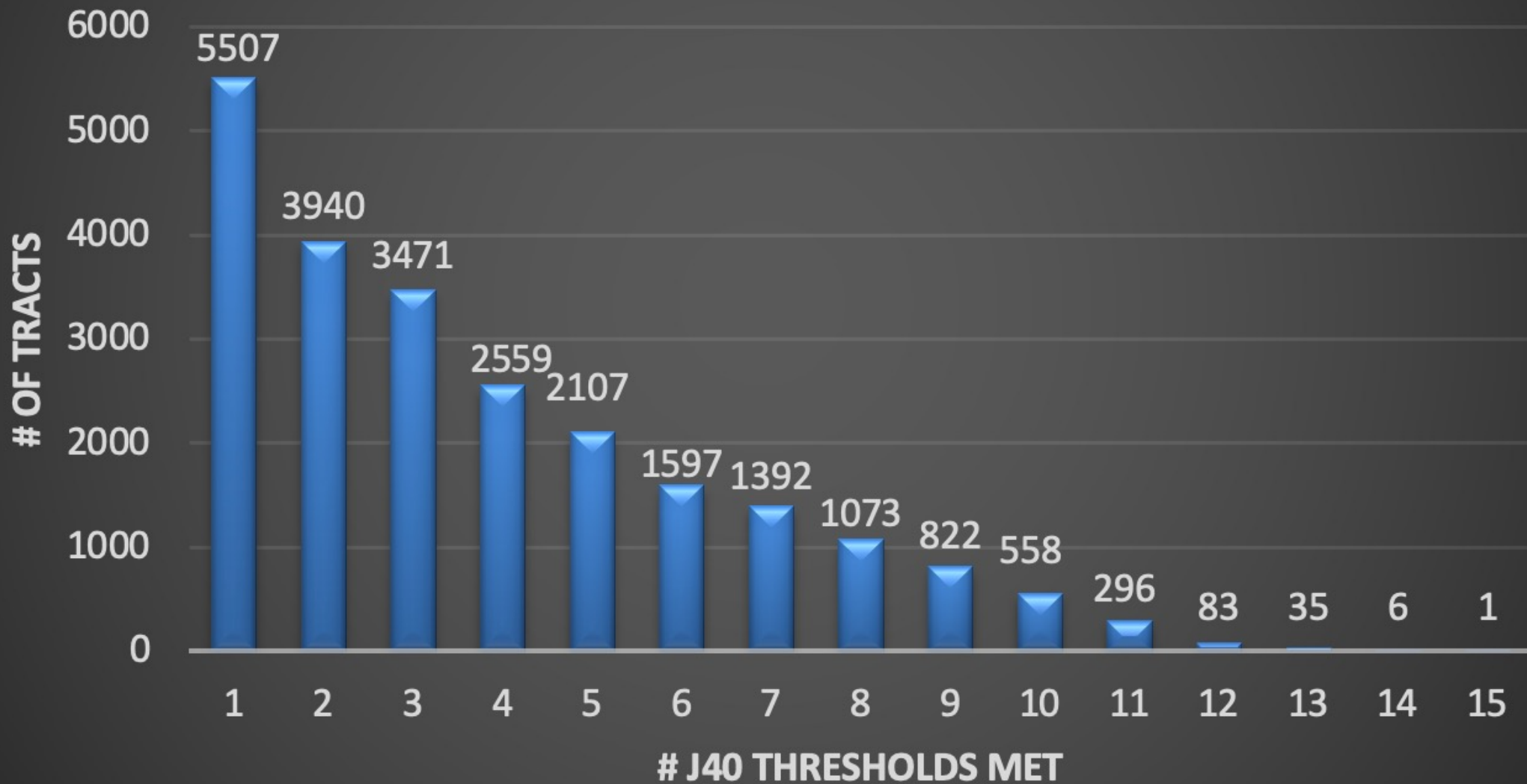
INDICATOR ASSOCIATIONS WITH DISADVANTAGED TRACTS

| Threshold type (# indicators) | % above 90th & DC |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Workforce (4) | 84.1% |
| Health (4) | 79.4% |
| Affordable housing (2) | 62.1% |
| Clean & efficient energy (2) | 57.2% |
| Legacy pollution (4) | 40.0% |
| Clean transit (2) | 40.2% |
| Climate (3) | 30.6% |

AVERAGE (21) 58.3%

| Threshold (90th percentile) | TYPE | # Tracts | % DC |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------|
| Linguistic isolation | Workforce | 6734 | 90.8% |
| Diabetes | Health | 6509 | 87.8% |
| Unemployment | Workforce | 6213 | 83.8% |
| Below 100% federal poverty | Workforce | 6125 | 82.6% |
| Housing burden | Affordable housing | 5928 | 80.0% |
| Asthma | Health | 5888 | 79.4% |
| Low HS attainment | Workforce | 5861 | 79.1% |
| Energy burden | Clean & efficient energy | 5777 | 77.9% |
| Life expectancy | Health | 5585 | 75.3% |
| Heart disease | Health | 5553 | 74.9% |
| Proximity to RMP sites | Legacy pollution | 4170 | 56.2% |
| Lead paint | Affordable housing | 3274 | 44.2% |
| Diesel particulate matter | Clean transit | 3064 | 41.3% |
| Traffic proximity | Clean transit | 2904 | 39.2% |
| Superfund sites | Legacy pollution | 2887 | 38.9% |
| Hazardous waste facilities | Legacy pollution | 2869 | 38.7% |
| Expected building loss rate | Climate | 2797 | 37.7% |
| PM 2.5 exposure | Clean & efficient energy | 2702 | 36.4% |
| Expected population loss rate | Climate | 2355 | 31.8% |
| Wastewater discharge | Legacy pollution | 1929 | 26.0% |
| Expected agricultural loss rate | Climate | 1644 | 22.2% |

Census tracts by # of J40 thresholds met



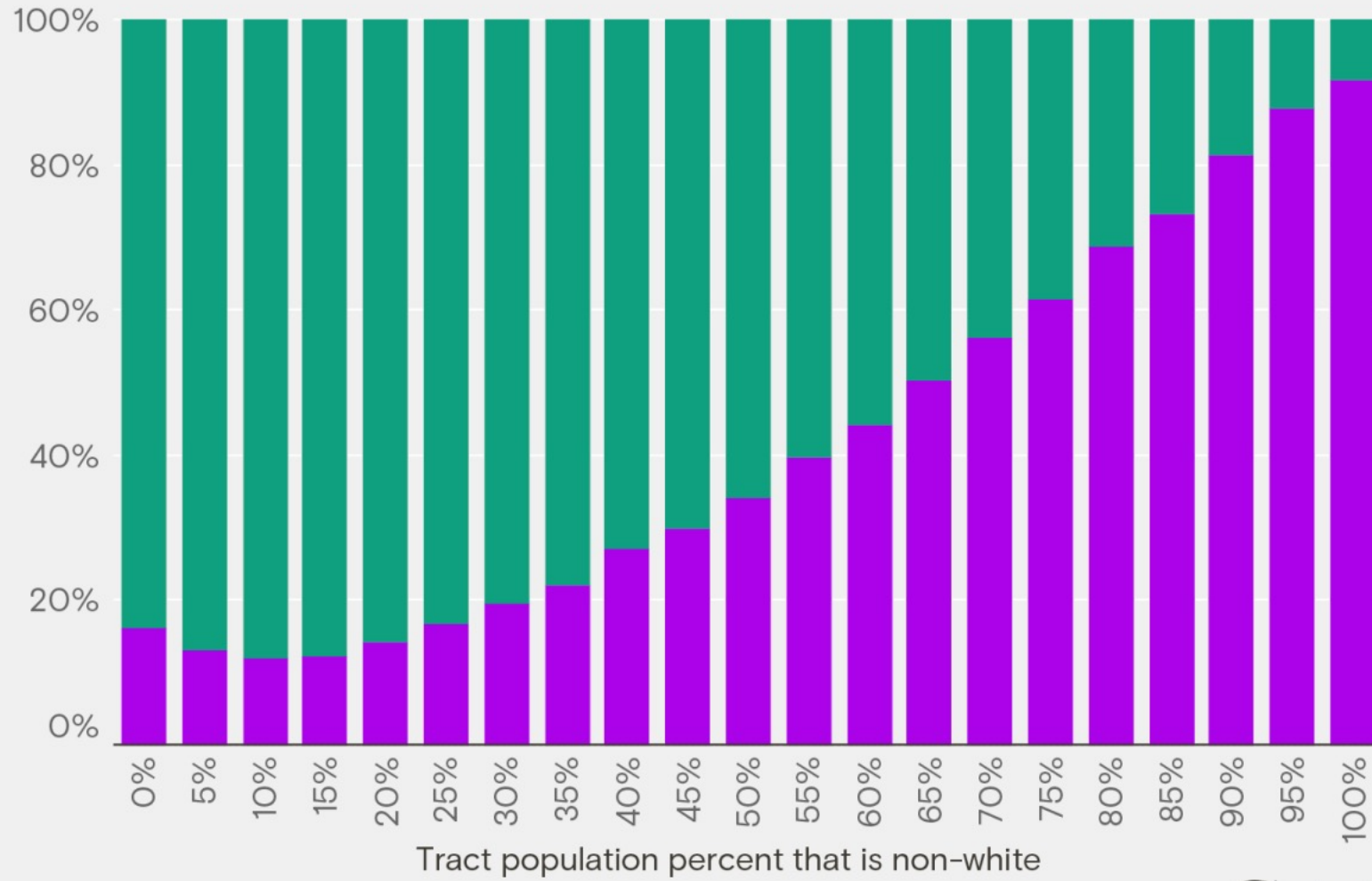
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LOW INCOME = DISADVANTAGED

- 23,974 tracts \geq 65th percentile for low-income
- 23,469 of those tracts (97.9%) are disadvantaged

Demographic distribution

Percent of census tracts identified as **disadvantaged** and **not disadvantaged** by the White House screening tool

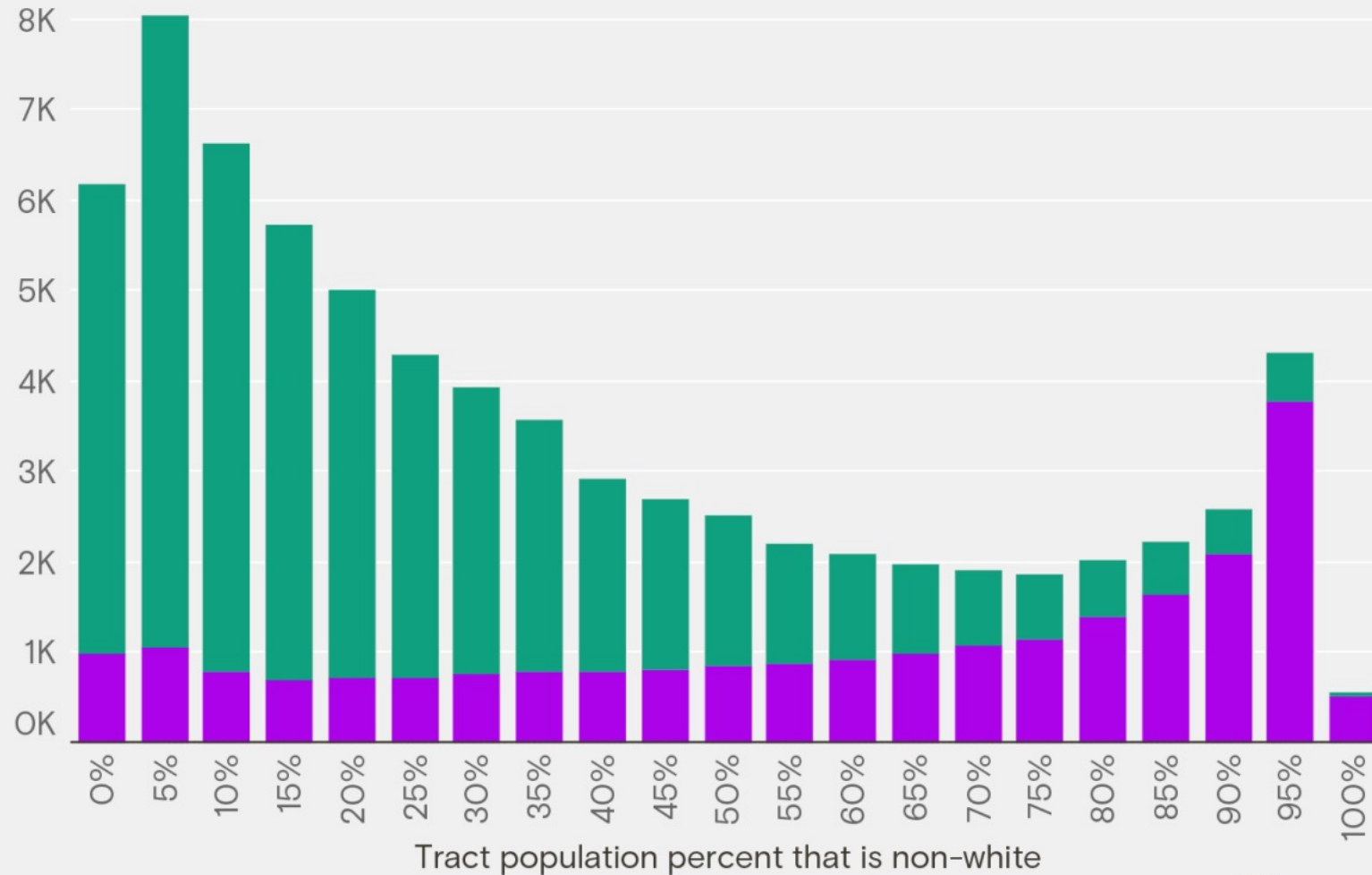


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Defining disadvantage

Count of census tracts identified as **disadvantaged** and **not disadvantaged** by the White House screening tool (CEJST)

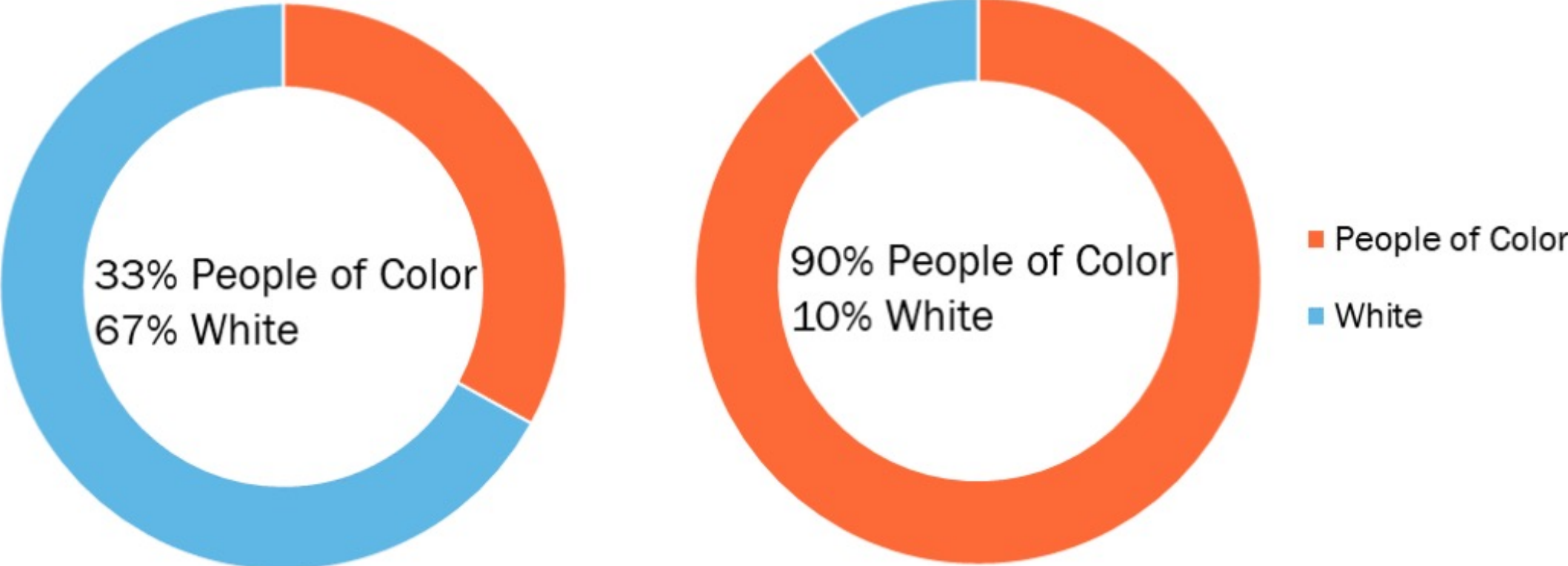


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Analysis of Race/Ethnicity and CalEnviroScreen 4.0 Draft Scores



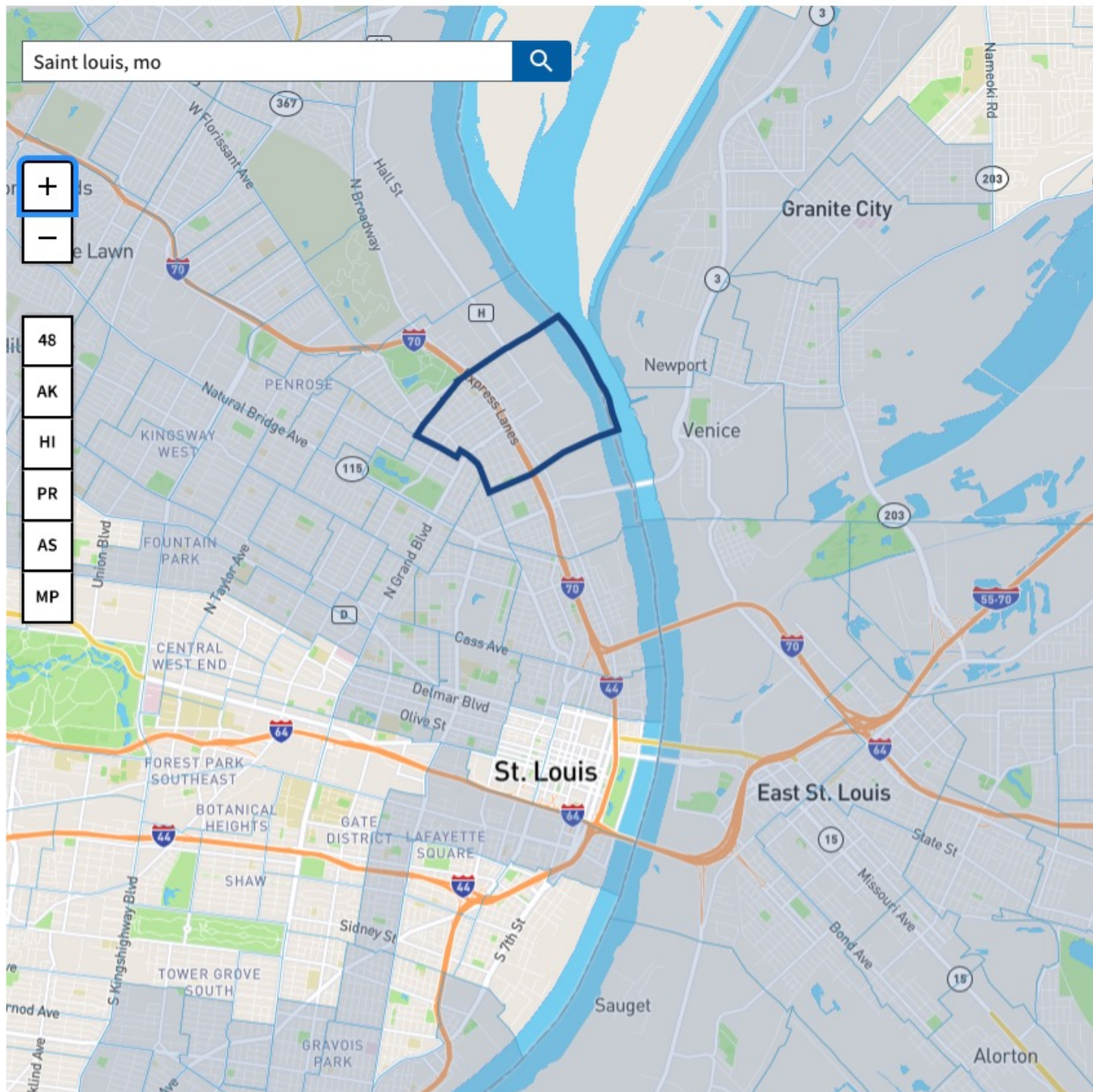
10% **least impacted** neighborhoods

10% **most impacted** neighborhoods

Figure 2. Race in the Least and Most Impacted Census Tracts by Draft CalEnviroScreen 4.0 Decile.

Maximum#
thresholds = 15

Census Tract
29510109700,
St. Louis, MO



Methodology version 0.1

Census tract: 29510109700
County: St. Louis city
State: Missouri
Population: 2,142

Identified as disadvantaged?

YES ●

15 of 21 thresholds exceeded

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Climate change ● +

Clean energy and energy efficiency ● +

Clean transportation ● +

Sustainable housing ● +

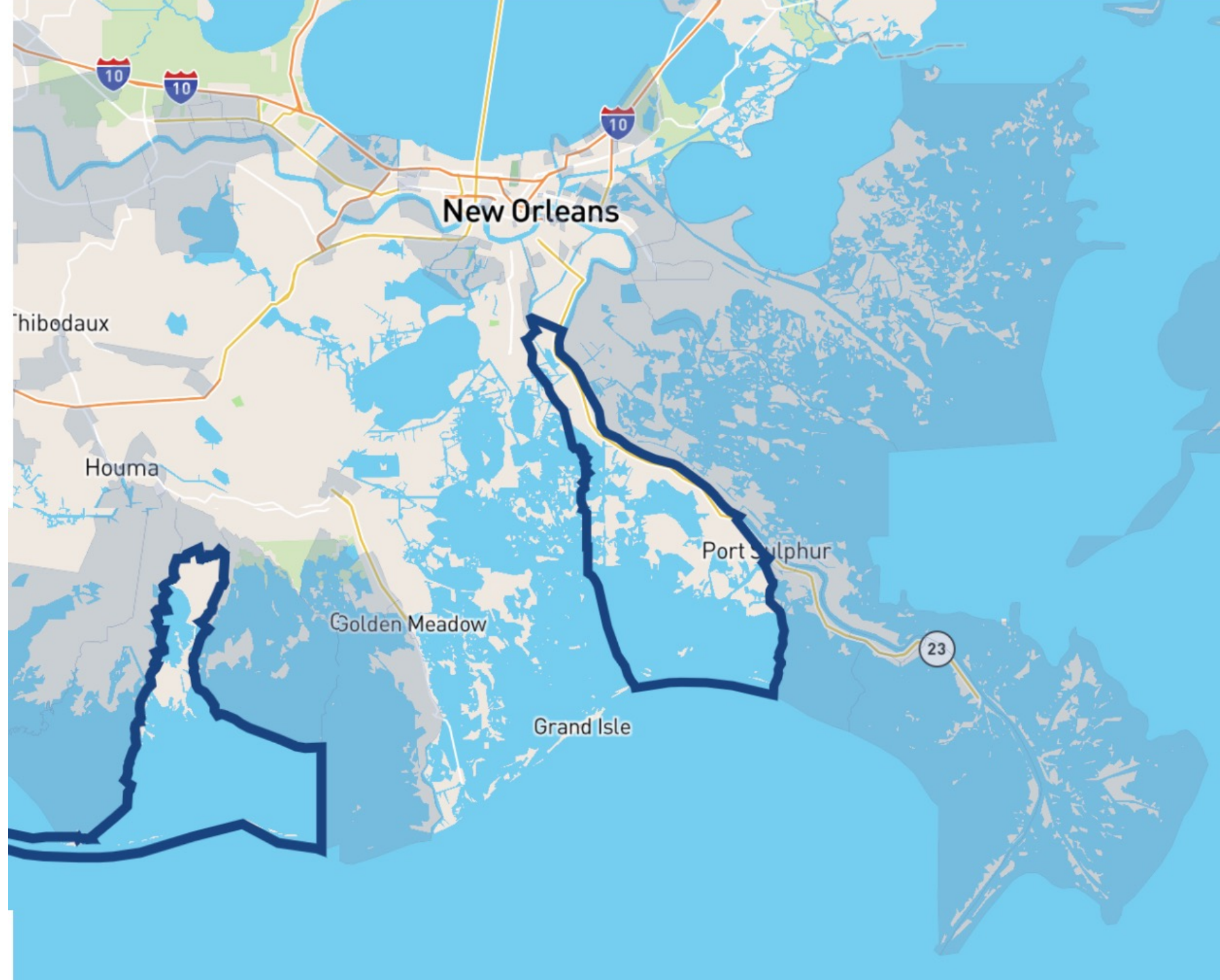
Legacy pollution ● +

Clean water and waste infrastructure ● +

Health burdens ● +

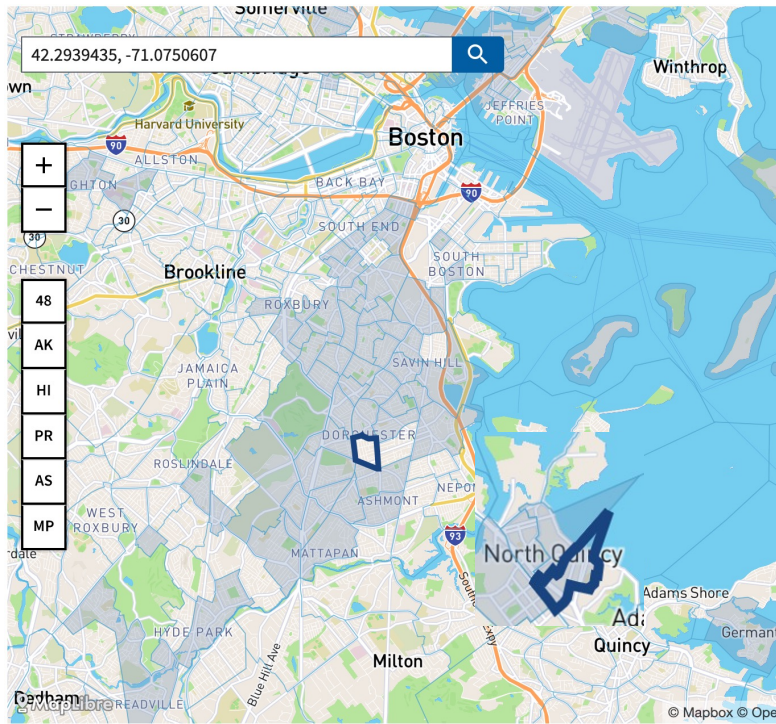
Workforce development ● +

THE DANGER OF BINARY THRESHOLDS



HOW WELL CAN WE DISTINGUISH BETWEEN TRACTS?

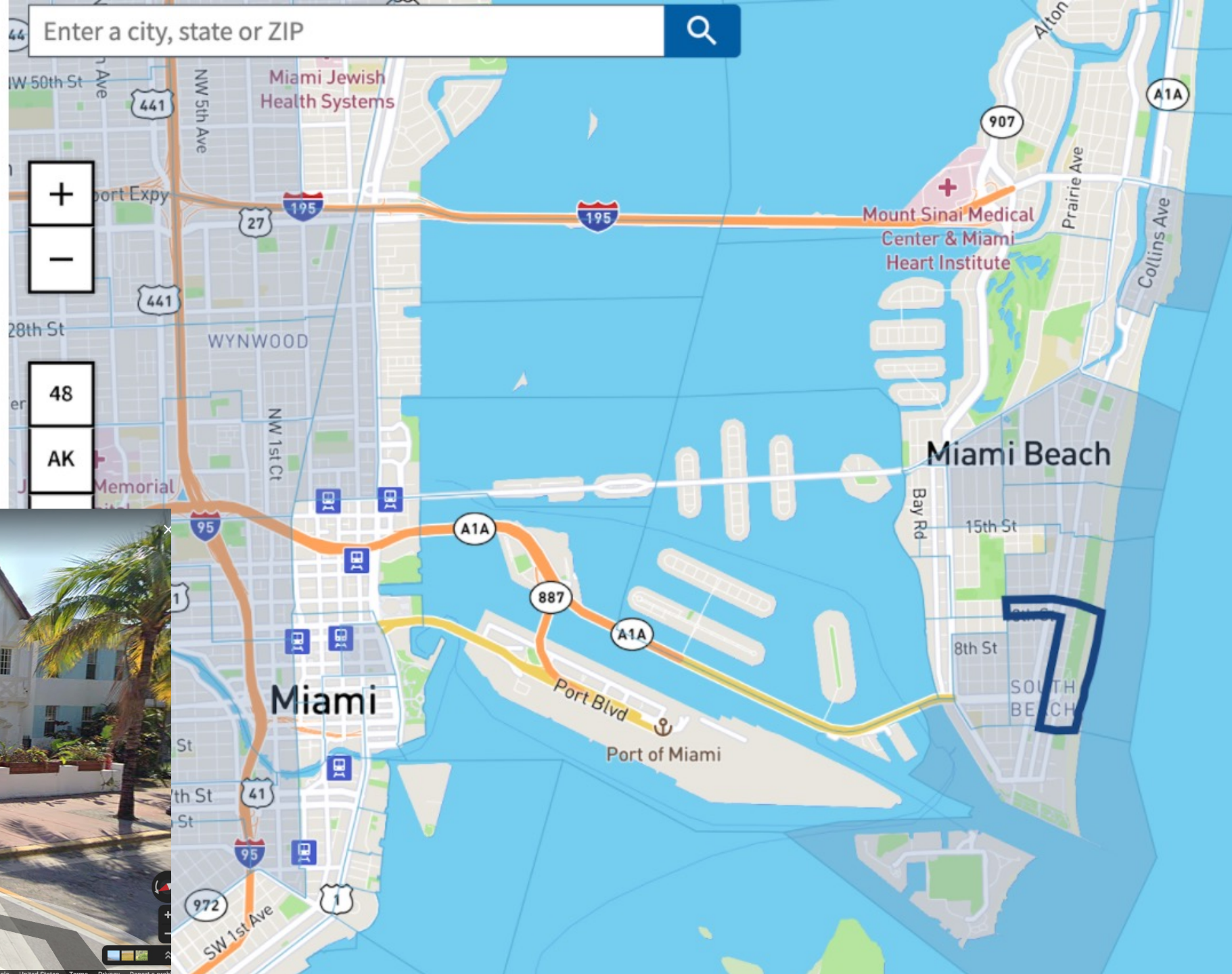
Dorchester = 65% Black, 22% Latinx, 5% white
North Quincy = 41% Asian, 50% white



DORCESTER | NORTH QUINCY

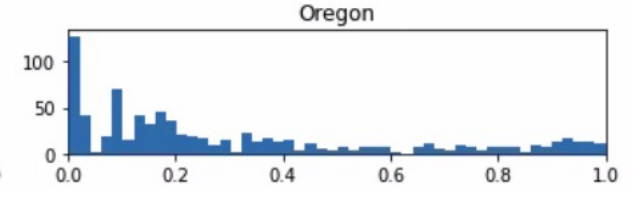
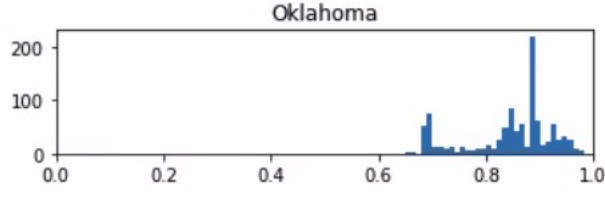
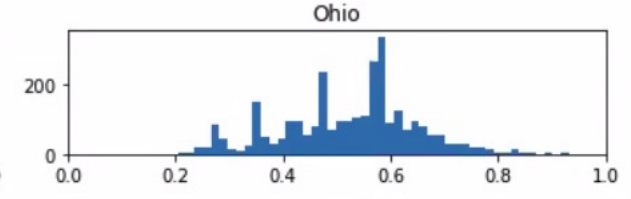
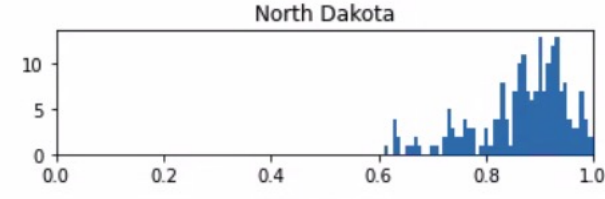
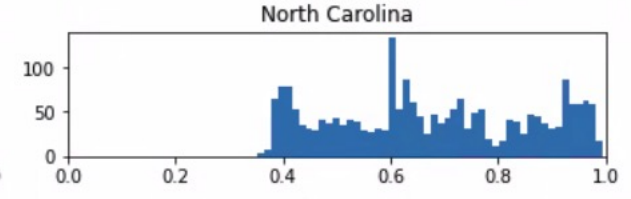
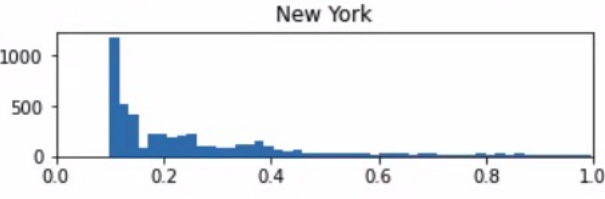
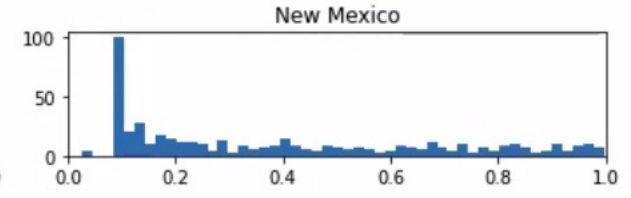
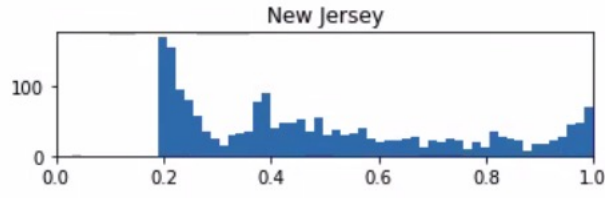
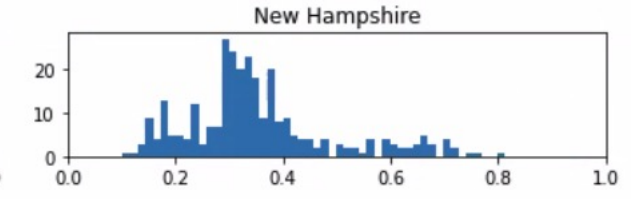
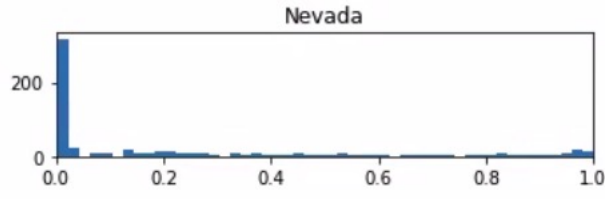
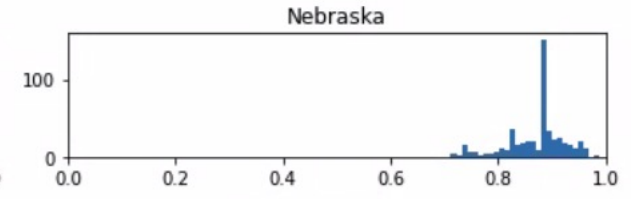
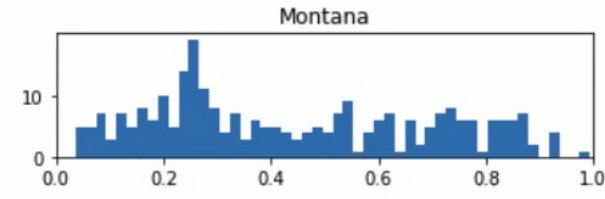
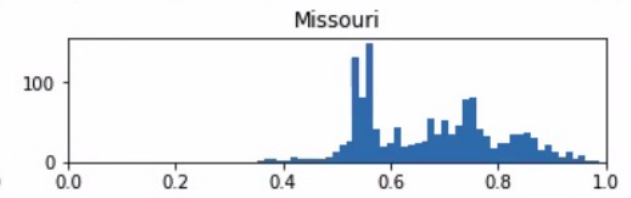
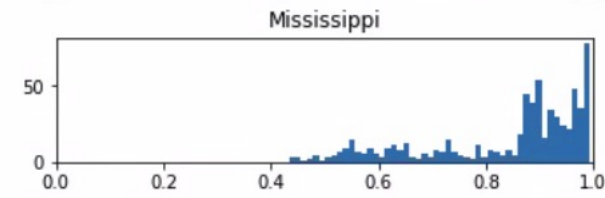
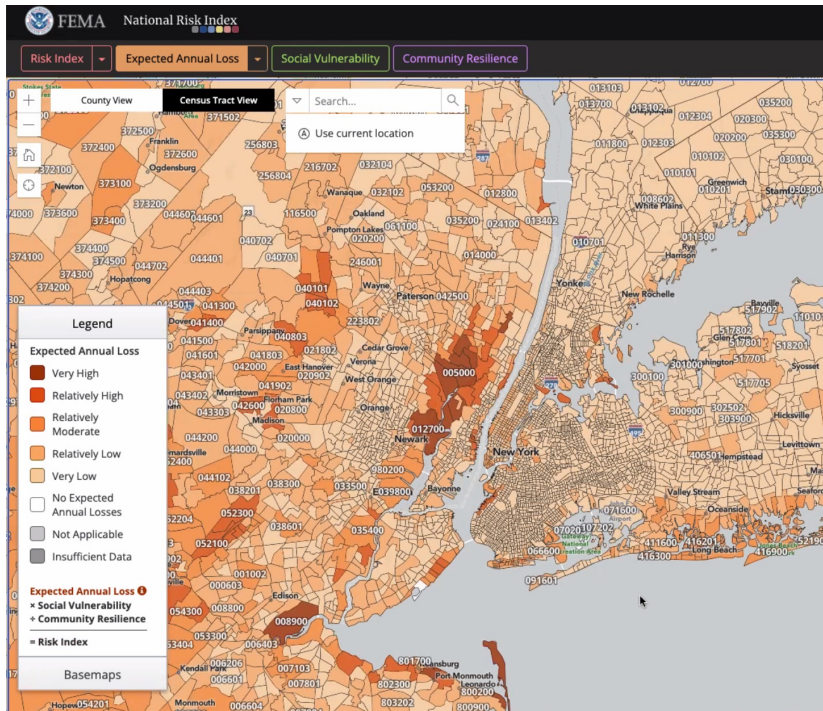
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| Indicator | Percentile | Threshold? |
| Low-income | 59 | 48 |
| Higher ed enrollment | 5 | 16 |
| Expected agricultural loss rate | 0 | 0 |
| Expected building loss rate | 12 | 42 |
| Expected population loss rate | 10 | 75 |
| Energy burden | 86 | 59 |
| PM 2.5 exposure | 13 | 11 |
| Diesel particulate matter | 75 | 67 |
| Traffic proximity | 41 | 74 |
| Housing burden | 91 | 76 |
| Lead paint | 88 | 85 |
| Hazardous waste facilities | 84 | 81 |
| Superfund sites | 49 | 56 |
| Proximity to RMP sites | 40 | 36 |
| Wastewater discharge | 2 | 53 |
| Asthma | 97 | 52 |
| Diabetes | 75 | 34 |
| Heart disease | 37 | 41 |
| Life expectancy | 19 | 60 |
| Linguistic isolation | 87 | 94 |
| Unemployment | 75 | 68 |
| Below 100% federal poverty | 59 | 67 |
| Low HS attainment | 19 | 20 |

THE NEED FOR GROUNDTRUTHING

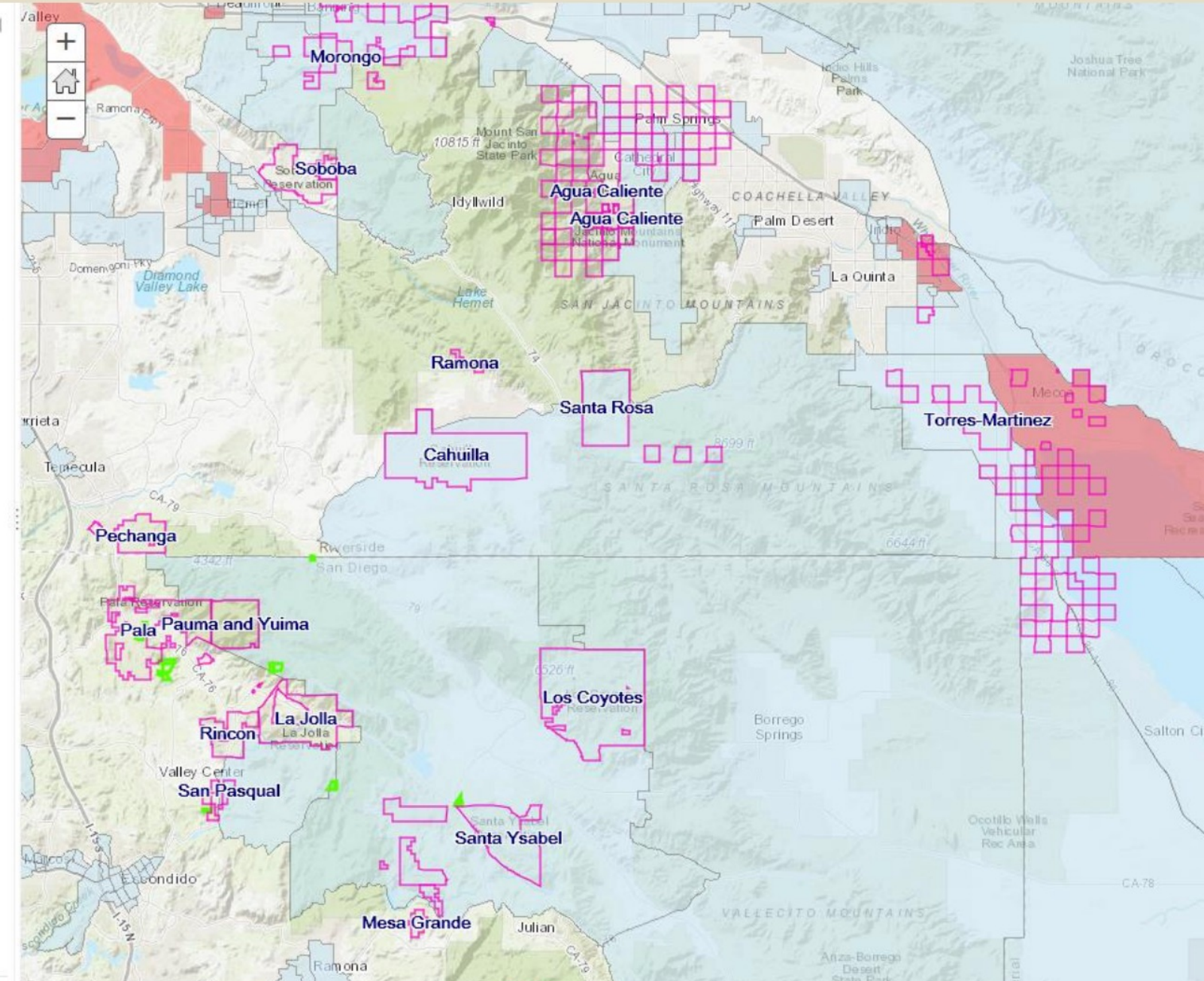


EYE-TESTING

E.g. expected Building Loss Histograms



Map of Disadvantaged Communities, Low-Income Communities & Tribal Boundaries



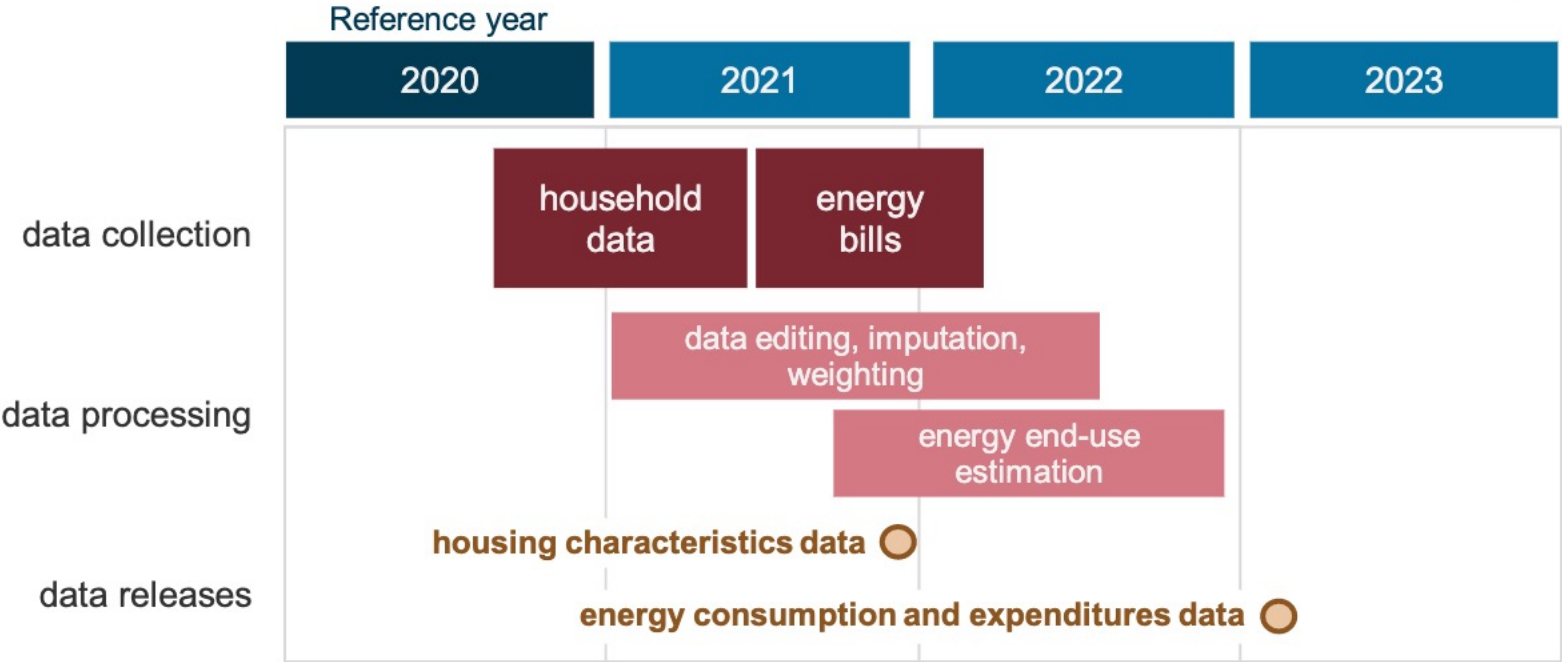
GAPS IN TRIBAL DATA RESULT IN EXCLUSION

Nationwide, 31,786 tracts have 1+ blanks (average 2; ~2,000 tracts > 5)

NEED FOR CONSISTENT AND CURRENT DATA

EIA's upcoming Residential Energy Consumption Survey will collect data from all 50 states

Tentative timeline of 2020 Residential Energy Consumption Survey



PRIORITY QUESTIONS FOR CEJST BETA

- Address race!
- How were impacted communities consulted in developing the tool and how will they be consulted in improvements to the beta version?
- How will cumulative impacts be addressed?
- How can more nuanced alternatives to the binary threshold be considered?
- How will disadvantaged tracts that are surrounded by non-disadvantaged tracts be treated, and vice versa?
- How will the specific thresholds be considered by agencies? Will a tract in the 99th percentile for a climate threshold still receive consideration for J40 investments in clean water and lead remediation?
- **How will communities be empowered to self-certify, particularly where data is lacking? What additional resources will support that process and additional data collection to fill gaps?**



ENERGY EQUITY PROJECT: *RESOURCES*

VISION:

1. **The presence of an equity measurement framework for clean energy programs will improve outcomes for BIPOC, lower-income and frontline environmental justice communities.** These communities have historically borne the brunt of environmental harms without partaking in the benefits of more efficient, less polluting, and more affordable forms of energy.
2. **The framework will be universally applicable**--to any program, any utility, and any municipality.
3. **The framework will use a standard process** to assess four forms of equity: i) Recognition, ii) Procedural, iii) Distributive, iv) Restorative

The outcomes generated by the EMF will not be equal, but they will be equitable, mirroring the idea of meeting different needs and starting points.

II) DIMENSIONS OF EQUITY: The four dimensions of equity selected by the Energy Equity Project align with four pillars described in the energy justice literature. We integrate definitions from other authors and add our own particular context below.

i) Recognition: “Recognition justice emphasizes the need to understand different types of vulnerability and specific needs associated with energy services among social groups (especially marginalized communities).”¹ Recognition justice is sometimes referred to as “structural”, indicating that factors such as identity and demographics which are largely beyond a household’s or community’s immediate control play a role in determining distributional outcomes they experience. Recognition both identifies historical disparities and suggests different likelihoods of future experiences and outcomes.

ii) Procedural: “Procedural justice calls for equitable and democratic involvement of all stakeholders in energy decision-making.”¹ Procedural justice concerns who is at the decision-making table, the disparities in people’s ability to access decision-making and other procedural spaces, and whether, once at the table, everyone’s voice is heard.

iii) Distributive: “Distributional justice concerns unfairness in the process of sharing costs and benefits created by energy development across society.”¹ “Distributive or substantive justice is outcome focused, and speaks to whether all share equitably in the benefits and burdens of the energy system.”² Examples of common energy benefits include direct financial benefits, job creation, business contracts, air quality, health outcomes, resilience to climate impacts.

iv) Restorative: “Restorative justice – any injustice caused by the energy sector should be rectified and be part of preventive and forward-looking action.”³ Restorative justice, as used in

other context such as criminal justice, requires that the part that experienced harm should be rectified to its former position before the harm occurred. A key component of restorative justice, which both brings impacted communities back to a level playing field and prevents future vulnerability, is energy democracy. “Energy democracy is the notion that communities should have a say and agency in shaping and participating in their energy future.”²

¹ Lee J and Byrne J, 2019. Expanding the Conceptual and Analytical Basis of Energy Justice: Beyond the Three-Tenet Framework. *Front. Energy Res.* 7:99

² Initiative for Energy Justice, 2019. Energy Justice Workbook.

³ M. Hazrati, R.J. Heffron, 2021. Conceptualising restorative justice in the energy Transition: Changing the perspectives of fossil fuels. *Energy Research & Social Science*, Volume 78.

III) RESOURCES:

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ACEEE Publications & Resources: <https://www.aceee.org/publications>

E4TheFuture’s National Standard Practice Manual (NSPM):
<https://www.nationalenergyscreeningproject.org/national-standard-practice-manual/>

E9 Insight: <https://e9insight.com/our-work/>

Initiative for Energy Justice: www.iejusa.org

SEEA & TEPRI Energy Equity Action Planner:
<https://www.seealliance.org/energy-equity-action-planner/>

Department of Energy LEAD Tool (Energy Burdens):
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/slsc/maps/lead-tool>

EPA EJScreen Tool: <https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen>

Justice40 Data Submissions:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14Zwja62gbrZErhf70lo-l2ode85O-XZC1NKA7bEV6Bk/edit#gid=1401912419>

White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council Justice40 Recommendations:
<https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-05/documents/whiteh2.pdf>

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