

Project Choice	Data Analysis : Understanding the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic
Previous Work and References	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Martin, A., Markhvida, M., Hallegatte, S. et al. Socio-Economic Impacts of COVID-19 on Household Consumption and Poverty. EconDisCliCha 4, 453–479 (2020). https://doi.org/10.1007/s41885-020-00070-3 2. Osofsky, J. D., Osofsky, H. J., & Mamon, L. Y. (2020). Psychological and social impact of COVID-19. Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy, 12(5), 468-469. http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/tra0000656 3. D Furceri, P Loungani, J Ostry, P Pizzuto Will covid-19 affect inequality? evidence from past pandemics. Covid Economics, volume 12, p. 138 – 57 Posted: 2020 4. Don Bambino Geno Tai, Aditya Shah, Chyke A Doubeni, Irene G Sia, Mark L Wieland, The Disproportionate Impact of COVID-19 on Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the United States, Clinical Infectious Diseases, , ciaa815, https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciaa815 5. Snyder, B. F., & Parks, V. (2020). Spatial variation in socio-ecological vulnerability to COVID-19 in the contiguous United States. Health & place, 66, 102471.
Problem Description and Goal:	<p>COVID-19 has infected and killed over 12m and 250k people, respectively in the U.S., with New York alone accounting for ~13% of deaths, the highest in the country. Beyond the public health emergency, public officials will need to come to terms with the unprecedented strain on the city's social safety net.</p> <p>Using NYC Open Data repository, our goal is to quantify how COVID-19 has impacted socioeconomic outcomes in NYC and what that might imply for fiscal policy moving forward. We will seek to investigate the following hypotheses:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COVID-19 has likely resulted in an above average rise in poverty 2. COVID-19 has likely resulted in an above average deterioration in health care security 3. COVID-19 has likely resulted in an above average deterioration in public safety 4. COVID-19 has likely resulted in an above average rise in income insecurity 5. COVID-19 has likely impeded student learning
Relevant Datasets	<p>COVID-19 Daily Counts of Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths</p> <p>DHS Daily Report</p> <p>Citywide HRA- Administered Medicaid Enrollees</p> <p>Emergency Food Assistance Program</p> <p>New York City Seasonally Adjusted Employment</p> <p>NYPD Arrests Data</p> <p>2018-2021 Daily Attendance by School</p> <p>M/WBE, LBE, and EBE Certified Business List</p> <p>Legally Operating Businesses</p>
Method/approach	Our approach entails using the map-reduce/Apache Spark framework to process the relevant datasets with a view to identifying “excess” quantities, above and beyond what we would have expected to see under “normal” conditions for the various socioeconomic indicators identified above.
Evaluation Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let X denote some observed quantity. Therefore, we will evaluate the stated hypotheses “excess” quantities using P-scores, defined as follows: $\frac{X - E(X)}{E(X)}$ where $E(X)$ is the expected value of X • $E(X)$ will be approximated using historical averages (e.g. 10-year average) • Where appropriate, we will also derive Pearson's Coefficient values to measure the correlation between COVID-19 case counts and each indicator's P-score. <p>Visualizations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Time series plots to be generated to visualize the impact of COVID on the respective metrics identified. b) Scatter plots to be generated to understand/identify the impact of COVID on the socio-economic parameters .
Weekly Schedule	See milestones.txt.