

DELIVERABLE 3

Final Project Report Draft

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Summary of Results

Overarching Project Question: Are there any overarching racial voting patterns in Boston on the Ward-Precinct level, and how does this vary across election type over the past decade?

- We have found a variety of racial voting patterns on the Ward-Precinct level in Boston across election type during the past decade.
- Most of the answers to this question are incorporated into our key questions that we explore below.

Key Questions and Principal Findings:

1. How do racial voting patterns differ by election type?
 - a. Generally, across election type, Black candidates tend to receive support from precincts with high black populations.
 - b. Turnout for city council elections which coincide mayoral elections is generally much higher than turnout for stand-alone city council elections.
 - c. For certain elections, such as the 2018 U.S. House Democratic primary, race of the candidate does not seem to be a primary factor in determining whether or not the candidate will win a specific precinct.
2. What are the key predictors in determining support for Black candidates for Boston?
 - a. There is a strong positive correlation between the percentage of votes Black candidates receive and the higher the Black population in a specific precinct.
 - b. There seems to be a slight correlation between certain Black candidates (Tito Jackson and DA Rollins) winning a given precinct and that precinct's median income and average educational attainment.
3. How has voter turnout by precinct changed across city council election year?
 - a. Precincts which have the most volatile voter turnout are concentrated in East Boston and West Roxbury and are either majority Hispanic or majority white.
 - b. Precincts which have experienced the greatest change in share of voter turnout are more dispersed ethnically, and are concentrated in areas of Dorchester and Downtown Boston.
 - c. Micheal F. Flaherty is in the election from 2015 to 2019. His voter turnout increased from 2015 to 2017 but decreased from 2017 to 2019. His voter turnout, in general, increased from 2015 to 2019.
 - d. Precincts which have experienced the greatest change in share of Micheal F. Flaherty's voter turnout all have a large white population (above 50%).
 - e. Michelle Wu is in the election from 2013 to 2019. Her voter turnout only increased in 2017 and decreased in general from 2013 to 2019.
 - f. Precincts which have experienced the greatest change in share of Michelle Wu's voter turnout all have a large white population (above 50%). Wu has more supporters in precincts with more Asian population, especially in precinct 0308 and 0501.
4. What are changes in District 3 particularly?

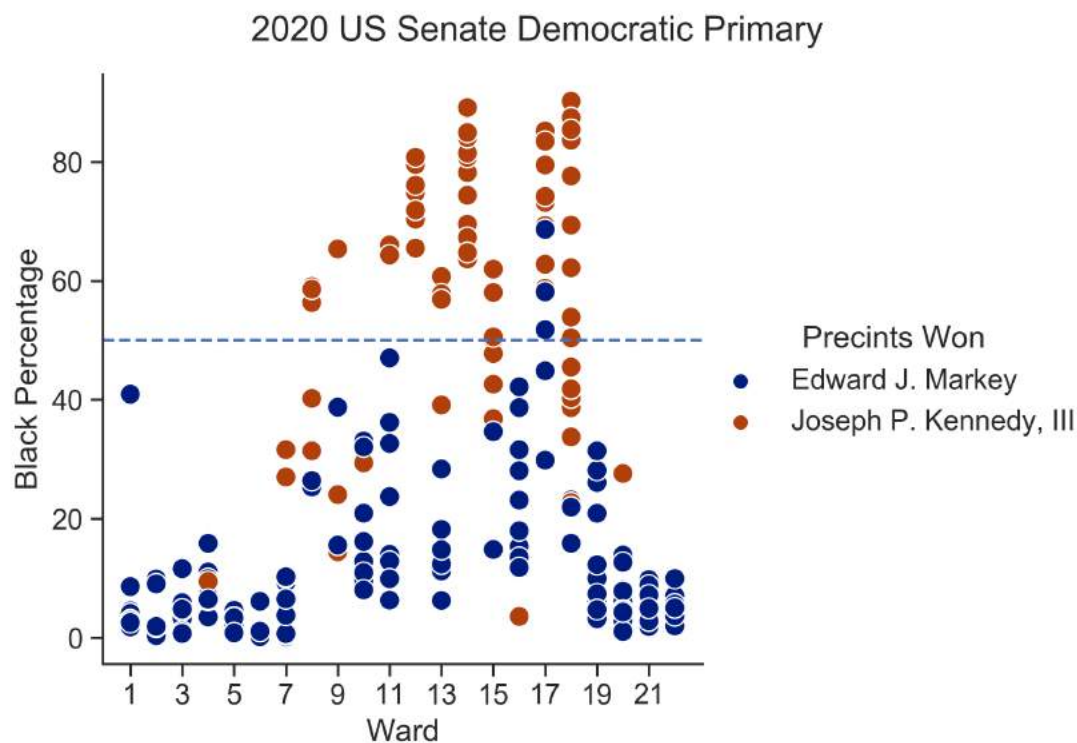
- a. The trends in City Council voter turnout for District 3 follow the same general pattern as Boston overall.
- b. The trends in Micheal F. Flaherty's voter turnout for District 3 is slightly different from the general pattern. Unlike the general pattern, his voter turnout, in general, decreased from 2015 to 2019. Precincts which have experienced the greatest change in share of Micheal F. Flaherty's voter turnout do not have a strong correlation with a single race population.
- c. The trends in Michelle Wu's voter turnout for District 3 follow the same general pattern as Boston overall.

Key question: How have voting patterns of Black populations in Boston changed by election type?

PROCESS: After collecting missing data, we performed some preliminary analysis focusing mainly on how voting patterns change with Black demographics.

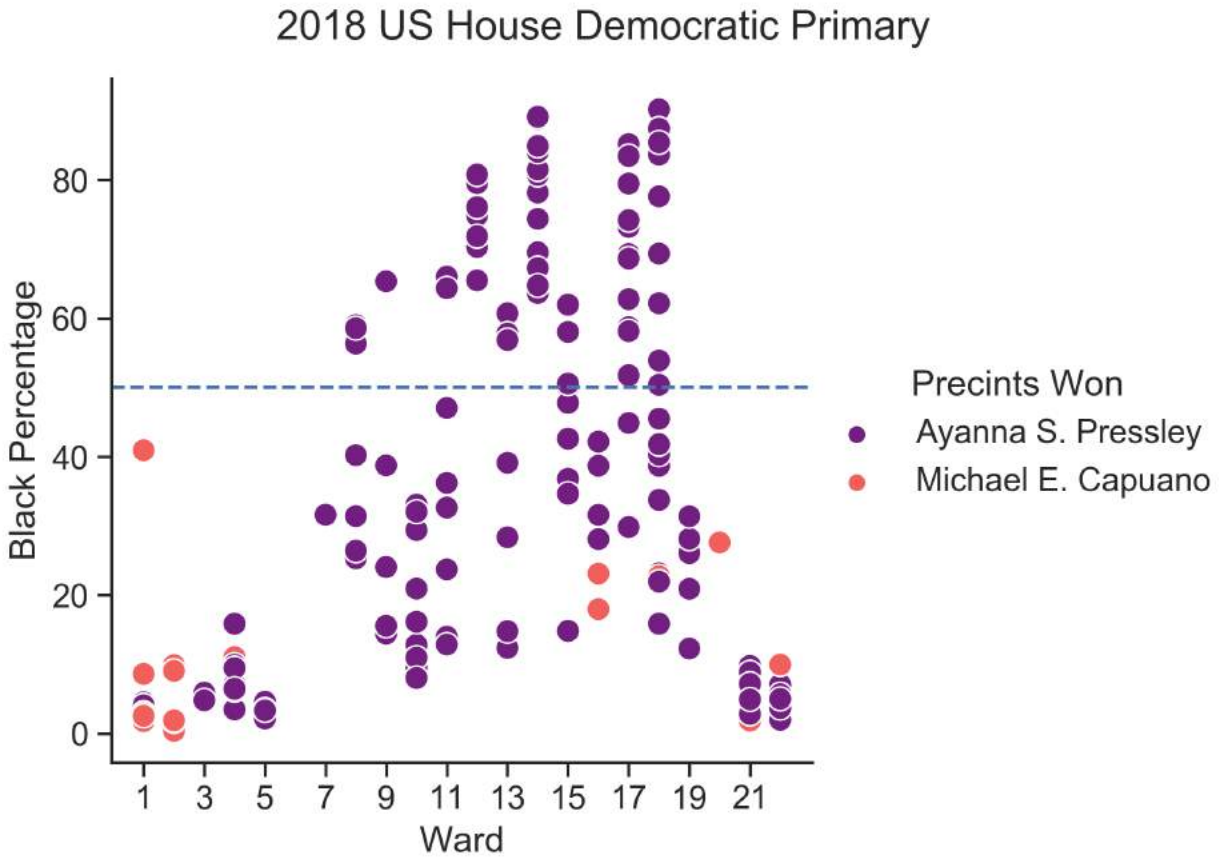
Part 1: Senate 2020 Democratic Primaries and 2018 US Democratic House Primaries

1. For the Senate 2020 Democratic Primaries, here is what we found:



Here we found a clear racial pattern. Across all Wards, Kennedy won most of the precincts with Black majority as we can notice above the horizontal line, while Markey dominated the precincts with Black minority, and specifically the ones with lowest Black percentage living there.

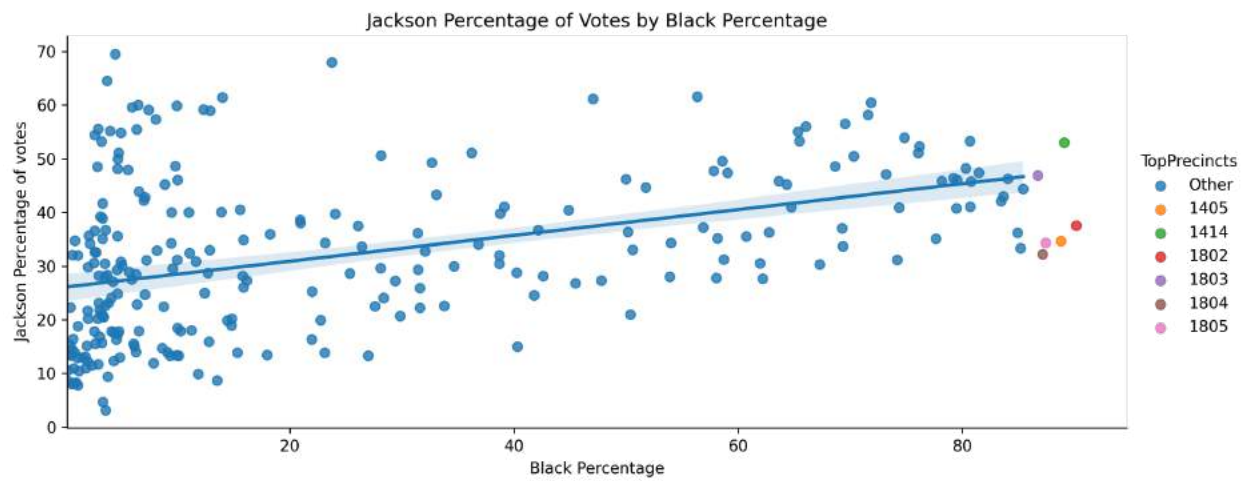
2. And for the 2018 US Democratic House Primaries:



Similarly, another racial pattern. Across all Wards, Pressley won all of the precincts with Black majority as we can notice above the horizontal line, while Capuano' wins were in the precincts with Black minority, with most of them being in lowest Black percentage precincts.

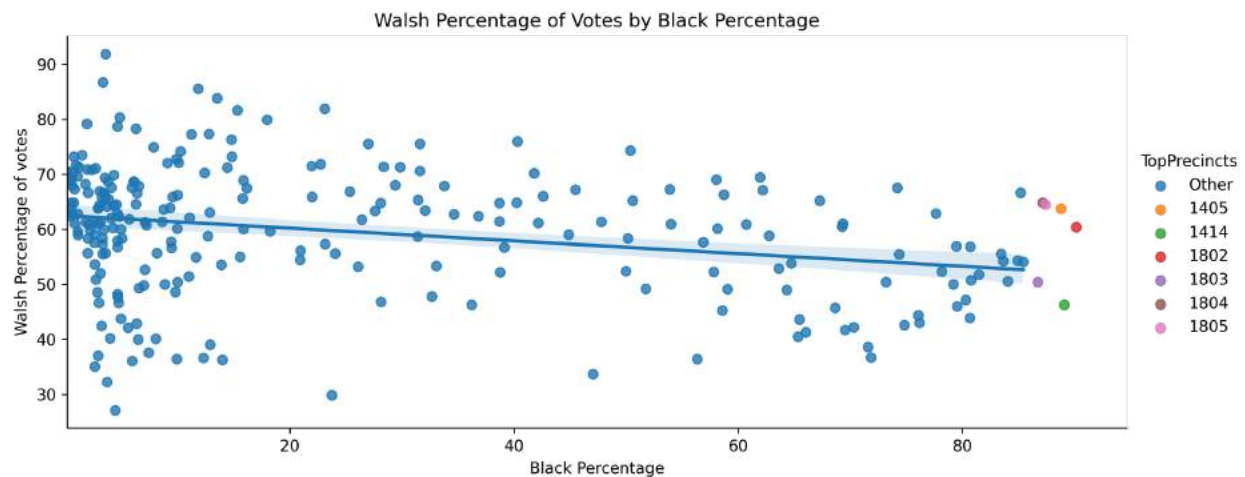
Part 2: Mayoral 2017 Preliminary Race and Mayoral 2017 General Turnout Race

1. For the Mayoral 2017 Preliminary Race, we obtained the following results:



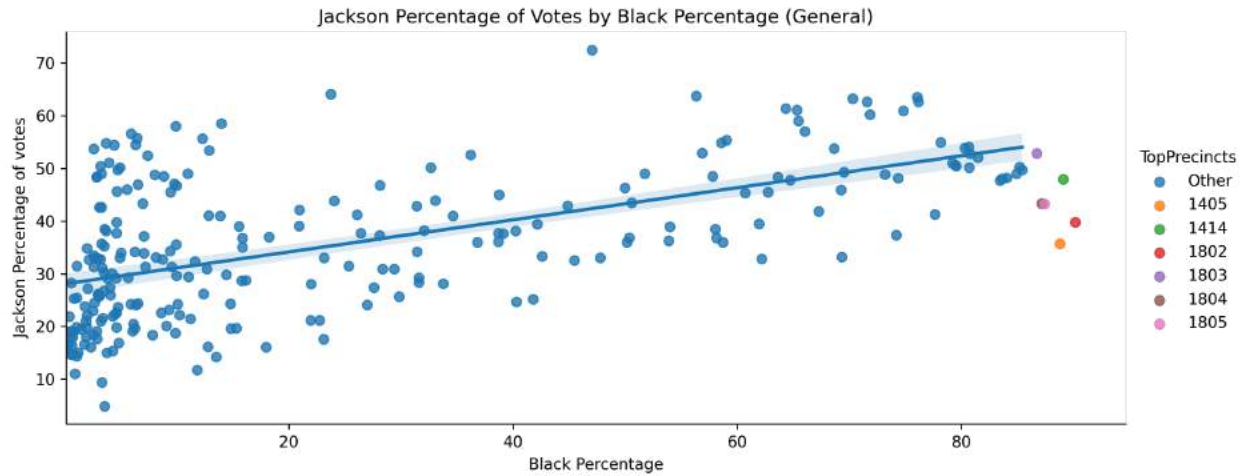
Here, we found that there is a slight positive correlation (correlation coefficient: 0.42) between a higher Black population and greater percentage of votes for Tito Jackson.

Similarly, we analyzed Marty Walsh's percentage of votes by Black Percentage:



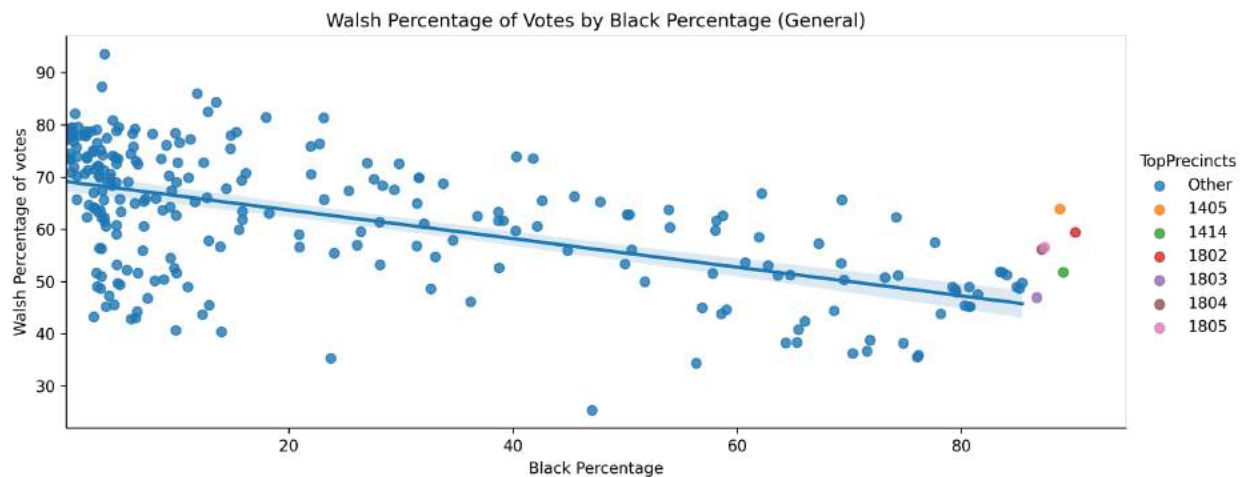
Finding that there is a slight negative correlation (coefficient: -0.25) between the two.

2. For the Mayoral 2017 General Turnout Race, we obtained the following results:



In the general race, there was a slightly stronger positive correlation between Jackson's percentage of votes and the Black population per precinct, with correlation coefficient of 0.58.

Similarly, analyzing Marty Walsh's percentage of votes by Black Percentage:

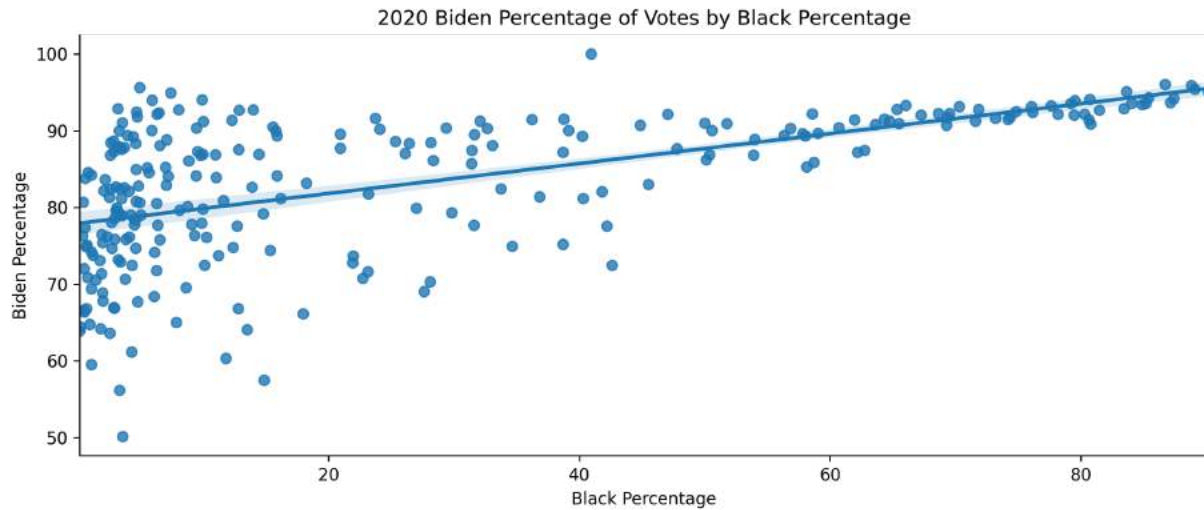


Here, we found a much stronger negative correlation of -0.56.

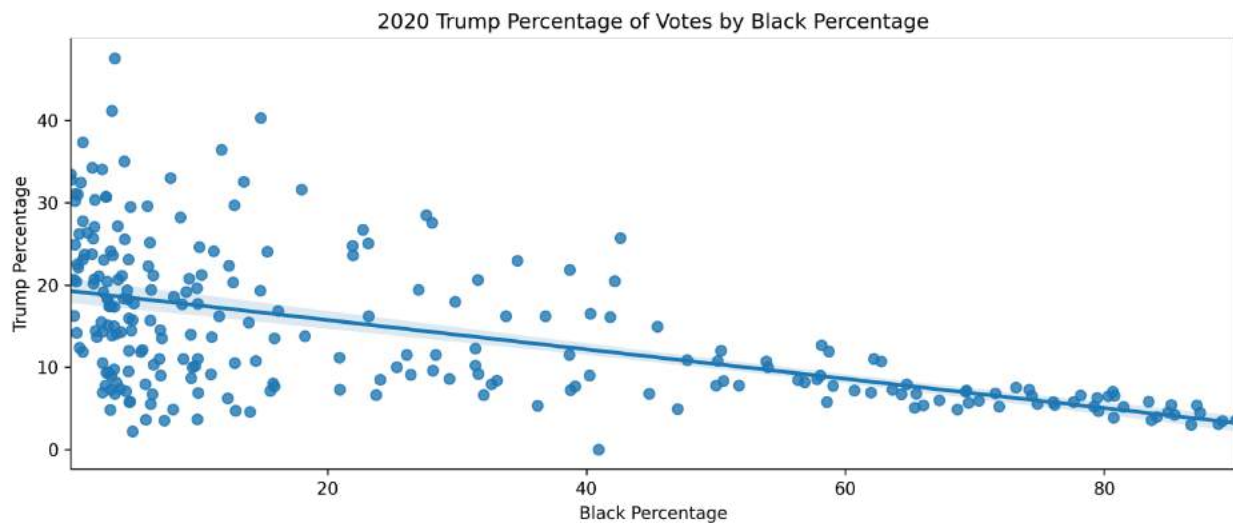
Part 3: Presidential Elections 2020 and 2016 Presidential Elections

1. For the Presidential Elections, we obtained the following results:

First, we analyzed the 2020 Trump/Biden race by Black Percentage per Boston precinct:



Here, we have a correlation coefficient of 0.58, indicating a positive correlation.



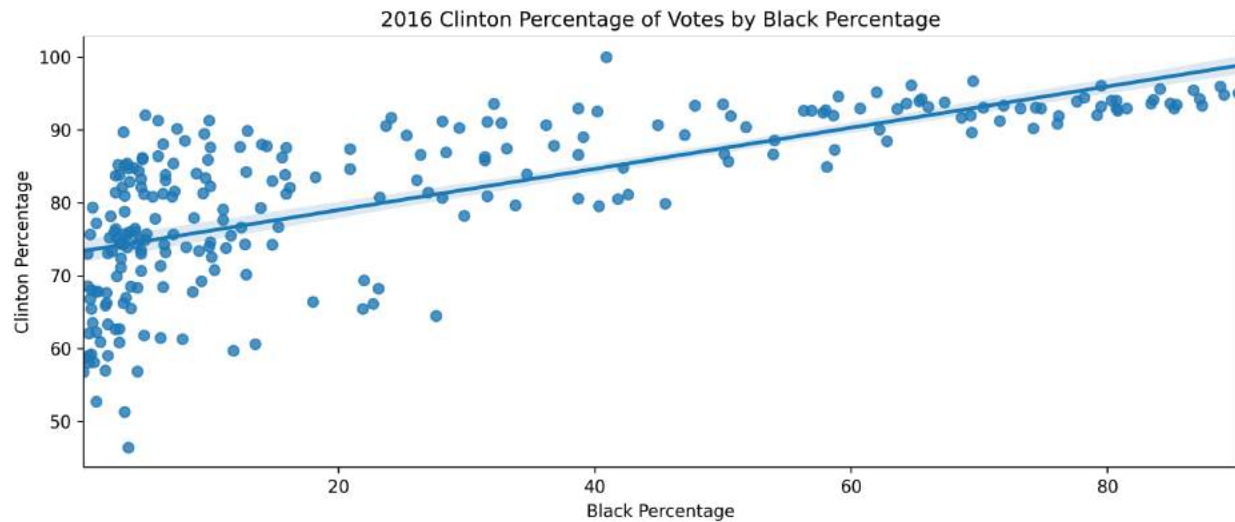
Here, we have a correlation coefficient of -0.55, indicating a negative correlation between Black Percentage per precinct and Trump's percentage of votes.

Sorting our precincts by By Black Population Percentage:

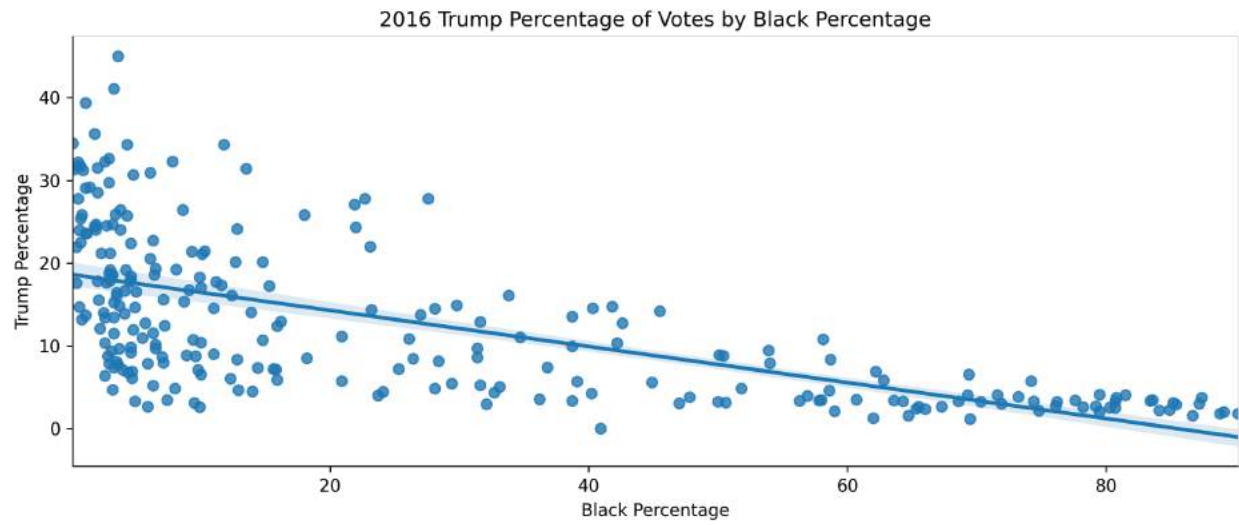
| | City/Town | Ward | Pct | Joseph R. Biden, Jr. | Donald J. Trump | Jo Jorgensen | Howard Hawkins | All Others | No Preference | Blanks | ... | Two or More Races/Ethnicities (alone) | Black Percentage | Native American Percentage | Asian Percentage | Ha |
|-----|-----------|------|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|--------|-----|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|-----|
| 61 | Boston | 7 | 1.0 | 731 | 383 | 12 | 1 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 9.0 | ... | 3.0 | 0.146735 | 0.000000 | 0.880411 | |
| 59 | Boston | 6 | 8.0 | 823 | 419 | 19 | 4 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | ... | 10.0 | 0.194175 | 0.064725 | 0.647249 | |
| 20 | Boston | 2 | 5.0 | 1,054 | 286 | 14 | 8 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 9.0 | ... | 8.0 | 0.374532 | 0.000000 | 1.373283 | |
| 18 | Boston | 2 | 3.0 | 1,054 | 212 | 18 | 0 | 13.0 | 0.0 | 9.0 | ... | 15.0 | 0.423729 | 0.181598 | 1.452785 | |
| 58 | Boston | 6 | 7.0 | 948 | 430 | 21 | 0 | 17.0 | 0.0 | 7.0 | ... | 8.0 | 0.458716 | 0.065531 | 0.786370 | |
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| 173 | Boston | 18 | 4.0 | 1,161 | 67 | 5 | 2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | ... | 40.0 | 87.154150 | 0.247036 | 0.444664 | |
| 174 | Boston | 18 | 5.0 | 1,203 | 57 | 5 | 5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | ... | 37.0 | 87.415497 | 1.248050 | 0.208008 | |
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| 134 | Boston | 14 | 14.0 | 773 | 28 | 4 | 1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | ... | 29.0 | 89.111111 | 0.222222 | 0.370370 | |
| 171 | Boston | 18 | 2.0 | 984 | 37 | 1 | 7 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | ... | 43.0 | 90.180587 | 0.451467 | 0.959368 | |

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- Next, we analyzed the 2016 Trump/Clinton race by Black Percentage per Boston precinct:



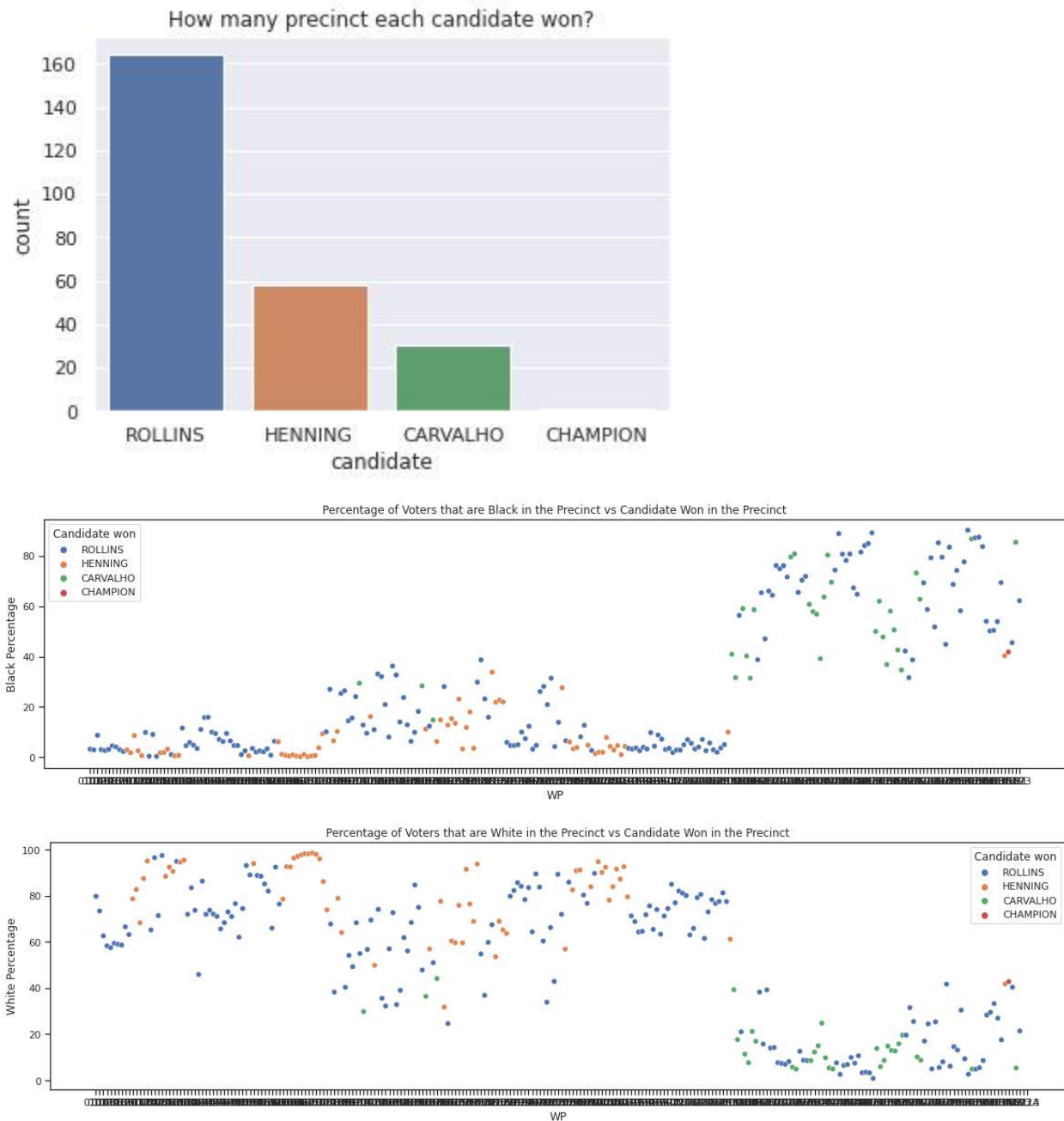
Here, we have a correlation coefficient of 0.71, indicating a strong positive correlation.



Here we have a correlation coefficient of -0.63, indicating a strong negative correlation.

Part 4: DA Race Turnout 2018

1. For the DA Race Turnout 2018, we obtained the following results:

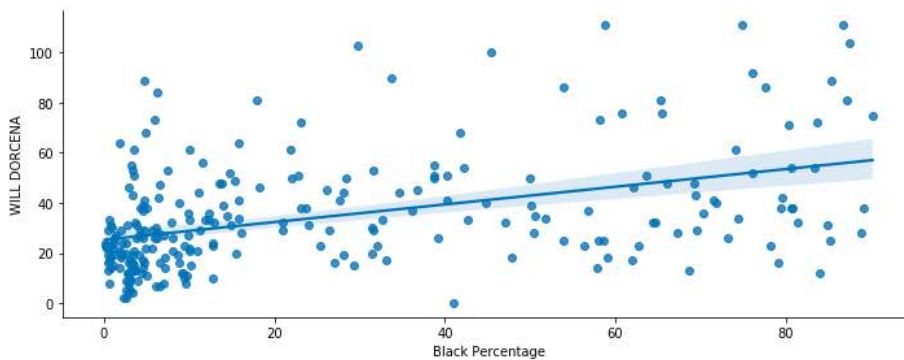
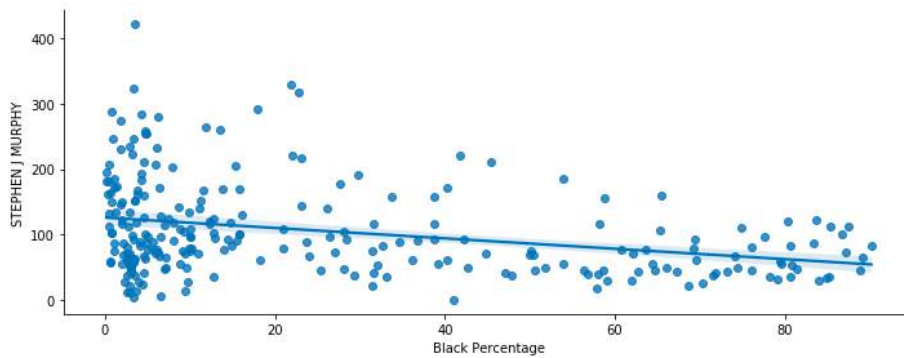
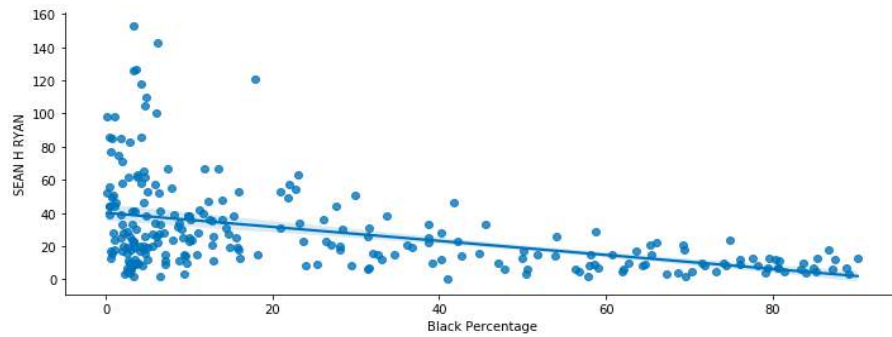
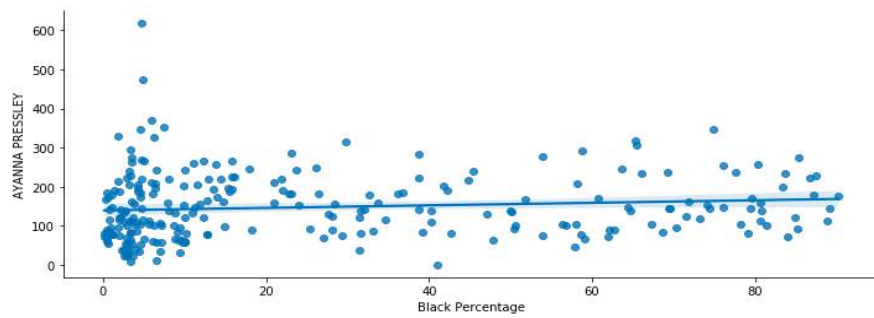


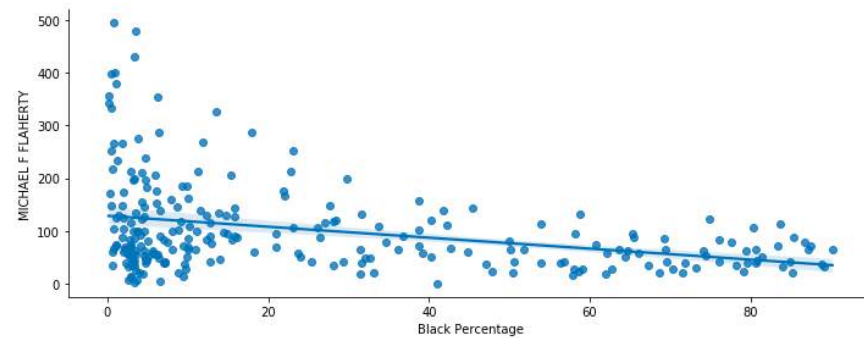
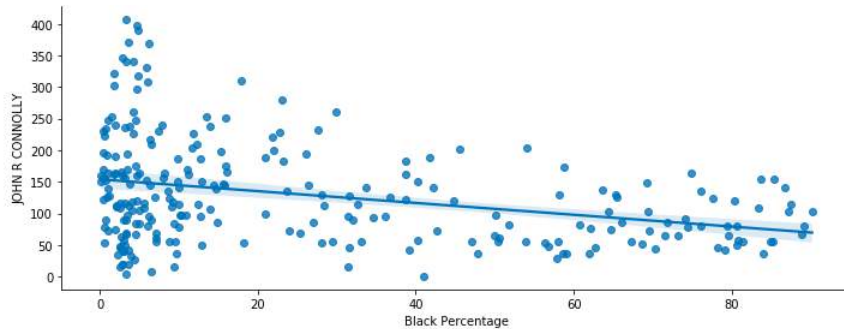
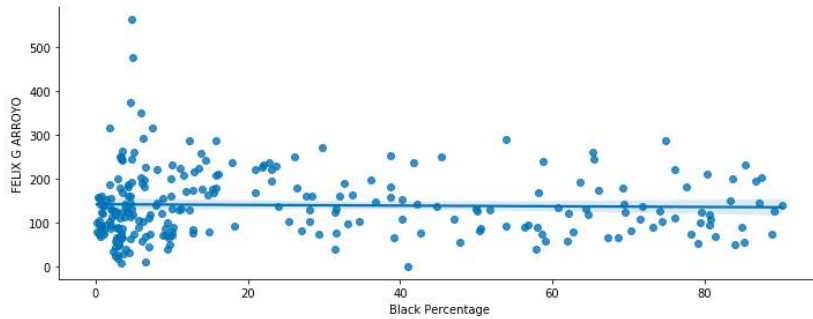
For precincts with a high percentage of voters that are black, the candidate, Rolling, seems to be favored more than other candidates. Henning, who also won a lot of precincts, doesn't seem to be favored by black people as most of his winning precincts are from precincts with a dense white population.

Part 5: City Council Result Analysis including 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017 and 2019

1. 2011 City Council Result

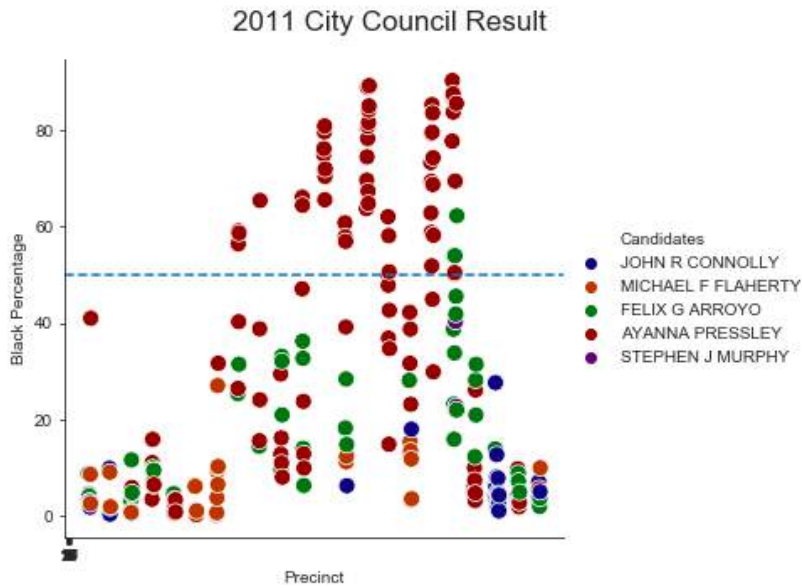
- Individual vote counts vs black percentage





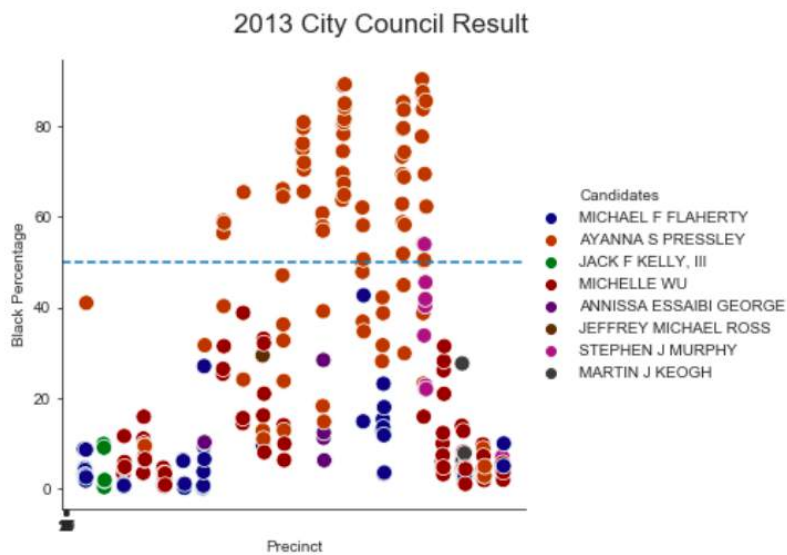
From the plot, we can see that Will Dorcena has the strongest positive correlation between black percentage and vote counts. Ayanna Pressley has a slight positive correlation. John R Connolly, Michael F Flaherty and Sean H Ryan all have negative correlation. According to Wikipedia, Ayanna Pressley is a black woman and Will Dorcena is a black man. The rest of the candidates are white men. Thus, the finding is not surprising and it confirms the hypothesis that black voters are more likely to vote black candidates.

- Winner in each precinct vs black percentage



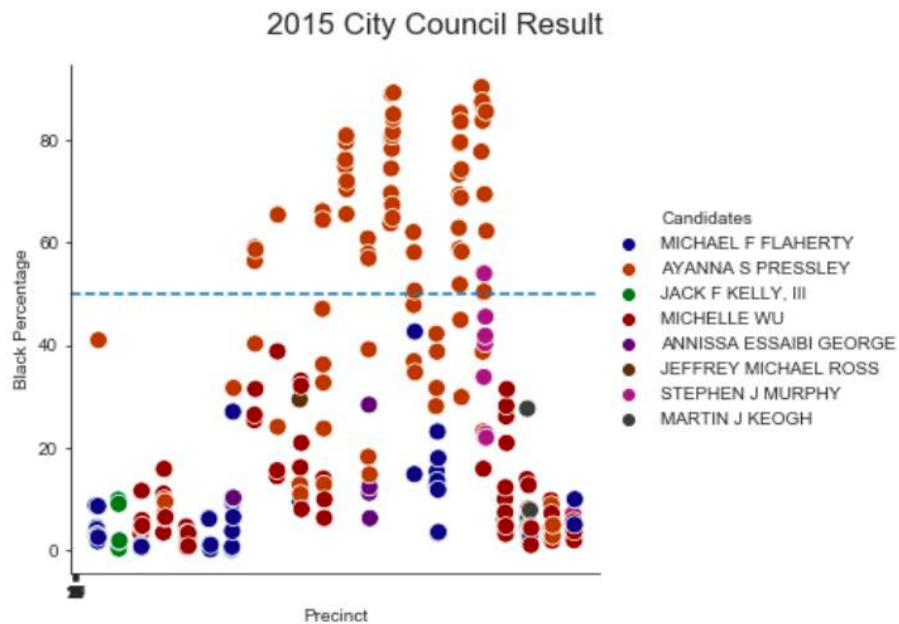
From the graph we can see that Ayanna Pressley is leading in precincts that have large black percentages. Felix, who has similar vote counts with Ayanna, his supporters are mostly in neighborhoods that have large white populations.

2. 2013 City Council Result General Analysis



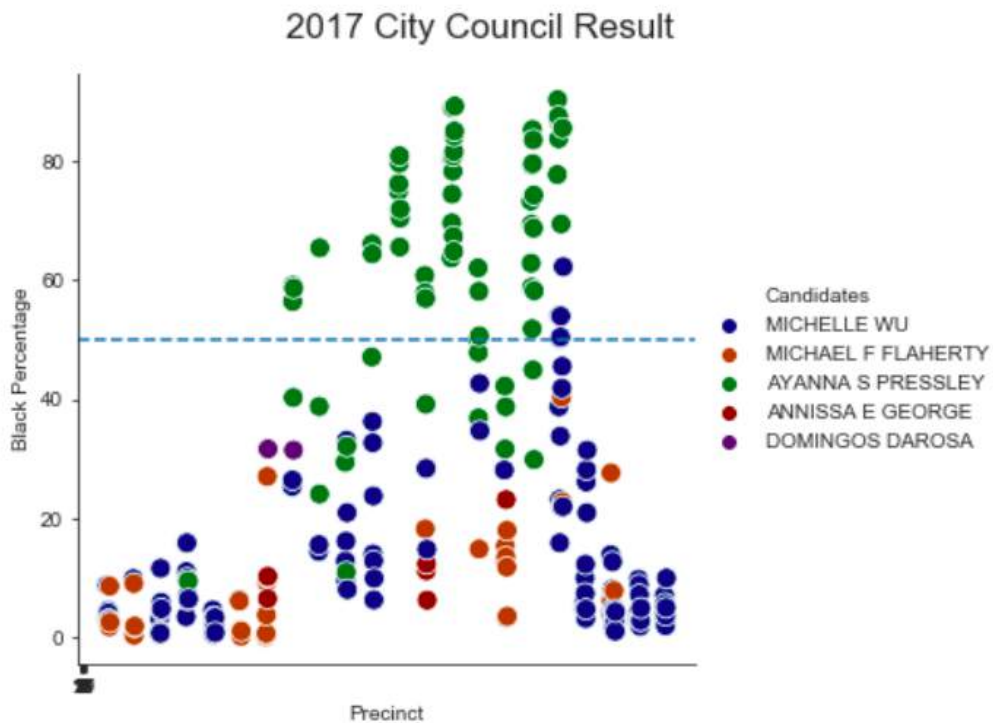
We can see that Ayanna Pressley, the only black candidate, is still leading in precincts that have large black percentages.

3. 2015 City Council Result General Analysis



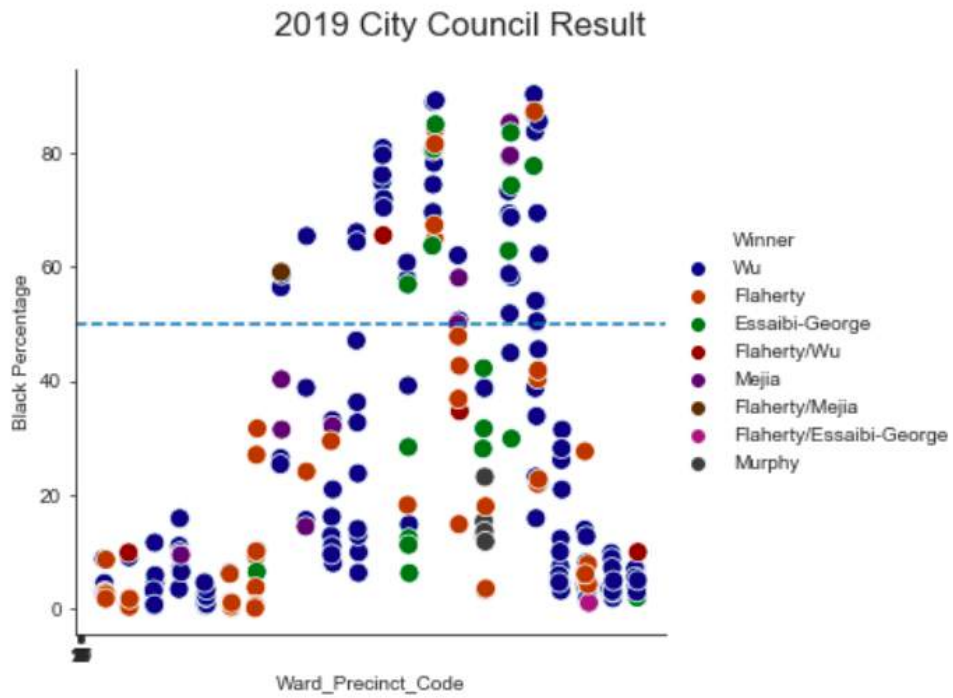
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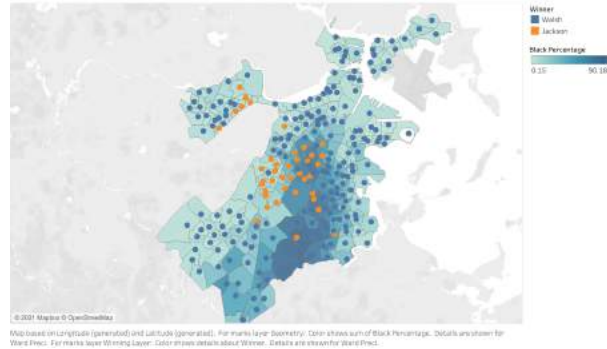
In 2019, there is no black candidate, so the winner in precincts that have a large black population is pretty random.

Visualizing on Boston Maps How Racial Voting Patterns Differ by Election Type

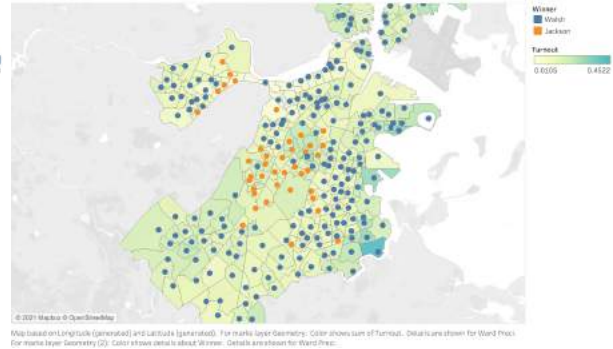
Mayoral 2017 Elections

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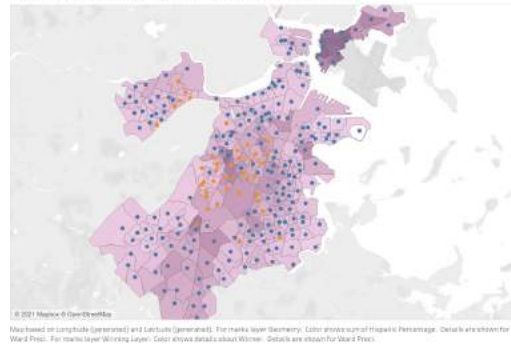
Mayoral 2017 Prelim Winners by Precinct (Black Population)



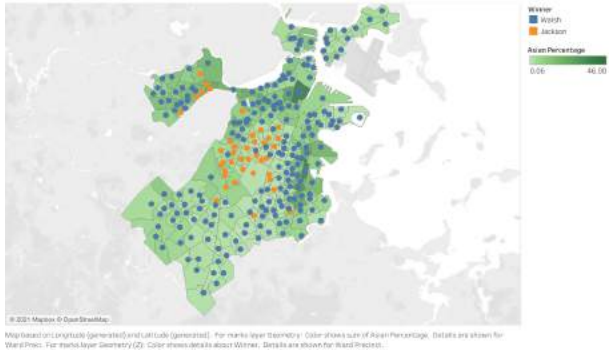
Mayoral 2017 Prelim Winners by Precinct (Voter Turnout)



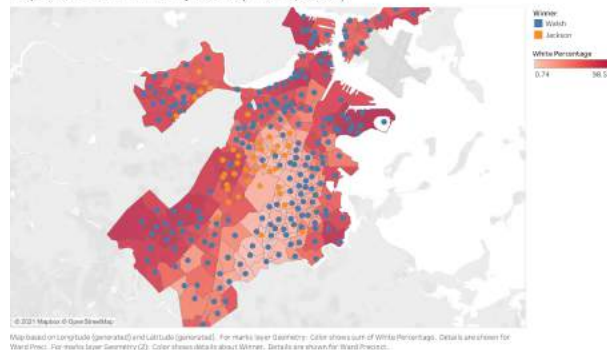
Mayoral 2017 Prelim Winners by Precinct (Hispanic Population)



Mayoral 2017 Prelim Winners by Precinct (Asian Population)

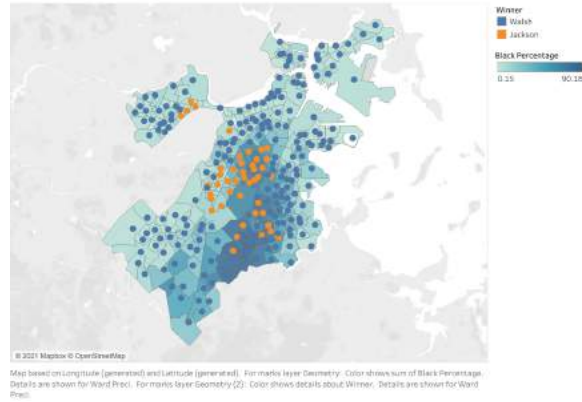


Mayoral 2017 Prelim Winners by Precinct (White Population)

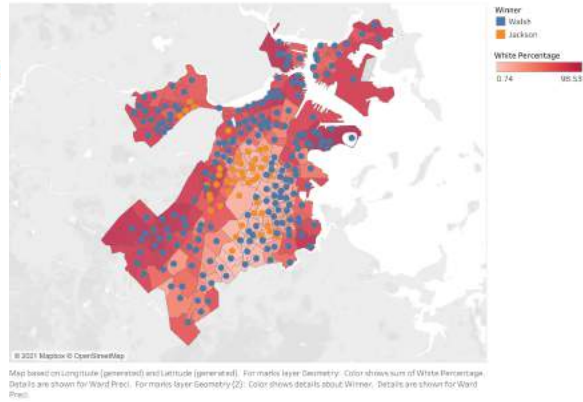


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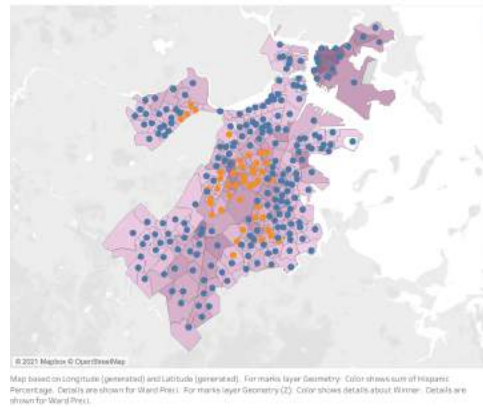
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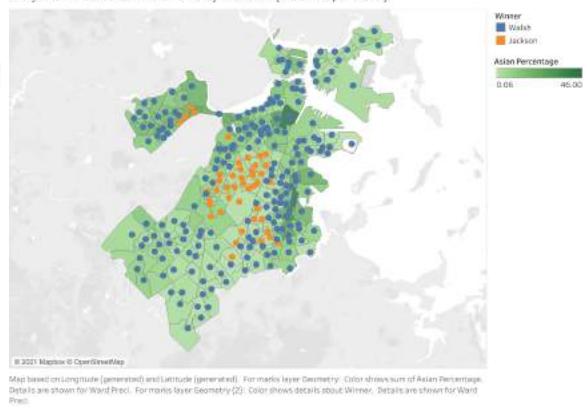
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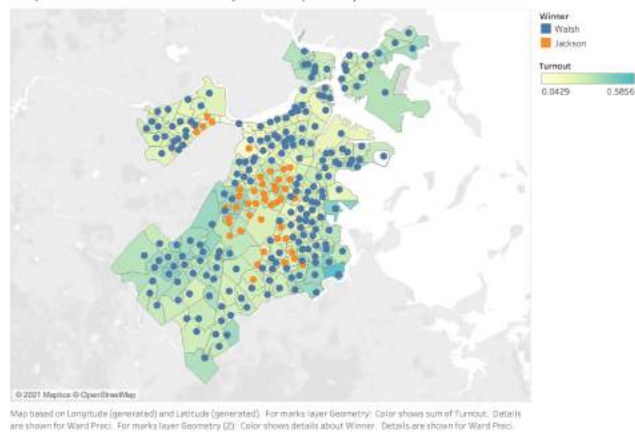
Mayoral 2017 General Winners by Precinct (Hispanic Population)



Mayoral 2017 General Winners by Precinct (Asian Population)



Mayoral 2017 General Winners by Precinct (Turnout)



2019 City Council Analysis

Winner and Black Percentage - 2019 cc



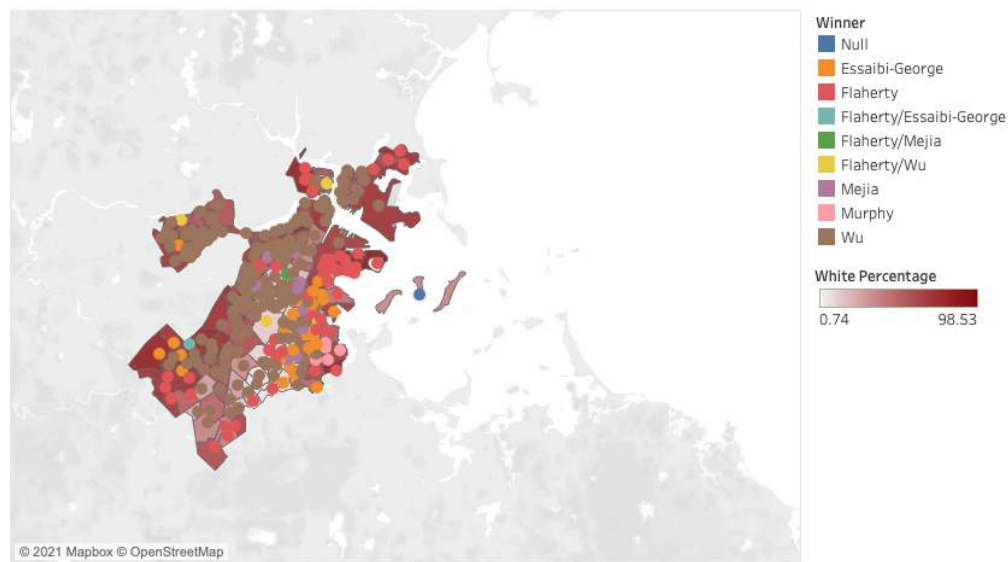
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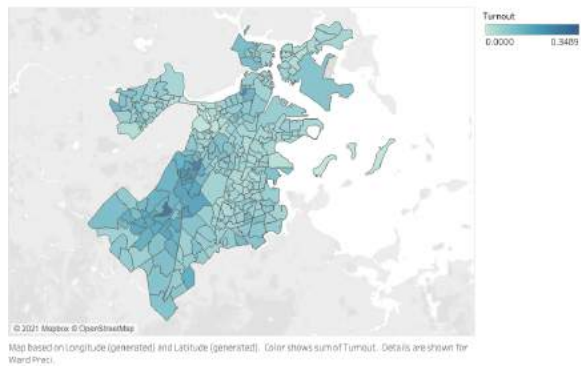
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2019 Turnout

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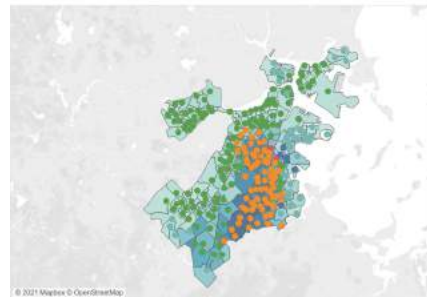
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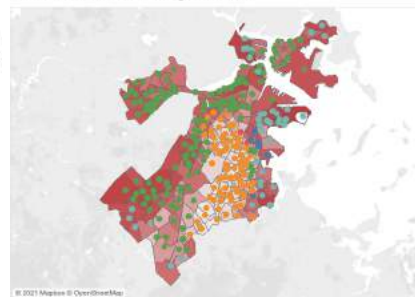
2017 City Council Analysis

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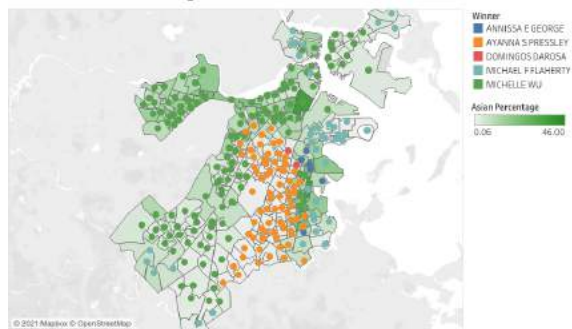
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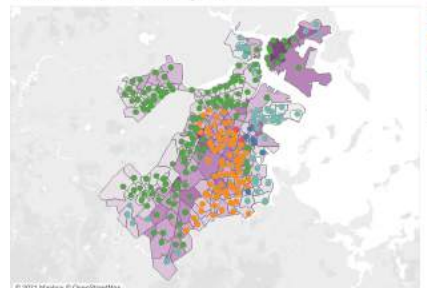
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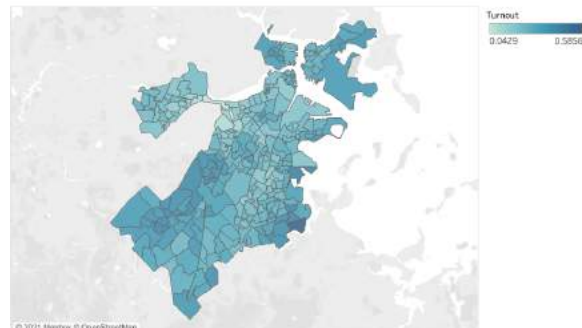
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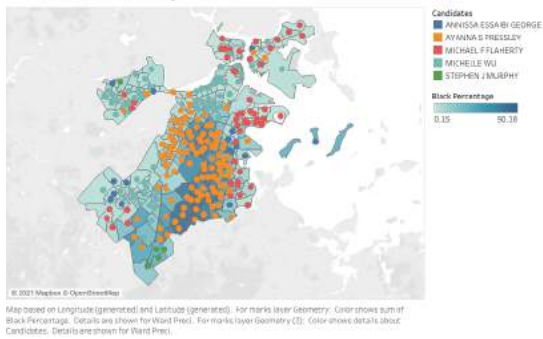
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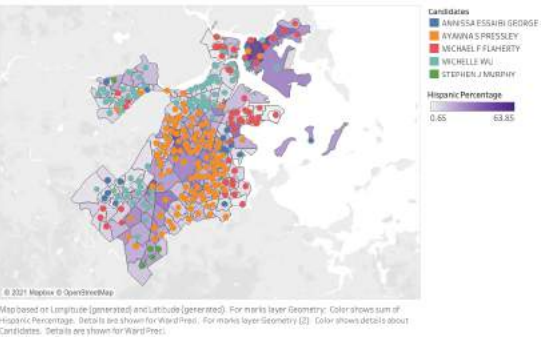
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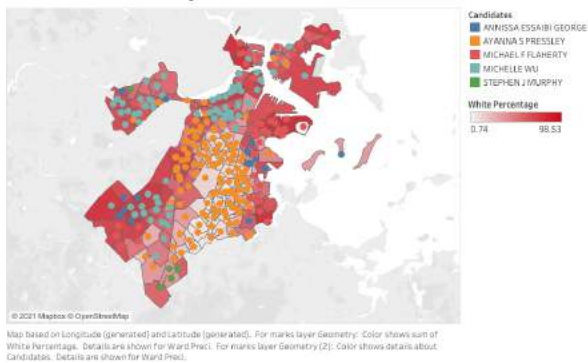
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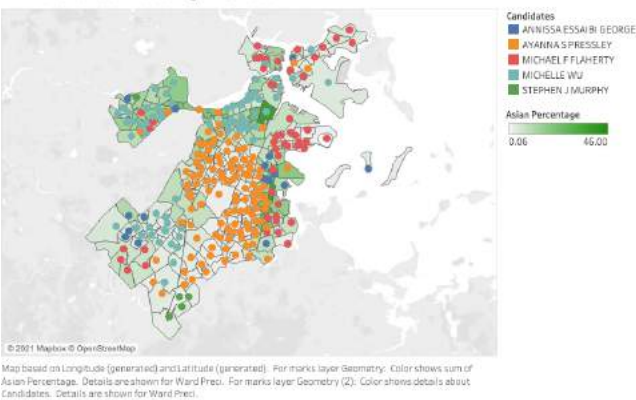
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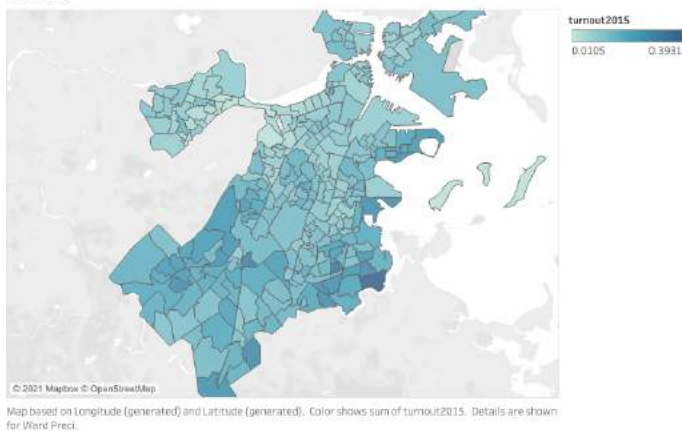
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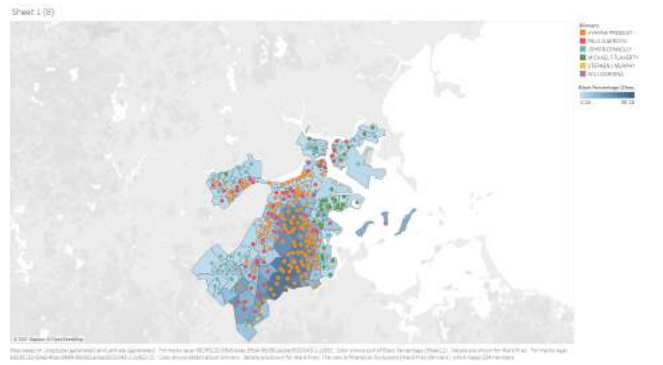


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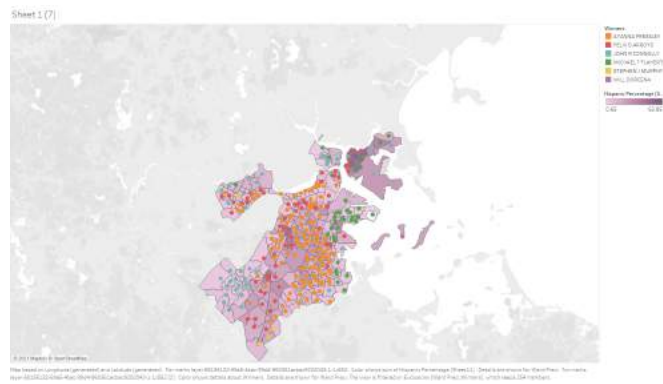


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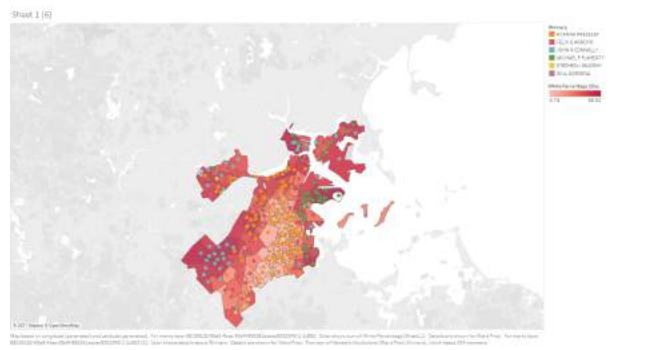
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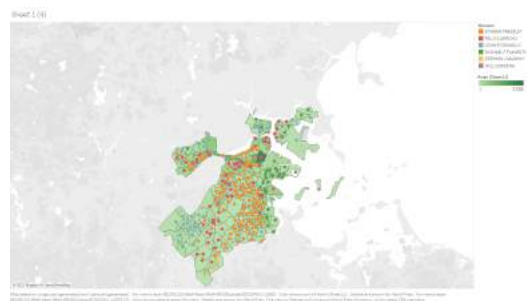
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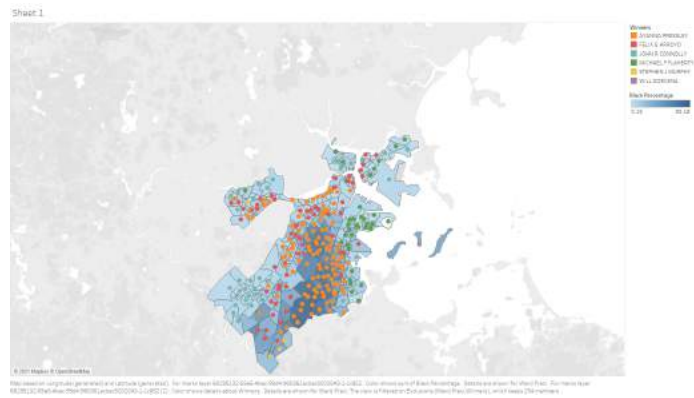


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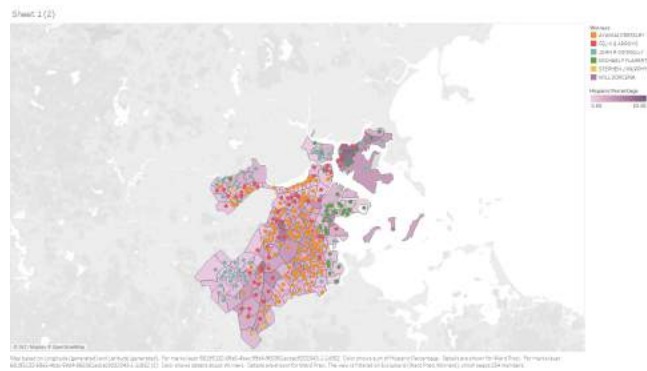


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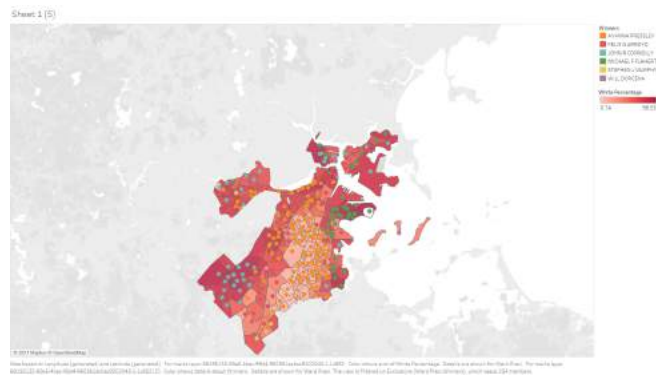
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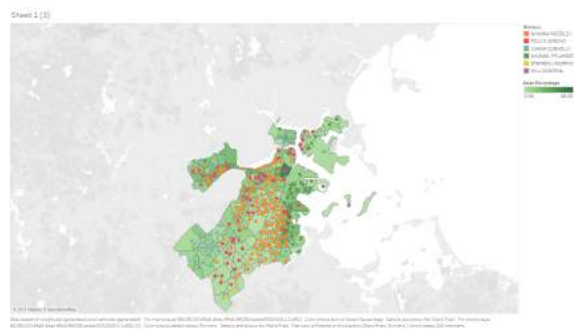
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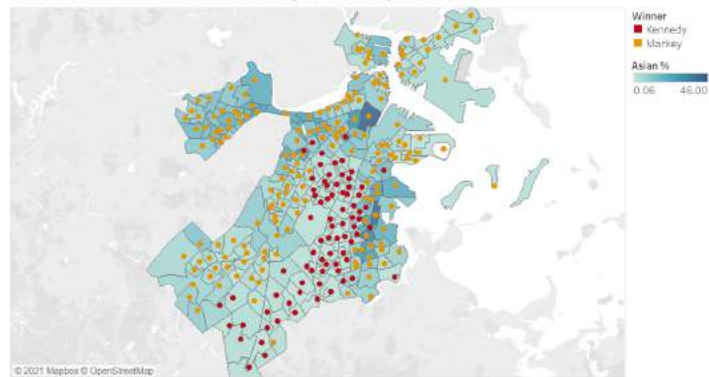


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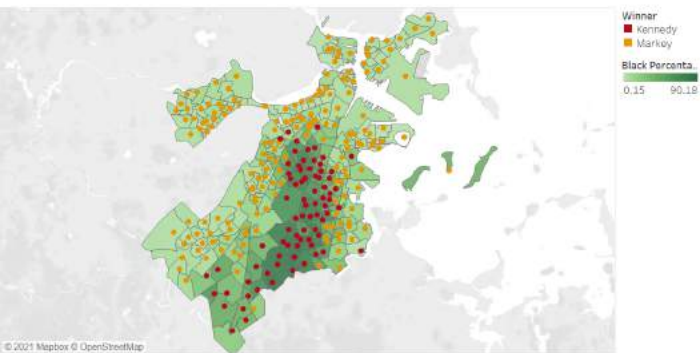
2020 US Senate Democratic Primary

2020 US Senate Democratic Primary Winners By Precinct



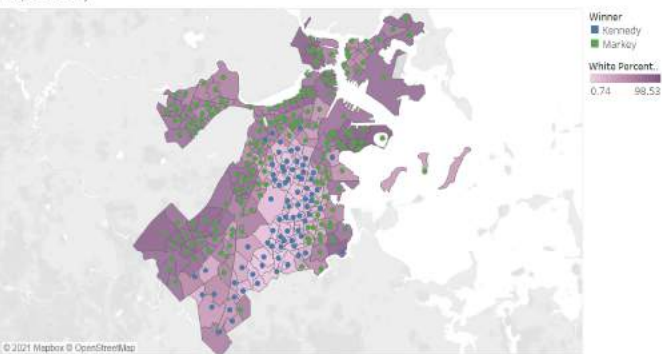
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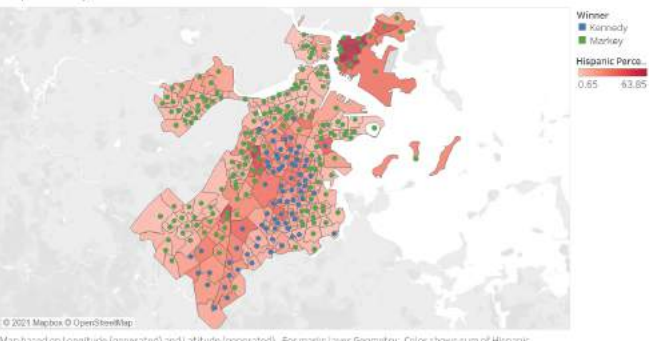
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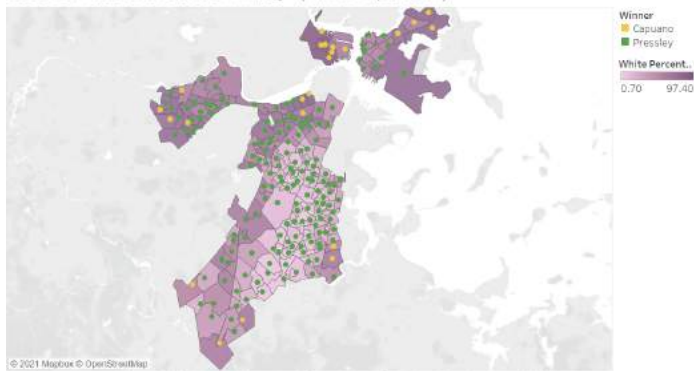
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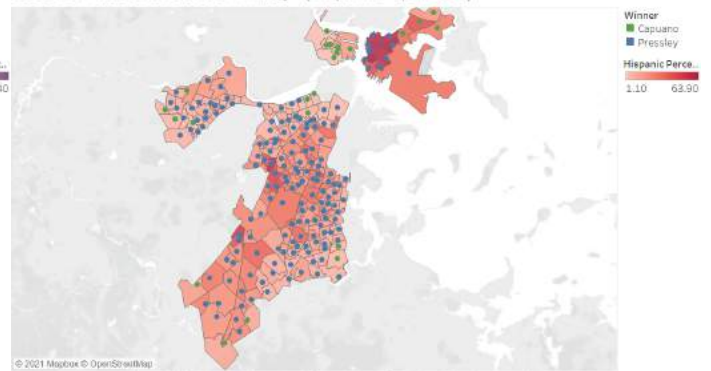
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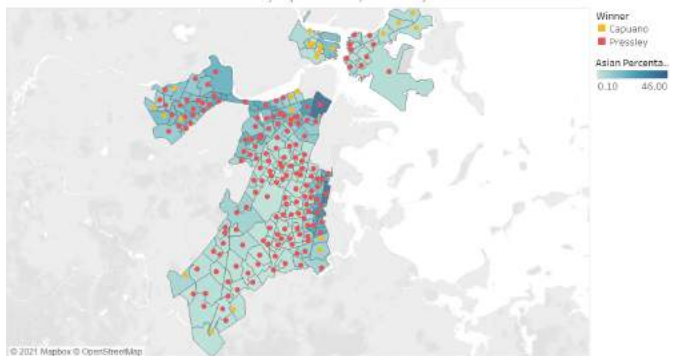
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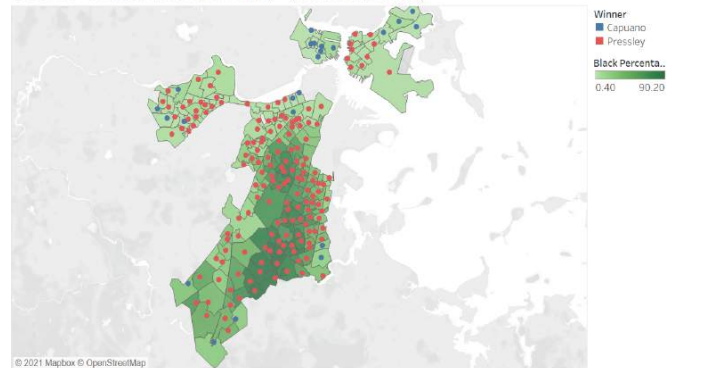
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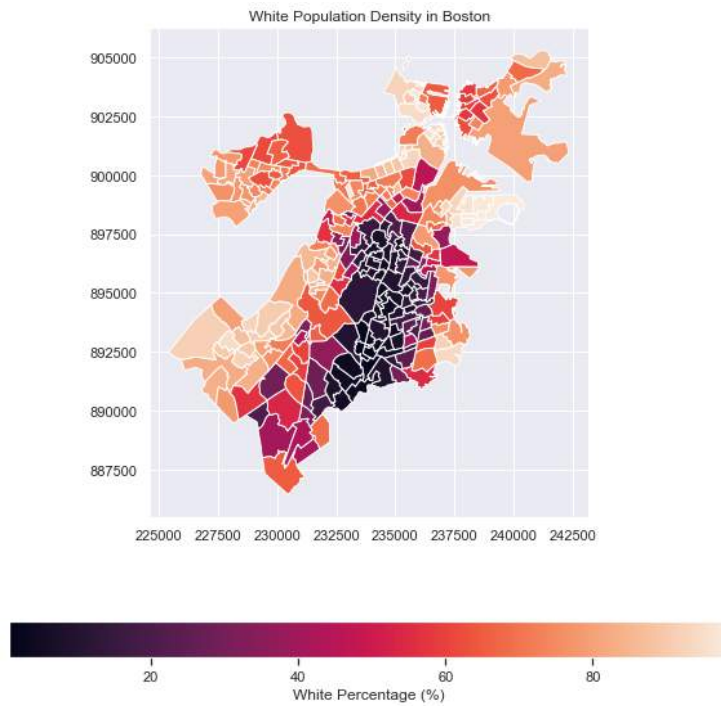
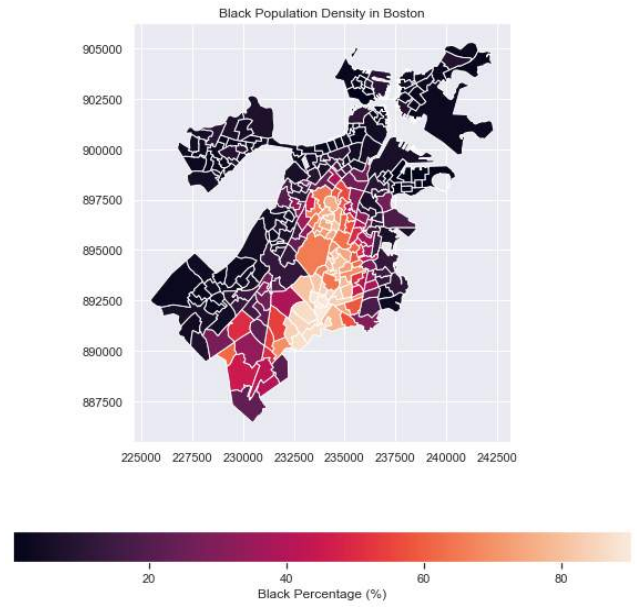
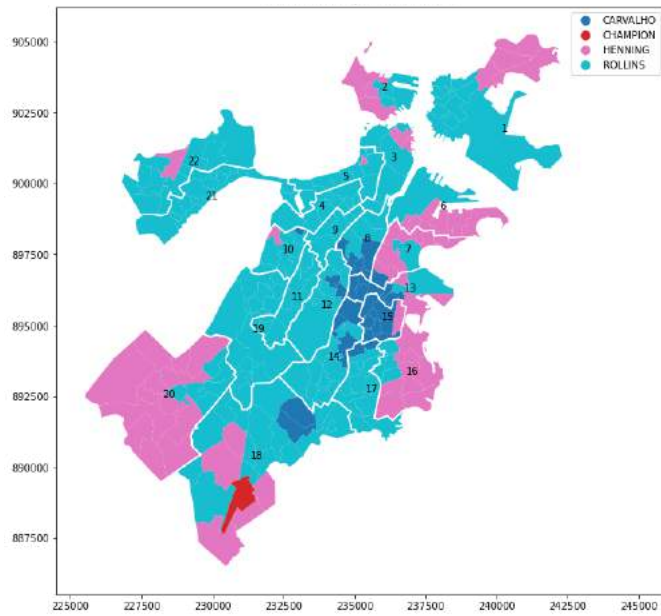
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City Council Turnout Analysis

We examine the change in voter turnout over the various CC election years (2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, and 2019). We are answering an essential question: **How has voter turnout by precinct changed across city council election year?**

Part 1: “Volatility” of Voter Turnout

To begin, we examine the volatility of voter turnout in each election year. Here we are examining the voter turnout of each specific precinct, that is, the percentage of registered voters in a specific precinct who cast a ballot in the election.

First finding the mean:

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Mean voter turnout 2011: 18.3 %  
Mean voter turnout 2013: 38.5 %  
Mean voter turnout 2015: 13.9 %  
Mean voter turnout 2017: 28.3 %  
Mean voter turnout 2019: 9.0 %
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As we can see, 2013 has the highest average voter turnout.

Then the median:

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Median voter turnout 2011: 17.0 %  
Median voter turnout 2013: 37.3 %  
Median voter turnout 2015: 13.5 %  
Median voter turnout 2017: 27.8 %  
Median voter turnout 2019: 7.6 %
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Again, 2013 is the highest.

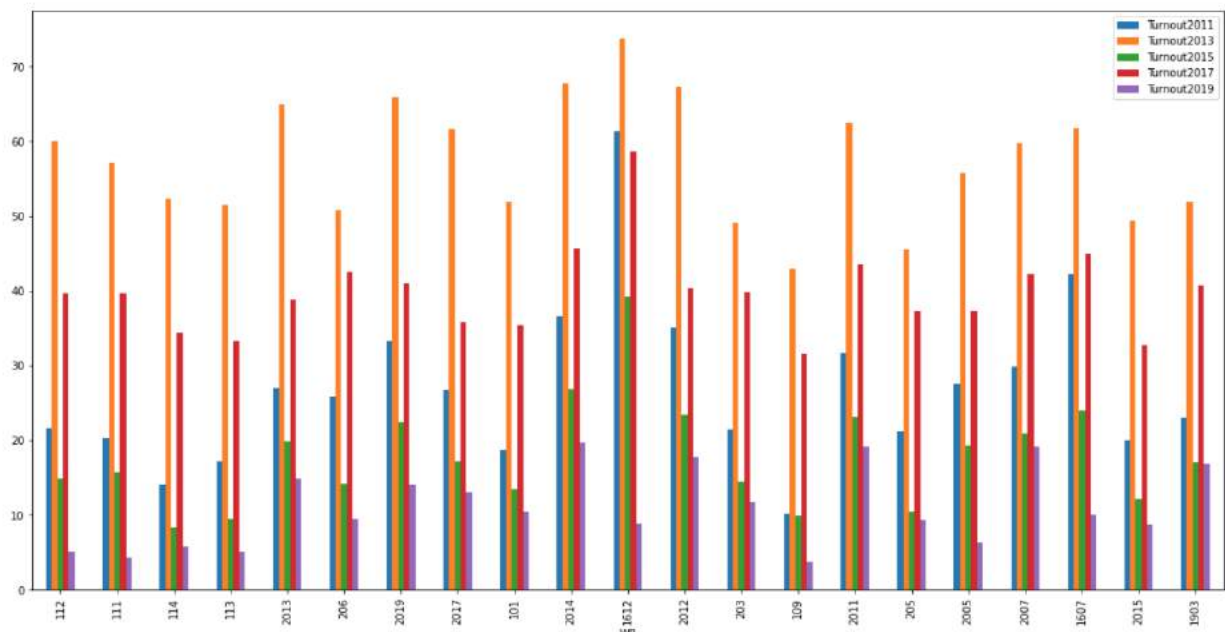
Finding that 2013 and 2017 had the highest voter turnout rates across all precincts due to the fact that they coincided with the Mayoral Elections of those same years.

Next, we determine the “Top 20 Precincts” which have the most volatile voter turnout. That is, have the greatest average change in voter turnout in that specific precinct based on election year. Listed in descending order:

| WP | Turnout2011 | Turnout2013 | Turnout2015 | Turnout2017 | Turnout2019 | AvgChange |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 112 | 21.5 | 60.1 | 14.8 | 39.7 | 5.1 | 35.8 |
| 111 | 20.3 | 57.0 | 15.7 | 39.7 | 4.3 | 34.4 |
| 114 | 14.0 | 52.4 | 8.3 | 34.4 | 5.7 | 34.3 |
| 113 | 17.1 | 51.5 | 9.5 | 33.2 | 5.1 | 32.1 |
| 2013 | 27.0 | 64.9 | 19.8 | 38.8 | 14.9 | 31.5 |
| 206 | 25.8 | 50.8 | 14.1 | 42.5 | 9.4 | 30.8 |
| 2019 | 33.2 | 65.9 | 22.4 | 40.9 | 14.0 | 30.4 |
| 2017 | 26.7 | 61.6 | 17.2 | 35.8 | 13.0 | 30.2 |
| 101 | 18.7 | 52.0 | 13.5 | 35.4 | 10.5 | 29.6 |
| 2014 | 36.5 | 67.8 | 26.9 | 45.7 | 19.7 | 29.2 |
| 1612 | 61.3 | 73.8 | 39.3 | 58.6 | 8.9 | 29.0 |
| 2012 | 35.1 | 67.3 | 23.4 | 40.4 | 17.7 | 29.0 |
| 203 | 21.4 | 49.1 | 14.4 | 39.8 | 11.7 | 29.0 |
| 109 | 10.2 | 43.0 | 9.9 | 31.5 | 3.8 | 28.8 |
| 2011 | 31.7 | 62.5 | 23.1 | 43.5 | 19.1 | 28.8 |
| 205 | 21.1 | 45.5 | 10.4 | 37.3 | 9.3 | 28.6 |
| 2005 | 27.5 | 55.8 | 19.3 | 37.2 | 6.3 | 28.4 |
| 2007 | 29.8 | 59.7 | 20.8 | 42.3 | 19.2 | 28.4 |
| 1607 | 42.2 | 61.8 | 24.0 | 44.9 | 10.0 | 28.3 |
| 2015 | 20.0 | 49.4 | 12.2 | 32.7 | 8.7 | 27.8 |
| 1903 | 23.0 | 51.9 | 17.0 | 40.7 | 16.9 | 27.8 |

Simply from looking at the raw data, we can see that Ward 1 (East Boston), sees a lot of volatility.

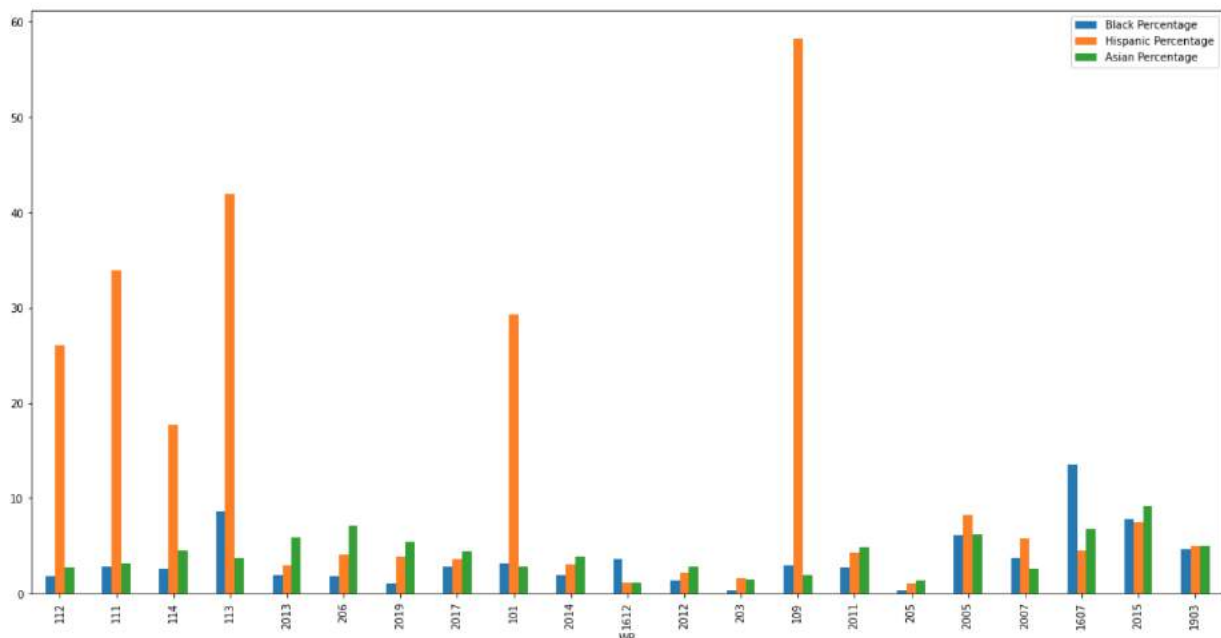
Visualizing this change across elections on a bar chart, we have:



We can clearly see that voter turnout is highly volatile across each of these precincts. Listing the demographic breakdown of each of these precincts:

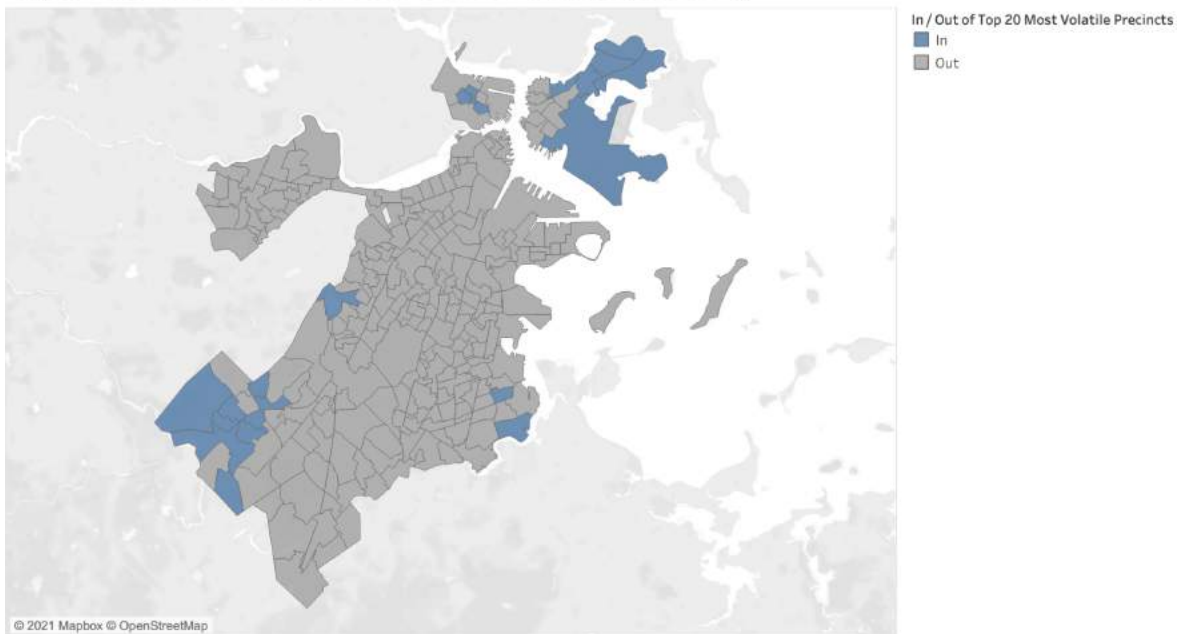
| WP | Black Percentage | Hispanic Percentage | Asian Percentage |
|------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 112 | 1.8 | 26.0 | 2.7 |
| 111 | 2.9 | 33.9 | 3.2 |
| 114 | 2.6 | 17.7 | 4.5 |
| 113 | 8.6 | 41.9 | 3.8 |
| 2013 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 5.9 |
| 206 | 1.8 | 4.1 | 7.1 |
| 2019 | 1.1 | 3.9 | 5.4 |
| 2017 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 4.4 |
| 101 | 3.2 | 29.3 | 2.9 |
| 2014 | 2.0 | 3.1 | 3.9 |
| 1612 | 3.6 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| 2012 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 2.9 |
| 203 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| 109 | 3.0 | 58.3 | 2.0 |
| 2011 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 4.9 |
| 205 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| 2005 | 6.1 | 8.3 | 6.2 |
| 2007 | 3.8 | 5.8 | 2.6 |
| 1607 | 13.5 | 4.5 | 6.8 |
| 2015 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 9.1 |
| 1903 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 |

Now, we do a demographic breakdown of each of these precincts, finding the following:



And viewing these precincts on a Boston map, we again see the concentration of precincts in East Boston as well as a concentration in West Roxbury:

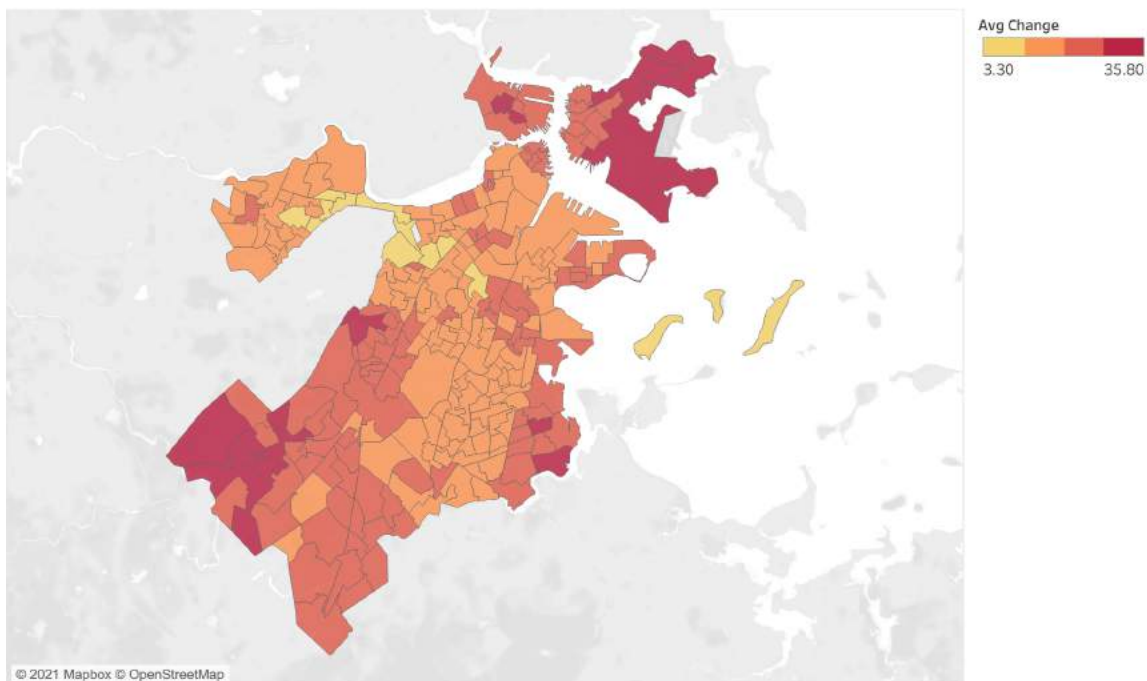
Top 20 Most Volatile Precincts in terms of Voter Turnout (2011-2019)



Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). Color shows details about In / Out of Top 20 Most Volatile Precincts. Details are shown for Ward Preci.

Additionally, we can use a heat map to visualize which districts experience the most volatility across city council elections:

Volatility Heat Map: Average Change in Voter Turnout in City Council Elections from 2011 to 2019



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Part 2: Changes in Share of Voter Turnout

We now analyze which precincts experienced the greatest average change in *share of voter turnout* over time. That is, we are analyzing what percentage of the total votes cast for this particular election is from each precinct, and then analyzing the precincts which experienced the greatest change.

Metric: For each precinct, we calculate the percent share of votes: $[\text{Number of Ballots Cast in Precinct X}] / [\text{Total Ballots Cast in CC Election YYYY}] * 100$.

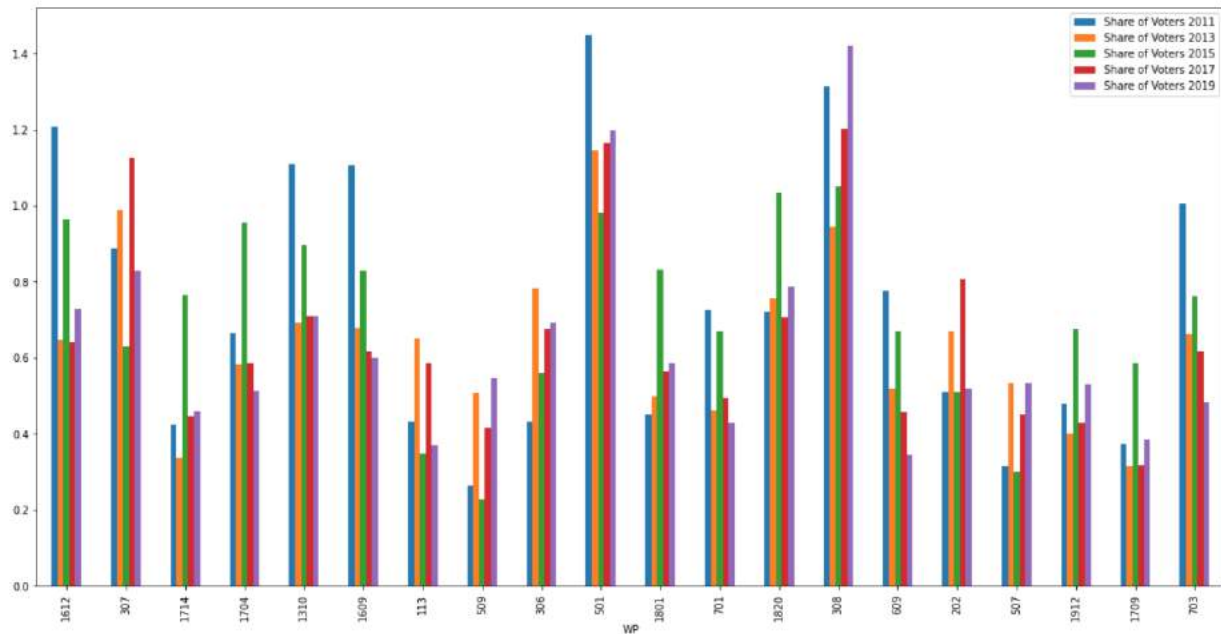
First, we find the top 20 precincts with the greatest average change in share of voters across each election. Note that these top 20 could be experiencing either significant negative or positive change.

Looking at the raw data:

| WP | Share of Voters 2011 | Share of Voters 2013 | Share of Voters 2015 | Share of Voters 2017 | Share of Voters 2019 | AvgChange |
|------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| 1612 | 1.20712 | 0.64750 | 0.96486 | 0.64263 | 0.72872 | 0.29980 |
| 307 | 0.88745 | 0.98822 | 0.62943 | 1.12690 | 0.82983 | 0.23926 |
| 1714 | 0.42305 | 0.33577 | 0.76557 | 0.44468 | 0.45974 | 0.20949 |
| 1704 | 0.66479 | 0.58388 | 0.95499 | 0.58646 | 0.51404 | 0.20514 |
| 1310 | 1.11010 | 0.69274 | 0.89580 | 0.70799 | 0.70979 | 0.20206 |
| 1609 | 1.10533 | 0.67860 | 0.82871 | 0.61685 | 0.60071 | 0.19717 |
| 113 | 0.43259 | 0.65104 | 0.34727 | 0.58646 | 0.37009 | 0.19035 |
| 509 | 0.26401 | 0.50613 | 0.22691 | 0.41430 | 0.54591 | 0.17718 |
| 306 | 0.43259 | 0.78181 | 0.56037 | 0.67485 | 0.69236 | 0.17128 |
| 501 | 1.44886 | 1.14656 | 0.98064 | 1.16556 | 1.19892 | 0.16329 |
| 1801 | 0.45168 | 0.49906 | 0.83266 | 0.56253 | 0.58576 | 0.16278 |
| 701 | 0.72523 | 0.46230 | 0.66889 | 0.49440 | 0.42836 | 0.16100 |
| 1820 | 0.71886 | 0.75707 | 1.03392 | 0.70523 | 0.78600 | 0.16094 |
| 308 | 1.31209 | 0.94298 | 1.04970 | 1.20239 | 1.41858 | 0.15713 |
| 609 | 0.77612 | 0.51744 | 0.66889 | 0.45573 | 0.34369 | 0.15582 |
| 202 | 0.51052 | 0.67012 | 0.51104 | 0.80558 | 0.51852 | 0.15330 |
| 507 | 0.31490 | 0.53228 | 0.29992 | 0.45021 | 0.53197 | 0.15001 |
| 1912 | 0.47871 | 0.40080 | 0.67481 | 0.42903 | 0.52848 | 0.14943 |
| 1709 | 0.37216 | 0.31456 | 0.58602 | 0.31763 | 0.38304 | 0.14936 |
| 703 | 1.00673 | 0.66022 | 0.76163 | 0.61593 | 0.48116 | 0.14840 |
| 1703 | 0.44372 | 0.45947 | 0.75965 | 0.49532 | 0.48365 | 0.14507 |

From the raw data, we can see that some of the top 20 precincts that experienced the greatest average change had a significant decrease in the share of voters (Example: WP 703), while others like WP 509 saw significant dips up and down across election year.

Visualizing, on a bar chart, the percent share of voters of each of these top 20 precincts:

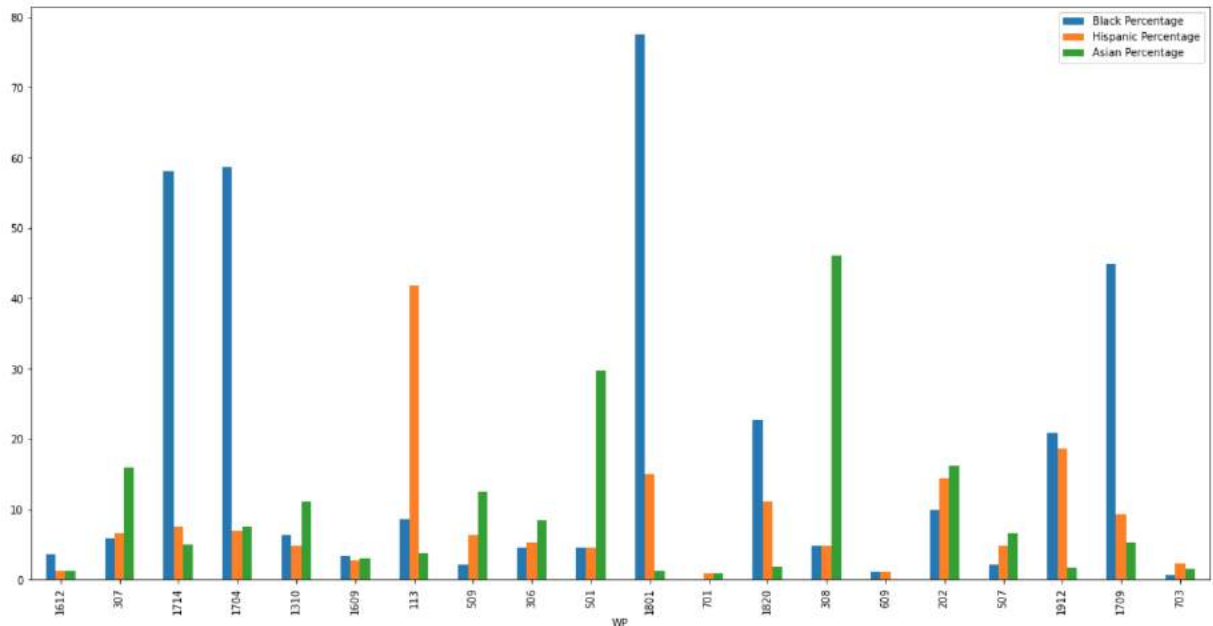


We can clearly see that the voter turnout has changed dramatically across each election in each of these precincts.

Listing the demographic breakdown of these precincts:

| WP | Black Percentage | Hispanic Percentage | Asian Percentage |
|------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1612 | 3.6 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| 307 | 5.9 | 6.6 | 15.9 |
| 1714 | 58.1 | 7.5 | 5.0 |
| 1704 | 58.7 | 6.9 | 7.6 |
| 1310 | 6.3 | 4.9 | 11.2 |
| 1609 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 3.1 |
| 113 | 8.6 | 41.9 | 3.8 |
| 509 | 2.2 | 6.4 | 12.5 |
| 306 | 4.6 | 5.3 | 8.5 |
| 501 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 29.7 |
| 1801 | 77.6 | 15.0 | 1.2 |
| 701 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| 1820 | 22.7 | 11.1 | 1.8 |
| 308 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 46.0 |
| 609 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.1 |
| 202 | 9.9 | 14.5 | 16.2 |
| 507 | 2.1 | 4.8 | 6.7 |
| 1912 | 20.9 | 18.7 | 1.7 |
| 1709 | 44.9 | 9.4 | 5.3 |
| 703 | 0.7 | 2.3 | 1.5 |

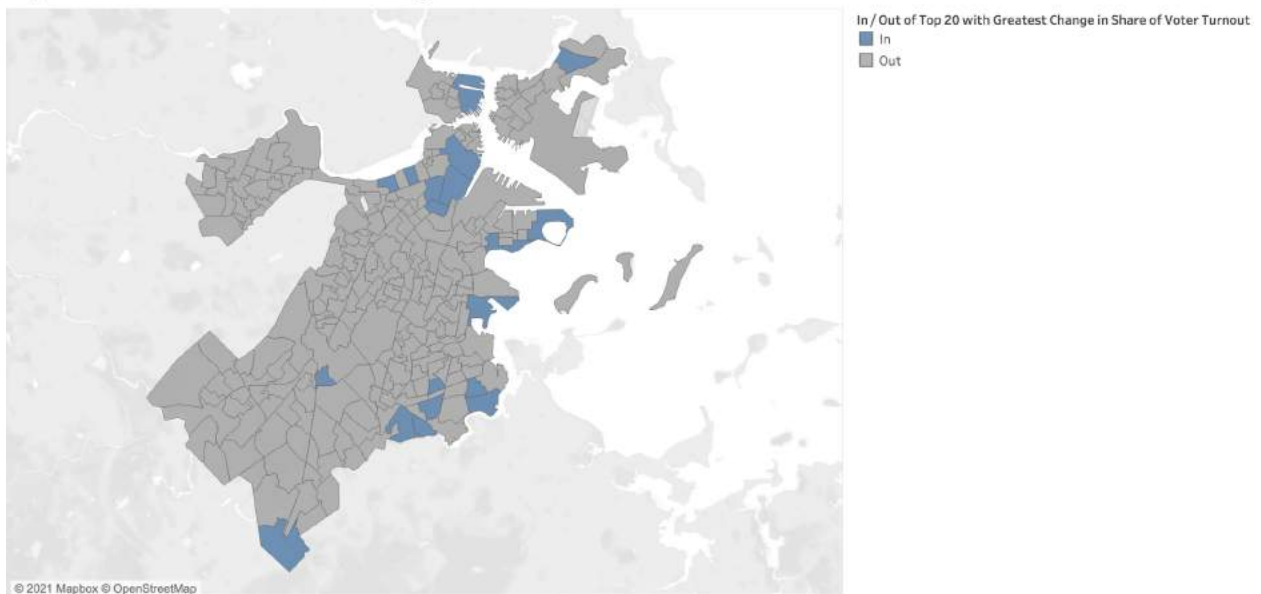
Now, visualizing the demographic breakdown of each of these precincts:



Here, we see the demographic breakdown of those districts which experienced the greatest AVERAGE change in share of total percentage of votes for each city council election. Here, we see that precincts with a significant Black population seem to experience a significant average change.

Visualizing on a map the geographic distribution of each of these precincts:

Top 20 Precincts with the Greatest Change in Share of Voter Turnout

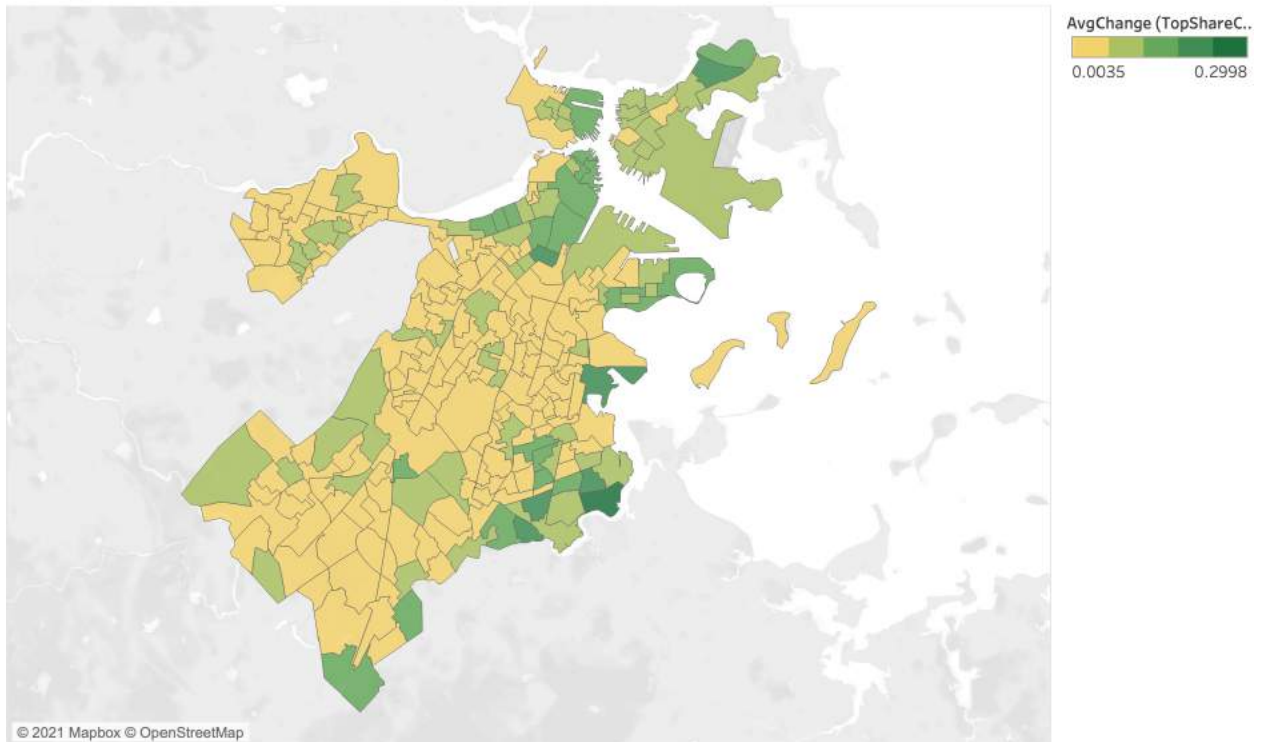


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Here, we see that these precincts are a bit more scattered across Boston, but there is a slight concentration in Ward 17, an area of Dorchester. From our previous analysis, we also found that these same districts have a high Black population.

Viewing this information on a heat map:

Change in Share of Voters Heat Map

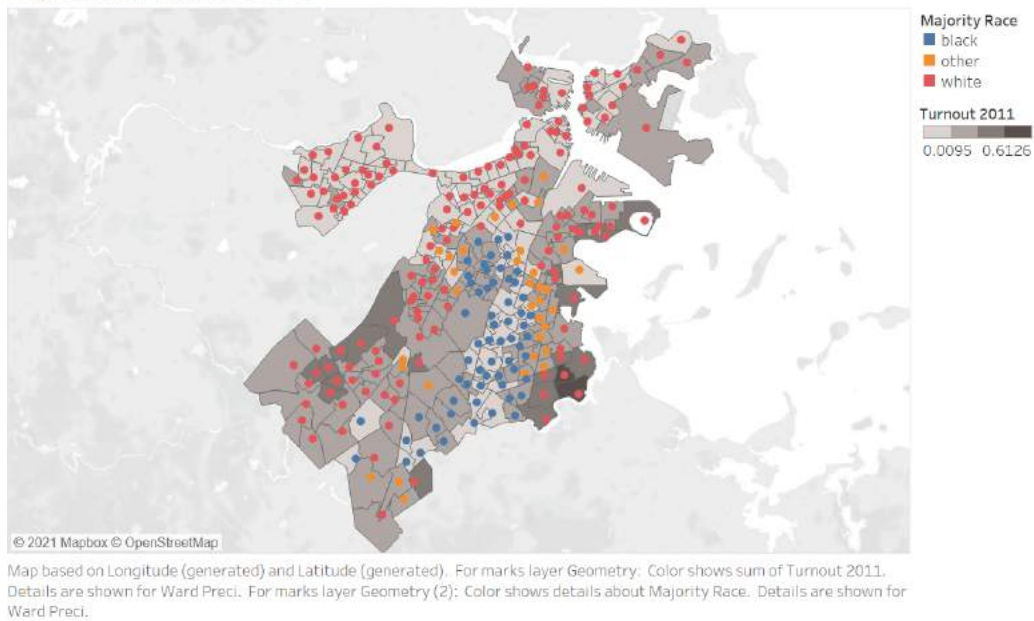


Here, the greens indicated those districts which have experienced a measurable change in share of total voter turnout. As we can observe, a lot of the intense green is concentrated in the Dorchester neighborhoods, as well as near downtown Boston, Seaport, and East Boston.

Part 3: Visualizing the Change in Voter Turnout in Majority White/African American Precincts

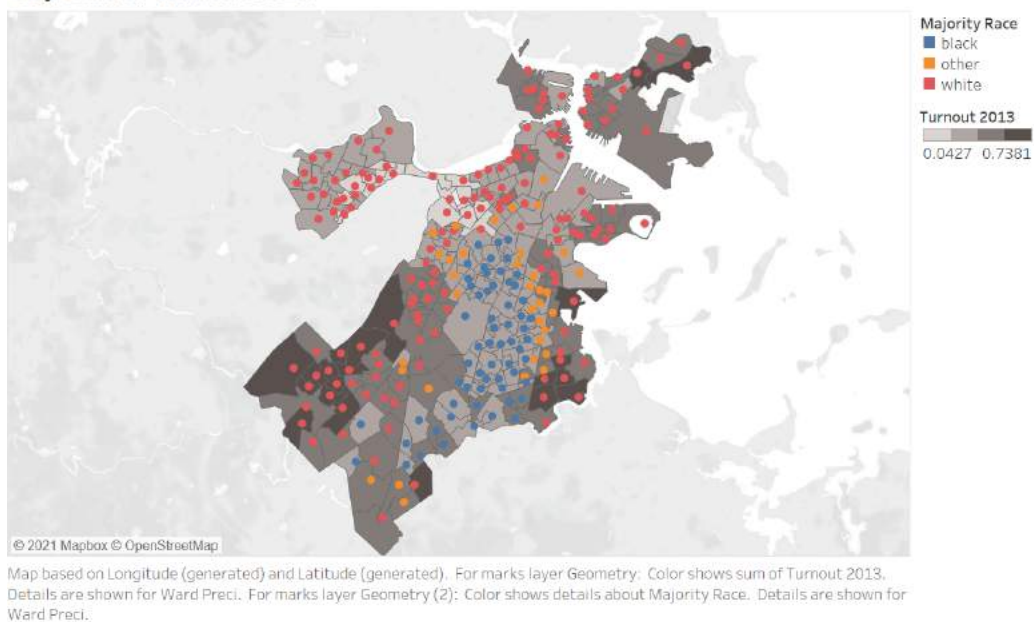
Analyzing City Council turnout by precinct, based on the majority race of that precinct, we find that in 2011, white population had much higher turnouts:

City Council Turnout 2011



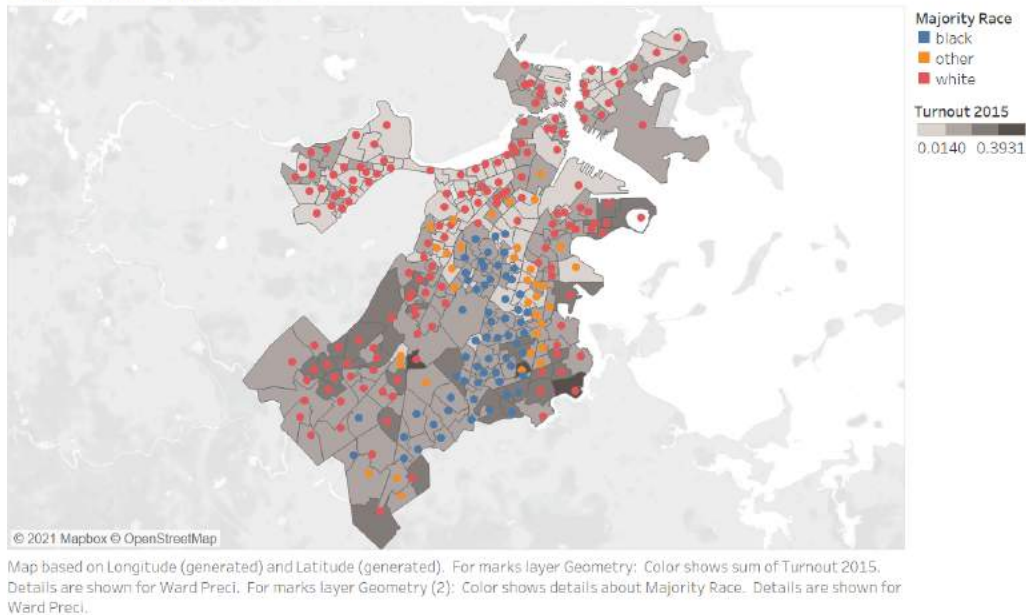
Similarly in 2013, but this time different precincts with majority of whites are having very high turnout rate:

City Council Turnout 2013



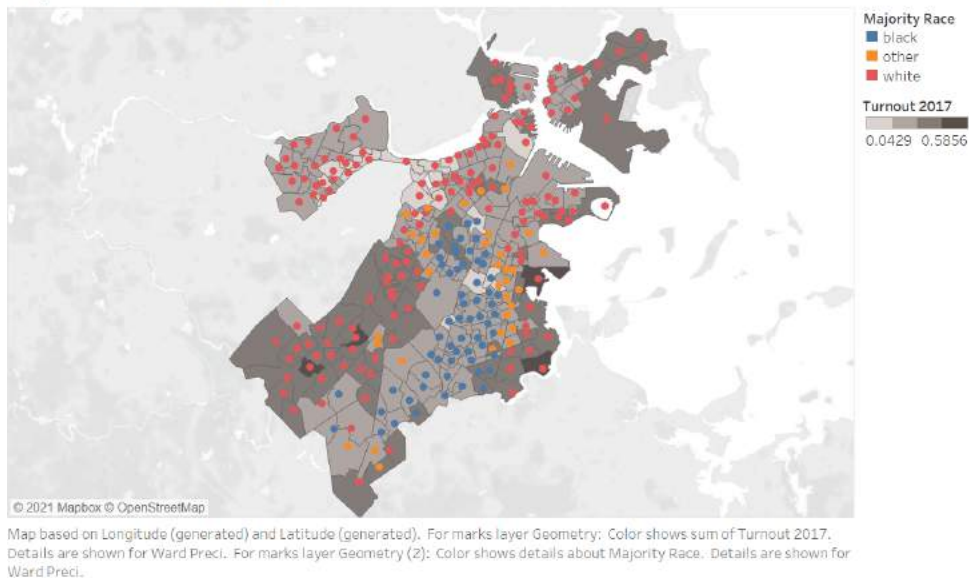
In 2015 however, we saw some majority black precincts show higher turnouts in relative terms, compared to white as you can see below:

City Council Turnout 2015

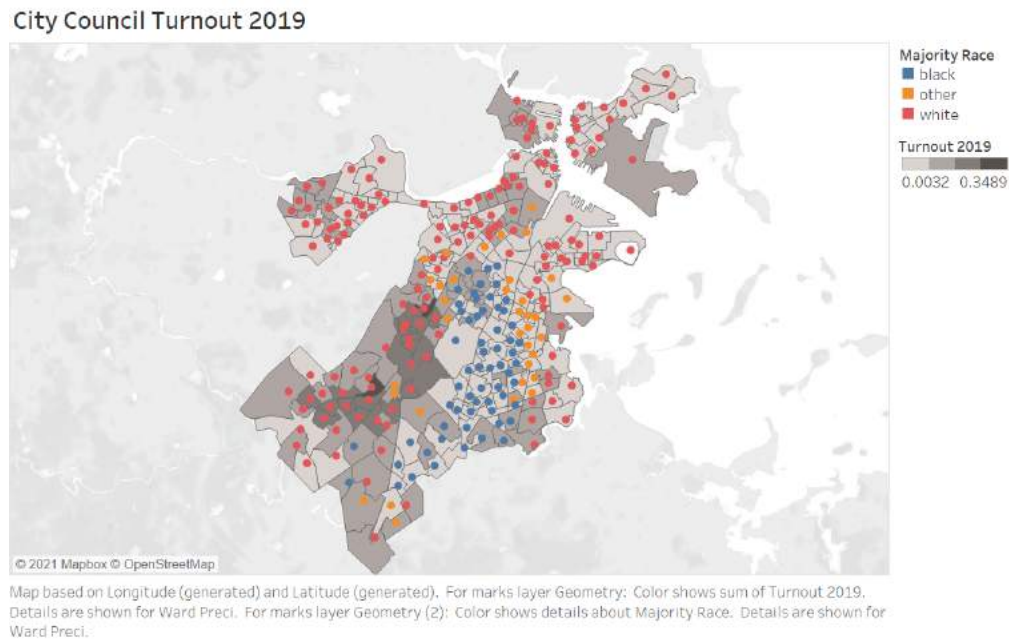


In 2017, we see different majority-black precincts with higher turnouts compared to previous years:

City Council Turnout 2017



Finally, in 2019 overall turnout has decreased significantly compared to previous years:



Overall, the turnouts fluctuate from year to year, and as we can see in 2011 the turnout rate ranged from 0.0095-0.612, and in 2013 the range is 0.0427-0.7381, in 2015 the range is 0.014-0.393, in 2017 the range is 0.0429-0.5856, and finally in 2019 the range 0.0032-0.3489. So, clearly there is huge overall fluctuation in turnouts.

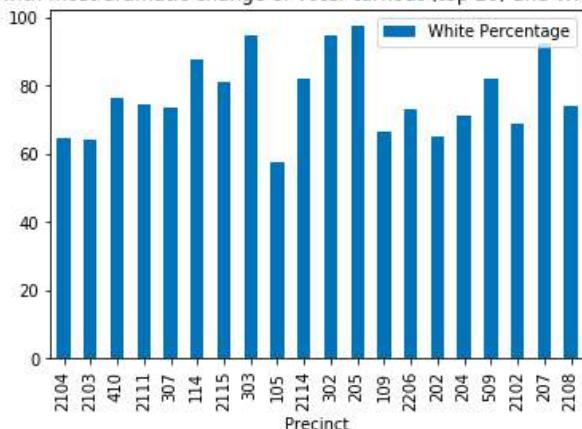
On relative terms, the turnout trend for majority black precincts tends to increase across the years, while for majority white precincts is volatile, pretty much reflecting overall fluctuations.

Part 4: How has Michael F. Flaherty's performance changed across districts with large white populations?

In this section, we are going to find some relations between Michael F. Flaherty's performance and districts with large white populations.

To begin, we made a graph of precincts with the most dramatic change of voter turnout across different races, and printed out the average turnout change for each year. (Flaherty is in the election from 2015 to 2019.)

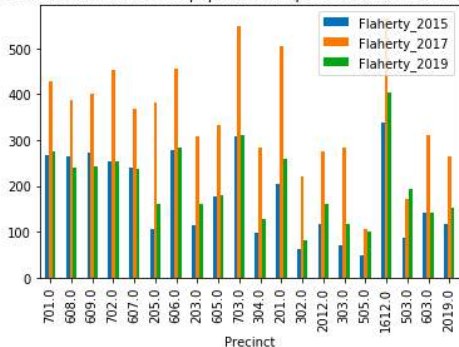
Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and White Percentage



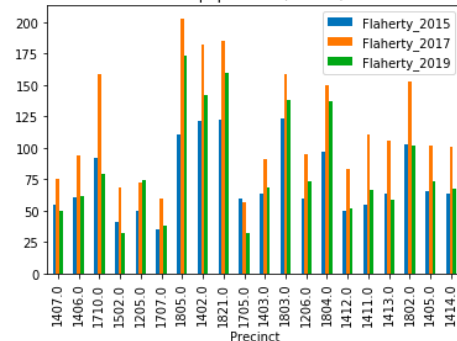
Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2017: 1.1188888888888888
Average Turnout Change from 2017 to 2019: -0.3228571428571428
Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2019: 0.39827777777777773

From the graph above, we can see that precincts with the greatest average change in *share of voter turnout* over time have a relatively large white population (all above 50%). Although Flaherty lost some supporters in 2019, in general, he still had more supporters in 2019 than in 2015.

Precincts with most White population (top 20) and Turnout each year

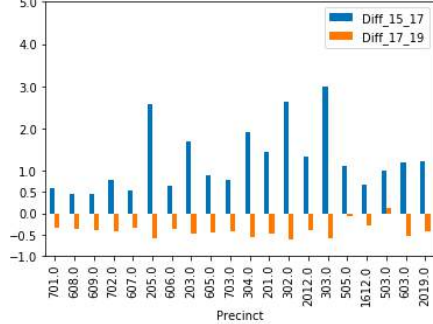


Precincts with lowest White population (last 20) and Turnout each year

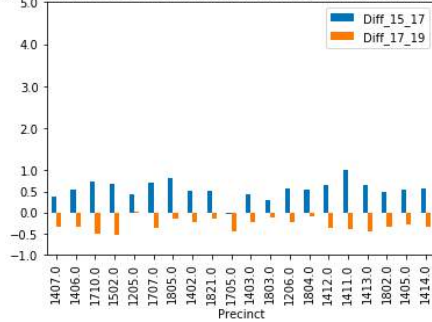


Proven by the graph, He is most popular in 2017 among precincts with more white voters than 2013 and 2019. In 2017, more people voted for him. In 2019, however, he lost this key demographic's support.

Precincts with most White population (top 20) and Turnout change ratio

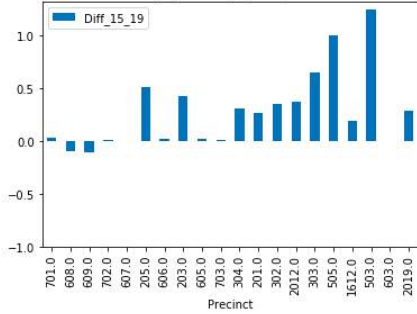


Precincts with lowest White population (last 20) and Turnout change ratio

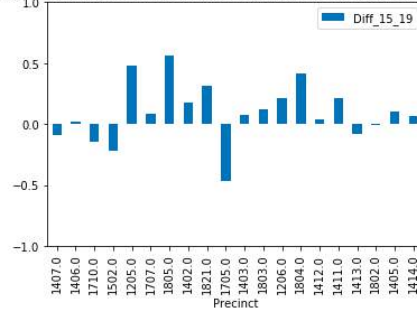


The gain and loss of supporters in precincts with smaller white populations is not as dramatic as that in precincts with larger white populations.

Precincts with most White population (top 20) and Turnout net change ratio



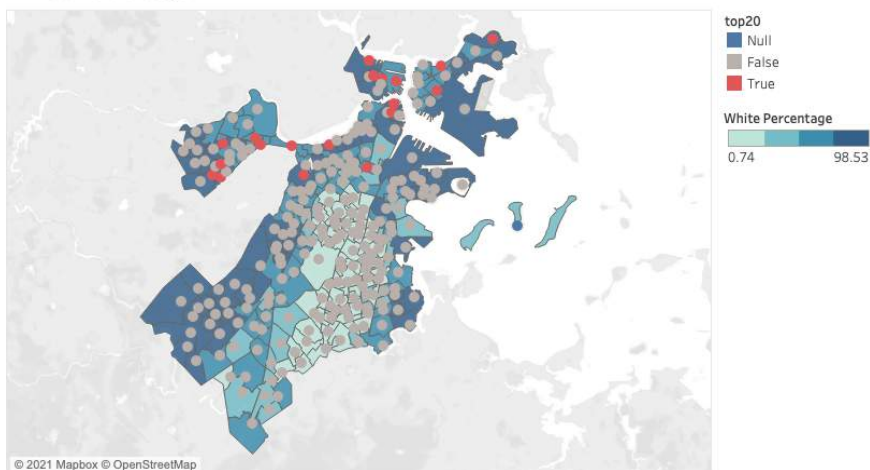
Precincts with lowest White population (last 20) and Turnout net change ratio



From 2015 to 2019, he gained more supporters in precincts that majorities are white and lost some supporters in districts with fewer white residents.

Visualizing it in actual map:

Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and White Percentage



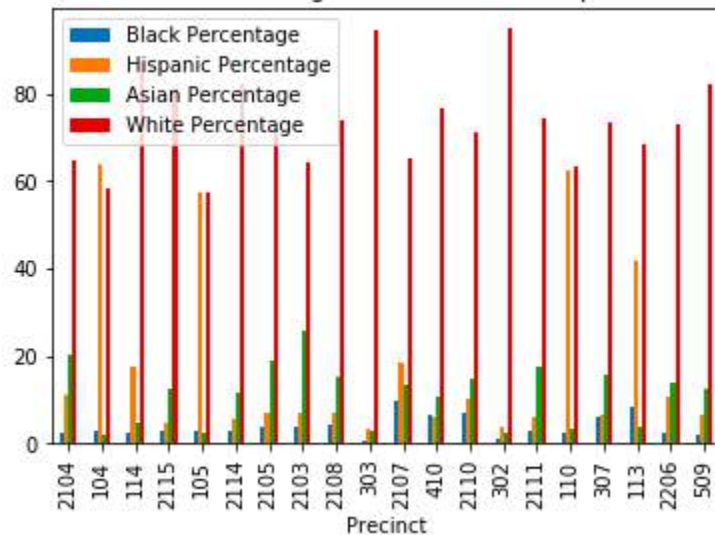
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Part 5: How has Michelle Wu's performance changed over time?

In this section, we will try to find the correlation between Michelle Wu's most dramatic change of voter turnout and different racial demographics.

To begin our analysis, we made a graph of precincts with the most dramatic change of voter turnout across different races. We also printed out the average turnout change for each year. (Wu is in the election from 2013 to 2019.)

Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and different races



Average Turnout Change from 2013 to 2015: -0.5017588932806326

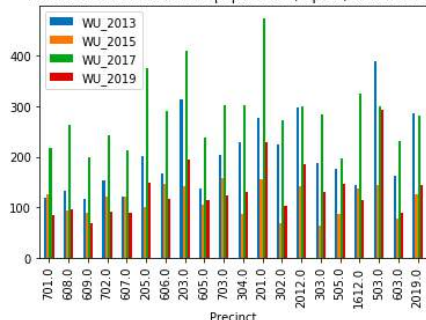
Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2017: 1.424488095238095

Average Turnout Change from 2017 to 2019: -0.34796031746031747

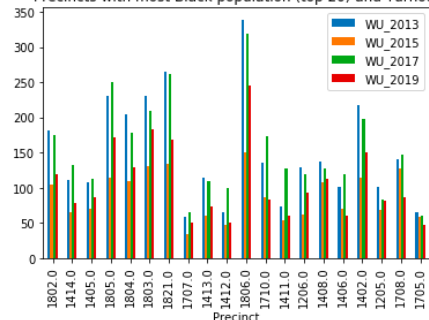
Average Turnout Change from 2013 to 2019: -0.28663241106719384

I found that, in general, she has fewer supporters in 2019 than in 2013. Only in 2017, she had more supporters than the last election (2015). In other years, she had fewer supporters than last elections. 19 out of 20 Precincts with the most dramatic change of voter turnout are with the most white population.

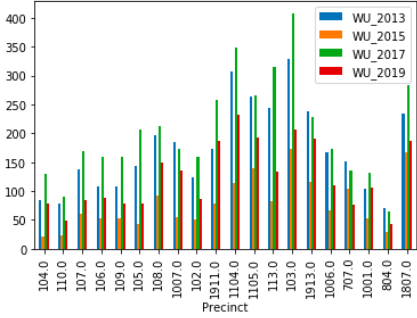
Precincts with most White population (top 20) and Turnout



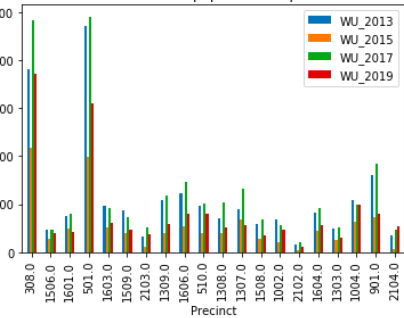
Precincts with most Black population (top 20) and Turnout



Precincts with most Hispanic population (top 20) and Turnout

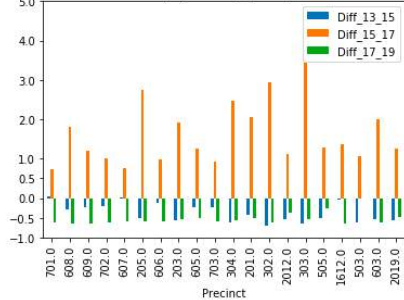


Precincts with most Asian population (top 20) and Turnout

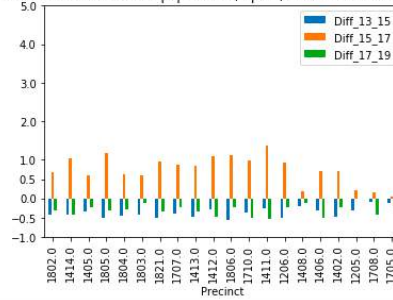


From the graphs, we can see that Wu has more supporters in precincts with more Asian population. Especially in precinct 0308 and 0501, almost 1000 voters voted for her in 2017.

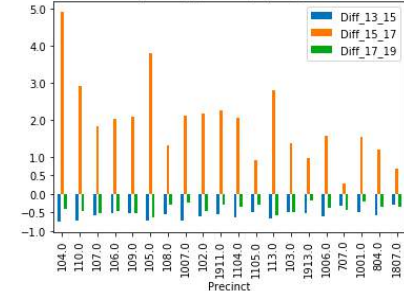
Precincts with most White population (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



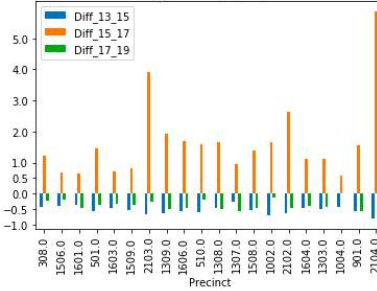
Precincts with most Black population (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



Precincts with most Hispanic population (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



Precincts with most Asian population (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



Precincts with the most Black population are the least dramatic on turnout change ratio than the other races.

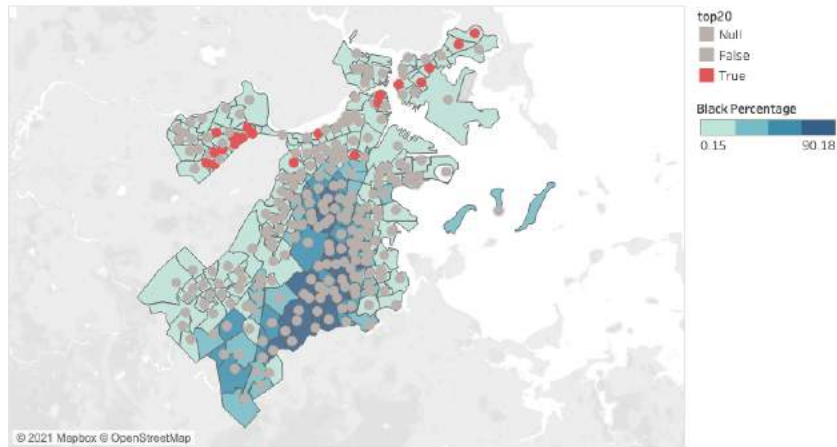
Visualizing it on an actual map:

Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and Asian Percentage



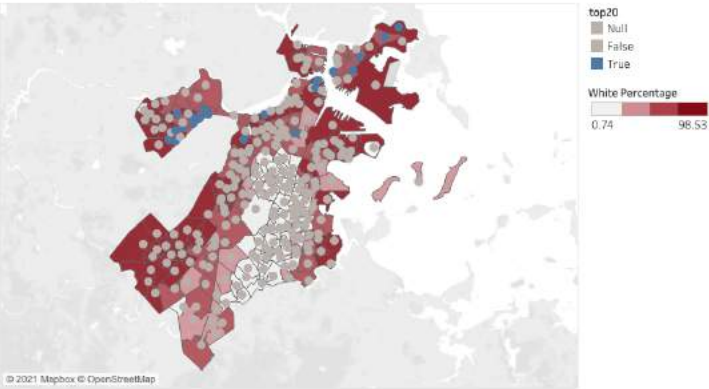
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Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and Black Percentage



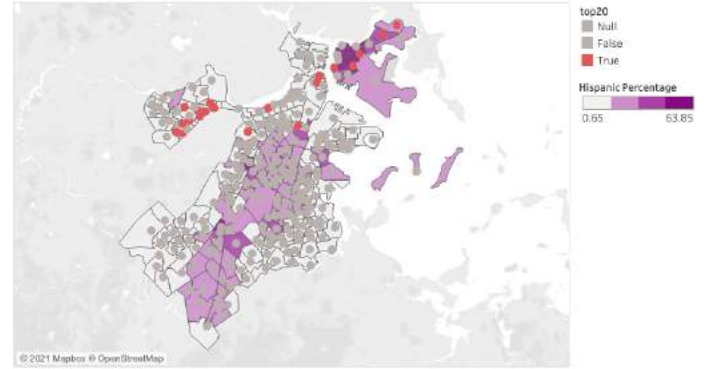
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Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and White Percentage



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Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and Hispanic Percentage



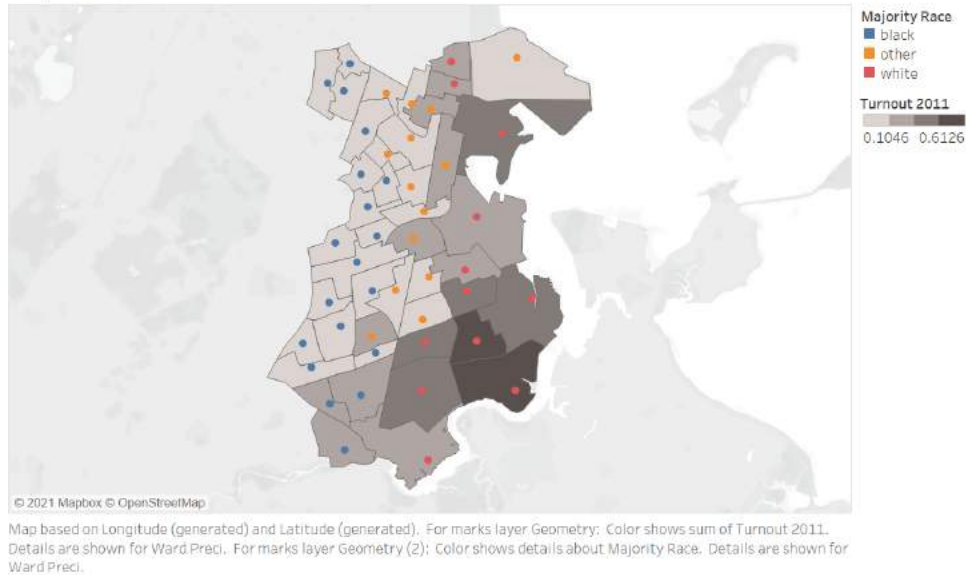
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Part 6: Changes in District 3 (Wards 13, 15, 16, and 17) Specifically

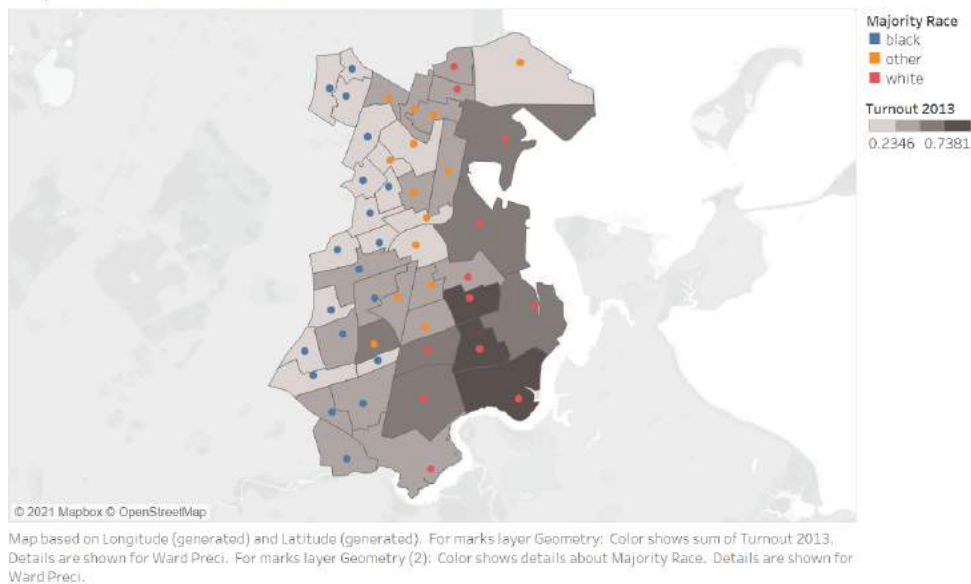
We break down our findings to focus specifically on District 3, which encompasses Wards 13, 15, 16, and 17.

First, we look at all those areas, and compare turnout across the years in the following maps:

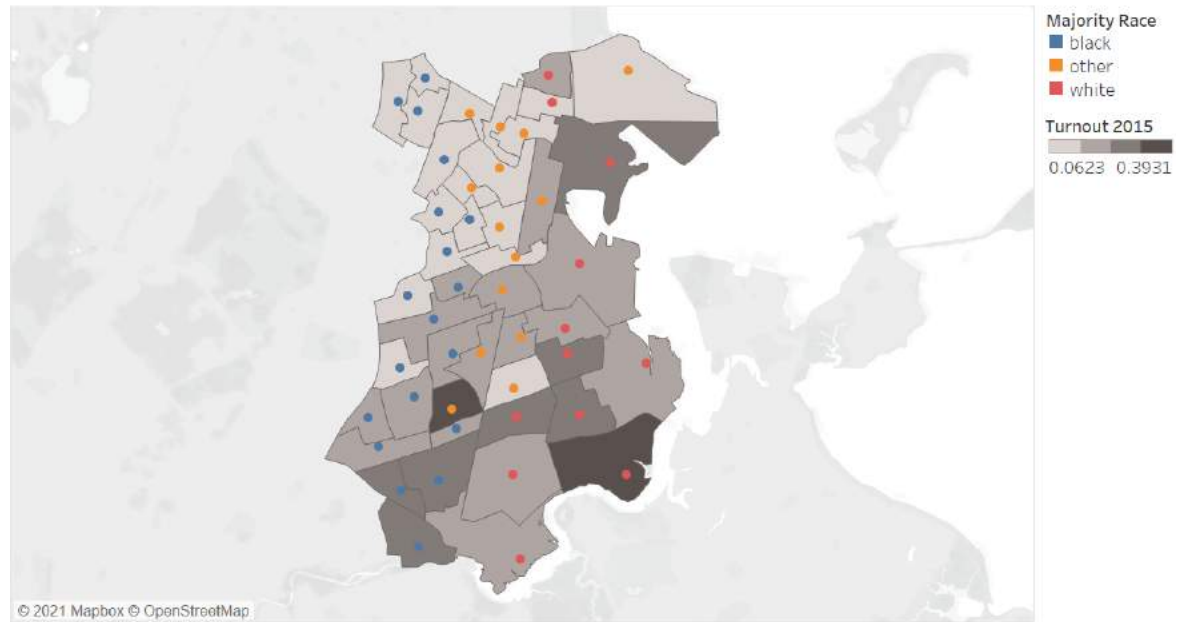
City Council 2011 Turnout for District 3



City Council 2013 Turnout for District 3

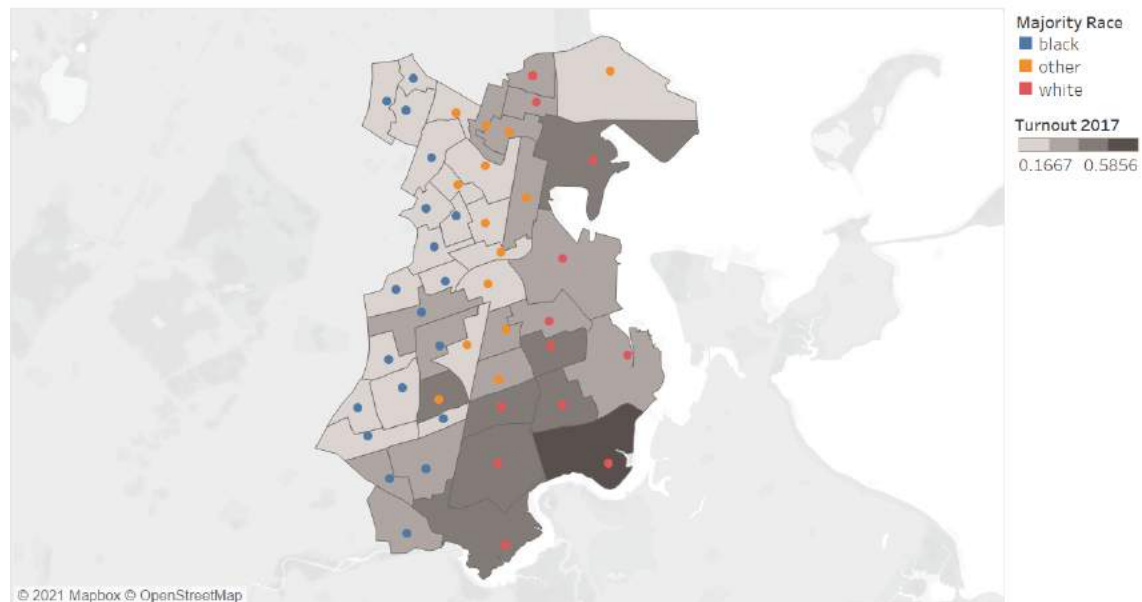


City Council 2015 Turnout for District 3



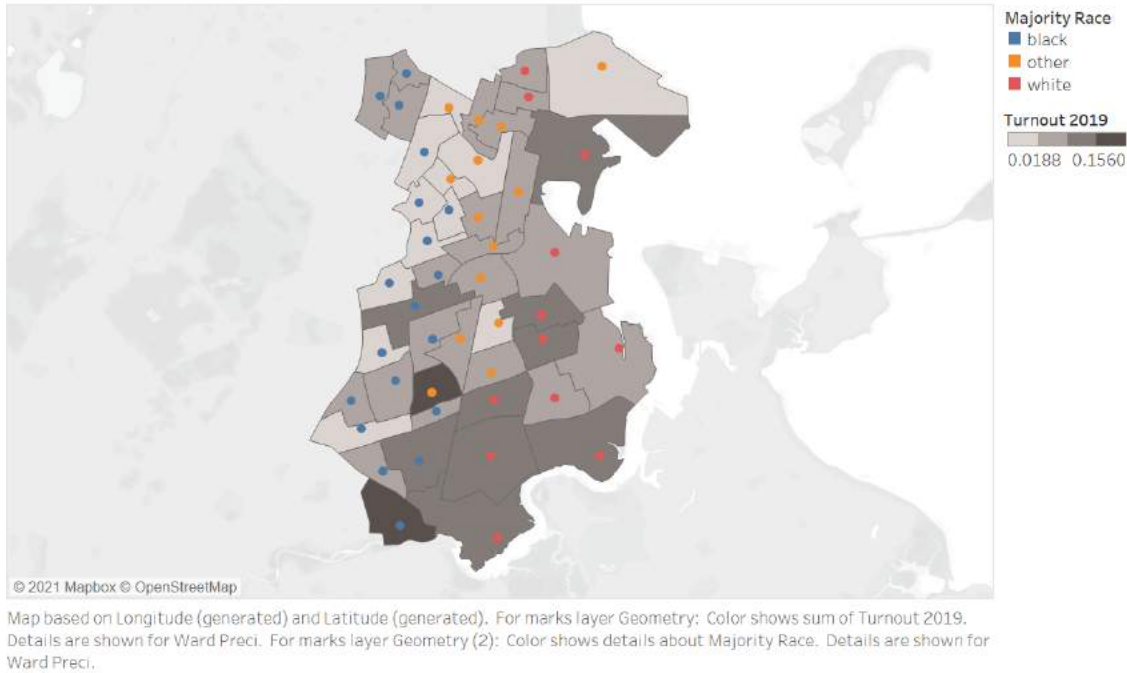
Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). For marks layer Geometry: Color shows sum of Turnout 2015. Details are shown for Ward Preci. For marks layer Geometry (2): Color shows details about Majority Race. Details are shown for Ward Preci.

City Council 2017 Turnout for District 3



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City Council 2019 Turnout for District 3

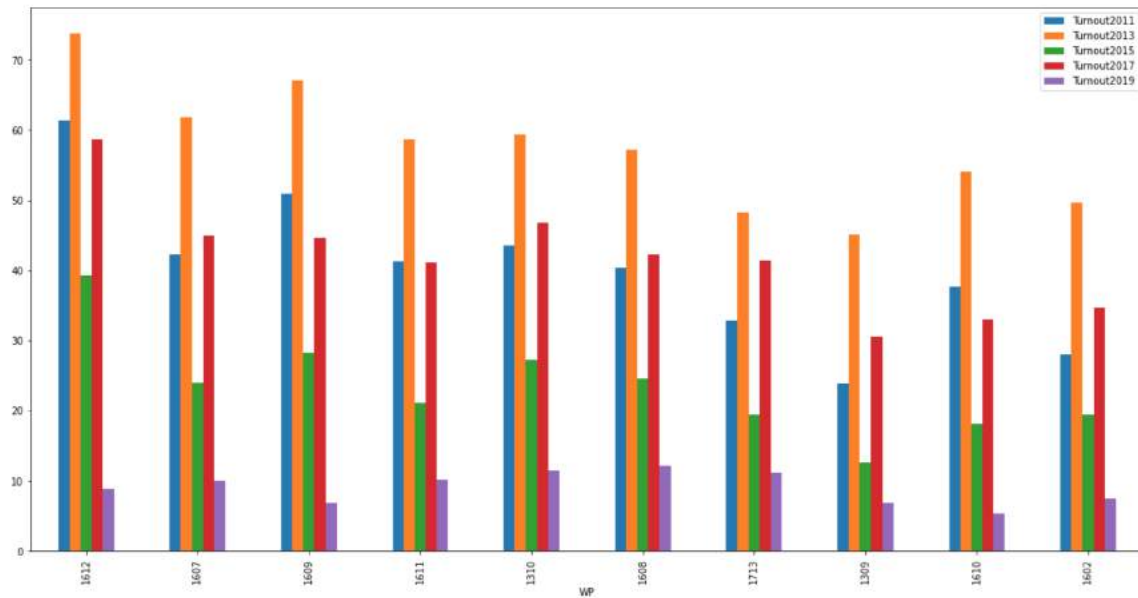


We find that for different years, different precincts have different turnouts, but the constant factor is the southern areas usually have much higher turnouts compared to northern ones on the above maps. On the racial side of things, precincts with majority blacks are continuously improving their turnouts, as you can see on the left side of the maps.

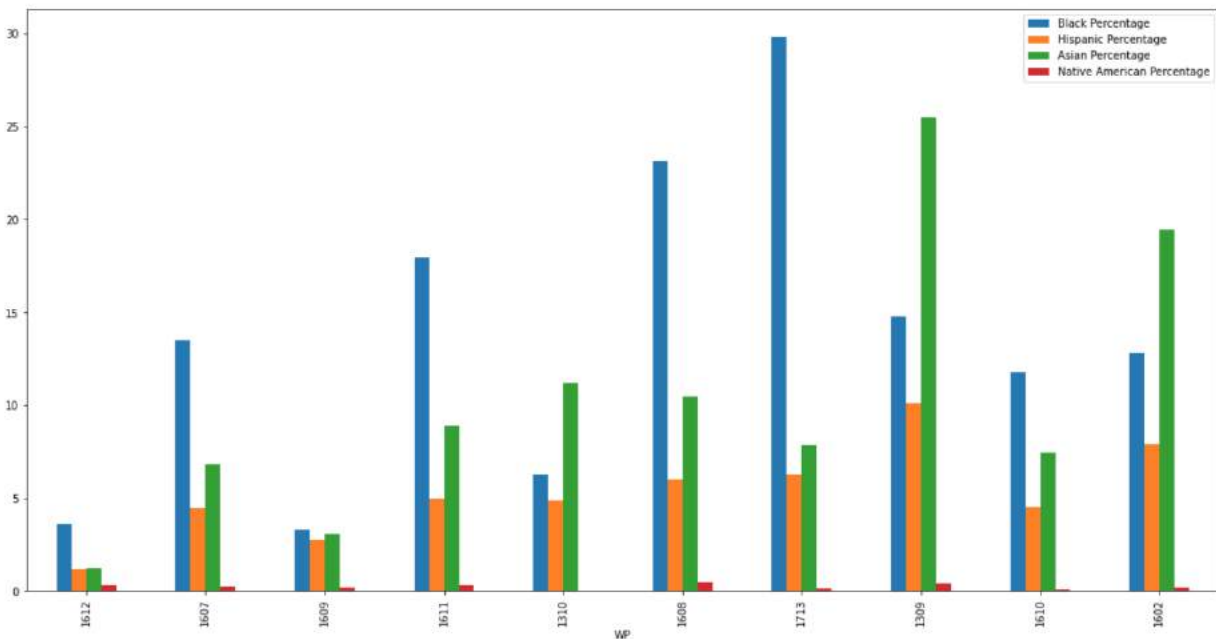
Second, we find the top 10 precincts with the greatest volatility across city council election year in District 3:

| WP | Turnout2011 | Turnout2013 | Turnout2015 | Turnout2017 | Turnout2019 | AvgChange |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1612 | 61.3 | 73.8 | 39.3 | 58.6 | 8.9 | 29.0 |
| 1607 | 42.2 | 61.8 | 24.0 | 44.9 | 10.0 | 28.3 |
| 1609 | 51.0 | 67.0 | 28.2 | 44.7 | 6.9 | 27.3 |
| 1611 | 41.2 | 58.7 | 21.1 | 41.1 | 10.2 | 26.5 |
| 1310 | 43.5 | 59.4 | 27.3 | 46.8 | 11.5 | 25.7 |
| 1608 | 40.4 | 57.2 | 24.6 | 42.3 | 12.1 | 24.3 |
| 1713 | 32.8 | 48.2 | 19.5 | 41.4 | 11.1 | 24.1 |
| 1309 | 23.8 | 45.1 | 12.6 | 30.5 | 6.9 | 23.8 |
| 1610 | 37.7 | 54.1 | 18.2 | 33.0 | 5.3 | 23.7 |
| 1602 | 28.0 | 49.7 | 19.4 | 34.7 | 7.5 | 23.6 |

Visualizing the volatility:



And finally, looking at the demographic breakdown of each of these top precincts:

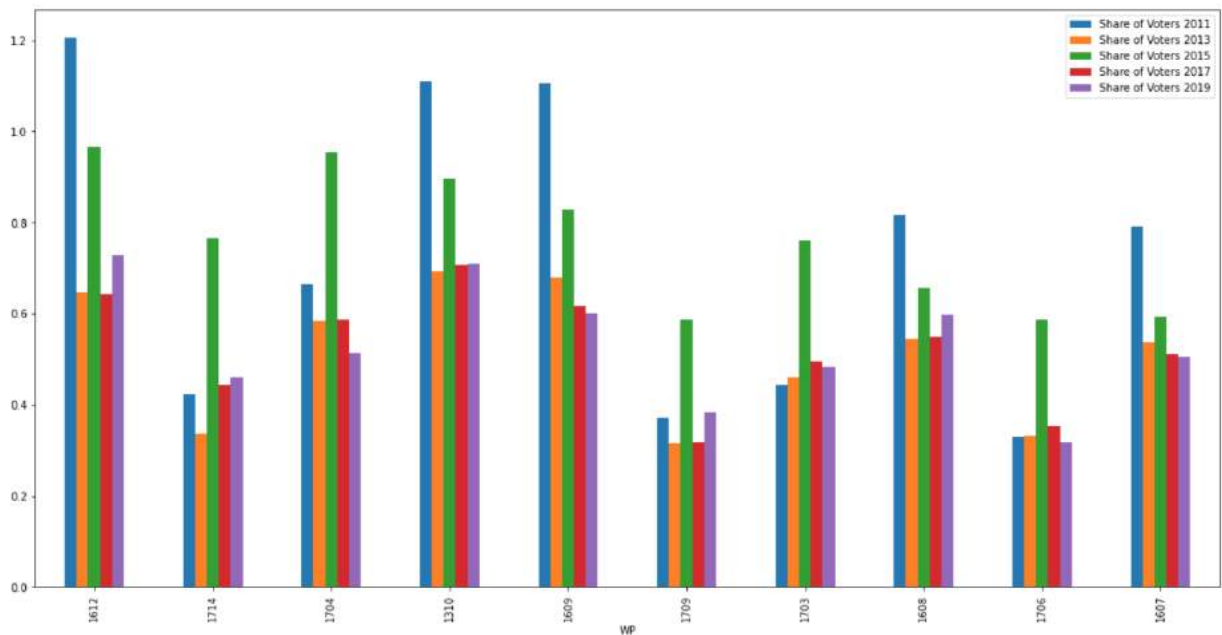


As we can see, about 3 of these precincts have a sizable black population, while two have a sizable Asian population. However, most have a majority white population.

Now, for the same subset of District 3 wards, we determine the top 10 precincts with the greatest change in share of voter turnout from 2011 to 2019:

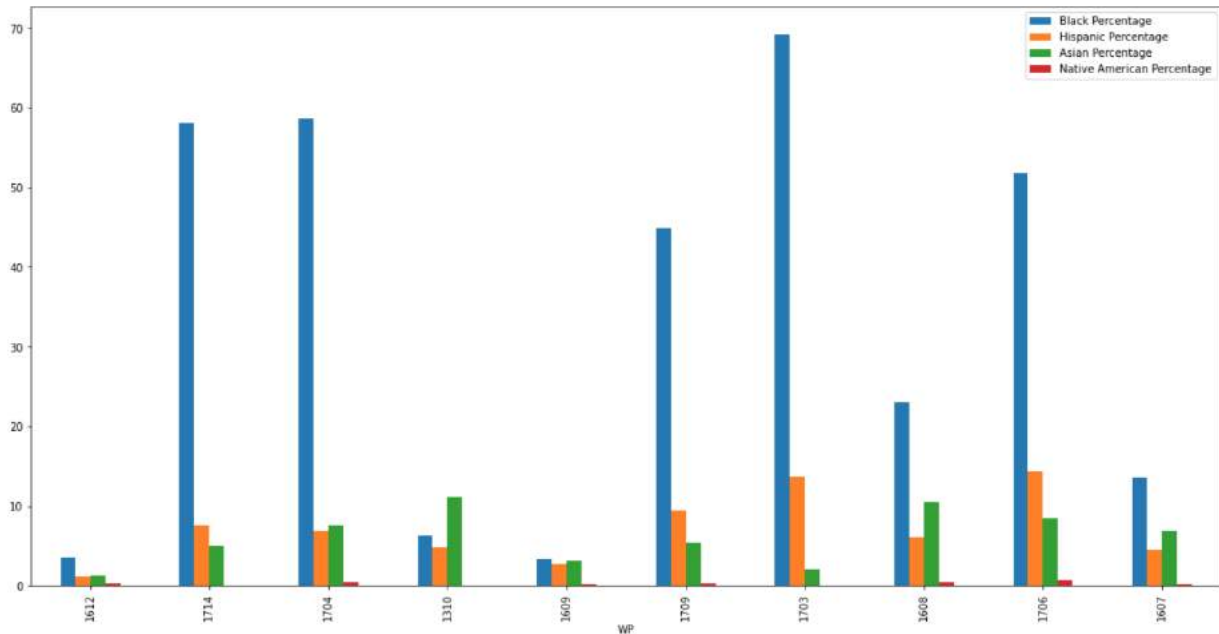
| WP | Share of Voters 2011 | Share of Voters 2013 | Share of Voters 2015 | Share of Voters 2017 | Share of Voters 2019 | AvgChange |
|------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1612 | 1.20712 | 0.64750 | 0.96486 | 0.64263 | 0.72872 | 0.29980 |
| 1714 | 0.42305 | 0.33577 | 0.76557 | 0.44468 | 0.45974 | 0.20949 |
| 1704 | 0.66479 | 0.58388 | 0.95499 | 0.58646 | 0.51404 | 0.20514 |
| 1310 | 1.11010 | 0.69274 | 0.89580 | 0.70799 | 0.70979 | 0.20206 |
| 1609 | 1.10533 | 0.67860 | 0.82871 | 0.61685 | 0.60071 | 0.19717 |
| 1709 | 0.37216 | 0.31456 | 0.58602 | 0.31763 | 0.38304 | 0.14936 |
| 1703 | 0.44372 | 0.45947 | 0.75965 | 0.49532 | 0.48365 | 0.14507 |
| 1608 | 0.81747 | 0.54430 | 0.65705 | 0.54872 | 0.59821 | 0.12356 |
| 1706 | 0.32921 | 0.33294 | 0.58602 | 0.35354 | 0.31878 | 0.12232 |
| 1607 | 0.79202 | 0.53581 | 0.59391 | 0.51189 | 0.50407 | 0.09908 |

Visualizing how this share has changed over each year on a bar chart:



As we can see, the share of voters in Ward-Precinct 16-12 really fluctuates across the City Council election years, while Ward-Precinct 16-09's share of total votes cast has really dropped off since 2011. 17-06, on the other hand, stays steady across most city council elections except 2015.

Now, for the demographic breakdown of each of these precincts:

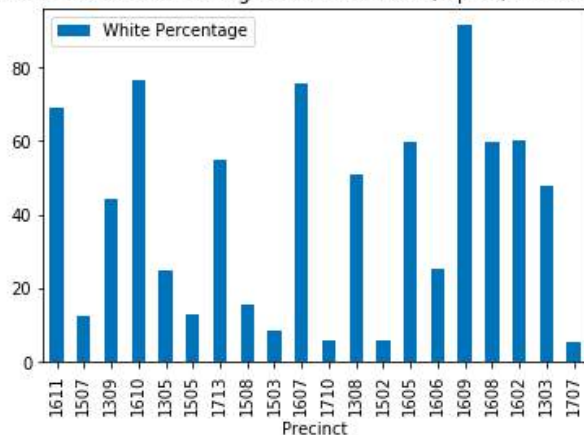


In an interesting contrast to the volatility findings, we find that those precincts in District 3 with the greatest change in share of voter turnout across the City Council election years either have large African american populations or are majority white.

Now, we focus on Michael F. Flaherty's performance changed in district 3 with large white populations.

Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2017: 0.5736888888888889
Average Turnout Change from 2017 to 2019: -0.3701111111111111
Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2019: -0.02206666666666667

Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and White Percentage

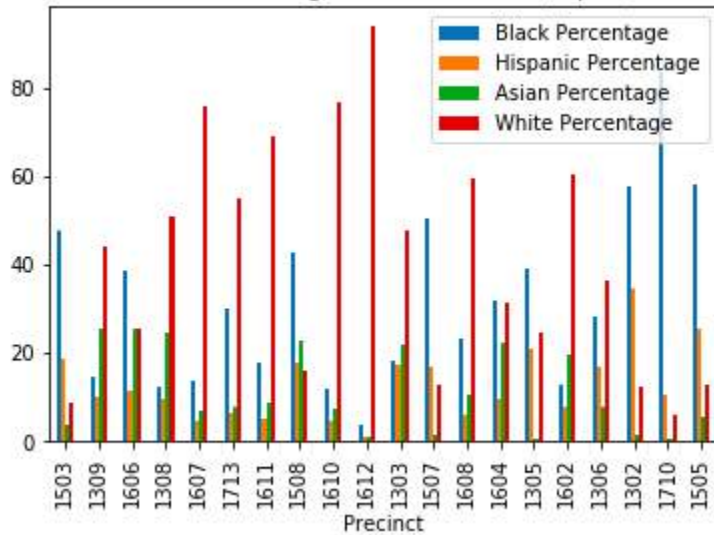


From the graph above, we can see that districts with the greatest average change in *share of voter turnout* over time do not have strong correlation with white percentage. In district 3, he does not have more supporters in 2019 than in 2015.

Lastly, we focus on how Michelle Wu's performance changed in district 3 over time.

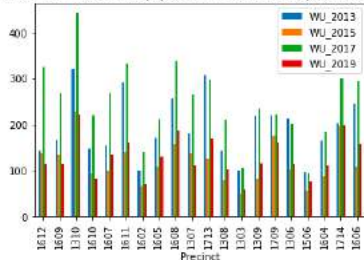
Average Turnout Change from 2013 to 2015: -0.4107333333333333
 Average Turnout Change from 2015 to 2017: 0.9074222222222221
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Precincts with most dramatic change of voter turnout (top 20) and different races

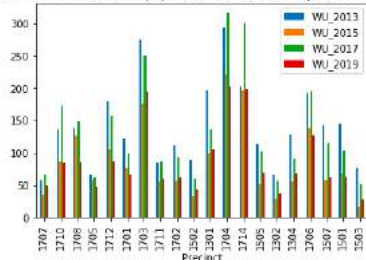


The turnout change trend in District 3 is the same as the overall trend. 11 out of 20 precincts with the most dramatic change of voter turnout are with the most white population. The rest of the precincts with the most dramatic change of voter turnout are with the most black population.

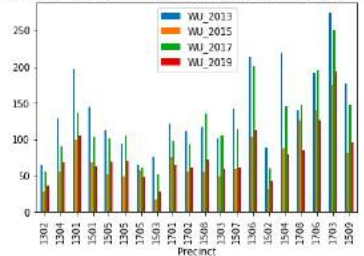
Precincts with most White population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout



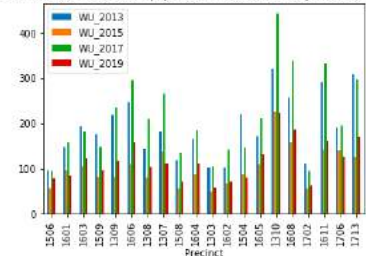
Precincts with most Black population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout



Precincts with most Hispanic population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout

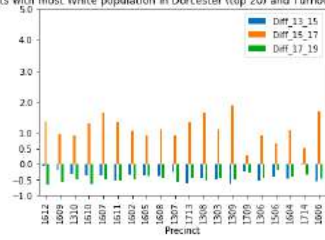


Precincts with most Asian population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout

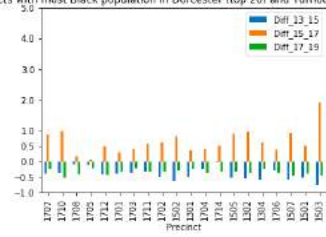


Wu got more votes in precincts in district 3 with most White population or Asian population.

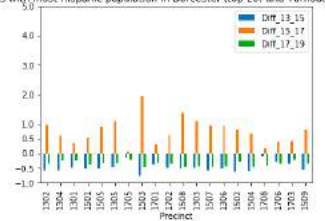
Precincts with most White population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



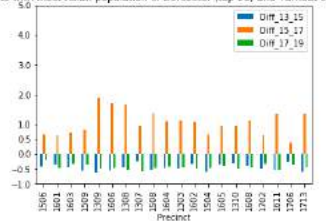
Precincts with most Black population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



Precincts with most Hispanic population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



Precincts with most Asian population in Dorchester (top 20) and Turnout change ratio



We can see that the gain ratio is larger in precincts with most White/Asian populations than precincts with most Black/Hispanic populations in 2017.

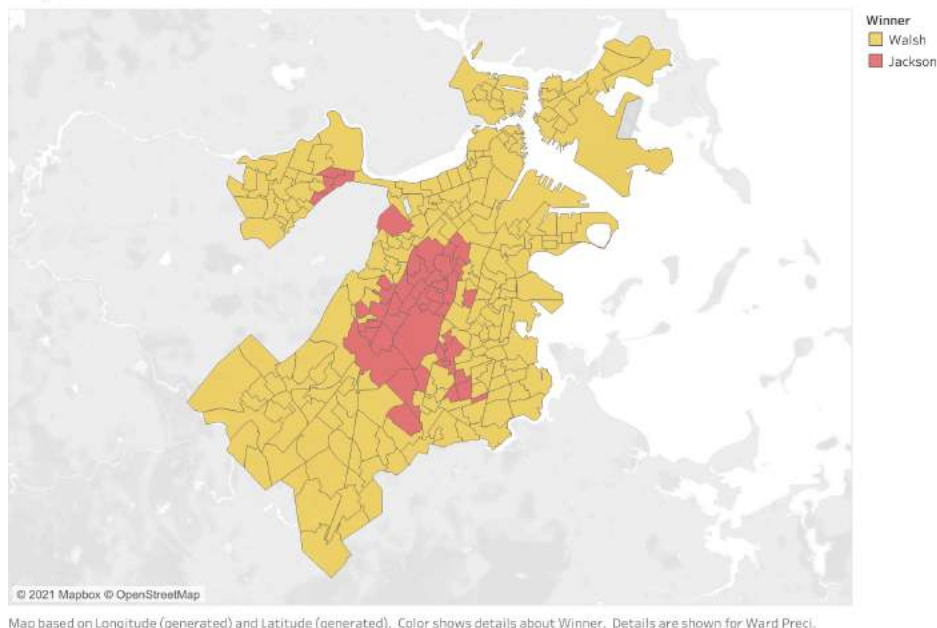
Key Question: What are the key predictors in determining support for Black candidates for Boston?

From our previous analysis, we have found that race plays a key role in determining support for Black candidates. We will now be examining how other factors, such as median income, educational level, and features of neighborhoods may affect support for Black candidates. We will be comparing the outcomes to these maps of three elections with African American frontrunners: 2017 Mayoral Race, 2018 DA Race, and the 2018 US House Democratic Primary.

Part 1: Visualization of Key Races

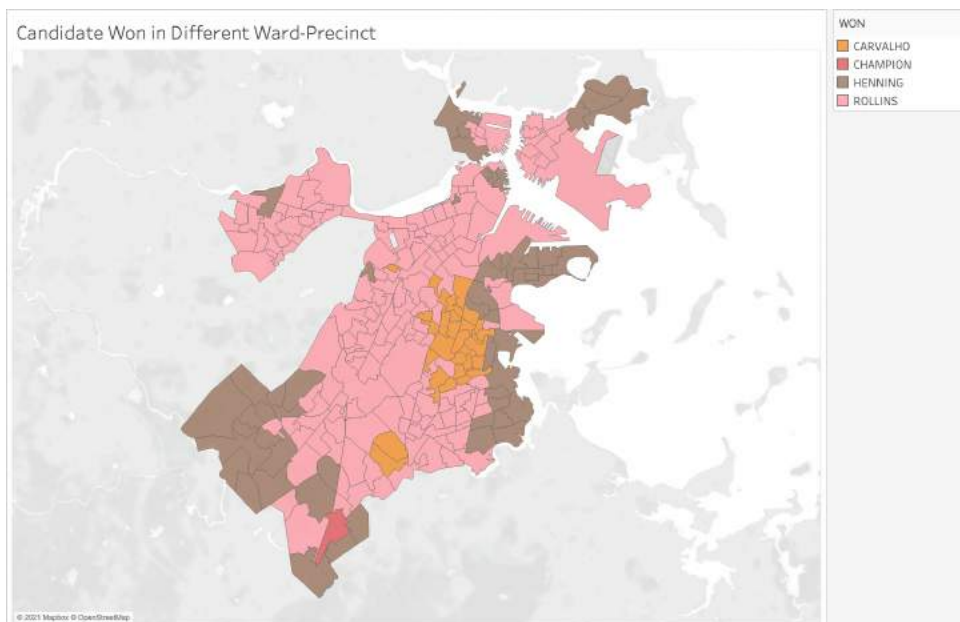
Outcome of the 2017 General Mayoral Race:

Mayoral Race 2017 - Walsh vs. Jackson



In this race, we will be focusing on Tito Jackson, the Black candidate for mayor in 2017.

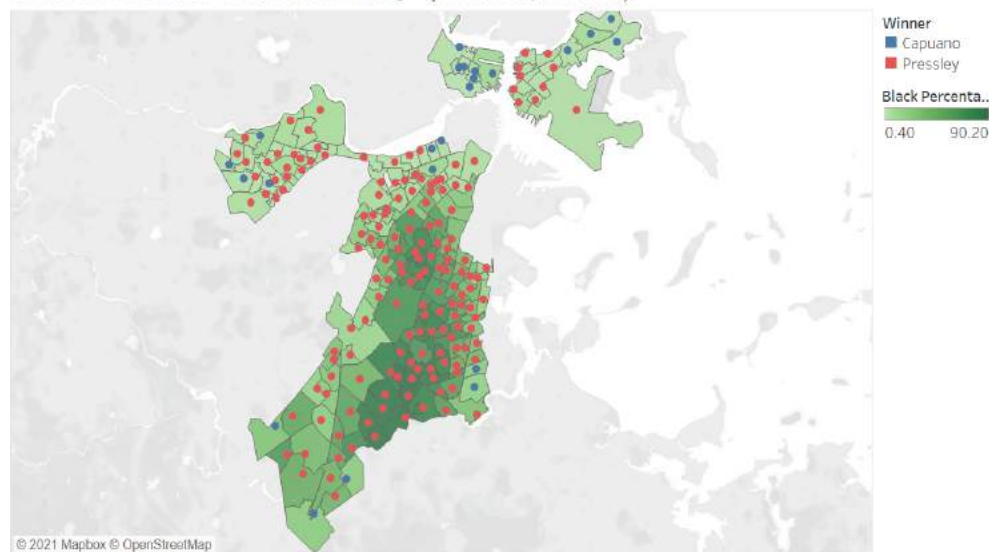
Outcome of the 2018 DA Race:



Here, we will be focusing on the performance of the first Black woman DA in Boston, DA Rollins.

Outcome of the 2018 US House Democratic Primary:

2018 US House Democratic Primary - (Black Population)

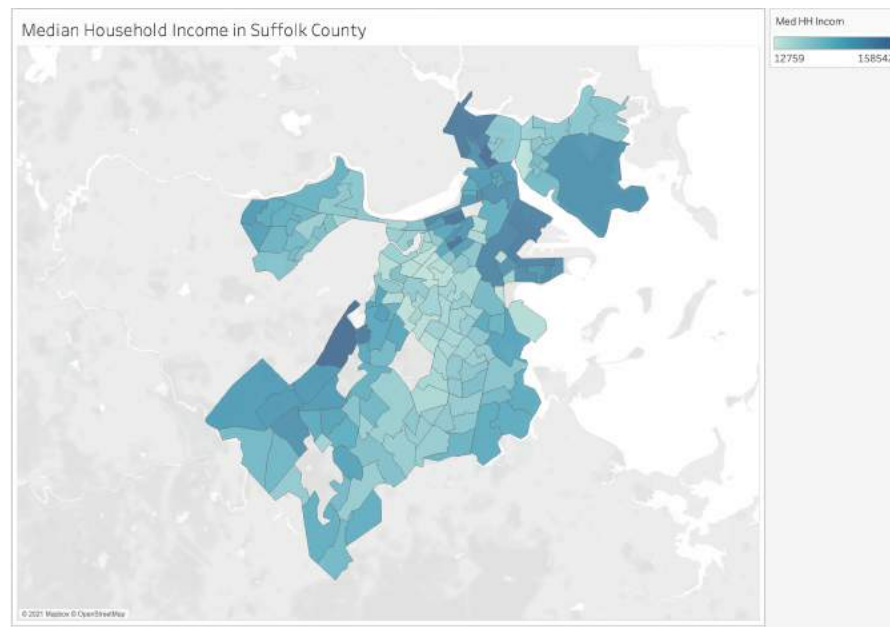


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Here, we will primarily focus on Ayanna Pressley's performance.

Part 2: Median Household Income

We first visualize the median household income across various Boston precincts:



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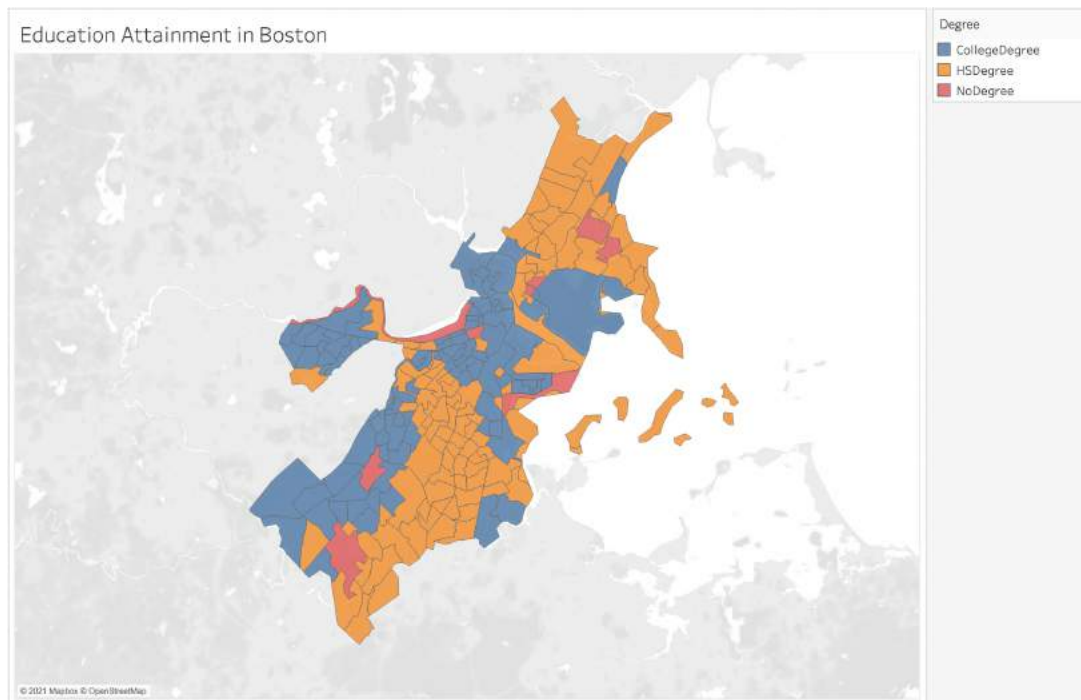
<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?t=Financial%20Characteristics&q=0500000US25025.140000&tid=ACST5Y2019.S2503&moe=false&tp=false&hidePreview=true>

We compare this median income map with the maps of various elections in which a Black candidate was a frontrunner.

In both the 2017 Mayoral Races and the 2018 DA Race, there seems to be a slight correlation between the median income of a given precinct and a Black candidate winning said precinct. By contrast, however, this does not seem to be the case in the 2018 U.S. House Democratic Primary, as Ayanna Pressley won the majority of precincts regardless of median income.

Part 3: Educational Attainment

2018 Educational Attainment



Source:

<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?t=Education&q=0500000US25025.140000&tid=ACSST5Y2019.S1501&moe=false&tp=false&hidePreview=false>

We now analyze any correlation between the average educational attainment of a given precinct and the performance of Black candidates in that precinct:

2017 Mayoral Race:

In most precincts where Tito Jackson won, the average educational attainment of the residents was a high school diploma. By contrast, Walsh won almost all districts in which the average educational attainment is a college degree.

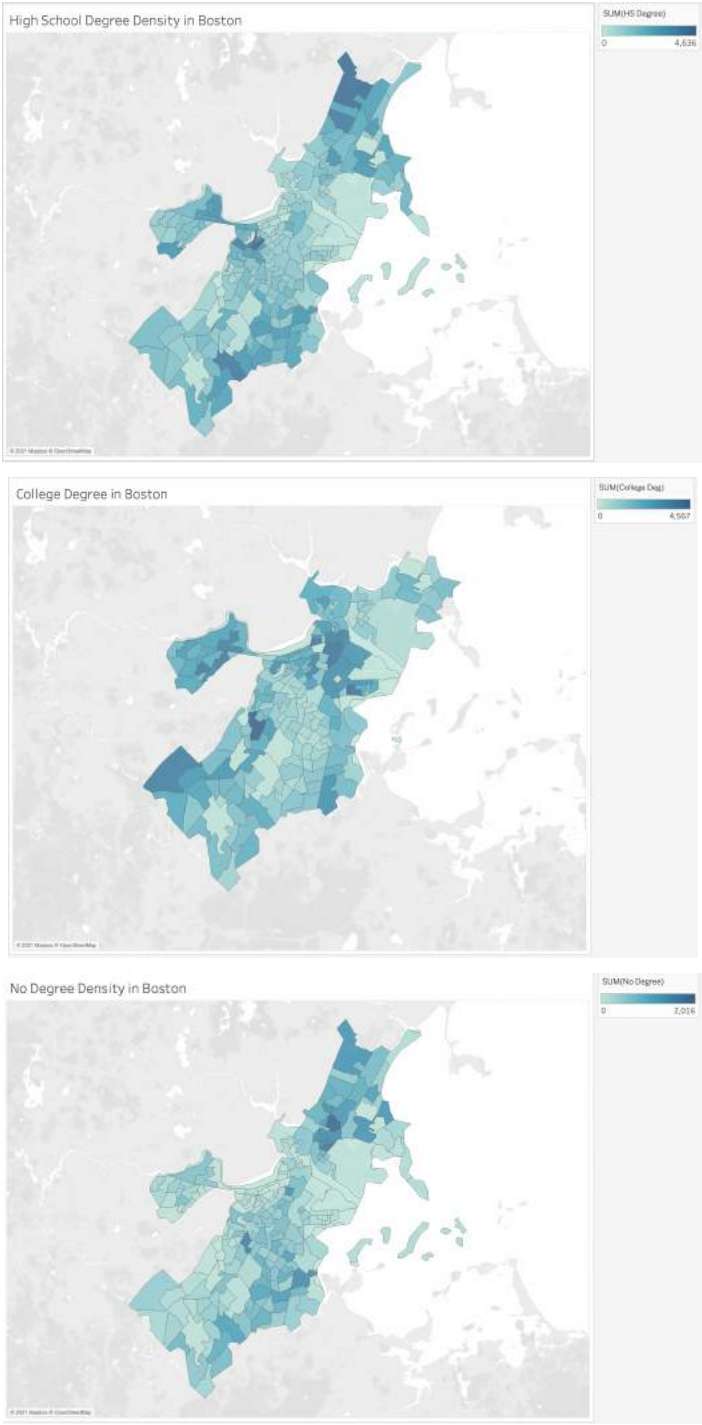
2018 DA Race:

From the data visualization of the educational attainment in Boston compared with the candidate won in each ward-precincts visualization, we could see that most of Henning's precinct that he won over have high density of college degree population; however, Rollin's encompass wide variety of educational attainment population; therefore, it is hard to find correlation between the two variables.

2018 US Senate Democratic Primary:

Again, there is no correlation between the precincts which voted for Pressley and educational attainment, as Pressley won the overwhelming majority of districts regardless of educational attainment.

Lastly we visualize the education levels across all Boston precincts as a gradient:



Does more houses affect voting participation for black candidates?

Housing Data



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Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated)

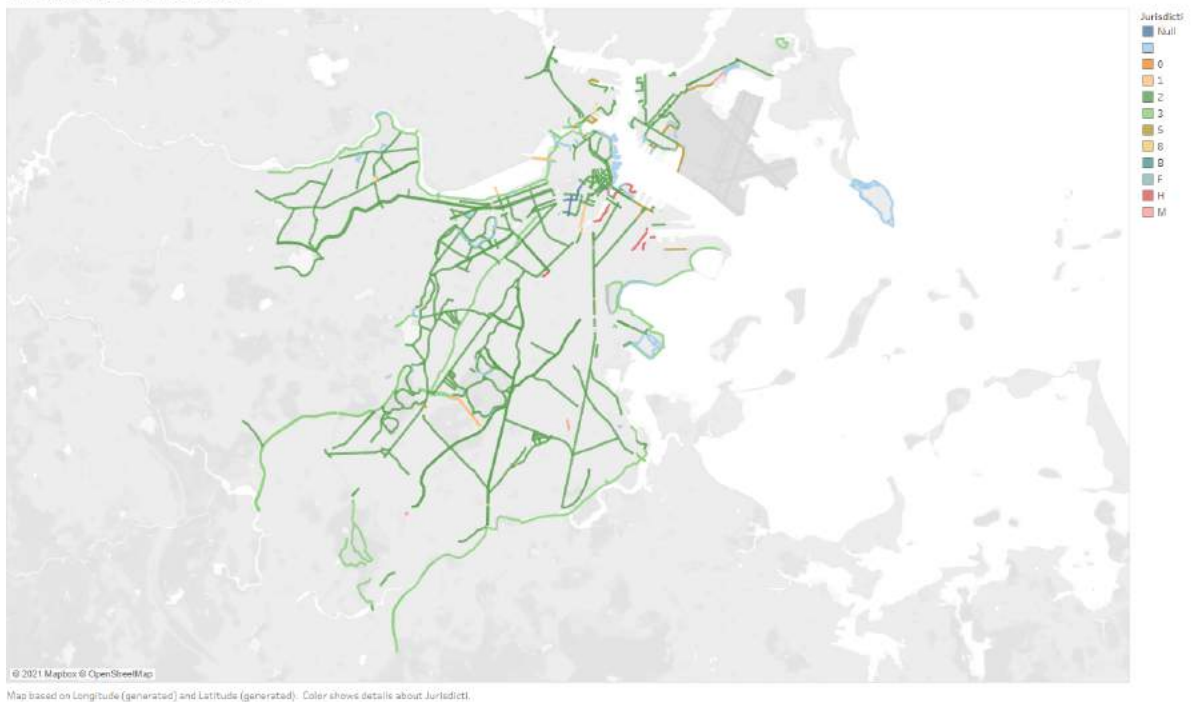
The Bottom of Boston's Building population is around 82% less populated. The Very tip of Boston's Building population is around 56% less populated. This is not a key predictor of black voting participation. There is not a correlation with the amount of houses for both 2017 General mayoral races where Johnson got most votes in the center of the map. And there is no correlation when Pressley received the most votes during the US Democratic party.

Bike Lanes Based On Install Date



We do not believe bike lanes installation dates affect support for Black candidates. There is no clear correlation for bike lanes and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party.

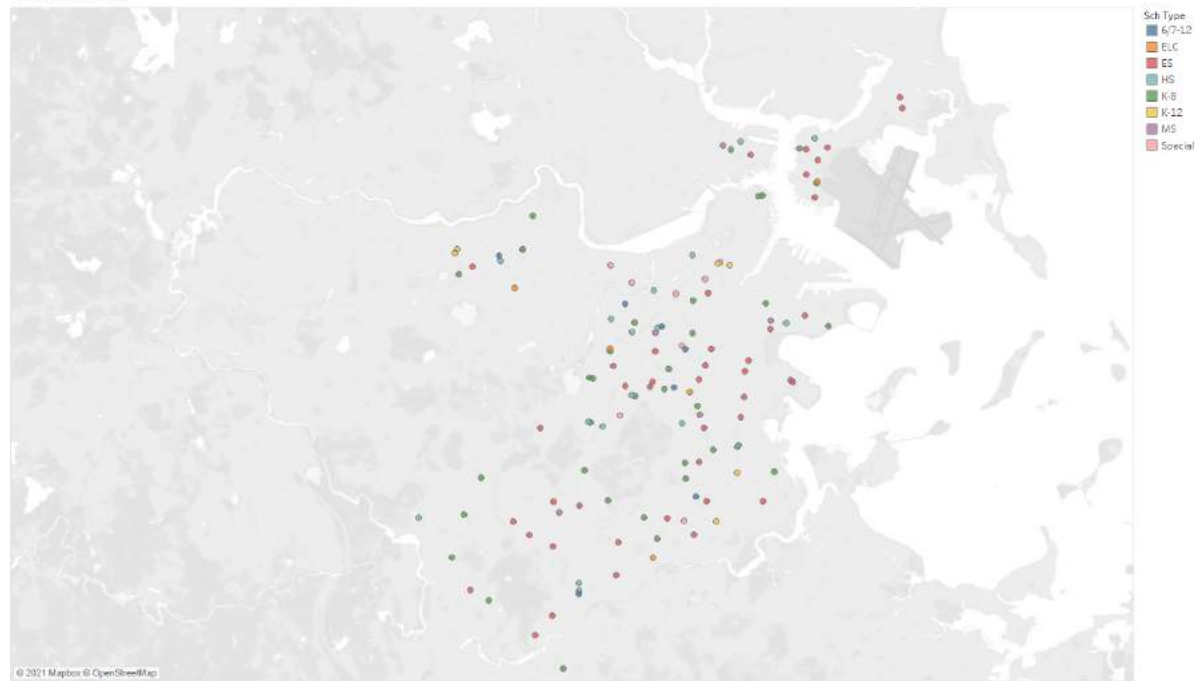
Bike Lanes Based On Jurisdiction



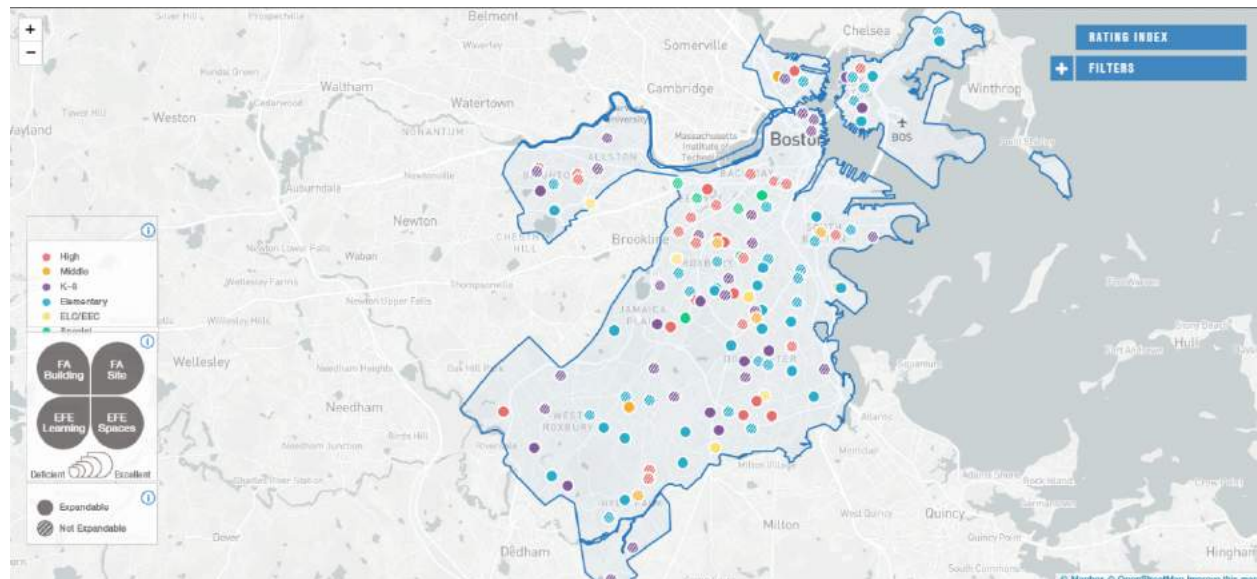
We do not believe bike lanes affect support for Black candidates. There is no clear correlation for bike lanes and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party. This shows that there is more transit on the left side of the map.

Does Public Schools Affect the Support for black candidates?

Public Schools



Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). Color shows details about Sch Type.



<https://data.boston.gov/showcase/buildbps-dashboard>

There is no clear correlation for the number of schools and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race. This shows that there are more schools in the center/top of the map.

Do Park Trees Affect the Support for black candidates?

Park Trees



Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). Color shows details about Type. This view is filtered on Type, which keeps PARK-TREE.

No clear correlation. There is no clear correlation for park trees and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race. This shows that there are a few spots that are empty/void of trees, which does not correlate to voting data.

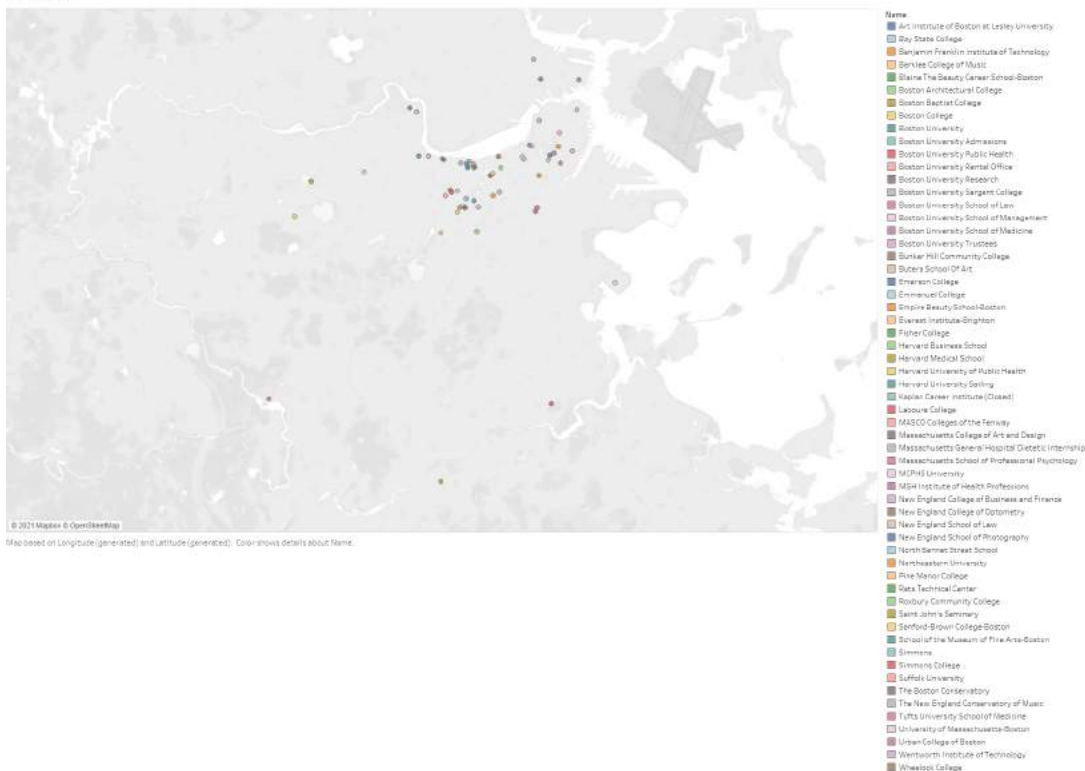
Street Trees



Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). Color shows details about Type. The view is filtered on Type, which keeps STREET-TREE.

Street trees do not have a correlation. There is no clear correlation for street trees and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race. This shows that there are a few spots that are empty/void of trees, which does not correlate to voting data.

Universities



Universities do not affect support for black candidates.

For the following Tableaus Social vulnerability during a climate event:

Population Definitions:

Older Adults:

Older adults (those over age 65) have physical vulnerabilities in a climate event; they suffer from higher rates of medical illness than the rest of the population and can have some functional limitations in an evacuation scenario, as well as when preparing for and recovering from a disaster. Furthermore, older adults are physically more vulnerable to the impacts of extreme heat. Beyond the physical risk, older adults are more likely to be socially isolated. Without an appropriate support network, an initially small risk could be exacerbated if an older adult is not able to get help.

Data source: 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract for population over 65 years of age.

Children:

Families with children require additional resources in a climate event. When school is cancelled, parents need alternative childcare options, which can mean missing work. Children are especially vulnerable to extreme heat and stress following a natural disaster.

Data source: 2010 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract for population under 5 years of age.

People of Color:

People of color make up a majority (53 percent) of Boston's population. People of color are more likely to fall into multiple vulnerable groups as well. People of color statistically have lower levels of income and higher levels of poverty than the population at large. People of color, many of whom also have limited English proficiency, may not have ready access in their primary language to information about the dangers of extreme heat or about cooling center resources. This risk to extreme heat can be compounded by the fact that people of color often live in more densely populated urban areas that are at higher risk for heat exposure due to the urban heat island effect.

Data source: 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract: Black, Native American, Asian, Island, Other, Multi, Non-white Hispanics.

Limited English Proficiency:

Without adequate English skills, residents can miss crucial information on how to prepare for hazards. Cultural practices for information sharing, for example, may focus on word-of-mouth communication. In a flood event, residents can also face challenges communicating with emergency response personnel. If residents are more socially

isolated, they may be less likely to hear about upcoming events. Finally, immigrants, especially ones who are undocumented, may be reluctant to use government services out of fear of deportation or general distrust of the government or emergency personnel.

Data Source: 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract, defined as speaks English only or speaks English "very well".

Low to no income:

A lack of financial resources impacts a household's ability to prepare for a disaster event and to support friends and neighborhoods. For example, residents without televisions, computers, or data-driven mobile phones may face challenges getting news about hazards or recovery resources. Renters may have trouble finding and paying deposits for replacement housing if their residence is impacted by flooding. Homeowners may be less able to afford insurance that will cover flood damage. Having low or no income can create difficulty evacuating in a disaster event because of a higher reliance on public transportation. If unable to evacuate, residents may be more at risk without supplies to stay in their homes for an extended period of time. Low- and no-income residents can also be more vulnerable to hot weather if running air conditioning or fans puts utility costs out of reach.

Data source: 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract for low-to- no income populations. The data represents a calculated field that combines people who were 100% below the poverty level and those who were 100–149% of the poverty level.

People with Disabilities:

People with disabilities are among the most vulnerable in an emergency; they sustain disproportionate rates of illness, injury, and death in disaster events.⁴⁶ People with disabilities can find it difficult to adequately prepare for a disaster event, including moving to a safer place. They are more likely to be left behind or abandoned during evacuations. Rescue and relief resources—like emergency transportation or shelters, for example— may not be universally accessible. Research has revealed a historic pattern of discrimination against people with disabilities in times of resource scarcity, like after a major storm and flood.

Data source: 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates (ACS) data by census tract for total civilian non-institutionalized population, including: hearing difficulty, vision difficulty, cognitive difficulty, ambulatory difficulty, self-care difficulty, and independent living difficulty.

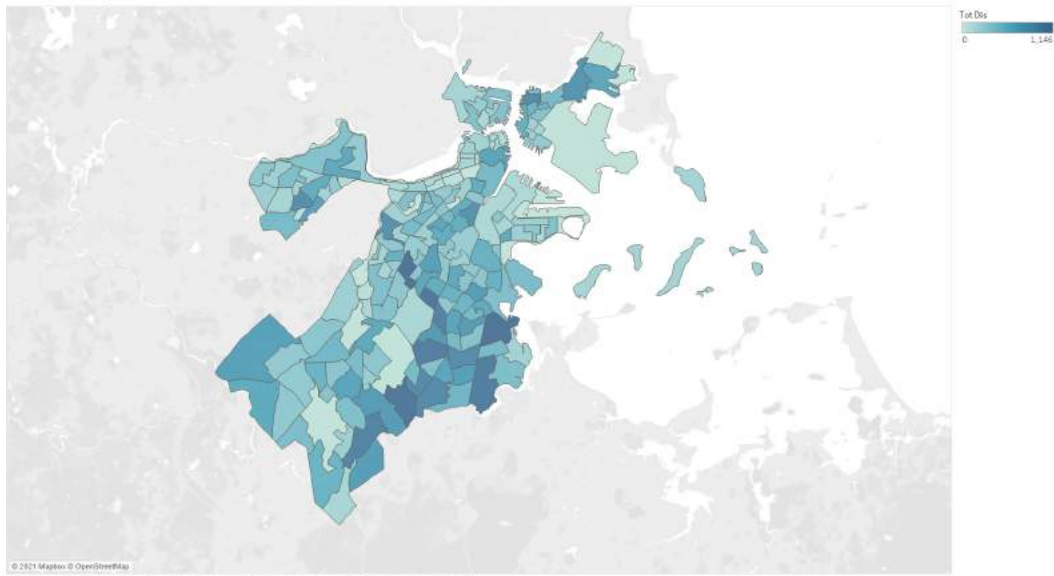
Medical Illness:

Symptoms of existing medical illnesses are often exacerbated by hot temperatures. For example, heat can trigger asthma attacks or increase already high blood pressure due to the stress of high temperatures put on the body. Climate events can interrupt access to normal sources of healthcare and even life-sustaining medication. Special planning is required for people experiencing medical illness. For example, people dependent on dialysis will have different evacuation and care needs than other Boston residents in a climate event.

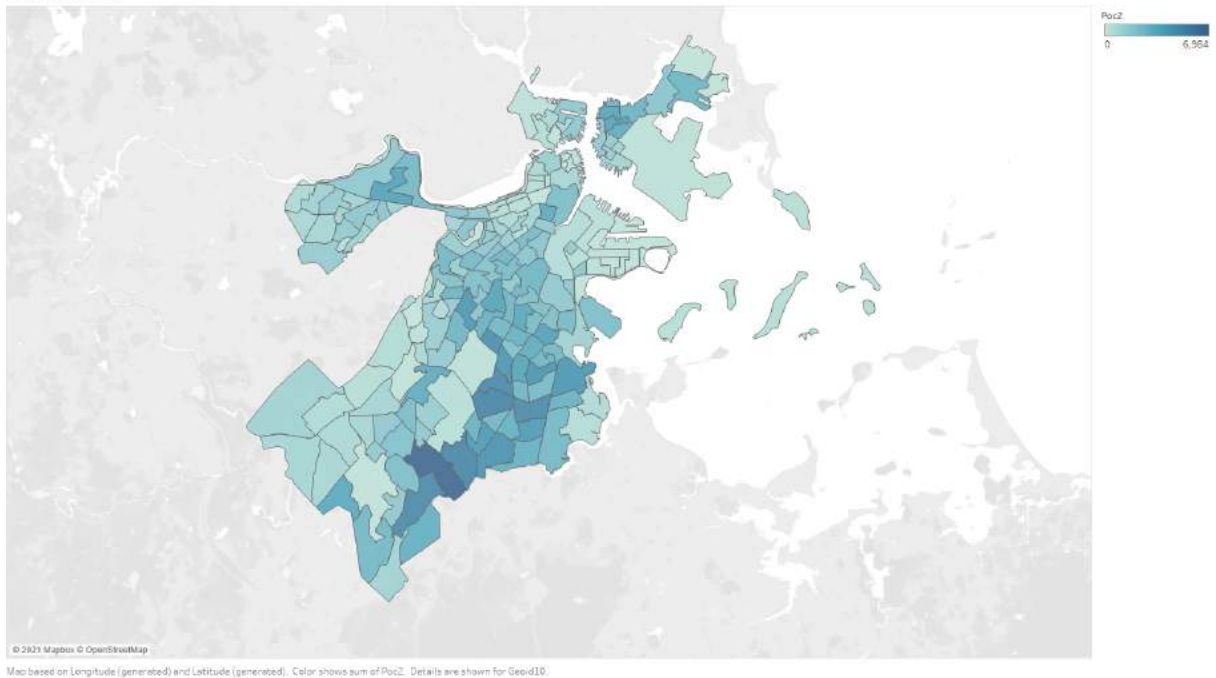
Data source: Medical illness is a proxy measure which is based on EASI data accessed through Simply Map. Health data at the local level in Massachusetts is not available beyond zip codes. EASI modeled the health statistics for the U.S. population based upon age, sex, and race probabilities using U.S. Census Bureau data. The probabilities are modeled against the census and current year and five year forecasts. Medical illness is the sum of asthma in children, asthma in adults, heart disease, emphysema, bronchitis, cancer, diabetes, kidney disease, and liver disease. A limitation is that these numbers may be over-counted as the result of people potentially having more than one medical illness. Therefore, the analysis may have greater numbers of people with medical illness within census tracts than actually present. Overall, the analysis was based on the relationship between social factors.

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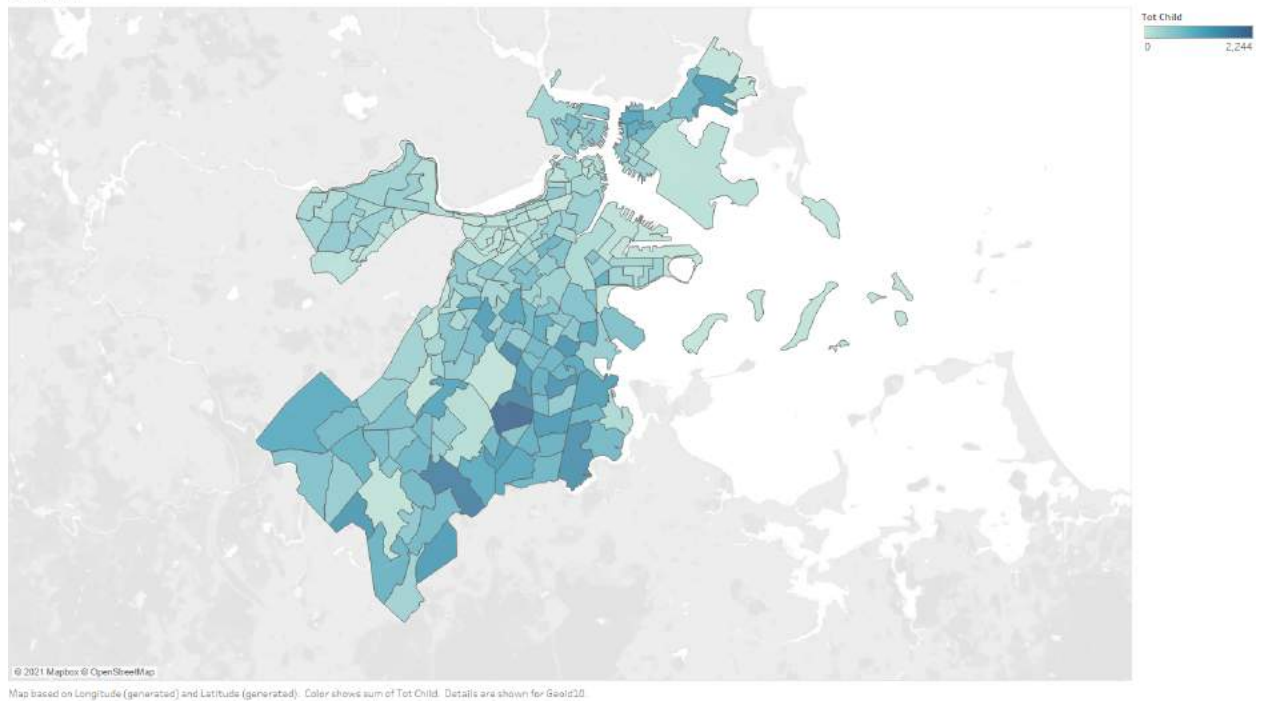
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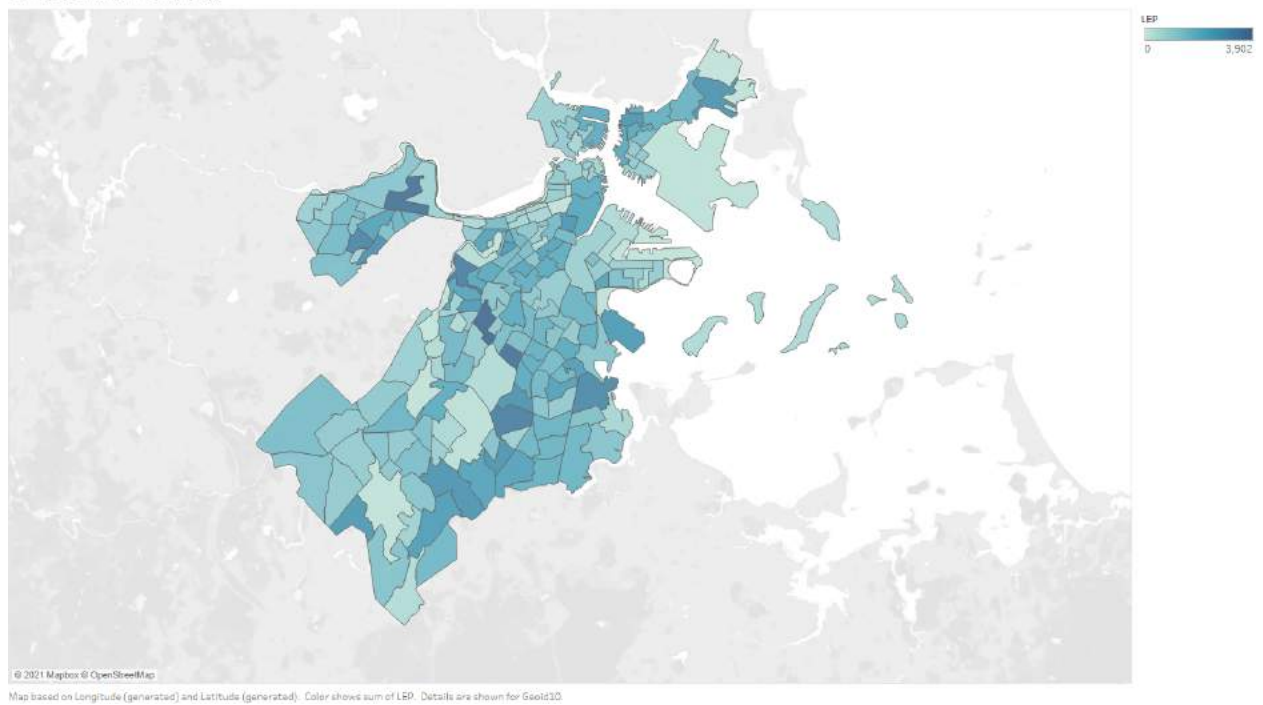
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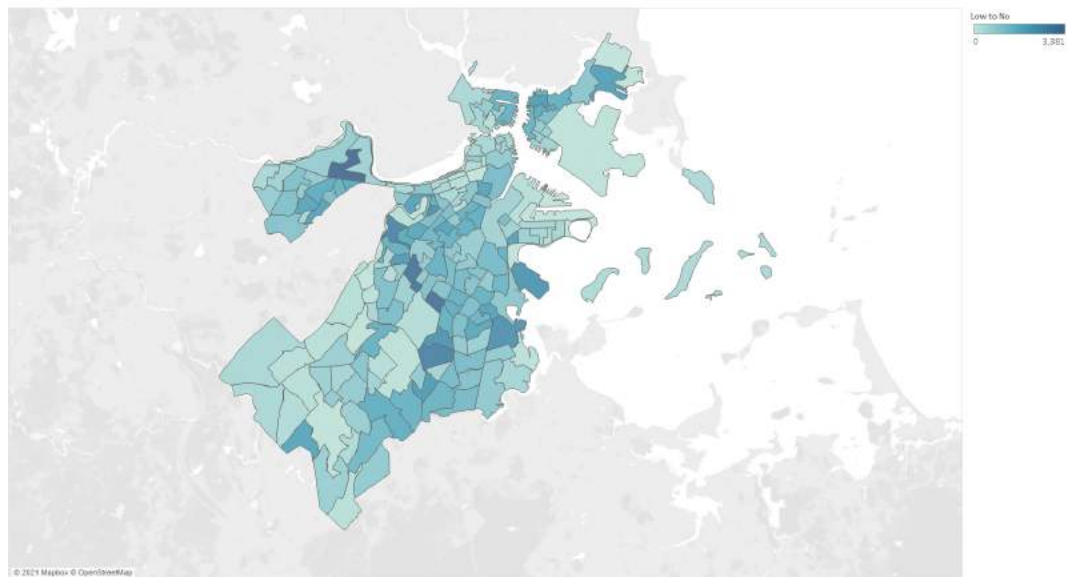
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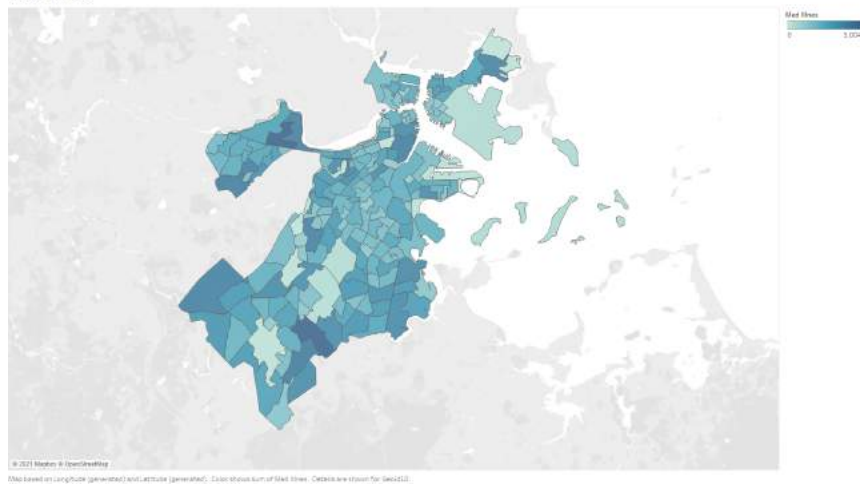
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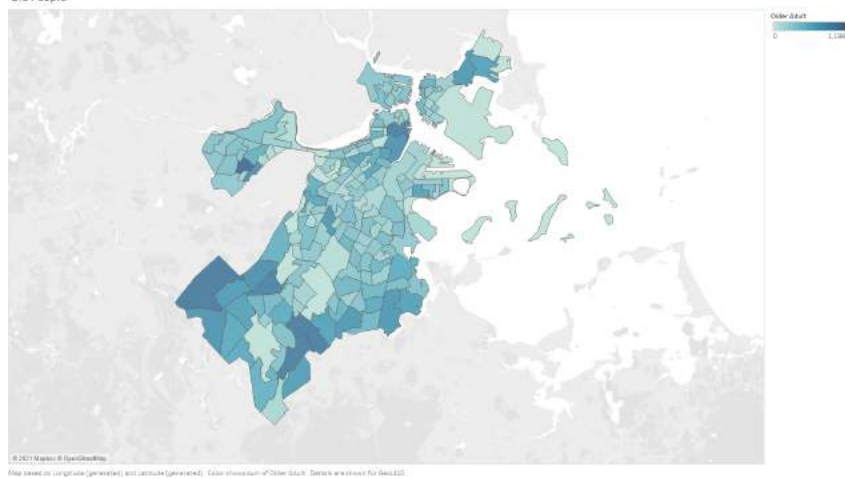
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Medical Illness



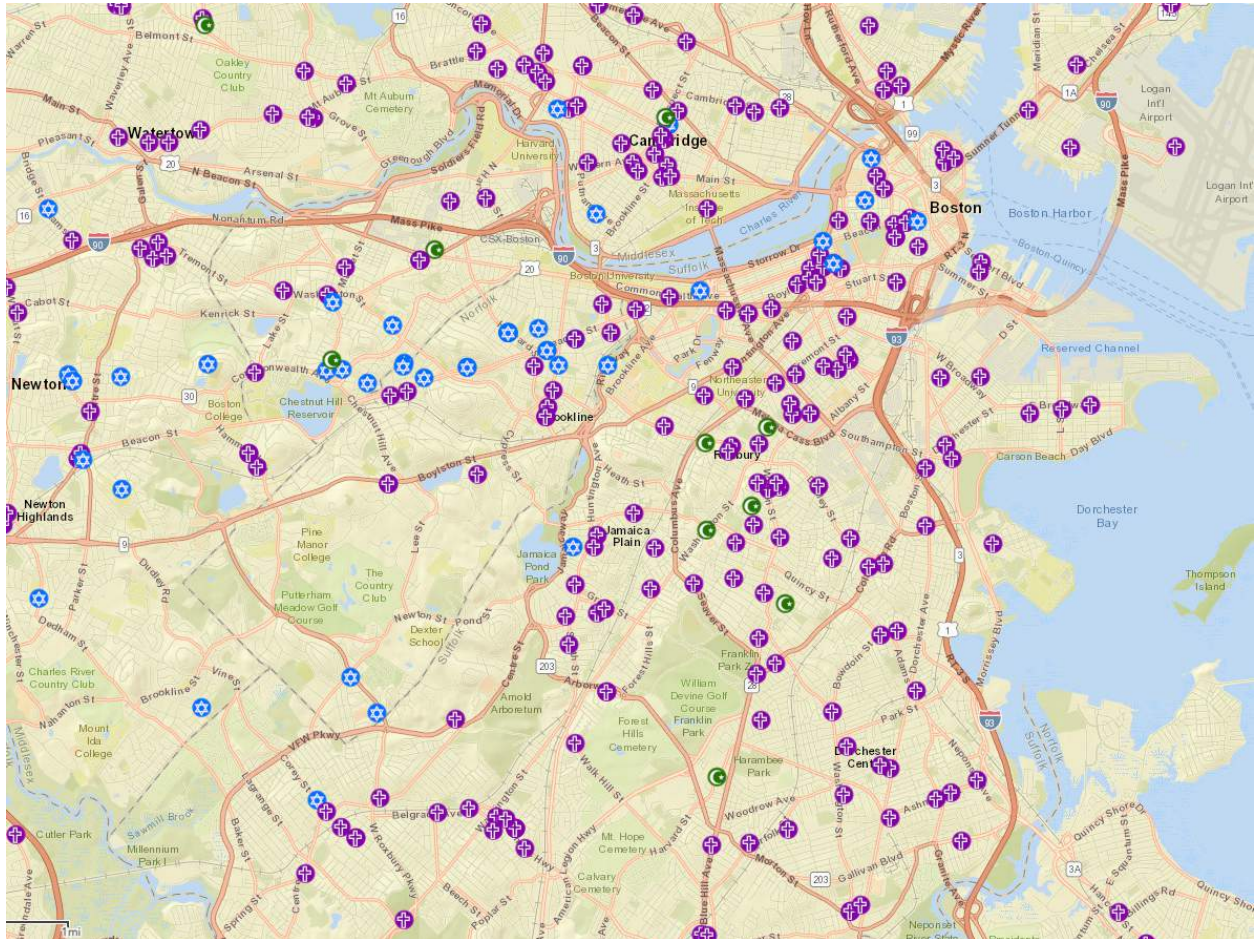
Old People



There is no clear correlation for Total disability/People of Color/Old People/ Medical Illness/Low To No Income/ English Proficiency and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race. What this shows is that Disabilities and Medical Illnesses are more apparent and are more prone to climate changes. There might be a slight correlation between people low to no income vulnerable to climate change voting for Jackson in the 2017 General Mayoral Race.

We see that the south end of Boston is the most prone to climate, there's no clear correlation.

Boston Churches:



<https://massgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9fc18ba7901546a1b342393b6486cf31>

There is no clear correlation for Number of Churches and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race.

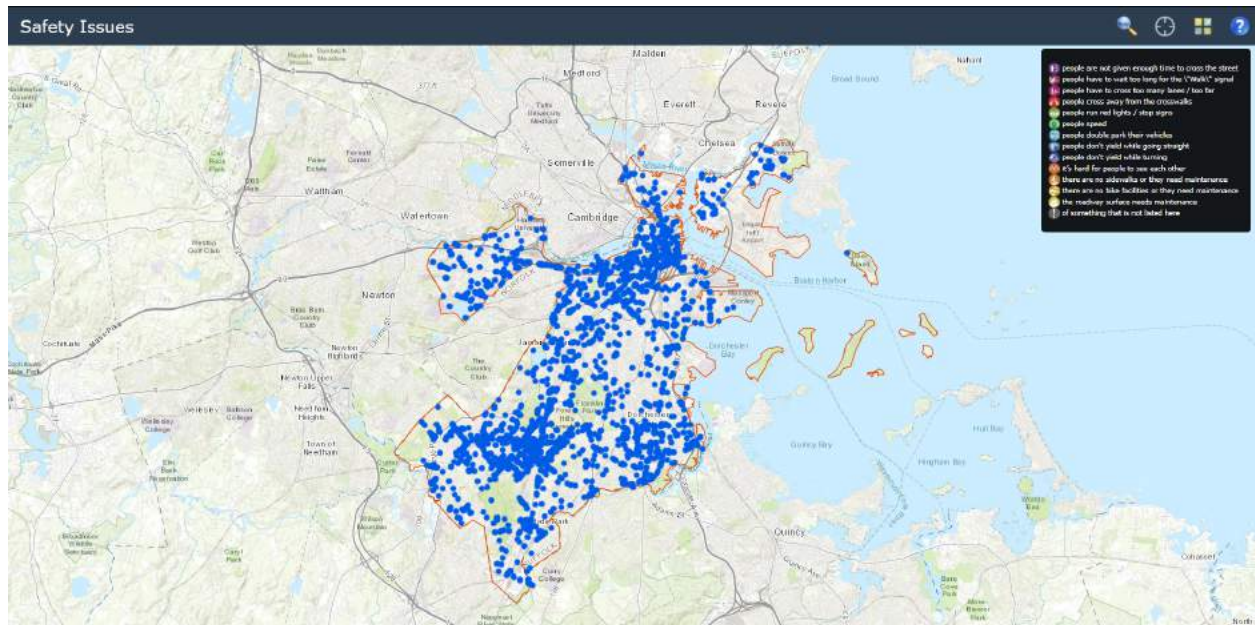
Link to More Geospatial data (Not Correlated):

<https://docs.digital.mass.gov/dataset/massgis-data-layers>

311 Reports Trash areas in Boston

<https://jhaddadin.github.io/trashcity/garbage.html>

There is no clear correlation for Trash Areas and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race.



<http://app01.cityofboston.gov/VZSafety/>

There is no clear correlation for Safety Issues and the 2017 General Mayoral Race nor the US House Democratic Party nor the 2018 DA race.