APPENDIX

Concepts and Variables

Table A1. Density Variables and their Sources

| Variable | Definition | Туре | Data Source | | |
|--|---|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Density of Grocery Stores | Count of the number of grocery stores per sq mi | Basic Services | USDA SNAP Retailer Database | | |
| Density of Pharmacies | Count of the number of pharmacies per sq mi | Basic Services | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Gas Stations | Count of the number of gas stations per sq mi | Basic services | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Nursing Homes | Count of the number of nursing homes per sq mi | Basic Services | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Parks/Rec Facilities | Count of the number of parks or recreation facilities per sq mi | Public Goods | ESRI Business Analyst Database | | |
| Density of Transit Stops | Count of the number of transit stops per sq mi | Public Goods | Bureau of Transportation Statistics Database | | |
| Density of Redlined Areas | Count of the number of redlined areas per sq mi | Historical | Mapping Inequality Database | | |
| Density of Fire Stations | Count of the number of fire stations per sq mi | Public Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Hospitals | Count of the number of hospitals per sq mi | Public Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Public Schools | Count of the number of public schools per sq mi | Public Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Medical Facilities | Count of the number of medical facilities per sq mi | Public Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Brownfields | Count of the number of brownfields per sq mi | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Hazardous Waste Sites | Count of the number of hazardous waste sites per sq mi | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of NPDES | Count of the number of NPDESs per sq mi | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Regional Underground Storage (RUS) | Count of the number of RUS sites per sq mi | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Public Libraries | Count of the number of public libraries per sq mi | Cultural Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Colleges | Count of the number of colleges per sq mi | Cultural Goods | NC OneMap Database | | |
| Density of Jobs | Count of the number of Jobs per sq mi | Economic Opportunities | ESRI Business Analyst Database | | |
| Note: The variables will all be divided by the total square miles of the census tract, to convert them to densities. | | | | | |

Table A2. Proximity Variables

| Variable | Definition | Туре | Data Source |
|--|--|------------------------|--|
| Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest grocery store | Basic Services | USDA SNAP Retailer Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest park/rec facility | Public Goods | ESRI Business Analyst Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Hospital | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest hospital | Public Good | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest medical facility | Public Good | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Public Library | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest library | Public Good | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Interstate | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest interstate | Public Good | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Brownfield | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest brownfield | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest hazardous waste site | Healthy Environments | NC OneMap Database |
| Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | Distance from a census tracts centroid to the closest redlined area | Historical | Mapping Inequality Database |
| Proximity to Work | Percent of workers with commutes less than 15 minutes | Economic Opportunities | American Community Survey 5-Year Estimate Database |

Table A3. Diversity Variables

| Variable | Definition | Type | Data Source |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| Percent Impervious Surface | Percent of land that is covered by impervious surfaces | Environmental | Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics (MTLC) Consortium Database |
| Racial Segregation | Measured as the Isolation Index between black and white residents ¹ | People | Decennial Census Database |
| Housing Stock Diversity | Measured as a Simpson's Index of diversity across the Census defined housing structure types ² | Housing | American Community Survey 5-Year Estimate Database |

Table A4. Connectivity Variables

| Variable | Definition | Туре | Data Source |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------|--|
| Street Connectivity | Gamma index measuring street connections ³ | Built Environment | U.S. Census |
| Internet Fiber ⁴ | Percent of households with access to fiber | Digital | NC OneMap Database |
| Social Capital | Social capital, proxied with census return rates. ⁵ | Social | Census Planning Database |
| Internet Providers | Percent of households without access to an internet provider | Digital | NC OneMap Database |
| Transit Route | Indicator for whether a tract contains a public transit route | Built Environment | Bureau of Transportation Statistics Database |
| Interstate | Indicator for whether a tract contains an interstate access point | Built Environment | NC OneMap Database |

¹ The isolation index is defined as $Iso = \sum \binom{n_{i,b}}{N_b} \binom{n_{i,w}}{n_i}$, where $n_{i,b}$ is the number of black residents in the *i*th block, and $n_{i,w}$ is the number of white residents in the *i*th block. N_b is the total number of black residents in the census tract. n_i is the total population in the *i*th block. Iso is the probability of isolation between the average black resident from the average white resident in a census tract. A value of 0.15, for example, suggests that the probability that the average black resident interacts with the average white person is 0.15. Block-level census data was downloaded from IPUMS NHGIS website.

² The Simpson's Index is defined as $SI = \sum_{i=1}^{T} p_i^2$, where p_i is the proportion of all the housing types (*T*) that are of the *i*th kind. For our study, we follow a similar approach as Chakraborty and McMillan (2022) in defining housing types by their Census designations. Hence, there are 6 types of housing kinds, which are single-family detached, single-family attached, small multi-family, medium multi-family, large multi-family, and other. Once we calculate SI, we subtract it from 1 so that higher values of the final index represent more diversity.

³ We follow Molaei, Tang, and Hardie (2021) is measuring street connectivity with the Gamma Index.

 $GI_i = \frac{STREETS_i}{3 \times (INTERSECTIONS_i - 2)}$, where $STREETS_i$ denotes the number of streets in the *i*th census tract and $INTERSECTIONS_i$ is the number of intersections in the *i*th census tract. GI_i is the ratio of streets to the maximum possible number of streets between intersections in the *i*th census tract (Molaei, Tang, and Hardie, 2021). For streets and intersections, we consider only Department of Transportation (DOT) roads.

⁴ For the fiber and internet provider variables, they are made available at the census tract level but with the 2010 census tract boundaries. To convert them to 2020 boundaries, we use ariel interpolation.

⁵ Census return rates have been used in numerous studies as a proxy for social capital (Smith and Blizard, 2021; Martin and Newman, 2015).

Normative Adjustments

Table A5: Explaining the Normative Adjustments

| Variable | Measure | Normative Explanation | Adjustment |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|
| Density of Parks/Rec Facilities | Spatial Density | Higher density of parks/rec centers suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Transit Stops Facilities | Spatial Density | Higher density of transit stops suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Redlined Areas | Spatial Density | Higher density of redlined areas suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Density of Brownfields | Spatial Density | Higher density of brownfields suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Density of Colleges | Spatial Density | Higher density of colleges suggests <i>higher</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Medical Facilities | Spatial Density | Higher density of medical facilities suggests <i>higher</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Grocery Stores | Spatial Density | Higher density of grocery stores suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Gast Stations | Spatial Density | Higher density of grocery stores suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Hazardous Waste Sites | Spatial Density | Higher density of hazardous waste sites suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Density of Hospitals | Spatial Density | Higher density of hospitals suggests <i>higher</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of NPDES | Spatial Density | Higher density of NPDES suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Density of Fire Stations | Spatial Density | Higher density of fire stations suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Pharmacies | Spatial Density | Higher density of pharmacies suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |

| Density of Nursing Homes | Spatial Density | Higher density of nursing homes suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
|--|-------------------|--|---------------------|
| Density of Public Libraries | Spatial Density | Higher density of public libraries suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of Public Schools | Spatial Density | Higher density of public schools suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Density of RUS Sites | Spatial Density | Higher density of RUS sites suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Density of Jobs | Spatial Density | Higher density of jobs suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Proximity to Work | Spatial Proximity | Higher percentages of workers with commutes less than 15 minutes suggest <i>higher</i> spatial justice | None |
| Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest rec facility/park suggest <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Proximity to Nearest Brownfield Site | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest brownfield suggest greater spatial justice | None |
| Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest hazardous waste site suggest <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest grocery store suggest <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest redlined area suggest <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest medical facility suggest <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Proximity to Nearest Hospital | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest hospital suggest <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Proximity to Nearest Public School | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest public school suggest <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Proximity to Nearest Interstate | Spatial Proximity | Higher distances to nearest interstate suggest lower spatial justice | Invert Distribution |

| Percent Impervious Surface | Spatial Diversity | Higher percentage of land covered by impervious surface suggests <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Racial Segregation | Spatial Diversity | Higher values of the Isolation Index suggest <i>greater</i> spatial justice. | None |
| Housing Stock Diversity | Spatial Diversity | Higher housing stock diversity suggests greater spatial justice | None |
| Internet Fiber | Spatial Connectivity | Higher percentages of the population with access to fiber suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Internet Providers | Spatial Connectivity | Higher percentages of the population without an internet provider <i>lower</i> spatial justice | Invert Distribution |
| Interstate | Spatial Connectivity | The presence of interstate access suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Transit Route | Spatial Connectivity | The presence of a transit route suggests <i>greater</i> spatial justice | None |
| Social Capital | Spatial Connectivity | Higher levels of social capital suggest greater spatial justice | None |
| Street Connectivity | Spatial Connectivity | Higher levels of street connectivity suggest greater spatial justice | None |

Table A6: Eigenvalues for the PCA of Density-Related Variables

| Components | Eigenvalue | Difference | Proportion | Cumulative |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | 4.75541 | 3.00837 | 0.264 | 0.264 |
| 2 | 1.74704 | 0.45848 | 0.097 | 0.361 |
| 3 | 1.28855 | 0.04147 | 0.072 | 0.433 |
| 4 | 1.24709 | 0.08526 | 0.069 | 0.502 |
| 5 | 1.16182 | 0.16304 | 0.065 | 0.567 |
| 6 | 0.99878 | 0.05316 | 0.056 | 0.622 |
| 7 | 0.94562 | 0.05394 | 0.053 | 0.675 |
| 8 | 0.89169 | 0.09469 | 0.050 | 0.724 |
| 9 | 0.79700 | 0.08189 | 0.044 | 0.769 |
| 10 | 0.71511 | 0.07879 | 0.040 | 0.808 |
| 11 | 0.63632 | 0.07831 | 0.035 | 0.844 |
| 12 | 0.55801 | 0.03298 | 0.031 | 0.875 |
| 13 | 0.52503 | 0.09061 | 0.029 | 0.904 |
| 14 | 0.43442 | 0.04976 | 0.024 | 0.928 |
| 15 | 0.38467 | 0.07474 | 0.021 | 0.949 |
| 16 | 0.30993 | 0.00310 | 0.017 | 0.967 |
| 17 | 0.30683 | 0.01014 | 0.017 | 0.984 |
| 18 | 0.29669 | | 0.017 | 1.000 |

Table A7: Eigenvectors for the PCA of the Density-Related Variables

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|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Variable | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | | |
| Density of Grocery Stores | 0.3183 | 0.1265 | 0.3840 | 0.1240 | | |
| Density of Pharmacies | 0.3080 | 0.2571 | -0.1238 | 0.1479 | | |
| Density of Gas Stations | 0.1924 | 0.3339 | 0.4611 | 0.0015 | | |
| Density of Nursing Homes | 0.0745 | 0.4301 | -0.1533 | 0.0866 | | |
| Density of Parks/Rec Facilities | 0.3068 | -0.2746 | -0.0234 | 0.1543 | | |
| Density of Transit Stops | 0.1586 | 0.0468 | -0.1095 | 0.0481 | | |
| Density of Redlined Areas | -0.3075 | 0.2511 | 0.0024 | 0.1562 | | |
| Density of Fire Stations | 0.1104 | -0.0704 | 0.1826 | -0.0013 | | |
| Density of Hospitals | 0.1286 | 0.3606 | -0.5112 | -0.0623 | | |
| Density of Public Schools | 0.1768 | 0.0628 | 0.1611 | -0.4943 | | |
| Density of Medical Facilities | 0.2311 | 0.3939 | -0.0201 | -0.0614 | | |
| Density of Brownfields | -0.2190 | 0.1956 | -0.0496 | 0.4079 | | |
| Density of Hazardous Waste Sites | -0.3222 | 0.0608 | 0.0341 | -0.0390 | | |

| Density of NPDES | -0.0601 | 0.2608 | 0.2996 | -0.1973 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Density of Regional Underground Storage (RUS) | -0.3514 | 0.1456 | -0.0322 | -0.0278 |
| Density of Public Libraries | 0.2301 | -0.2067 | 0.0822 | 0.4029 |
| Density of Colleges | 0.1157 | -0.1031 | -0.2363 | -0.5197 |
| Density of Jobs | 0.2980 | -0.0456 | -0.3325 | 0.1128 |

Table A8: Descriptive Statistics for the Standardized Density-Related Components

| Variable | Mean | Standard Deviation | Minimum | Maximum |
|------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Standardized PC1 | 100 | 25 | 78.76 | 428.47 |
| Standardized PC2 | 100 | 25 | -127.17 | 284.80 |
| Standardized PC3 | 100 | 25 | -135.69 | 221.75 |
| Standardized PC4 | 100 | 25 | -188.48 | 459.11 |
| | | N = 1,343 | | |

Table A9: Eigenvalues for the PCA of Proximity-Related Variables

| Component | Eigenvalue | Difference | Proportion | Cumulative |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | 3.53582 | 1.32803 | 0.35360 | 0.35360 |
| 2 | 2.20779 | 1.31608 | 0.22080 | 0.57440 |
| 3 | 0.89171 | 0.11728 | 0.08920 | 0.66350 |
| 4 | 0.77443 | 0.17574 | 0.07740 | 0.74100 |
| 5 | 0.59869 | 0.04506 | 0.05990 | 0.80080 |
| 6 | 0.55363 | 0.05188 | 0.05540 | 0.85620 |
| 7 | 0.50175 | 0.07458 | 0.05020 | 0.90640 |
| 8 | 0.42717 | 0.01906 | 0.04270 | 0.94910 |
| 9 | 0.40811 | 0.30721 | 0.04080 | 0.98990 |
| 10 | 0.10090 | - | 0.01010 | 1.00000 |

Table A10: Eigenvectors for the PCA of the Proximity-Related Variables

| Variable | PC1 | PC2 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | 0.3332 | 0.2673 |
| Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | 0.2517 | -0.0138 |
| Proximity to Nearest Hospital | 0.3208 | 0.1525 |
| Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | 0.3679 | 0.1900 |
| Proximity to Nearest Public Library | 0.3521 | 0.2355 |
| Proximity to Nearest Interstate | 0.2947 | -0.4974 |
| Proximity to Nearest Brownfield | -0.3497 | 0.2577 |
| Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | -0.3992 | -0.1662 |
| Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | -0.2997 | 0.5024 |
| Proximity to Work | 0.0716 | 0.4688 |

Table A11: Descriptive Statistics for the Standardized Proximity-Related Components

| Variable | Mean | Standard Deviation | Minimum | Maximum |
|------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Standardized PC1 | 100 | 25 | -61.86 | 136.70 |
| Standardized PC2 | 100 | 25 | 14.77 | 239.90 |

Table A12: Eigenvalues for the PCA of Diversity-Related Variables

| Component | Eigenvalue | Difference | Proportion | Cumulative |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | 1.65194 | 0.89407 | 0.55060 | 0.55060 |
| 2 | 0.75787 | 0.16768 | 0.25260 | 0.80330 |
| 3 | 0.59019 | | 0.19670 | 1.00000 |

Table A13: Eigenvectors for the PCA of the Diversity-Related Variables

| Variable | PC1 |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Percent Impervious Surface | 0.6187 |
| Racial Segregation | 0.5756 |
| Housing Stock Diversity | -0.5346 |

Table A14: Descriptive Statistics for the Standardized Diversity-Related Components

| Variable | Mean | Standard Deviation | Minimum | Maximum |
|------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Standardized PC1 | 100 | 25 | 39.59 | 161.90 |

Table A<u>15</u>: Eigenvalues for the PCA of Connectivity-Related Variables

| Component | Eigenvalue | Difference | Proportion | Cumulative |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | 1.89276 | 0.58311 | 0.31550 | 0.31550 |
| 2 | 1.30964 | 0.30757 | 0.21830 | 0.53370 |
| 3 | 1.00208 | 0.05042 | 0.16700 | 0.70070 |
| 4 | 0.95165 | 0.25460 | 0.15860 | 0.85940 |
| 5 | 0.69705 | 0.55023 | 0.11620 | 0.97550 |
| 6 | 0.14682 | | 0.02450 | 1.00000 |

Table A16: Eigenvectors for the PCA of Connectivity-Related Variables

| Variable | PC1 | PC2 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Street Connectivity | 0.6892 | -0.0884 |
| Internet Fiber | 0.1017 | 0.6880 |
| Social Capital | 0.0107 | 0.6633 |
| Internet Providers | -0.0564 | -0.0141 |
| Transit Route | 0.1884 | 0.2634 |
| Interstate | 0.6898 | -0.0966 |

Table A17: Descriptive Statistics for the Standardized Connectivity-Related Components

| Variable | Mean | Standard Deviation | Minimum | Maximum |
|------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Standardized PC1 | 100 | 25 | 79.84 | 198.31 |
| Standardized PC2 | 100 | 25 | 11.73 | 162.63 |

Correlations

Table A18. Correlations Between the Density Variables

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|--------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| | Grocery Stores | Pharmacies | Gas Stations | Nursing Homes | Parks/Rec Facilities | Transit Stops | Redlined Areas | Fire Stations | Hospitals | Public Schools | Medical Facilities | Brownfields | Hazardous Waste Sites | NPDES | RUS | Public Libraries | Colleges | Jobs |
| Grocery Stores | 1.000 | 0.482*** | 0.569*** | 0.098*** | 0.351*** | 0.141*** | 0.370*** | 0.147*** | 0.043 | 0.227*** | 0.358*** | 0.252*** | 0.468*** | 0.041 | 0.463*** | 0.319*** | 0.031 | 0.314*** |
| Pharmacies | 0.482*** | 1.000 | 0.290*** | 0.222*** | 0.312*** | 0.210*** | 0.306*** | 0.083*** | 0.394*** | 0.226*** | 0.372*** | 0.146*** | 0.477*** | 0.001 | 0.353*** | 0.328*** | 0.084*** | 0.425*** |
| Gas Stations | 0.569*** | 0.290*** | 1.000 | 0.138*** | 0.101*** | 0.125*** | 0.101*** | 0.096*** | 0.085*** | 0.206*** | 0.315*** | 0.086*** | 0.217*** | -0.070*** | 0.260*** | 0.065** | 0.021 | 0.121*** |
| Nursing Homes | 0.098*** | 0.222*** | 0.138*** | 1.000 | 0.008 | 0.036 | -0.010 | 0.016 | 0.185*** | 0.000 | 0.356*** | 0.000 | 0.030 | -0.030 | 0.042 | 0.000 | 0.004 | 0.066** |
| Parks/Rec Facilities | 0.351*** | 0.312*** | 0.101*** | 0.008 | 1.000 | 0.333*** | 0.528*** | 0.194*** | 0.028 | 0.141*** | 0.160*** | 0.281*** | 0.400*** | 0.132*** | 0.521*** | 0.462*** | 0.147*** | 0.395*** |
| Transit Stops | 0.141*** | 0.210*** | 0.125*** | 0.036 | 0.333*** | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.173*** | 0.117*** | 0.153*** | 0.118*** | 0.072*** | 0.247*** | -0.020 | 0.187*** | 0.076*** | 0.085*** | 0.273*** |
| Redlined Areas | 0.370*** | 0.306*** | 0.101*** | -0.010 | 0.528*** | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.121*** | 0.100*** | 0.223*** | 0.248*** | 0.519*** | 0.357*** | 0.106*** | 0.546*** | 0.337*** | 0.184*** | 0.380*** |
| Fire Stations | 0.147*** | 0.083*** | 0.096*** | 0.016 | 0.194*** | 0.173*** | 0.121*** | 1.000 | -0.010 | 0.092*** | 0.055** | 0.127*** | 0.141*** | 0.013 | 0.127*** | 0.083*** | 0.018 | 0.105*** |
| Hospitals | 0.043 | 0.394*** | 0.085*** | 0.185*** | 0.028 | 0.117*** | 0.100*** | -0.010 | 1.000 | 0.054** | 0.300*** | 0.028 | 0.157*** | -0.030 | 0.102*** | -0.020 | 0.111*** | 0.284*** |
| Public Schools | 0.227*** | 0.226*** | 0.206*** | 0.000 | 0.141*** | 0.153*** | 0.223*** | 0.092*** | 0.054** | 1.000 | 0.225*** | 0.197*** | 0.206*** | -0.050** | 0.232*** | 0.085*** | 0.257*** | 0.136*** |
| Medical Facilities | 0.358*** | 0.372*** | 0.315*** | 0.356*** | 0.160*** | 0.118*** | 0.248*** | 0.055** | 0.300*** | 0.225*** | 1.000 | 0.170*** | 0.230*** | -0.040 | 0.304*** | 0.119*** | 0.047* | 0.250*** |
| Brownfields | 0.252*** | 0.146*** | 0.086*** | 0.000 | 0.281*** | 0.072*** | 0.519*** | 0.127*** | 0.028 | 0.197*** | 0.170*** | 1.000 | 0.318*** | 0.046* | 0.372*** | 0.030 | 0.155*** | 0.239*** |
| Hazardous Waste Sites | 0.468*** | 0.477*** | 0.217*** | 0.030 | 0.400*** | 0.247*** | 0.357*** | 0.141*** | 0.157*** | 0.206*** | 0.230*** | 0.318*** | 1.000 | 0.114*** | 0.472*** | 0.355*** | 0.211*** | 0.417*** |
| NPDES | 0.041 | 0.001 | - 0.070*** | -0.030 | 0.132*** | -0.020 | 0.106*** | 0.013 | -0.030 | -0.055** | -0.040 | 0.046* | 0.114*** | 1.000 | 0.090*** | 0.104*** | 0.084*** | 0.223*** |
| RUS | 0.463*** | 0.353*** | 0.260*** | 0.042 | 0.521*** | 0.187*** | 0.546*** | 0.127*** | 0.102*** | 0.232*** | 0.304*** | 0.372*** | 0.472*** | 0.090*** | 1.000 | 0.424*** | 0.166*** | 0.533*** |
| Public Libraries | 0.319*** | 0.328*** | 0.065** | 0.000 | 0.462*** | 0.076*** | 0.337*** | 0.083*** | -0.020 | 0.085*** | 0.119*** | 0.030 | 0.355*** | 0.104*** | 0.424*** | 1.000 | 0.039 | 0.210*** |
| Colleges | 0.031 | 0.084*** | 0.021 | 0.004 | 0.147*** | 0.085*** | 0.184*** | 0.018 | 0.111*** | 0.257*** | 0.047* | 0.155*** | 0.211*** | 0.084*** | 0.166*** | 0.039 | 1.000 | 0.108*** |
| Jobs | 0.314*** | 0.425*** | 0.121*** | 0.066** | 0.395*** | 0.273*** | 0.380*** | 0.105*** | 0.284*** | 0.136*** | 0.250*** | 0.239*** | 0.417*** | 0.223*** | 0.533*** | 0.210*** | 0.108*** | 1.000 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Note: Cells contain the Pearson correlation coefficient estimate. *** p < 0.01, ** $0.01 \le p < 0.05$, * $p \le 0.05$

Table A19. Correlations Between the Proximity Variables

| | Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | Proximity to Nearest Hospital | Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | Proximity to Nearest Public Library | Proximity to Nearest Interstate | Proximity to Nearest Brownfield | Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | Proximity to Work |
|---|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|----------------------|
| Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | 1.000 | 0.242*** | 0.306*** | 0.464*** | 0.470*** | 0.065** | 0.221*** | 0.546*** | 0.063** | -0.240*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | 0.242*** | 1.000 | 0.226*** | 0.246*** | 0.246*** | 0.190*** | 0.180*** | 0.303*** | 0.234*** | 0.026 |
| Proximity to Nearest Hospital | 0.306*** | 0.226*** | 1.000 | 0.407*** | 0.338*** | 0.155*** | 0.319*** | 0.391*** | 0.176*** | -0.280*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | 0.464*** | 0.246*** | 0.407*** | 1.000 | 0.507*** | 0.178*** | 0.267*** | 0.510*** | 0.153*** | -0.160*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Public Library | 0.470*** | 0.246*** | 0.338*** | 0.507*** | 1.000 | 0.097*** | 0.299*** | 0.487*** | 0.113*** | -0.250*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Interstate | 0.065** | 0.190*** | 0.155*** | 0.178*** | 0.097*** | 1.000 | 0.555*** | 0.218*** | 0.895*** | 0.298*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Brownfield | 0.221*** | 0.180*** | 0.319*** | 0.267*** | 0.299*** | 0.555*** | 1.000 | 0.346*** | 0.556*** | 0.085*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | 0.546*** | 0.303*** | 0.391*** | 0.510*** | 0.487*** | 0.218*** | 0.346*** | 1.000 | 0.232*** | -0.220*** |
| Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | 0.063** | 0.234*** | 0.176*** | 0.153*** | 0.113*** | 0.895*** | 0.556*** | 0.232*** | 1.000 | 0.327*** |
| Proximity to Work | -0.240*** | 0.026 | -0.280*** | -0.165*** | -0.250*** | 0.298*** | 0.085*** | -0.220*** | 0.327*** | 1.000 |

Note: Cells contain the Pearson correlation coefficient estimate. *** p < 0.01, ** $0.01 \le p < 0.05$, * $p \le 0.05$

Table A20. Correlations Between the Diversity Variables

| | , | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Percent Impervious Surface | Racial Segregation | Housing Stock Diversity |
| Percent Impervious Surface | 1.000 | -0.392*** | 0.332*** |
| Racial Segregation | -0.392*** | 1.000 | -0.248*** |
| Housing Stock Diversity | 0.332*** | -0.248*** | 1.000 |

Note: Cells contain the Pearson correlation coefficient estimate. *** p < 0.01, ** $0.01 \le p < 0.05$, * $p \le 0.05$

Table A21. Correlations Between the Connectivity Variables

| | Street Connectivity | Internet Fiber | Social Capital | Internet Providers | Transit Route | Interstate |
|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------|
| Street Connectivity | 1 | 0.048* | -0.011 | 0.031 | 0.108*** | 0.853*** |
| Internet Fiber | 0.048* | 1 | 0.284*** | 0.004 | 0.125*** | 0.045* |
| Social Capital | -0.011 | 0.284*** | 1 | 0.002 | 0.024 | -0.024 |
| Internet Providers | 0.031 | 0.004 | 0.002 | 1 | 0.026 | 0.035 |
| Transit Route | 0.108*** | 0.125*** | 0.024 | 0.026 | 1 | 0.115*** |
| Interstate | 0.853*** | 0.045* | -0.024 | 0.035 | 0.115*** | 1 |

Note: Cells contain the Pearson correlation coefficient estimate. *** p < 0.01, ** $0.01 \le p < 0.05$, * $p \le 0.05$

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Table A22. Correlations with the Spatial Justice Index

| Variables | Pearson Coefficients | p | Expected Sign? |
|---|----------------------|---------|----------------|
| Median Household Income (\$) | 0.31005 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Median Home Value (\$) | 0.25012 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Household Poverty Rate (%) | -0.31742 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Homeownership Rate (%) | 0.34849 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Housing Vacancy Rate (%) | -0.26307 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Percent of the Population that is White | 0.40404 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Percent of the Population that is Non-White | -0.40404 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | -0.24949 | < 0.001 | Yes |

Item Analysis

Density-Related

Table A23: Item Analysis for the Density-Related Variables and the SJ Index

| Standardized Variables | Pearson Coefficient | p | Expected Sign? |
|---|------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Density of Grocery Stores | 0.0575 | 0.035 | Yes |
| Density of Pharmacies | 0.1585 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Density of Gas Stations | 0.1002 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Density of Nursing Homes | 0.0777 | 0.004 | Yes |
| Density of Parks/Rec Facilities | 0.0823 | 0.003 | Yes |
| Density of Transit Stops | 0.0792 | 0.004 | Yes |
| Density of Redlined Areas | -0.0370 | 0.176 | Yes |
| Density of Fire Stations | 0.0578 | 0.034 | Yes |
| Density of Hospitals | 0.0253 | 0.354 | Yes |
| Density of Public Schools | -0.1042 | < 0.001 | No |
| Density of Medical Facilities | 0.0366 | 0.180 | Yes |
| Density of Brownfields | -0.1262 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Density of Hazardous Waste Sites | 0.0124 | 0.649 | No |
| Density of NPDES | -0.0754 | 0.006 | Yes |
| Density of Regional Underground Storage (RUS) | 0.0835 | 0.002 | No |
| Density of Public Libraries | 0.1237 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Density of Colleges | -0.2728 | < 0.001 | No |
| Density of Jobs | 0.0330 | 0.227 | Yes |

Table A24: Item Analysis for the Proximity-Related Variables and the SJ Index

| Variable | Pearson Coefficient | p | Expected Sign? |
|---|------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Proximity to Nearest Grocery Store | 0.128 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Park/Rec Facility | 0.189 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Hospital | 0.238 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Medical Facility | 0.232 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Public Library | 0.195 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Interstate | 0.122 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Brownfield | -0.123 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Hazardous Waste Site | -0.198 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Nearest Redlined Area | -0.139 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Proximity to Work | -0.012 | 0.656 | No |

Diversity-Related

Table A25: Item Analysis for the Diversity-Related Variables and the SJ Index

| Variables | Pearson Coefficient | p | Expected Sign? |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Percent Impervious Surface | -0.12504 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Racial Segregation | 0.42496 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Housing Stock Diversity | -0.32432 | < 0.001 | No |

Connectivity-Related

Table A26: Item Analysis for the Connectivity-Related Variables and the SJ Index

| Variable | Pearson Coefficient | p | Expected Sign? |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------|----------------|
| Street Connectivity | 0.28907 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Internet Fiber | 0.38127 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Social Capital | 0.49878 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Internet Providers | -0.02541 | 0.352 | Yes |
| Transit Route | 0.17966 | < 0.001 | Yes |
| Interstate | 0.26362 | < 0.001 | Yes |

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Table A27. Correlation Between Original and Modified Indices

| Pearson Correlation Coefficient | p | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--|
| 0.630 | < 0.001 | |

