**Meta Data Name :** 2018 race and ethnicity variables, part of the demographic social dataset

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**DATA LOCATION:**

* DS01 - Policy Scan Environment Report at 4 spatial scales
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**DATA SOURCE(S) DESCRIPTION.**

Variables are obtained from the 2014 - 2018 American Community Survey (ACS), table B02001, B03002, at state, county, tract and ZIP Code Tabulation Area level. Raw data and more details can be found at <https://data.census.gov>.

**DESCRIPTION OF DATA SOURCE TABLES:**

B02001 : RACE table provides breakdown by RACE of the total population.

B03002 : HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN BY RACE table provides ethnicity breakdown of the total population.

**DESCRIPTION OF DATA PROCESSING:**

The following variables were included from B02001:

1. Estimate; RACE – Total Population
2. Estimate; RACE – White alone
3. Estimate; RACE – Black or African American alone
4. Estimate; RACE – American Indian and Alaska Native alone
5. Estimate; RACE – Asian alone
6. Estimate; RACE – Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone

The following variables were included from B03001:

1. Estimate; Hispanic or Latino – Total

Percentage for each racial/ethnic group was calculated as: estimate for the group / total population, e.g.

%White = White alone/ Total population

% Other = 1 - (%White alone + % Black or African American alone + % American Indian and Alaska Native

alone + % Asian alone + % Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone )

**KEY VARIABLE NAMES AND DEFINITIONS:**

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| Variable | Variable ID in .csv | Description |
| % White | pctWhite | Percentage of Population with Race identified as White alone |
| % Black | pctBlack | Percentage of Population with Race identified as Black or African American alone |
| % American Indian | pctAmInd | Percentage of Population with Race identified as American Indian and Alaska Native alone |
| % Asian | pctAsian | Percentage of Population with Race identified as Asian alone |
| % Native Hawaiin | pctPacIs | Percentage of Population with Race identified as Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone |
| % Other | pctOther | Percentage of Population with Race not mentioned in any of the options above (includes two race or more races) |
| % Hispanic | pctHisp | Percentage of Population with Ethnicity identified as of Hispanic or Latino origin |

**DATA LIMITATIONS:**

n/a

**COMMENTS/NOTES:**