

DATA SUMMARY

500 Cities: Local Data for Better Health

The dataset is sourced from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Population Health, Epidemiology and Surveillance Branch. It relies on data from various sources, including the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) for 2017 and 2016, Census Bureau 2010 census population data, and American Community Survey (ACS) 2013-2017 and 2012-2016 estimates.

Few key points about the 500 Cities: Local Data for Better Health, 2019 release dataset:

- It provides small area estimates for 27 measures related to health behaviors, outcomes, and preventive services for the 500 largest US cities and about 28,000 census tracts within them.
- The data is for the year 2017, with some measures from 2016 since some questions are only asked in alternate years in the BRFSS survey.
- The data comes from the CDC, RWJF, and other sources like the Census and BRFSS survey.
- The goal is to help identify emerging health issues and inform public health prevention activities in cities and neighborhoods.
- The estimates should not be used for program or policy evaluations since the small area model cannot detect local intervention effects.
- Overall, this data set provides valuable localized information on chronic disease and prevention metrics to enable better public health initiatives targeting specific city areas.

We have explored the data which have downloaded from CDC paces data website. Following are our findings.

Based on our analysis we have found following predictors:

- Location: state, city name, geographic level (city or tract)
- Category: Behaviors, outcomes, prevention
- Measure: Specific health metric like obesity, diabetes, mammograms
- Data value: Prevalence estimate for the measure.
- Population count: For city or tract

Deriving insights from the data:

- We can compare health behaviors, outcomes, and prevention services usage across cities and neighborhoods.

- We can identify cities/tracts with particularly high or low prevalence for specific health measures.
- Able to see health disparities between cities and within census tracts of the same city.
- Track year-over-year trends in health metrics for cities

We can do the following visualizations on this dataset:

- Choropleth maps showing measure prevalence by census tract within cities.
- Heatmaps of health metrics across cities
- Line charts of trends over time for specific cities
- Scatter plots comparing behaviors, outcomes, and prevention measures.

Screenshot of dataset:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y
1	Year	StateAbbr	StateDesc	CityName	Geograph	DataSource	Category	UniquelD	Measure	Data_Valu	Data_Value	Data_Valu	Low_Conf	High	Corr	Data_Valu	Data_Valu	Population	GeoLocat	CategoryII	MeasureI	CityFIPS	TractFIPS	Short_Question_Text	
2	2017	CA	California	Hawthorn	Census Tr	BRFSS	Health Ou	0632548	Arthritis a %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	14.6	13.9	15.2				4,407	(33.90554	HLTHOUT	ARTHRITIS	632548	6E+09	Arthritis	
3	2017	CA	California	Hawthorn	City	BRFSS	Unhealthy	632548	Current sr %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	15.4	15	15.9				84,293	(33.91466	UNHBEH	CSMOKIN	632548		Current Smoking	
4	2017	CA	California	Hayward	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	633000	Coronary %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	4.8	4.7	4.8				144,186	(37.63295	HLTHOUT	CHD	633000		Coronary Heart Disease	
5	2017	CA	California	Hayward	City	BRFSS	Unhealthy	633000	Obesity ar %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	24.2	24.1	24.4				144,186	(37.63295	UNHBEH	OBESITY	633000		Obesity	
6	2017	CA	California	Hemet	City	BRFSS	Preventio	633182	Cholesterol	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	78	77.6	78.3				78,657	(33.73522	PREVENT	CHOLSCRE	633182		Cholesterol Screening	
7	2017	CA	California	Indio	Census Tr	BRFSS	Health Ou	0636448	Arthritis a %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	22	21.1	22.8				5,006	(33.71446	HLTHOUT	ARTHRITIS	636448	6.1E+09	Arthritis	
8	2017	CA	California	Indio	City	BRFSS	Unhealthy	636448	Binge drin %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	17.7	17.5	17.9				76,036	(33.72586	UNHBEH	BINGE	636448		Binge Drinking	
9	2017	CA	California	Indio	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	636448	Chronic cl %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	6	5.8	6.2				76,036	(33.72586	HLTHOUT	COPD	636448		COPD	
10	2017	CA	California	Inglewood	Census Tr	BRFSS	Health Ou	0636546	Diagnosec %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	12.7	12	13.5				2,472	(33.94391	HLTHOUT	DIABETES	636546	6E+09	Diabetes	
11	2016	CA	California	Inglewood	City	BRFSS	Preventio	636546	Mammog %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	82.5	82	83				109,673	(33.95651	PREVENT	MAMMOI	636546		Mammography	
12	2017	CA	California	Lakewood	City	BRFSS	Unhealthy	639892	Obesity ar %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	22.1	21.9	22.2				80,048	(33.84705	UNHBEH	OBESITY	639892		Obesity	
13	2016	CA	California	Lakewood	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	639892	All teeth l %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	8.2	7.5	8.9				80,048	(33.84705	HLTHOUT	TEETHLOS	639892		Teeth Loss	
14	2017	CA	California	Livermore	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	641992	Current as %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	8.9	8.8	9				80,968	(37.68651	HLTHOUT	CASTHMA	641992		Current Asthma	
15	2017	US	United States	US		BRFSS	Preventio	59	Current la %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	15.2	14.9	15.5				#####		PREVENT	ACCESS2				Health Insurance
16	2017	AL	Alabama	Hoover	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	135896	Chronic ki %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	2.4	2.4	2.5				81,619	(33.37676	HLTHOUT	KIDNEY	135896		Chronic Kidney Disease	
17	2016	AL	Alabama	Hoover	Census Tr	BRFSS	Preventio	0135896	Mammog %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	81.9	78.7	84.5				1,636	(33.39231	PREVENT	MAMMOI	135896	1.1E+09	Mammography	
18	2016	AL	Alabama	Hoover	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	135896	All teeth l %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	8.3	7.3	9.3				81,619	(33.37676	HLTHOUT	TEETHLOS	135896		Teeth Loss	
19	2017	AL	Alabama	Huntsville	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	137000	Coronary %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	6.7	6.6	6.8				180,105	(34.69896	HLTHOUT	CHD	137000		Coronary Heart Disease	
20	2017	AL	Alabama	Huntsville	Census Tr	BRFSS	Health Ou	0137000	Diagnosec %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	9.3	8.5	10.3				4,387	(34.61275	HLTHOUT	DIABETES	137000	1.1E+09	Diabetes	
21	2017	AL	Alabama	Huntsville	Census Tr	BRFSS	Unhealthy	0137000	Obesity ar %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	30.3	29.2	31.5				2,654	(34.76365	UNHBEH	OBESITY	137000	1.1E+09	Obesity	
22	2017	AL	Alabama	Huntsville	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	137000	Stroke am %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	3.6	3.5	3.6				180,105	(34.69896	HLTHOUT	STROKE	137000		Stroke	
23	2017	AL	Alabama	Mobile	City	BRFSS	Unhealthy	150000	Obesity ar %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	38.2	38	38.3				195,111	(30.67762	UNHBEH	OBESITY	150000		Obesity	
24	2017	AL	Alabama	Montgom	City	BRFSS	Preventio	151000	Cholesterol	CrDPrv	Crude pre	80.2	79.9	80.4				205,764	(32.34726	PREVENT	CHOLSCRE	151000		Cholesterol Screening	
25	2016	AL	Alabama	Montgom	City	BRFSS	Preventio	151000	Visits to d %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	60.6	60	61.2				205,764	(32.34726	PREVENT	DENTAL	151000		Dental Visit	
26	2017	AL	Alabama	Tuscaloos	City	BRFSS	Health Ou	177256	Stroke am %	AgeAdjPrv	Age-adjust	4.2	4.1	4.3				90,468	(33.23366	HLTHOUT	STROKE	177256		Stroke	
27	2017	AK	Alaska	Anchorage	Census Tr	BRFSS	Health Ou	0203000	Diagnosec %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	7.4	6.9	7.8				4,993	(61.15935	HLTHOUT	DIABETES	203000	2E+09	Diabetes	
28	2016	AK	Alaska	Anchorage	Census Tr	BRFSS	Preventio	0203000	Mammog %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	74	69.4	77.9				5,217	(61.05624	PREVENT	MAMMOI	203000	2E+09	Mammography	
29	2017	AZ	Arizona	Avondale	Census Tr	BRFSS	Unhealthy	0404720	Obesity ar %	CrDPrv	Crude pre	30.6	29.6	31.5				3,978	(33.45055	UNHBEH	OBESITY	404720	4E+09	Obesity	
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