PUBPOL 2130 / INFO 3130
Exam Review

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General Announcements

- Exam on Thursday (*in-class*)
- Makeup class tomorrow on Zoom **@4pm**
- Questions graded on scale from 0-4 (like homeworks)
- Adding explanations and showing work can help
  - E.g., explain *why* your proposed code may work
- There aren't necessarily right answers
  - Be familiar with material and ready to discuss it thoughtfully
- 1-2 sentences **true/false**; 3-4 sentences **short answer**

Agenda

- Follow-ups from lab
- Practice finding new ACS variables
- Practice problems
  - 5 minutes discuss in pairs
  - 10 minutes discuss as a class
- Homework + office hours

Week 3 Follow-Ups

- Projections
    - Projecting the earth's sphere onto a flat map creates *distortions*

U.S. National Atlas Equal Area
EPSG:2163

Mercator
EPSG:3857

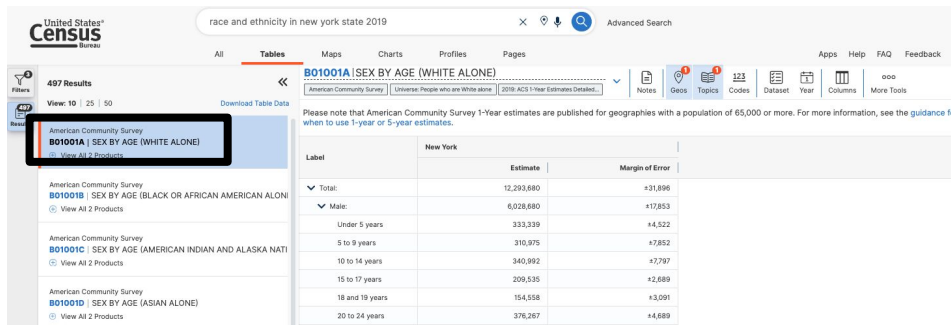Hawaii State Plane Zone 3
EPSG:102663

Week 3 Follow-Ups

- Projections
  - Projecting the earth's sphere onto a flat map creates *distortions*
- Unprojected *datum* (will still be in degrees):
  - EPSG 4326/WGS 84
  - EPSG:4269/NAD 83 (common in the Census)
  - May create issues when plotting!
- *Projected* coordinate system
  - U.S. National Atlas Equal Area projection (United States)
  - Universal Transverse Mercator (regional)
  - State plane coordinate system (regional in United States)

Finding New ACS Variables

Where to find variables:
- Census API documentation
- Census table shells and our Google sheet
- https://data.census.gov/

"E" stands for estimate

ACS data contain variables ending in E, EA, M, MA, PE, PM an[...] below for each variable type and its meaning

Variable Type	Title	Related Products	Meaning
E	Estimate	Summary Files, Subject Tables, Data Profiles, Comparison Profiles	A numeric representation of the estimate
EA	Estimate Annotation	Subject Tables, Comparison Profiles	A character representation of the estimate. If an Estimate Annotation exists, use this value in place of the Estimate.(See Example #1 in Estimate and Annotation Values)
M	Margin of Error	Summary Files, Subject Tables, Data Profiles	A numeric representation of the margin of error.
MA	Margin of Error Annotation	Subject Tables Only	A character representation of the margin of error. If a Margin of Error Annotation exists, use this value in place of the Margin of Error.
PE	Percent Estimate	Data Profiles Only	An estimate representing a percent of the total.
PM	Percent Margin of Error	Data Profiles Only	The Margin of Error for the corresponding Percent Estimate (PE) variable
SS	Statistical Significance	Comparison Profiles Only	Returns '*' or 'c' representing the Statistical Significance for the corresponding estimate (E) variable. (See Example #2 in Estimate and Annotation Values) An * indicates that the estimate is significantly different (at a 90% confidence level) than the estimate from the most current year. A "c" indicates the estimates for that year and the current year are both controlled; a statistical test is not appropriate.

United States Census Bureau

race and ethnicity in new york state 2019   Advanced Search

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497 Results

B01001A | SEX BY AGE (WHITE ALONE)

View: 10 | 25 | 50   Download Table Data

American Community Survey   Universe: People who are White alone   2019: ACS 1-Year Estimates Detailed...

Notes Geos Topics Codes Dataset Year Columns More Tools

American Community Survey
B01001A | SEX BY AGE (WHITE ALONE)
View All 2 Products

American Community Survey
B01001B | SEX BY AGE (BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN ALONE)
View All 2 Products

American Community Survey
B01001C | SEX BY AGE (AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATI
View All 2 Products

American Community Survey
B01001D | SEX BY AGE (ASIAN ALONE)
View All 2 Products

Please note that American Community Survey 1-Year estimates are published for geographies with a population of 65,000 or more. For more information, see the guidance for when to use 1-year or 5-year estimates.

Label	New York	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total:	12,293,680	±31,896
Male:	6,028,680	±17,853
Under 5 years	333,339	±4,522
5 to 9 years	310,975	±7,852
10 to 14 years	340,992	±7,797
15 to 17 years	209,535	±2,689
18 and 19 years	154,558	±3,091
20 to 24 years	376,267	±4,689

Student examples of possible correct answers

- df["Clinton_share"] = df["Clinton"]/(df["Clinton"] + df["Trump"])
- arr = ['Cornell', 'campus', 'math', 'public policy', 'info', 'Ithaca']
- returns: ['Cornell', 'campus', 'public policy', 'Ithaca']
- df['B'].head(5).sum()
- df.iloc[0:5, 1].sum()
- df[df["B"]<60]["B"].sum()