What Percent of the Population in Historically Redlined Areas is Black? Baltimore, MD - 2010

Percent Black People per Area

- 0% - 20%
- 20% - 40%
- 40% - 60%
- 60% - 80%
- 80% - 100%
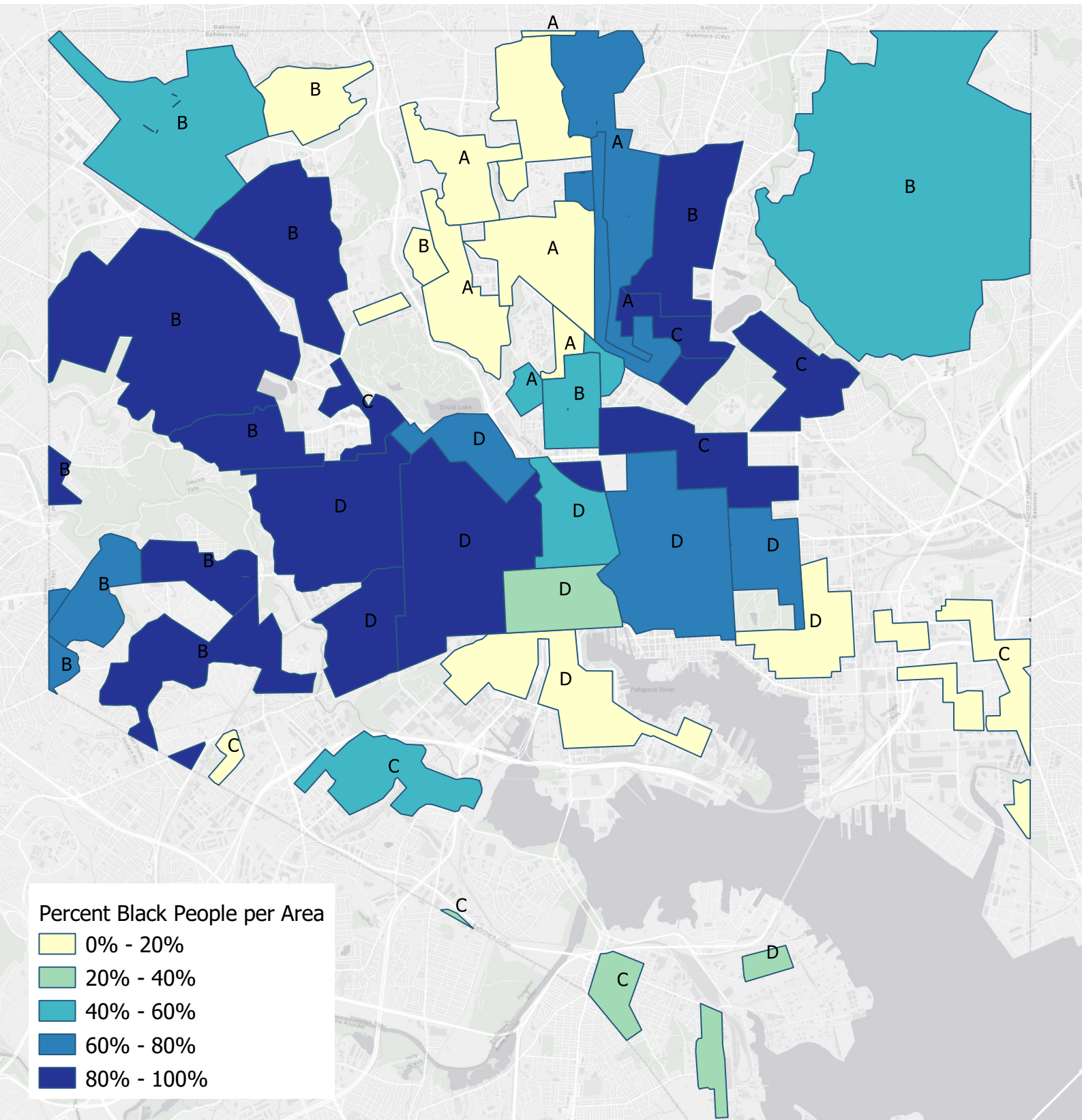
In 1937, the Home Owner's Loan Corporation (HOLC) published the "Redlining Map" of Baltimore, which ranked certain neighborhoods as A, B, C, or D, ranging from "low risk" to "high risk." This map was used by mortgage lenders as a means to deny loans to people who lived in "high-risk" areas. This resulted in many low-income black residents being denied mortgages and loans, increasing poverty levels for African-Americans in those neighborhoods.

The consequences of redlining can be seen in the racial makeup of these areas today. In A-ranked areas, roughly 33% of the population in 2010 was black. In B-ranked areas, 75% of the population was black. In C-ranked areas, 67% of the population was black. In D-ranked areas, 63% of the population was black.