# LSCOG 2050 LRTP - Base Year SE Data Development

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## 1 Set up the environment

This section establishes the computational environment for processing socioeconomic data inputs for the Lower Savannah Council of Governments regional travel demand model using both R and Python platforms.

## 1.1 Install and load packages

The package installation process incorporates essential libraries for comprehensive geospatial data analysis.

The R environment utilizes the pacman package manager to streamline the installation of multiple packages simultaneously, including tidyverse for data manipulation, sf for spatial data handling, tidycensus for Census Bureau data access, and lehdr for Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics data retrieval.

The Python environment focuses on core data science libraries including pandas for data manipulation, geopandas for spatial analysis, and pygris for Census data queries. These packages form the analytical backbone for processing demographic, employment, and geographic data required for travel demand modeling.

#### 1.1.-.a R

```
# # Install required packages
# install.packages(c(
# "tidyverse",
# "sf",
# "tidycensus",
# "lehdr",
# "arcgislayers",
# "mapview",
# "RColorBrewer",
# "janitor"
# ), dependencies = TRUE)
# Load packages
library(tidyverse) # Data manipulation and visualization
library(sf) # Spatial analysis
library(tidycensus) # Accessing US Census Data
library(lehdr) # Access LODES data
library(arcgislayers) # ArcGIS REST API access
```

```
library(mapview)  # Interactive mapping
library(RColorBrewer) # Color palettes for maps
library(janitor)  # Data cleaning and preparation
```

#### 1.1.-.b Python

```
# Install required packages if not available
# pip install numpy pandas geopandas shapely folium requests pygris
# Load processing libraries & modules
import os
from pathlib import Path
import zipfile
import requests
import urllib.parse
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
# Load data and visualization libraries & modules
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import geopandas as gpd
import folium
from shapely.geometry import Point
# Census data query libraries & modules
from pygris import blocks, block_groups
from pygris.helpers import validate_state, validate_county
from pygris.data import get_census, get_lodes
```

## 1.2 Set global options and parameters

Configuration settings optimize performance and establish spatial consistency. The tigris cache prevents redundant TIGER/Line shapefile downloads. The South Carolina State Plane coordinate system (EPSG:3361) serves as the standard projection for accurate GIS operations

#### 1.2.-.a R

```
# Set options
options(tigris_use_cache = TRUE) # cache tiger/line shapefile for future use
# set project CRS
project_crs <- "EPSG:3361"</pre>
```

#### 1.2.-.b Python

```
# Set project CRS
project_crs = "EPSG:3361"
```

## 1.3 Set census API key

API authentication enables access to detailed demographic and economic datasets from the Census Bureau. The key configuration supports both R and Python environments for automated data retrieval workflows.

Need a Census API key? Get one for free at census.gov/developers

#### 1.3.-.a R

```
# Set your API key into environment
tidycensus::census api key("your api key here", install = TRUE)
```

### 1.3.-.b Python

```
# Set your API key into environment
os.environ['CENSUS_API_KEY'] = 'your_api_key_here'
```

## 1.4 Project folder

The centralized directory structure organizes input data, processing files, and model outputs. The standardized root folder path ensures consistent file management across computing environments and team members.

#### 1.4.-.a R

```
# Set your main data folder
root <- "M:/MA Project/SC LSCOG LRTP"</pre>
```

### 1.4.-.b Python

```
# Set your main data folder
root = "M:/MA_Project/SC_LSCOG LRTP"
```

## 2 Define study area

This section defines the geographic extent of the Lower Savannah Council of Governments region and loads the Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) geometry for spatial analysis.

### 2.1 Define state and counties

The study area encompasses six counties within South Carolina: Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, and Orangeburg. These counties constitute the LSCOG planning region for travel demand modeling purposes.

#### 2.1.-.a R

```
# Define state abbreviation and county names
state_abb <- "SC"
county_names <- c(
   "Aiken",
   "Allendale",
   "Bamberg",
   "Barnwell",
   "Calhoun",
   "Orangeburg"
)</pre>
```

#### 2.1.-.b Python

```
# Define state abbreviation and county names
state_abb = "SC"
county_names = [
    "Aiken",
    "Allendale",
    "Bamberg",
    "Barnwell",
    "Calhoun",
    "Orangeburg"
]
```

FIPS code conversion translates state abbreviations and county names into standardized Federal Information Processing Standard codes. These codes enable consistent data retrieval across census datasets and ensure proper geographic matching with demographic and economic data sources.

#### 2.1.-.c R

```
# Converting state abbreviation code to FIPS code
state_fips <- tidycensus:::validate_state(state = state_abb)
county_fips <- vapply(
    county_names,
    function(x) tidycensus:::validate_county(state = state_abb, county = x),
    character(1)
)
# Converting County Names to FIPS code
fips_codes <- paste(state_fips, county_fips, sep = "")
fips_codes</pre>
```

```
[1] "45003" "45005" "45009" "45011" "45017" "45075"
```

## 2.1.-.d Python

```
# Converting state abbreviation code to FIPS code
state_fips = validate_state(state_abb)
```

```
Using FIPS code '45' for input 'SC'
```

```
# Converting County Names to FIPS code
county_fips = [
   validate_county(state_fips, county)
   for county in county_names
]
```

```
Using FIPS code '003' for input 'Aiken'
Using FIPS code '005' for input 'Allendale'
Using FIPS code '009' for input 'Bamberg'
Using FIPS code '011' for input 'Barnwell'
Using FIPS code '017' for input 'Calhoun'
Using FIPS code '075' for input 'Orangeburg'
```

```
# Converting County Names to FIPS code
fips_codes = [f"{state_fips}{county}" for county in county_fips]
fips_codes
```

```
['45003', '45005', '45009', '45011', '45017', '45075']
```

## 2.2 Load TAZ geometry

The TAZ shapefile provides the fundamental spatial framework for travel demand modeling. The geometry is loaded from the TDM exports geodatabase and filtered to include only zones within the six-county study area using FIPS code matching.

Coordinate transformation converts the TAZ geometry to the project's standard coordinate reference system (EPSG:3361) for accurate spatial calculations. The attribute selection retains essential fields including TAZ identifiers, area measurements, area type classifications, and county assignments.

#### 2.2.-.a R

```
# Load TAZ Shapefile
lscog_taz <- sf::read_sf(
  file.path(root, "GIS/data_temp/TDM Exports/TDM_Exports.gdb"),
  query = paste0(
    "SELECT * FROM \"SE_2019_AD_10_30_2023\" WHERE countyID IN (",
    paste0("'", fips_codes, "'", collapse = ", "),
    ")"</pre>
```

```
}

sf::st_transform(project_crs) |>
dplyr::select(
    ID,
    Area,
    Acres,
    TAZ_ID = TAZ_IDs,
    AREA_TYPE,
    COUNTY,
    COUNTYID = countyID
}

lscog_taz
```

```
Simple feature collection with 585 features and 7 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
              XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691490 ymin: 331894 xmax: 2237471 ymax: 744679.9
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 585 × 8
        ID Area Acres
                         TAZ_ID AREA_TYPE COUNTY
                                                      COUNTYID
     <int> <dbl> <int> <chr>
                                         <chr>
                                                         <int>
1 9050130 13.3 8518. 9050130 RURAL
                                         Bamberg SC
                                                         45009
2 9050132 39.2 25084. 9050132 RURAL
                                         Bamberg SC
                                                        45009
3 75050131 9.03 5778. 75050131 RURAL
                                         Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
4 75050045 15.5 9934. 75050045 RURAL
                                         Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
5 75050182 17.5 11216. 75050182 SUBURBAN Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
6 75050183 12.8 8191. 75050183 RURAL
                                         Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
7 75050172 8.10 5181. 75050172 SUBURBAN Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
8 75050204 13.4 8568. 75050204 SUBURBAN Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
9 75050200 6.00 3843. 75050200 SUBURBAN Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
10 75050201 5.06 3239. 75050201 SUBURBAN Orangeburg S
                                                        45075
# i 575 more rows
# i 1 more variable: SHAPE <MULTIPOLYGON [foot]>
```

#### 2.2.-.b Python

```
# Load TAZ Shapefile
lscog_taz = gpd.read_file(
    Path(root) / "GIS/data_temp/TDM Exports/TDM_Exports.gdb",
    layer="SE_2019_AD_10_30_2023",
    where=f"countyID IN ({', '.join([f"'{fips}'" for fips in fips_codes])})"
)
lscog_taz = lscog_taz.to_crs(project_crs)
```

```
lscog_taz = lscog_taz.rename(
  columns={
    'TAZ_IDs': 'TAZ_ID',
    'countyID': 'COUNTYID'
})[['ID', 'Area', 'Acres', 'TAZ_ID', 'AREA_TYPE', 'COUNTY', 'COUNTYID',
    'geometry']]

lscog_taz
```

```
ID ...
                                                           geometry
     9050130 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2046194.08 478862.054, 2046134...
0
1
     9050132 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2012593.472 500179.47, 2013190...
2
    75050131 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2056266.071 515975.986, 205617...
3
    75050045 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2061826.693 488917.873, 206173...
4
    75050182 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2154221.857 534929.221, 215441...
         5050049 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1924248.136 433664.04, 1924004...
580
581
     5050055 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1905461.23 427627.626, 1905456...
582
     5050066 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1880812.362 414251.546, 188090...
583
     5050054 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1871871.454 413403.458, 187167...
584
     5050065 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1849074.015 398566.33, 1849218...
[585 rows x 8 columns]
```

The interactive map visualization displays the TAZ structure colored by county, providing spatial context for the analysis area and enabling quality assurance of the geometric data loading process.

#### 2.2.-.c R

```
# Create interactive map
mapview::mapview(lscog_taz, zcol = "COUNTY", lwd = 1.6, map.types =
"CartoDB.Positron", col.regions = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(6, "Dark2"))
```

#### 2.2.-.d Python

```
# Create interactive map
lscog_taz.explore(column="COUNTY", categorical=True, legend=True,
tiles="CartoDB positron", zoom_start=8)
```

#### 3 Fetch raw data

This section retrieves demographic, economic, and employment data from multiple Census Bureau sources at the appropriate geographic scales for travel demand modeling.

### 3.1 2020 Decennial census

The 2020 Decennial Census provides population and housing data at the census block level, offering the finest spatial resolution for demographic analysis. Population variables include total population, group quarters population, and household population derived by subtraction. Housing variables encompass total dwelling units and household counts by size categories.

Household size distributions are consolidated into four categories: 1-person, 2-person, 3-person, and 4-or-more-person households. The 4-or-more category aggregates larger household sizes to simplify model implementation while maintaining essential demographic stratification for trip generation analysis.

For more information on the Decennial Census data, refer to the Decennial Census Technical Documentation.

#### 3.1.-.a R

```
# Define variables to download
dec variables <- c(</pre>
   TOTPOP = "P1 001N", # Total Population
    GQPOP = "P18 001N", # Population living in Group Quarters
    DU = "H1_001N", # Dwelling Units
    HH_1 = "H9_002N", # 1-person household
    HH_2 = "H9_003N", # 2-person household
    HH 3 = "H9 004N", # 3-person household
    \# HH 4 = "H9 005N", \# 4-person household
    # HH 5 = "H9 006N", # 5-person household
    # HH_6 = "H9_007N", # 6-person household
   \# HH 7 = "H9 008N", \# 7-or-more-person household
   HH = "H9 001N" # Total Number of Households
  )
# Load Population and Household Data
lscog dec <- tidycensus::get decennial(</pre>
 year = 2020,
  sumfile = "dhc",
  geography = "block",
 state = state fips,
  county = county_fips,
 output = "wide",
  cb = FALSE,
 geometry = TRUE,
  keep geo vars = TRUE,
 # key = Sys.getenv('CENSUS_API_KEY'),
 variables = dec variables
) |>
  sf::st transform(project crs) |>
  dplyr::mutate(
```

```
HHPOP = TOTPOP - GQPOP,
HH_4 = HH - (HH_1 + HH_2 + HH_3)
) |>
dplyr::select(GEOID, TOTPOP, GQPOP, HHPOP, HH, HH_1, HH_2, HH_3, HH_4, DU)
lscog_dec
```

```
Simple feature collection with 13961 features and 10 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
                                                XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 13,961 × 11
                                                              TOTPOP GOPOP HHPOP
                                                                                                                                       HH HH_1 HH_2 HH_3 HH_4
         GEOID
         <chr>
                                                                 <dbl> 
  1 450179504004051
                                                                          0
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   2 450179504003011
                                                                                                  4 50 16
                                                                           54
                                                                                                                                                              3
                                                                                                                                                                                                      3
                                                                                                                                                                                                                     9
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           18
  3 450179502011045
                                                                          0
                                                                                                  0 0 0 0 0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             0
  4 450179504001020

      5
      450750105003029
      13
      0
      13
      4
      0
      3
      0
      1

      6
      450750117021009
      10
      0
      10
      3
      3
      0
      0
      0

      7
      450750117011051
      0
      0
      0
      0
      0
      0
      0

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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             8
                                                                         6 0 6 4 0 1 2 1 4
  8 450750118021087
                                                                          0 0 0
                                                                                                                                                              0 0 0 0
  9 450750120003020
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               0
                                                                                                                   18
                                                                                                                                                                                   0
                                                                                                                                                                                                      0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                           0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          1
10 450179501003046
                                                                           18
                                                                                                  0
                                                                                                                                           0
                                                                                                                                                               0
# i 13,951 more rows
# i 1 more variable: geometry <MULTIPOLYGON [foot]>
```

### 3.1.-.b Python

```
state=state fips,
    county=county_fips,
    year=2020,
    cache=True
)
# Download decennial census data at block level
lscog dec = get census(
    dataset="dec/dhc",
    year=2020,
    variables=list(dec_variables.keys()),
    params={
        "for": f"block:*",
       # "key": f"{os.getenv('CENSUS_API_KEY')}",
        "in": f"state:{state_fips} county:{','.join(county_fips)}"
    return_geoid=True,
    guess_dtypes=True,
)
# join data to geometry
lscog_dec = lscog_cb[['GEOID20', 'geometry']].merge(lscog_dec, left_on =
"GEOID20", right_on = "GEOID")
# Rename columns
lscog_dec = lscog_dec.rename(columns=dec_variables)
# Transform CRS
lscog_dec = lscog_dec.to_crs(project_crs)
# Calculate derived variables
lscog_dec['HHPOP'] = lscog_dec['TOTPOP'] - lscog_dec['GQPOP']
lscog_dec['HH_4'] = lscog_dec['HH'] - (
    lscog_dec['HH_1'] + lscog_dec['HH_2'] + lscog_dec['HH_3']
)
# Select final columns
lscog_dec = lscog_dec[['GEOID', 'TOTPOP', 'GQPOP', 'HHPOP',
                      'HH', 'HH_1', 'HH_2', 'HH_3', 'HH_4', 'DU', 'geometry']]
lscog_dec
```

```
GEOID ... geometry

450179504004051 ... POLYGON ((2084300.974 622308.526, 2084460.74 6...

450179504003011 ... POLYGON ((2112518.54 626782.208, 2112608.778 6...

450179502011045 ... POLYGON ((2067775.167 662339.483, 2068091.491 ...

450179504001020 ... POLYGON ((2087947.053 684345.612, 2087992.284 ...
```

```
4 450750105003029 ... POLYGON ((2089072.743 552687.443, 2089248.831 ...
13956 450059705003050 ... POLYGON ((1926607.333 409005.466, 1926609.861 ...
13957 450030203042000 ... POLYGON ((1778751.197 641782.585, 1778797.329 ...
13958 450030218002115 ... POLYGON ((1919787.314 648288.439, 1919913.531 ...
13959 450030206012008 ... POLYGON ((1723756.559 630234.507, 1723784.384 ...
13960 450059705002005 ... POLYGON ((1926817.622 432583.896, 1930423.825 ...

[13961 rows x 11 columns]
```

#### 3.2 2020 ACS estimates

The American Community Survey 5-year estimates provide household income data at the block group level. Income categories are aggregated into three broad ranges: under \$15,000, \$15,000-\$49,999, and \$50,000 and above. This stratification aligns with travel behavior research indicating distinct mobility patterns across income levels.

The block group geography represents the finest spatial resolution available for ACS income data, providing sufficient detail for socioeconomic modeling while maintaining statistical reliability through the 5-year aggregation period.

For more information on the ACS data, refer to the ACS Technical Documentation.

#### 3.2.-.a R

```
# Define variables to download
acs variables <- c(
    INC_CAT_02 = "B19001_002", # Less than $10,000
    INC CAT 03 = "B19001 003", # $10,000 to $14,999
    INC CAT 04 = "B19001 004", # $15,000 to $19,999
    INC_CAT_05 = "B19001_005", # $20,000 to $24,999
    INC CAT 06 = "B19001 \ 006", # $25,000 to $29,999
    INC CAT_07 = "B19001_007", # $30,000 to $34,999
    INC CAT 08 = "B19001 008", # $35,000 to $39,999
    INC CAT 09 = "B19001 009", # $40,000 to $44,999
    INC CAT 10 = "B19001 010", # $45,000 to $49,999
    # INC_CAT_11 = "B19001_011", # $50,000 to $59,999
    # INC CAT 12 = "B19001 012", # $60,000 to $74,999
    # INC CAT 13 = "B19001 013", # $75,000 to $99,999
    # INC CAT 14 = "B19001 014", # $100,000 to $124,999
    # INC CAT 15 = "B19001 015", # $125,000 to $149,999
    # INC CAT 16 = "B19001 016", # $150,000 to $199,999
    # INC CAT 17 = "B19001 017", # $200,000 or more
    INC_CAT_01 = "B19001_001" # Total
# Load Household Income Data
```

```
lscog_acs <- tidycensus::get_acs(</pre>
 year = 2020,
  survey = "acs5",
  geography = "block group",
  state = state_fips,
  county = county_fips,
 output = "wide",
 cb = FALSE,
 geometry = TRUE,
 # key = Sys.getenv('CENSUS API KEY'),
 variables = acs_variables
) |>
  sf::st_transform(project_crs) |>
 dplyr::mutate(
    INC_14999 = INC_CAT_02E + INC_CAT_03E,
    INC 49999 = INC CAT 04E +
      INC_CAT_05E +
      INC_CAT_06E +
      INC CAT 07E +
      INC CAT 08E +
      INC CAT 09E +
      INC_CAT_10E,
    INC_{50000} = INC_{CAT_{01E}} - (INC_{14999} + INC_{49999})
  ) |>
 dplyr::select(GEOID, INC_TOTAL = INC_CAT_01E, INC_14999, INC_49999,
INC_50000)
lscog_acs
```

```
Simple feature collection with 262 features and 5 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
              XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
First 10 features:
         GEOID INC_TOTAL INC_14999 INC_49999 INC_50000
1 450030207011
                     467
                               82
                                         171
                     949
                                         256
2 450030212052
                                0
                                                   693
                               21
3 450030212051
                     857
                                         250
                                                   586
4 450030213001
                     612
                               103
                                         129
                                                   380
5 450030216031
                    1191
                               176
                                         303
                                                   712
6 450030215003
                    773
                               95
                                         240
                                                   438
7 450030205004
                    1081
                                56
                                         302
                                                   723
8 450030205003
                     937
                                37
                                         158
                                                   742
9 450030212041
                     758
                                37
                                         344
                                                   377
10 450030215004
                     973
                                77
                                         247
                                                   649
                        geometry
```

```
1 MULTIPOLYGON (((1701402 614...
2 MULTIPOLYGON (((1776367 591...
3 MULTIPOLYGON (((1768340 598...
4 MULTIPOLYGON (((1768476 630...
5 MULTIPOLYGON (((1785900 618...
6 MULTIPOLYGON (((1782074 620...
7 MULTIPOLYGON (((1707972 630...
8 MULTIPOLYGON (((1708123 634...
9 MULTIPOLYGON (((1775528 610...
10 MULTIPOLYGON (((1779272 619...
```

### 3.2.-.b Python

```
# Define variables to download
acs_variables = {
    'B19001_002E': 'INC_CAT_02', # Less than $10,000
    'B19001_003E': 'INC_CAT_03', # $10,000 to $14,999
    'B19001_004E': 'INC_CAT_04', # $15,000 to $19,999
    'B19001_005E': 'INC_CAT_05', # $20,000 to $24,999
    'B19001_006E': 'INC_CAT_06', # $25,000 to $29,999
    'B19001_007E': 'INC_CAT_07', # $30,000 to $34,999
    'B19001 008E': 'INC CAT 08', # $35,000 to $39,999
    'B19001_009E': 'INC_CAT_09', # $40,000 to $44,999
    'B19001_010E': 'INC_CAT_10', # $45,000 to $49,999
    # 'B19001 011E': 'INC CAT 11', # $50,000 to $59,999
    # 'B19001_012E': 'INC_CAT_12', # $60,000 to $74,999
    # 'B19001_013E': 'INC_CAT_13', # $75,000 to $99,999
    # 'B19001_014E': 'INC_CAT_14', # $100,000 to $124,999
    # 'B19001 015E': 'INC CAT 15', # $125,000 to $149,999
   # 'B19001_016E': 'INC_CAT_16', # $150,000 to $199,999
    # 'B19001_017E': 'INC_CAT_17', # $200,000 or more
    'B19001_001E': 'INC_CAT_01'  # Total
}
# get blockgroup geometries
lscog_bg = block_groups(
    state=state_fips,
    county=county fips,
    year=2020,
    cache=True
)
# Download household income data at block group level
lscog acs = get census(
    dataset="acs/acs5",
    year=2020,
    variables=list(acs_variables.keys()),
    params={
```

```
"for": f"block group:*",
        # "key": f"{os.getenv('CENSUS_API_KEY')}",
        "in": f"state:{state_fips} county:{','.join(county_fips)}"
    },
    return_geoid=True,
    guess_dtypes=True
)
# join data to geometry
lscog_acs = lscog_bg[['GEOID', 'geometry']].merge(lscog_acs, on = "GEOID")
# Rename columns
lscog acs = lscog acs.rename(columns=acs variables)
# Transform CRS
lscog acs = lscog acs.to crs(project crs)
# Calculate derived variables
lscog_acs['INC_14999'] = lscog_acs['INC_CAT_02'] + lscog_acs['INC_CAT_03']
lscog acs['INC 49999'] = (
    lscog acs['INC CAT 04'] +
    lscog_acs['INC_CAT_05'] +
    lscog acs['INC CAT 06'] +
    lscog_acs['INC_CAT_07'] +
    lscog_acs['INC_CAT_08'] +
    lscog_acs['INC_CAT_09'] +
    lscog_acs['INC_CAT_10']
)
lscog_acs['INC_50000'] = lscog_acs['INC_CAT_01'] - (
    lscog_acs['INC_14999'] + lscog_acs['INC_49999']
)
# Select final columns
lscog_acs = lscog_acs.rename(columns={'INC_CAT_01': 'INC_TOTAL'})
lscog_acs = lscog_acs[['GEOID', 'INC_TOTAL', 'INC_14999', 'INC_49999',
'INC 50000', 'geometry'
]]
lscog_acs
```

```
GEOID ...
    450030207011 ...
                       POLYGON ((1701402.37 614608.958, 1701441.07 61...
0
1
    450030212052 ...
                       POLYGON ((1776366.684 591083.944, 1776445.37 5...
    450030212051 ...
2
                       POLYGON ((1768340.248 598546.468, 1768482.141 ...
    450030213001 ...
3
                       POLYGON ((1768475.931 630588.733, 1768610.076 ...
4
    450030216031 ...
                       POLYGON ((1785900.107 618251.028, 1786047.488 ...
```

```
257 450750119004 ... POLYGON ((1974249.527 620700.361, 1975105.197 ... 258 450750103011 ... POLYGON ((2142864.631 581695.327, 2142874.033 ... 259 450750109011 ... POLYGON ((2033500.16 608479.774, 2033509.304 6... 260 450750109022 ... POLYGON ((2013478.807 622487.426, 2013488.515 ... 261 450750109023 ... POLYGON ((2022268.105 617836.647, 2022656.655 ... [262 rows x 6 columns]
```

#### 3.3 2019 LEHD data

The Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics Workplace Area Characteristics data provides employment counts by industry sector at the census block level. Employment categories follow the North American Industry Classification System and are aggregated into transportation-relevant sectors including retail, services, manufacturing, and public administration.

The 2019 reference year represents pre-pandemic employment patterns, providing a stable baseline for long-term transportation planning. Employment data at the block level enables precise spatial allocation of work destinations within the travel demand model framework.

For more information on the LEHD data, refer to the LODES Technical Documentation.

#### 3.3.-.a R

```
# Download LEHD WAC data at block level
lscog emp <- lehdr::grab lodes(</pre>
 version = "LODES8",
  state = tolower(state abb),
 lodes_type = "wac",
  segment = "S000",
  job_type = "JT00",
 year = 2019,
 state_part = "",
  agg_geo = "block",
 use cache = TRUE
) |>
  dplyr::filter(grepl(
    paste("^(", paste(fips_codes, collapse = "|"), ")", sep = ""),
    w geocode
 # check the documentation at: https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/lodes/LODES8/
LODESTechDoc8.0.pdf
  dplyr::mutate(
    GEOID = as.character(w geocode),
    TOTAL_EMP = C000, # Total Employment
    AGR FOR FI = CNS01, # Agricultural, forestry, and fishing employment
    MINING = CNS02, # Mining employment
    CONSTRUCTI = CNS04, # Construction employment
```

```
MANUFACTUR = CNS05, # Manufacturing employment
   TRANSP_COM = CNS08 + CNS09, # Transportation, communication employment
   WHOLESALE = CNS06, # Wholesale employment
   RETAIL = CNS07, # Retail employment
    FIRE = CNS10 + CNS11, # Finance / Insurance / Real Estate employment
    SERVICES = CNS03 +
     CNS12 +
     CNS13 +
     CNS14 + # Service employment
     CNS15 +
     CNS16 +
     CNS17 +
     CNS18 +
     CNS19,
   PUBLIC_ADM = CNS20 # Public Administration employment
 ) |>
 dplyr::select(
   GEOID,
   TOTAL_EMP,
   AGR_FOR_FI,
   MINING,
   CONSTRUCTI,
   MANUFACTUR,
   TRANSP_COM,
   WHOLESALE,
   RETAIL,
    FIRE,
   SERVICES,
   PUBLIC_ADM
 )
lscog_emp
```

	e: 2,450 × TOTAL_EMP		MINING	CONSTRUCTI	MANUFACTUR	TRANSP_COM	
<chr></chr>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	<dbl></dbl>	
<dbl></dbl>							
1 45003	6	6	0	0	0	0	
Θ							
2 45003	4	0	0	0	0	4	
Θ							
3 45003	12	Θ	0	12	0	0	
0							
4 45003	1	Θ	0	0	0	0	
0							
5 45003	11	11	0	Θ	Θ	Θ	

```
0
 6 45003...
0
                  9
7 45003...
                              0
                                      0
                                                 0
                                                             0
                                                                         0
0
8 45003...
                 18
                                                18
0
9 45003...
                 1
                              0
                                      0
                                                 1
                                                             0
                                                                         0
10 45003...
                   4
                              4
                                      0
                                                 0
                                                             0
                                                                         0
# i 2,440 more rows
# i 4 more variables: RETAIL <dbl>, FIRE <dbl>, SERVICES <dbl>,
    PUBLIC ADM <dbl>
```

### 3.3.-.b Python

```
# Download LEHD WAC data at block level
lscog_emp = get_lodes(
   state=state_abb,
   year=2019,
   version="LODES8",
    lodes_type="wac",
    part="main",
    segment="S000",
    job_type="JT00",
    agg_level="block",
    cache=True,
    return geometry=False
)
# Filter for specific FIPS codes
lscog emp =
lscog_emp[lscog_emp['w_geocode'].str.match(f"^({'|'.join(fips_codes)})")]
# Create new columns with employment categories
# Check documentation at: https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/lodes/LODES8/
LODESTechDoc8.0.pdf
lscog_emp = lscog_emp.assign(
    GEOID=lscog emp['w geocode'].astype(str),
    TOTAL_EMP=lscog_emp['C000'], # Total Employment
    AGR_FOR_FI=lscog_emp['CNS01'], # Agricultural, forestry, and fishing
employment
    MINING=lscog_emp['CNS02'], # Mining employment
    CONSTRUCTI=lscog_emp['CNS04'], # Construction employment
    MANUFACTUR=lscog_emp['CNS05'], # Manufacturing employment
    TRANSP_COM=lscog_emp['CNS08'] + lscog_emp['CNS09'], # Transportation,
communication employment
```

```
WHOLESALE=lscog emp['CNS06'], # Wholesale employment
    RETAIL=lscog_emp['CNS07'], # Retail employment
    FIRE=lscog_emp['CNS10'] + lscog_emp['CNS11'], # Finance / Insurance /
Real Estate employment
    SERVICES=(lscog_emp['CNS03'] +
              lscog_emp['CNS12'] +
              lscog_emp['CNS13'] +
              lscog emp['CNS14'] +
              lscog_emp['CNS15'] +
              lscog emp['CNS16'] +
              lscog_emp['CNS17'] +
              lscog emp['CNS18'] +
              lscog_emp['CNS19']), # Service employment
    PUBLIC_ADM=lscog_emp['CNS20'] # Public Administration employment
)
# Select only the desired columns
lscog_emp = lscog_emp[['GEOID', 'TOTAL_EMP', 'AGR_FOR_FI', 'MINING',
'CONSTRUCTI',
                       'MANUFACTUR', 'TRANSP COM', 'WHOLESALE', 'RETAIL',
'FIRE',
                       'SERVICES', 'PUBLIC_ADM']]
# Display structure/info about the dataframe
lscog_emp
```

	GEOID	TOTAL EMP	AGR FOR FI		FIRE	SERVICES	PUBLIC ADM
191	450030201001001	_ 6	6		0	0	_ 0
192	450030201001017	4	Θ		Θ	0	0
193	450030201001037	12	Θ		0	0	Θ
194	450030201001049	1	Θ		0	Θ	Θ
195	450030201002006	11	11		0	Θ	Θ
28115	450750120002099	25	0		0	Θ	0
28116	450750120002108	8	0		0	Θ	0
28117	450750120002118	3	Θ		0	Θ	Θ
28118	450750120004038	3	Θ		0	Θ	Θ
28119	450750120004071	6	Θ		0	5	Θ
[2450 rows x 12 columns]							

## 3.4 2020 NCES school and college enrollment data

The National Center for Education Statistics provides comprehensive educational institution data including enrollment and staffing information for transportation planning analysis.

#### Public schools

Public school data is made available by National Center for Education Statistics through their Common Core of Data (CCD) program. For ease of processing, we retrieve the CCD from the ArcGIS REST service for the 2019-2020 academic year. The dataset includes total student enrollment and full-time equivalent teacher counts for each institution within the six-county region. Public schools represent major trip generation sources for both student and employee travel, requiring precise spatial location data for accurate modeling.

For more information on the NCES Public School data, refer to CCD Online Documentation.

To retreive the data from ArcGIS REST service, we use the arcgislayers package in R and create a custom function in Python to read the ArcGIS FeatureLayer or Table. This has been implemented to function similarly to the arcgislayers package in R, allowing us to query the service with a SQL WHERE clause and return the data as a GeoDataFrame.

#### 3.4.-.a R

```
# Public School Location data 2019-2020
lscog pub sch enroll <- arcgislayers::arc read(</pre>
 url = "https://nces.ed.gov/opengis/rest/services/K12 School Locations/EDGE
ADMINDATA PUBLICSCH 1920/MapServer/0",
 where = paste0(
   "LSTATE = '",
    state abb,
    "' AND NMCNTY IN (",
    paste0("'", paste0(county_names, " County"), "'", collapse = ", "),
    ")"
 ),
 alias = "label",
 crs = project crs
) |>
 dplyr::select(
    INSTITUTION ID = NCESSCH,
   NAME = SCH NAME,
    STATE = LSTATE,
    STUDENT_COUNT_PUB = TOTAL,
    TEACHER COUNT PUB = FTE
  )
lscog_pub_sch_enroll
```

```
Simple feature collection with 98 features and 5 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension: XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1700952 ymin: 406810.6 xmax: 2203406 ymax: 724699.4
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
First 10 features:
```

```
NAME STATE STUDENT COUNT PUB
   INSTITUTION ID
1
     450108001163
                             Barnwell Elementary
                                                     SC
                                                                      462
2
                                                     SC
     450075000064
                          Allendale Fairfax High
                                                                      283
3
     450075001184
                            Allendale Elementary
                                                     SC
                                                                      245
4
     450075001415
                       Allendale-Fairfax Middle
                                                     SC
                                                                      268
5
     450093000119
                           Bamberg-Ehrhardt High
                                                     SC
                                                                      381
6
    450093000120
                        Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle
                                                     SC
                                                                      188
7
    450096000122
                               Denmark Olar High
                                                     SC
                                                                      162
8
     450096000123
                             Denmark-Olar Middle
                                                     SC
                                                                      149
9
     450096001426
                        Denmark-Olar Elementary
                                                     SC
                                                                      353
10
                                                     SC
                                                                        0
   450098000127 Barnwell County Career Center
   TEACHER COUNT PUB
                                      geometry
1
                32.0 POINT (1891531 517378.5)
2
                28.9 POINT (1913416 420526.6)
3
                18.0 POINT (1916344 418212.2)
4
                18.0 POINT (1913416 420526.6)
5
                28.5 POINT (1991502 535259.1)
6
                15.0 POINT (1990622 534442.6)
7
                20.0
                        POINT (1962410 543779)
8
                10.0 POINT (1956236 534420.3)
9
                25.0 POINT (1960237 537023.1)
10
                        POINT (1894891 540093)
                12.0
```

#### 3.4.-.b Python

```
# Create function to read ArcGIS FeatureLayer or Table
def arc_read(url, where="1=1", outFields="*", outSR=4326, **kwargs):
    Read an ArcGIS FeatureLayer or Table to a GeoDataFrame.
    Parameters:
    url (str): The ArcGIS REST service URL ending with /MapServer/0 or /
FeatureServer/0
    where (str): SQL WHERE clause for filtering. Default: "1=1" (all records)
    outFields (str): Comma-separated field names or "*" for all fields.
Default: "*"
    outSR (int): Output spatial reference EPSG code. Default: 4326
    **kwargs: Additional query parameters passed to the ArcGIS REST API
    Returns:
    geopandas.GeoDataFrame: Spatial data from the service
    # Ensure URL ends with /query
    if not url.endswith('/query'):
        url = url.rstrip('/') + '/query'
    # Build query parameters
```

```
params = {
    'where': where,
    'outFields': outFields,
    'returnGeometry': 'true',
    # 'geometryType': 'esriGeometryPoint',
    'outSR': outSR,
    'f': 'geojson'
}

# Add any additional parameters
params.update(kwargs)

# Make request
response = requests.get(url, params=params)

# Read as GeoDataFrame
return gpd.read_file(response.text)
```

```
# Public School Enrollment data 2019-2020
lscog pub sch enroll = arc read(
    url="https://nces.ed.gov/opengis/rest/services/K12_School_Locations/EDGE_
ADMINDATA_PUBLICSCH_1920/MapServer/0",
    where=f"LSTATE = '{state abb}' AND NMCNTY IN ('{"', '".join([f"{name})
County for name in county names])}')",
    outFields='NCESSCH,SCH NAME,LSTATE,TOTAL,FTE'
)
# Transform CRS
lscog_pub_sch_enroll = lscog_pub_sch_enroll.to_crs(project_crs)
# Select and rename columns
lscog_pub_sch_enroll = lscog_pub_sch_enroll.rename(columns={
   'NCESSCH': 'INSTITUTION ID',
    'SCH_NAME': 'NAME',
    'LSTATE': 'STATE',
    'TOTAL': 'STUDENT COUNT PUB',
    'FTE': 'TEACHER_COUNT_PUB'
})
lscog_pub_sch_enroll
```

```
4 450093000119 ... POINT (1991503.106 535256.782)
... ... ...
93 450391001291 ... POINT (2048660.583 606357.033)
94 450391001370 ... POINT (2040865.5 608975.982)
95 450391001604 ... POINT (2050404.085 617575.512)
96 450391001693 ... POINT (2030130.8 597632.129)
97 450391001694 ... POINT (2043557.083 596562.932)

[98 rows x 6 columns]
```

#### **Private schools**

Private school enrollment data is accessed from the NCES Private School Universe Survey (PSS) archived dataset. The data is spatially enabled using latitude and longitude coordinates and filtered to include only institutions within the study area TAZ boundaries. Private schools contribute to the regional education trip matrix and must be incorporated alongside public institutions for comprehensive coverage.

For more information on the NCES Private Schools data, refer to PSS Online Documentation.

#### 3.4.-.c R

```
# Private School Enrollment data 2019-2020
lscog pvt sch enroll <- vroom::vroom(</pre>
 unz (
    file.path(
      "GIS/data external/20250315 NCES/PSS - Private/2019-20/
pss1920 pu csv.zip"
   ),
    "pss1920_pu.csv"
 ),
  col types = vroom::cols only(
    PPIN = vroom::col_character(),
    PINST = vroom::col_character(),
    PL STABB = vroom::col character(),
   PCNTNM = vroom::col_character(),
SIZE = vroom::col_double(),
    NUMTEACH = vroom::col double(),
    LATITUDE20 = vroom::col double(),
    LONGITUDE20 = vroom::col double()
 )
) |>
  sf::st as sf(coords = c("LONGITUDE20", "LATITUDE20"), crs = "EPSG:4326") |>
  sf::st_transform(project_crs) |>
  sf::st_filter(lscog_taz, .predicate = st_intersects) |>
  dplyr::select(
```

```
INSTITUTION_ID = PPIN,
NAME = PINST,
STATE = PL_STABB,
STUDENT_COUNT_PVT = SIZE,
TEACHER_COUNT_PVT = NUMTEACH
)

lscog_pvt_sch_enroll
```

```
Simple feature collection with 24 features and 5 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension:
              XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1704062 ymin: 492304.2 xmax: 2179510 ymax: 720184.2
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 24 \times 6
  INSTITUTION ID NAME
                                     STATE STUDENT COUNT PVT
TEACHER COUNT PVT
  <chr>
                                     <chr>
                                                     <dbl>
             <chr>
<dbl>
1 K9305823
               AIKENS FBC PRESCHOOL SC
                                                          1
1.3
2 01264947 ANDREW JACKSON ACAD... SC
                                                          3
13.3
3 A9106158 BARNWELL CHRISTIAN ... <NA>
                                                          2
5.8
4 01263568
                 CALHOUN ACADEMY
                                   SC
                                                          3
26.6
5 A1771477 FIRST BAPTIST CHURC... <NA>
                                                          1
3.1
6 A9703151
                 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ... <NA>
                                                          1
2.8
7 BB170334
                 FIRST SOUTHERN METH... SC
8 A1102039
                 FOUNDATION CHRISTIA... <NA>
                                                          1
9 A0307976
                 GRACE CHILD DEVELOP... <NA>
                                                          1
2.9
10 A0307978
                                                          1
                 GREATER FAITH BAPTI... <NA>
# i 14 more rows
# i 1 more variable: geometry <POINT [foot]>
```

### 3.4.-.d Python

```
# Private School Enrollment data 2019-2020
zip_path = Path(root) / "GIS/data_external/20250315 NCES/PSS -
Private/2019-20/pss1920_pu_csv.zip"
```

```
with zipfile.ZipFile(zip_path, 'r') as zip_ref:
    with zip_ref.open('pss1920_pu.csv') as csv_file:
        lscog_pvt_sch_enroll = pd.read_csv(
            csv file,
            usecols=['PPIN', 'PINST', 'PL_STABB', 'PCNTNM', 'SIZE',
'NUMTEACH', 'LATITUDE20', 'LONGITUDE20'],
            dtype={'PPIN': 'str', 'PINST': 'str', 'PL STABB': 'str', 'PCNTNM':
'str', 'SIZE': 'float64', 'NUMTEACH': 'float64'}
        )
lscog pvt sch enroll = gpd.GeoDataFrame(
    lscog pvt sch enroll,
    geometry=gpd.points_from_xy(lscog_pvt_sch_enroll['LONGITUDE20'],
lscog_pvt_sch_enroll['LATITUDE20']),
    crs='EPSG:4326'
).to_crs(project_crs)
lscog_pvt_sch_enroll = gpd.sjoin(lscog_pvt_sch_enroll, lscog_taz, how='inner',
predicate='intersects')[
    ['PPIN', 'PINST', 'PL STABB', 'SIZE', 'NUMTEACH', 'geometry']
].rename(columns={
    'PPIN': 'INSTITUTION_ID',
    'PINST': 'NAME',
    'PL_STABB': 'STATE',
    'SIZE': 'STUDENT COUNT PVT',
    'NUMTEACH': 'TEACHER_COUNT_PVT'
})
lscog pvt sch enroll
```

```
INSTITUTION ID ...
                                                geometry
17469
           K9305823 ...
                          POINT (1781275.702 629440.997)
17474
           01264947 ...
                           POINT (1993756.78 492304.247)
           A9106158 ...
17476
                           POINT (1914982.59 524548.558)
17484
           01263568 ... POINT (2072197.427 660303.544)
17533
           A1771477 ...
                          POINT (1704061.773 606321.234)
17537
           A9703151 ... POINT (1780623.642 630282.337)
           BB170334 ...
17538
                          POINT (2037420.57 608741.769)
17543
           A1102039 ... POINT (2006658.982 720184.199)
17547
           A0307976 ... POINT (1704601.274 606316.17)
17550
           A0307978 ... POINT (2047302.618 604573.723)
17566
           A1904026 ... POINT (2179509.785 547981.083)
17571
           01263692 ... POINT (1918041.289 549840.623)
17599
           01264754 ... POINT (1779301.654 629488.248)
17601
           A0308015 ... POINT (1733987.726 611499.727)
17623
           A1303185 ...
                           POINT (1853302.82 681159.161)
```

```
A9903938 ...
17637
                          POINT (2047246.79 597082.682)
17651
           A0109147 ... POINT (1780574.399 631607.375)
17657
           01264288 ... POINT (1778262.542 613244.891)
17658
           K9305825 ... POINT (1779510.666 617490.702)
17663
           K9305640 ... POINT (2041004.71 611841.216)
17672
           A9703170 ... POINT (1780823.53 629681.358)
           01262826 ... POINT (1781344.96 628712.135)
17676
17722
           01932407 ... POINT (2037497.91 608547.947)
17733
           A9903957 ... POINT (1875514.037 565892.953)
[24 rows x 6 columns]
```

#### Post-secondary institutions

Post-secondary institution locations are obtained from the NCES Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), filtered by state and county FIPS codes. These institutions generate significant travel demand through student commuting, employee travel, and visitor trips, making them essential components of the regional transportation network analysis.

For more information on the NCES Post-Secondary Education data, refer to IPEDS Documentation.

#### 3.4.-.e R

```
# Post-Secondary Location data 2019-2020
lscog_college_loc <- arcgislayers::arc_read(
    url = "https://nces.ed.gov/opengis/rest/services/Postsecondary_School_
Locations/EDGE_GEOCODE_POSTSECONDARYSCH_1920/MapServer/0",
    where = paste0(
        "STATE = '",
        state_abb,
        "' AND CNTY IN (",
        paste0("'", fips_codes, "'", collapse = ", "),
        ")"
    ),
    alias = "label",
    crs = project_crs
)
lscog_college_loc</pre>
```

```
Simple feature collection with 11 features and 24 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension: XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1708029 ymin: 429827.9 xmax: 2052011 ymax: 633710.3
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
```

```
First 10 features:
   OBJECTID UNITID
                                                                    NAME
1
       3411 217615
                                                Aiken Technical College
2
       3424 217873
                                                     Claflin University
3
       3431 217989
                                             Denmark Technical College
4
       3439 218159 Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology-North Augusta
5
       3448 218487
                                  Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College
6
       3451 218645
                                    University of South Carolina Aiken
7
       3455 218681
                             University of South Carolina-Salkehatchie
8
       3459 218733
                                       South Carolina State University
9
       3468 218919
                                                       Voorhees College
                             Aiken School of Cosmetology and Barbering
10
       5829 457998
                          STREET
                                          CITY STATE
                                                             ZIP STFIP CNTY
1
  2276 Jefferson Davis Highway
                                  Graniteville
                                                   SC
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### 3.4.-.f Python

```
# Post-Secondary Location data 2019-2020
lscog_college_loc = arc_read(
    url="https://nces.ed.gov/opengis/rest/services/Postsecondary_School_
Locations/EDGE_GEOCODE_POSTSECONDARYSCH_1920/MapServer/0",
    where=f"STATE = '{state_abb}' AND CNTY IN ('{"', '".join([f"{fip}" for fip in fips_codes])}')",
    outFields='*',
    outSR=project_crs
)
lscog_college_loc = lscog_college_loc.to_crs(project_crs)
lscog_college_loc
```

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### 4 Clean data

The data cleaning process involves harmonizing multiple Census data sources to create a comprehensive socioeconomic dataset at the census block level. This requires careful interpolation and integration of American Community Survey (ACS) estimates with Decennial Census counts to maintain spatial consistency and statistical accuracy.

## 4.1 Household-weighted interpolation

The interpolation process transfers ACS block group data to individual census blocks using household counts as weights. This method ensures that socioeconomic characteristics are distributed proportionally based on residential density rather than simple geometric overlay. The tidycensus package provides robust interpolation functionality that preserves the extensive nature of count variables while maintaining spatial relationships. For Python, the interpolate\_pw() function is implemented to achieve similar functionality using population-weighted interpolation.

#### 4.1.-.a R

```
# Interpolate ACS data to Decennial Census blocks
lscog_acs_cb <- tidycensus::interpolate_pw(
  from = lscog_acs,
  to = lscog_dec,
  to_id = "GEOID",
  extensive = TRUE,
  weights = lscog_dec,
  crs = project_crs,
  weight_column = "HH"
)</pre>
```

```
Simple feature collection with 13961 features and 5 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
               XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 13,961 × 6
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## 4.1.-.b Python

```
def interpolate_pw(from_gdf, to_gdf, weights_gdf, to_id=None, extensive=True,
                   weight_column=None, weight_placement='surface', crs=None):
    Population-weighted areal interpolation between geometries.
    Transfers numeric data from source geometries to target geometries using
    population-weighted interpolation based on point weights (e.g., census
blocks).
    Parameters:
    _____
    from gdf : GeoDataFrame
        Source geometries with numeric data to interpolate
    to_gdf : GeoDataFrame
       Target geometries to interpolate data to
    weights gdf : GeoDataFrame
       Weight geometries (e.g., census blocks) used for interpolation.
       If polygons, will be converted to points. Can be the same as to_gdf.
    to id : str, optional
       Column name for unique identifier in target geometries.
        If None, creates an 'id' column.
    extensive : bool, default True
       If True, return weighted sums (for counts).
        If False, return weighted means (for rates/percentages).
    weight_column : str, optional
        Column name in weights gdf for weighting (e.g., 'POP', 'HH').
```

```
If None, all weights are equal.
    weight_placement : str, default 'surface'
       How to convert polygons to points: 'surface' or 'centroid'
    crs : str or CRS object, optional
       Coordinate reference system to project all datasets to
    Returns:
    GeoDataFrame
       Target geometries with interpolated numeric values
    # Input validation
    if not all(isinstance(gdf, gpd.GeoDataFrame) for gdf in [from_gdf, to_gdf,
weights_gdf]):
        raise ValueError("All inputs must be GeoDataFrames")
    # Make copies to avoid modifying originals
    from_gdf = from_gdf.copy()
    to gdf = to gdf.copy()
    weights_gdf = weights_gdf.copy()
    # Set CRS if provided
    if crs:
        from_gdf = from_gdf.to_crs(crs)
        to_gdf = to_gdf.to_crs(crs)
       weights_gdf = weights_gdf.to_crs(crs)
    # Check CRS consistency
    if not (from gdf.crs == to gdf.crs == weights gdf.crs):
        raise ValueError("All inputs must have the same CRS")
    # Handle to id
    if to_id is None:
        to_id = 'id'
        to_gdf[to_id] = to_gdf.index.astype(str)
    # Remove conflicting columns
    if to_id in from_gdf.columns:
        from gdf = from gdf.drop(columns=[to id])
    # Create unique from_id
    from id = 'from id'
    from_gdf[from_id] = from_gdf.index.astype(str)
    # Handle weight column
    if weight column is None:
       weight_column = 'interpolation_weight'
```

```
weights gdf[weight column] = 1.0
    else:
        # Rename to avoid conflicts
       weights gdf['interpolation weight'] = weights gdf[weight column]
       weight column = 'interpolation weight'
    # Convert weights to points if needed
    if weights gdf.geometry.geom type.iloc[0] in ['Polygon', 'MultiPolygon']:
        if weight placement == 'surface':
            weights gdf = weights gdf.copy()
            weights_gdf.geometry = weights_gdf.geometry.representative_point()
        elif weight placement == 'centroid':
            weights gdf = weights gdf.copy()
            weights_gdf.geometry = weights_gdf.geometry.centroid
        else:
            raise ValueError("weight placement must be 'surface' or
'centroid'")
    # Keep only weight column and geometry
    weight points = weights qdf[[weight column, 'geometry']].copy()
    # Calculate denominators (total weights per source geometry)
    with warnings.catch warnings():
        warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', category=UserWarning)
        source_weights = gpd.sjoin(from_gdf, weight_points, how='left',
predicate='contains')
    denominators = (source_weights.groupby(from_id)[weight_column]
                   .sum()
                   .reset index()
                   .rename(columns={weight_column: 'weight_total'}))
    # Calculate intersections between from and to
    with warnings.catch warnings():
        warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', category=UserWarning)
        intersections = gpd.overlay(from gdf, to gdf, how='intersection')
    # Filter to keep only polygon intersections
    intersections =
intersections[intersections.geometry.geom type.isin(['Polygon',
'MultiPolygon', 'GeometryCollection'])]
    if len(intersections) == 0:
        raise ValueError("No valid polygon intersections found between source
and target geometries")
    # Add intersection ID
    intersections['intersection_id'] = range(len(intersections))
```

```
# Spatial join intersections with weight points to get weights within each
intersection
   with warnings.catch warnings():
       warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', category=UserWarning)
        intersection weights = gpd.sjoin(intersections, weight points,
how='left', predicate='contains')
    # Calculate intersection values (sum of weights per intersection)
    intersection values = (intersection weights.groupby('intersection id')
[weight_column]
                         .sum()
                         .reset index()
                         .rename(columns={weight_column:
'intersection_value'}))
    # Merge back to intersections and keep only unique intersections
    intersections = intersections.merge(intersection_values,
on='intersection id', how='left')
    intersections['intersection value'] =
intersections['intersection value'].fillna(0)
    # Remove duplicates created by the spatial join
    intersections = intersections.drop_duplicates(subset='intersection_id')
    # Merge with denominators to calculate weight coefficients
    intersections = intersections.merge(denominators, on=from id, how='left')
    intersections['weight_total'] = intersections['weight_total'].fillna(1)
    # Calculate weight coefficients (intersection weight / total weight in
source)
    intersections.loc[intersections['weight total'] > 0, 'weight coef'] = (
        intersections['intersection_value'] / intersections['weight_total']
    intersections['weight_coef'] = intersections['weight_coef'].fillna(0)
    # Get numeric columns from source data
    numeric_cols = from_gdf.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).columns
    # Remove ID columns
    numeric cols = [col for col in numeric cols if col not in [from id]]
    # Prepare intersection data for interpolation
    intersection_data = intersections[[from_id, to_id, 'weight_coef'] +
numeric_cols].copy()
    if extensive:
       # For extensive variables: multiply by weight coefficient, then sum by
target
```

```
for col in numeric cols:
            intersection_data[col] = intersection_data[col] *
intersection_data['weight_coef']
        interpolated = (intersection_data.groupby(to_id)[numeric_cols]
                       .sum()
                       .reset_index())
    else:
       # For intensive variables: weighted average
       interpolated data = []
        for target_id in intersection_data[to_id].unique():
            target data = intersection data[intersection data[to id] ==
target id]
           if len(target_data) > 0 and target_data['weight_coef'].sum() > 0:
                weighted_vals = {}
                for col in numeric cols:
                    weighted_vals[col] = (target_data[col] *
target_data['weight_coef']).sum() / target_data['weight_coef'].sum()
                weighted_vals[to_id] = target_id
                interpolated_data.append(weighted_vals)
       interpolated = pd.DataFrame(interpolated_data)
    # Merge with target geometries
    result = to_gdf[[to_id, 'geometry']].merge(interpolated, on=to_id,
how='left')
    # Fill NaN values with 0 for missing interpolations
    for col in numeric cols:
        if col in result.columns:
            result[col] = result[col].fillna(0)
    return result
```

```
# Interpolate ACS data to Decennial Census blocks
lscog_acs_cb = interpolate_pw(
    from_gdf=lscog_acs,
    to_gdf=lscog_dec,
    weights_gdf=lscog_dec,
    to_id='GEOID',
    extensive=True,
    weight_column='HH',
    crs=project_crs
)
```

```
GEOID ... INC_50000
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1 450179504003011 ... 0.000000
2 450179502011045 ... 8.723288
3 450179504001020 ... 0.000000
4 450750105003029 ... 2.916335

[5 rows x 6 columns]
```

The comparative visualization reveals the increased spatial resolution achieved through interpolation. Block-level data provides more granular detail for transportation modeling applications, enabling better representation of local variations in income distribution across the study area.

#### 4.1.-.c R

```
# Compare before and after interpolation
mapview::mapview(lscog_acs_cb, zcol = "INC_49999", color = NA) |
mapview::mapview(lscog_acs, zcol = "INC_49999", color = NA)
```

## 4.1.-.d Python

```
# Compare before and after interpolation
lscog_acs_cb.explore(column="INC_49999", color="blue", legend=True,
tiles="CartoDB positron") |\
    lscog_acs.explore(column="INC_49999", color="red", legend=True,
tiles="CartoDB positron")
```

## 4.2 Combine population and households

The integration step merges the interpolated ACS socioeconomic data with the Decennial Census population and household counts. This join operation creates a unified dataset containing both demographic totals and detailed characteristics at the census block level. The left join ensures that all census blocks retain their geographic boundaries while incorporating available socioeconomic attributes.

### 4.2.-.a R

```
## Combine ACS Data to Decennial data
lscog_pop_hh <- lscog_dec |>
   dplyr::left_join(
    sf::st_drop_geometry(lscog_acs_cb),
    by = dplyr::join_by(GEOID)
)
lscog_pop_hh
```

```
Simple feature collection with 13961 features and 14 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
                                                 XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
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            INC 14999 <dbl>, INC 49999 <dbl>, INC 50000 <dbl>
```

### 4.2.-.b Python

```
## Combine ACS Data to Decennial data
lscog_pop_hh = lscog_dec.merge(
    lscog_acs_cb.drop(columns=['geometry']),
    on='GEOID',
    how='left'
)
lscog_pop_hh
```

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Income category adjustments reconcile the interpolated ACS estimates with actual household counts from the Decennial Census. The proportional allocation method redistributes income categories based on the ratio of interpolated totals to observed household counts, maintaining consistency between data sources. The three-tier income classification (under \$15,000, \$15,000-\$49,999, and \$50,000 and above) provides sufficient granularity for travel demand modeling while ensuring statistical reliability.

#### 4.2.-.c R

```
## Combine adjusted HH income level to Decennial census instead of ACS
lscog_pop_hh <- lscog_pop_hh |>
    dplyr::mutate(
        INC_49999 = tidyr::replace_na(round(INC_49999 / INC_TOTAL * HH, 0), 0),
        INC_50000 = tidyr::replace_na(round(INC_50000 / INC_TOTAL * HH, 0), 0),
        INC_14999 = HH - (INC_49999 + INC_50000)
    ) |>
        dplyr::select(-INC_TOTAL)

lscog_pop_hh
```

```
Simple feature collection with 13961 features and 13 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
                                               XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
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            INC 49999 <dbl>, INC 50000 <dbl>
```

## 4.2.-.d Python

```
## Combine adjusted HH income level to Decennial census instead of ACS
lscog_pop_hh["INC_49999"] = ((lscog_pop_hh["INC_49999"] /
lscog_pop_hh["INC_TOTAL"]) * lscog_pop_hh["HH"]).round().fillna(0)
```

```
lscog_pop_hh["INC_50000"] = ((lscog_pop_hh["INC_50000"] /
lscog_pop_hh["INC_TOTAL"]) * lscog_pop_hh["HH"]).round().fillna(0)
lscog_pop_hh["INC_14999"] = lscog_pop_hh["HH"] - (lscog_pop_hh["INC_49999"] +
lscog_pop_hh["INC_50000"])

lscog_pop_hh = lscog_pop_hh.drop(columns="INC_TOTAL")
lscog_pop_hh
```

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2	450179502011045	54	4		3.0	6.0	7.0
3	450179504001020	0	0		0.0	0.0	0.0
4	450750105003029	13	0		1.0	1.0	2.0
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13957	450030203042000	0	0		0.0	0.0	0.0
13958	450030218002115	8	0		0.0	1.0	0.0
13959	450030206012008	0	0		0.0	0.0	0.0
13960	450059705002005	0	0		0.0	0.0	0.0
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# 4.3 Employment data

The employment integration incorporates LEHD (Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics) workplace area characteristics into the combined dataset. This addition provides employment counts by census block, enabling the development of trip attraction models and work-based travel pattern analysis. The merge operation maintains the geographic integrity of census blocks while adding employment variables essential for comprehensive transportation planning.

#### 4.3.-.a R

```
# Join LEHD Data to the Decennial data
lscog_pop_hh_emp <- lscog_pop_hh |>
    dplyr::left_join(lscog_emp, by = dplyr::join_by(GEOID))
lscog_pop_hh_emp
```

```
Simple feature collection with 13961 features and 24 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension: XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691517 ymin: 331891.7 xmax: 2237472 ymax: 744669.5
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
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               WHOLESALE <dbl>, RETAIL <dbl>, FIRE <dbl>, SERVICES <dbl>, PUBLIC ADM
<dbl>
```

# 4.3.-.b Python

```
# Join LEHD Data to the Decennial data
lscog_pop_hh_emp = lscog_pop_hh.merge(
    lscog_emp,
    on='GEOID',
    how='left'
)
lscog_pop_hh_emp
```

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# 5 Export raw data

The data export process creates standardized datasets for travel demand model development, maintaining both tabular and spatial formats to support various modeling applications. All exports follow consistent file naming conventions and directory structures to facilitate model integration and data management workflows.

## 5.1 TAZ data

The Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) boundary export provides the fundamental geographic framework for the regional travel demand model. The blank TAZ file serves as a template for subsequent socioeconomic data allocation, containing only zone identification fields and geometric boundaries without attribute data.

## Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.1.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_taz |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
        file.path(
            root,
            "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_taz_blank.csv"
        ),
        append = FALSE
    )
```

# 5.1.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_taz.to_csv(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_taz_blank.csv",
    index=False
)
```

# Export as Geodatabase layer

#### 5.1.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_taz |>
    sf::write_sf(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    ),
```

```
layer = "lscog_taz_blank",
append = FALSE
)
```

## 5.1.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_taz.to_file(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb",
    layer='lscog_taz_blank',
    driver='FileGDB'
)
```

# 5.2 Census blocks to TAZ conversion

The block-to-TAZ conversion table establishes the critical linkage between fine-scale Census geography and the modeling zone system. This crosswalk file enables the aggregation of block-level socioeconomic data to TAZ boundaries while maintaining traceability to source geographies.

## Export as CSV flat file

# 5.2.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_cb |>
    sf::st_join(lscog_taz) |>
    dplyr::select(GEOID20, ID, TAZ_ID) |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
        file.path(
            root,
            "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_block_taz.csv"
        ),
        append = FALSE
    )
```

# 5.2.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_cb.merge(lscog_taz[['ID', 'TAZ_ID']], left_on='GEOID20', right_on='ID')
[['GEOID20', 'ID', 'TAZ_ID']].to_csv(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_block_taz.csv",
    index=False
)
```

# 5.3 Decennial census data at census block level

The decennial census block export captures the foundational demographic counts used throughout the modeling process. This dataset provides the most reliable population and household totals at the finest geographic resolution, serving as the base for all subsequent data integration and validation steps.

# Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.3.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_dec |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_dec_block.csv"
    ),
    append = FALSE
)
```

# 5.3.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_dec.to_csv(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_dec_block.csv",
    index=False
)
```

## Export as Geodatabase layer

#### 5.3.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_dec |>
    sf::write_sf(
        file.path(
            root,
            "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    ),
    layer = "lscog_dec_block",
    append = FALSE
)
```

# 5.3.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_dec.to_file(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb",
    layer='lscog_dec_block',
    driver='FileGDB'
)
```

## 5.4 ACS estimates at census block level

The interpolated ACS data export delivers income distribution estimates at the census block level, providing the socioeconomic stratification necessary for trip generation modeling. This processed dataset represents the final product of the household-weighted interpolation methodology, ready for direct integration into the travel demand model framework.

#### Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.4.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_acs_cb |>
dplyr::select(GEOID, INC_14999, INC_49999, INC_50000) |>
sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
readr::write_csv(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_acs_block.csv"
    ),
    append = FALSE
)
```

#### 5.4.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_acs_cb[['GEOID', 'INC_14999', 'INC_49999', 'INC_50000']].to_csv(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_acs_block.csv",
    index=False
)
```

## Export as Geodatabase layer

# 5.4.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_acs_cb |>
dplyr::select(GEOID, INC_14999, INC_49999, INC_50000) |>
sf::write_sf(
```

```
file.path(
    root,
    "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
),
    layer = "lscog_acs_block",
    append = FALSE
)
```

# 5.4.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_acs_cb[['GE0ID', 'INC_14999', 'INC_49999', 'INC_50000']].to_file(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb",
    layer='lscog_acs_block',
    driver='FileGDB'
)
```

# 5.5 LEHD data at census block level

The employment data export provides comprehensive workplace characteristics by industry sector at the census block level. This dataset captures the spatial distribution of employment opportunities across the study region, supporting both trip attraction modeling and economic impact analysis.

#### Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.5.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_pop_hh_emp |>
  dplyr::select(GEOID, TOTAL_EMP:PUBLIC_ADM) |>
  sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
  readr::write_csv(
    file.path(
      root,
      "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_emp_block.csv"
    ),
    append = FALSE
)
```

## 5.5.-.b Python

```
"lscog_emp_block.csv",
    index=False
)
```

# Export as Geodatabase layer

#### 5.5.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_pop_hh_emp |>
  dplyr::select(GEOID, TOTAL_EMP:PUBLIC_ADM) |>
  sf::write_sf(
    file.path(
      root,
      "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    ),
    layer = "lscog_emp_block",
    append = FALSE
  )
```

# 5.5.-.d Python

#### 5.6 Public schools to TAZ

The public school location export integrates educational facility data with the TAZ system, providing essential inputs for school-related trip modeling. Student and teacher counts by facility support the development of specialized trip generation rates for educational purposes.

# Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.6.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_pub_sch_enroll |>
    sf::st_join(lscog_taz |> dplyr::select(ID, TAZ_ID)) |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
        file.path(
```

```
root,
   "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_pubsch_loc.csv"
),
append = FALSE
)
```

## 5.6.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_pub_sch_enroll.sjoin(
    lscog_taz[['ID', 'TAZ_ID']],
    how='left'
)[['INSTITUTION_ID', 'NAME', 'STATE', 'STUDENT_COUNT_PUB',
'TEACHER_COUNT_PUB', 'geometry']] \
    .to_csv(
        Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_pubsch_loc.csv",
        index=False
    )
```

# Export as Geodatabase layer

#### 5.6.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_pub_sch_enroll |>
    sf::st_join(lscog_taz |> dplyr::select(ID, TAZ_ID)) |>
    sf::write_sf(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    ),
    layer = "lscog_pubsch_loc",
    append = FALSE
)
```

# 5.6.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_pub_sch_enroll.sjoin(
    lscog_taz[['ID', 'TAZ_ID']],
    how='left'
).to_file(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb",
    layer='lscog_pubsch_loc',
```

```
driver='FileGDB'
)
```

## 5.7 Private schools to TAZ

The private school dataset complements the public education data by capturing enrollment patterns in private educational institutions. This comprehensive coverage of educational facilities ensures that all school-related travel demand is properly represented in the regional model.

#### Export as CSV flat file

#### 5.7.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_pvt_sch_enroll |>
    sf::st_join(lscog_taz |> dplyr::select(ID, TAZ_ID)) |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_pvtsch_loc.csv"
    ),
    append = FALSE
)
```

## 5.7.-.b Python

# Export as Geodatabase layer

#### 5.7.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_pvt_sch_enroll |>
  sf::st_join(lscog_taz |> dplyr::select(ID, TAZ_ID)) |>
  sf::write_sf(
    file.path(
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root,
   "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
),
   layer = "lscog_pvtsch_loc",
   append = FALSE
)
```

#### 5.7.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_pvt_sch_enroll.sjoin(
    lscog_taz[['ID', 'TAZ_ID']],
    how='left'
).to_file(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb",
    layer='lscog_pvtsch_loc',
    driver='FileGDB'
)
```

# 6 Aggregate data to TAZ

The aggregation process transforms fine-scale census block data into TAZ-level inputs suitable for travel demand modeling. This spatial aggregation preserves the total counts while organizing data according to the modeling zone structure required for trip generation and distribution analysis.

# 6.1 Population, households, and employment

The spatial join operation aggregates all demographic, housing, and employment variables from census blocks to their corresponding TAZs using centroid-based assignment. This process ensures that each block's socioeconomic characteristics are properly allocated to the appropriate modeling zone while maintaining data integrity through comprehensive summation of all relevant variables.

## 6.1.-.a R

```
# Aggregate population, households, and employment to TAZ
lscog_taz_pop <- lscog_taz |>
    sf::st_join(
        lscog_pop_hh_emp |> sf::st_centroid(of_largest_polygon = TRUE)
) |>
    dplyr::group_by(
    ID,
    Area,
    TAZ_ID,
    COUNTY,
    AREA_TYPE,
    COUNTYID,
```

```
.drop = FALSE
 ) |>
  dplyr::summarize(
    .groups = "drop",
    # Population and Household Size
    TOTPOP = sum(TOTPOP, na.rm = TRUE),
    GQPOP = sum(GQPOP, na.rm = TRUE),
    HHPOP = sum(HHPOP, na.rm = TRUE),
    HH = sum(HH, na.rm = TRUE),
    HH 1 = sum(HH 1, na.rm = TRUE),
    HH_2 = sum(HH_2, na.rm = TRUE),
    HH_3 = sum(HH_3, na.rm = TRUE),
    HH 4 = sum(HH 4, na.rm = TRUE),
    DU = sum(DU, na.rm = TRUE),
    # Household Income
    INC 14999 = sum(INC 14999, na.rm = TRUE),
    INC_{49999} = sum(INC_{49999}, na.rm = TRUE),
    INC_{50000} = sum(INC_{50000}, na.rm = TRUE),
    # Employment
    TOTAL EMP = sum(TOTAL EMP, na.rm = TRUE),
    AGR FOR FI = sum(AGR FOR FI, na.rm = TRUE),
    MINING = sum(MINING, na.rm = TRUE),
    CONSTRUCTI = sum(CONSTRUCTI, na.rm = TRUE),
    MANUFACTUR = sum(MANUFACTUR, na.rm = TRUE),
    TRANSP_COM = sum(TRANSP_COM, na.rm = TRUE),
    WHOLESALE = sum(WHOLESALE, na.rm = TRUE),
    RETAIL = sum(RETAIL, na.rm = TRUE),
    FIRE = sum(FIRE, na.rm = TRUE),
    SERVICES = sum(SERVICES, na.rm = TRUE),
    PUBLIC ADM = sum(PUBLIC ADM, na.rm = TRUE)
  )
lscog_taz_pop
```

```
Simple feature collection with 585 features and 29 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
              XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691490 ymin: 331894 xmax: 2237471 ymax: 744679.9
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
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7 3.01e6 0.0879 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                              45003
                                                       160
                                                               0
                                                                    160
                                                                           62
5
8 3.01e6 0.103 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                              45003
                                                       420
                                                                    420
                                                                          194
                                                               0
50
9 3.01e6 0.0659 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                                       142
                                                                   142
                                                                           67
                                              45003
                                                               0
19
10 3.01e6 0.0279 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                              45003
                                                       100
                                                               0
                                                                   100
                                                                           71
30
# i 575 more rows
# i 19 more variables: HH_2 <dbl>, HH_3 <dbl>, HH_4 <dbl>, DU <dbl>,
    INC 14999 <dbl>, INC 49999 <dbl>, INC 50000 <dbl>, TOTAL EMP <dbl>,
    AGR FOR FI <dbl>, MINING <dbl>, CONSTRUCTI <dbl>, MANUFACTUR <dbl>,
    TRANSP_COM <dbl>, WHOLESALE <dbl>, RETAIL <dbl>, FIRE <dbl>,
#
    SERVICES <dbl>, PUBLIC_ADM <dbl>, SHAPE <MULTIPOLYGON [foot]>
```

# 6.1.-.b Python

```
# Aggregate population, households, and employment to TAZ
lscog_taz_pop = (lscog_taz
    .sjoin(
lscog_pop_hh_emp.assign(geometry=lscog_pop_hh_emp.geometry.centroid).to_crs(lscog_taz.crs),
        how='left'
    .groupby(['ID', 'Area', 'TAZ_ID', 'COUNTY', 'AREA_TYPE', 'COUNTYID'],
             as_index=False, dropna=False)
    .agg({
        # Population and Household Size
        'TOTPOP': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'GQPOP': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HHPOP': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HH': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HH 1': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HH_2': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HH 3': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'HH 4': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'DU': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        # Household Income
        'INC 14999': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
```

```
'INC 49999': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'INC_50000': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        # Employment
        'TOTAL EMP': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'AGR FOR FI': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'MINING': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'CONSTRUCTI': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'MANUFACTUR': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'TRANSP COM': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'WHOLESALE': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'RETAIL': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'FIRE': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'SERVICES': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'PUBLIC_ADM': lambda x: x.sum(skipna=True),
        'geometry': 'first'
   })
)
lscog_taz_pop = gpd.GeoDataFrame(lscog_taz_pop, crs=lscog_taz.crs)
lscog_taz_pop
```

```
ID ...
                                                           geometry
0
     3010700 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1699181.31 620454.142, 1699123...
1
     3010701 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1694583.352 615949.391, 169461...
2
     3010702 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1700348.674 611719.751, 170010...
3
     3010703 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1701031.299 609784.953, 170063...
4
     3010704 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1698257.603 608476.138, 169825...
580 75050360 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1967942.928 639523.392, 196793...
581 75050361 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1942618.133 631129.68, 1942312...
582 75050362 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1985475.577 652643.249, 198567...
583 75050366 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2047618.073 635211.818, 204760...
584 75050373 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2053533.596 627788.863, 205352...
[585 rows x 30 columns]
```

# 6.2 School and college enrollment

The school enrollment combination merges public and private educational institution data into a unified dataset for comprehensive coverage of student populations.

#### 6.2.-.a R

```
# Combine school enrollment data
lscog_sch_enroll <- dplyr::bind_rows(
  lscog_pub_sch_enroll,
  lscog_pvt_sch_enroll</pre>
```

```
dplyr::mutate(
   STUDENT_COUNT = dplyr::coalesce(STUDENT_COUNT_PUB, 0) +
        dplyr::coalesce(STUDENT_COUNT_PVT, 0),
   TEACHER_COUNT = dplyr::coalesce(TEACHER_COUNT_PUB, 0) +
        dplyr::coalesce(TEACHER_COUNT_PVT, 0)
)
lscog_sch_enroll
```

```
Simple feature collection with 122 features and 9 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension:
               XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1700952 ymin: 406810.6 xmax: 2203406 ymax: 724699.4
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
First 10 features:
                                            NAME STATE STUDENT COUNT PUB
   INSTITUTION ID
1
                             Barnwell Elementary
                                                    SC
                                                                      462
     450108001163
                                                    SC
2
     450075000064
                         Allendale Fairfax High
                                                                      283
3
     450075001184
                            Allendale Elementary
                                                    SC
                                                                      245
4
                       Allendale-Fairfax Middle
                                                    SC
     450075001415
                                                                      268
5
     450093000119
                           Bamberg-Ehrhardt High
                                                    SC
                                                                      381
6
     450093000120
                        Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle
                                                    SC
                                                                      188
7
                                                    SC
                                                                      162
     450096000122
                               Denmark Olar High
8
                                                    SC
                                                                      149
     450096000123
                             Denmark-Olar Middle
9
                                                    SC
                                                                      353
     450096001426
                        Denmark-Olar Elementary
                                                                        0
10
     450098000127 Barnwell County Career Center
   TEACHER_COUNT_PUB_STUDENT_COUNT_PVT_TEACHER_COUNT_PVT
1
                32.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
2
                28.9
                                     NA
                                                        NA
3
                18.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
4
                18.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
5
                28.5
                                     NA
                                                        NA
6
                15.0
                                                        NA
                                     NA
7
                20.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
8
                10.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
9
                25.0
                                     NA
                                                        NA
10
                                                        NA
                12.0
                                     NA
                   geometry STUDENT_COUNT TEACHER_COUNT
  POINT (1891531 517378.5)
                                       462
                                                    32.0
2 POINT (1913416 420526.6)
                                       283
                                                    28.9
3 POINT (1916344 418212.2)
                                       245
                                                    18.0
  POINT (1913416 420526.6)
                                       268
                                                    18.0
                                       381
                                                    28.5
  POINT (1991502 535259.1)
  POINT (1990622 534442.6)
                                       188
                                                    15.0
7
     POINT (1962410 543779)
                                       162
                                                    20.0
8 POINT (1956236 534420.3)
                                       149
                                                     10.0
```

```
9 POINT (1960237 537023.1) 353 25.0
10 POINT (1894891 540093) 0 12.0
```

# 6.2.-.b Python

```
# Combine school enrollment data
lscog_sch_enroll = pd.concat([
    lscog_pub_sch_enroll.assign(
        STUDENT_COUNT=lscog_pub_sch_enroll['STUDENT_COUNT_PUB'],
        TEACHER_COUNT=lscog_pub_sch_enroll['TEACHER_COUNT_PUB']
),
    lscog_pvt_sch_enroll.assign(
        STUDENT_COUNT=lscog_pvt_sch_enroll['STUDENT_COUNT_PVT'],
        TEACHER_COUNT=lscog_pvt_sch_enroll['TEACHER_COUNT_PVT']
)
])
lscog_sch_enroll
```

```
... TEACHER COUNT PVT
      INSTITUTION ID
        450108001163 ...
0
                                          NaN
        450075000064 ...
1
                                          NaN
2
        450075001184
                                          NaN
3
        450075001415
                                          NaN
4
        450093000119
                                          NaN
                                          . . .
                  . . .
                       . . .
. . .
            K9305640
17663
                                          3.0
            A9703170 ...
                                          4.8
17672
17676
            01262826
                                         23.0
17722
            01932407
                                          6.0
17733
            A9903957 ...
                                          1.0
[122 rows x 10 columns]
```

The subsequent TAZ aggregation counts total student enrollment within each zone, providing essential data for modeling education-related trip patterns and supporting specialized trip generation rates for school-based travel.

#### 6.2.-.c R

```
# count the number of school enrollment within each TAZ
lscog_taz_enroll <- lscog_taz |>
    sf::st_join(lscog_sch_enroll) |>
    dplyr::group_by(
        ID,
        Area,
```

```
TAZ_ID,
   COUNTY,
   AREA_TYPE,
   COUNTYID,
   .drop = FALSE
) |>
   dplyr::summarize(
        .groups = "drop",
        STUDENT_COUNT = sum(STUDENT_COUNT, na.rm = TRUE)
)

lscog_taz_enroll
```

```
Simple feature collection with 585 features and 7 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
              XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691490 ymin: 331894 xmax: 2237471 ymax: 744679.9
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 585 × 8
        ID
            Area TAZ ID COUNTY AREA TYPE COUNTYID STUDENT COUNT
                                                             <dbl>
     <int> <dbl>
                  <int> <chr>
                                  <chr>
                                               <int>
1 3010700 0.846 3010700 Aiken SC SUBURBAN
                                               45003
                                                                 0
2 3010701 1.10
                 3010701 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
                                                                 0
                                                                 0
3 3010702 0.395 3010702 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
4 3010703 0.338 3010703 Aiken SC URBAN
                                                                 0
                                               45003
                                                                 0
5 3010704 0.381 3010704 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
6 3010705 0.125 3010705 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
                                                               717
7 3010706 0.0879 3010706 Aiken SC URBAN
                                                                 0
                                               45003
                                                                 0
8 3010707 0.103 3010707 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
9 3010708 0.0659 3010708 Aiken SC URBAN
                                               45003
                                                                 0
10 3010709 0.0279 3010709 Aiken SC URBAN
                                                                 0
                                               45003
# i 575 more rows
# i 1 more variable: SHAPE <MULTIPOLYGON [foot]>
```

# 6.2.-.d Python

```
ID Area TAZ_ID ... AREA_TYPE COUNTYID STUDENT_COUNT 0 3010700 0.846321 3010700 ... SUBURBAN 45003 0.0
```

```
3010701
                                                                        0.0
1
      3010701
                1.098166
                                             URBAN
                                                       45003
2
      3010702
                0.395302
                           3010702 ...
                                             URBAN
                                                       45003
                                                                        0.0
3
      3010703
                0.338204
                           3010703
                                             URBAN
                                                       45003
                                                                        0.0
4
      3010704
                0.381229
                           3010704
                                             URBAN
                                                      45003
                                                                        0.0
          . . .
                     . . .
                                . . .
                                              . . .
                                                         . . .
                                                                        . . .
580
    75050360
                9.593491 75050360
                                             RURAL
                                                       45075
                                                                      549.0
                                     . . .
581 75050361 17.433178 75050361 ...
                                             RURAL
                                                       45075
                                                                        0.0
582
   75050362 13.319107
                                                                        0.0
                          75050362
                                             RURAL
                                                       45075
583
    75050366
                4.323094
                                          SUBURBAN
                                                       45075
                                                                        0.0
                          75050366
584
    75050373
                6.635425 75050373 ...
                                             RURAL
                                                       45075
                                                                        0.0
[585 rows x 7 columns]
```

# 7 Combine into a single data

This step integrates all TAZ-level socioeconomic datasets into a comprehensive base year file for travel demand modeling. This consolidated dataset contains all essential variables organized in a standardized format with geographic identifiers, demographic characteristics, employment data, and educational enrollment totals for each traffic analysis zone in the study region.

#### 7.0.-.a R

```
# Combine population, household, employments, and school enrollment
lscog_se_base <- lscog_taz_pop |>
  dplyr::left_join(
    lscog_taz_enroll |> sf::st_drop_geometry(),
    by = dplyr::join by(ID, Area, TAZ ID, COUNTY, AREA TYPE, COUNTYID)
  ) |>
  dplyr::select(
    ID,
    Area,
    TAZ_ID,
    COUNTY,
    AREA_TYPE,
    COUNTYID,
    INC 14999,
    INC 49999,
    INC_50000,
    TOTPOP,
    GOPOP,
    HHPOP,
    HH,
    HH_1,
    HH 2,
    HH_3,
    HH_4,
    DU,
    dplyr::everything()
```

```
)
lscog_se_base
```

```
Simple feature collection with 585 features and 30 fields
Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
Dimension:
               XY
Bounding box: xmin: 1691490 ymin: 331894 xmax: 2237471 ymax: 744679.9
Projected CRS: NAD83(HARN) / South Carolina (ft)
# A tibble: 585 × 31
            Area TAZ_ID COUNTY AREA_TYPE COUNTYID INC_14999 INC_49999
        ID
INC 50000
    <int> <dbl> <int> <chr> <chr>
                                             <int>
                                                       <dbl>
                                                                  <dbl>
<dbl>
1 3010700 0.846 3.01e6 Aiken... SUBURBAN
                                             45003
                                                            0
                                                                      4
16
2 3010701 1.10 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                                           12
                                                                     85
                                             45003
385
3 3010702 0.395 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                           5
                                                                     88
4 3010703 0.338 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                           7
                                                                     86
144
5 3010704 0.381 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                           49
                                                                     48
164
6 3010705 0.125 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                                           3
                                                                     69
                                             45003
117
7 3010706 0.0879 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                           1
                                                                     23
38
8 3010707 0.103 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                                                     99
                                             45003
                                                            0
95
9 3010708 0.0659 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                                     35
32
10 3010709 0.0279 3.01e6 Aiken... URBAN
                                             45003
                                                                     36
35
# i 575 more rows
# i 22 more variables: TOTPOP <dbl>, GQPOP <dbl>, HHPOP <dbl>, HH <dbl>,
    HH_1 <dbl>, HH_2 <dbl>, HH_3 <dbl>, HH_4 <dbl>, DU <dbl>, TOTAL_EMP <dbl>,
   AGR_FOR_FI <dbl>, MINING <dbl>, CONSTRUCTI <dbl>, MANUFACTUR <dbl>,
   TRANSP COM <dbl>, WHOLESALE <dbl>, RETAIL <dbl>, FIRE <dbl>,
#
    SERVICES <dbl>, PUBLIC ADM <dbl>, SHAPE <MULTIPOLYGON [foot]>,
    STUDENT_COUNT <dbl>
```

# 7.0.-.b Python

```
# Define the column order
field_order = [
   'ID', 'Area', 'TAZ_ID', 'COUNTY', 'AREA_TYPE', 'COUNTYID',
```

```
'INC_14999', 'INC_49999', 'INC_50000',
    'TOTPOP', 'GQPOP', 'HHPOP',
    'HH', 'HH_1', 'HH_2', 'HH_3', 'HH_4', 'DU'
]

# Combine population, household, employments, and school enrollment
lscog_se_base = lscog_taz_pop.merge(
    lscog_taz_enroll,
    on=['ID', 'Area', 'TAZ_ID', 'COUNTY', 'AREA_TYPE', 'COUNTYID'],
    how='left'
)

lscog_se_base = lscog_se_base[field_order +

list(lscog_se_base.columns.difference(field_order))]

lscog_se_base
```

```
ID ...
                                                           geometry
0
     3010700 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1699181.31 620454.142, 1699123...
     3010701 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1694583.352 615949.391, 169461...
1
2
     3010702 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1700348.674 611719.751, 170010...
3
     3010703 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1701031.299 609784.953, 170063...
4
     3010704 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1698257.603 608476.138, 169825...
580 75050360 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1967942.928 639523.392, 196793...
581 75050361 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1942618.133 631129.68, 1942312...
582 75050362 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((1985475.577 652643.249, 198567...
583 75050366 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2047618.073 635211.818, 204760...
584 75050373 ... MULTIPOLYGON (((2053533.596 627788.863, 205352...
[585 rows x 31 columns]
```

# 8 Data checks and validation

The validation process ensures data integrity and consistency across all socioeconomic variables through systematic checks of categorical totals. These validation steps identify any discrepancies between aggregate totals and component categories that may have occurred during the interpolation or aggregation processes.

## 8.1 Household size total

This validation confirms that the total household count matches the sum of all household size categories for each TAZ. Any discrepancies indicate potential issues in the household size distribution that require investigation and correction before model implementation.

#### 8.1.-.a R

```
# check the sum of household by household size
lscog_se_base |>
dplyr::filter(HH != (HH_1 + HH_2 + HH_3 + HH_4)) |>
nrow()
```

```
[1] 0
```

## 8.1.-.b Python

```
0
```

## 8.2 Household income total

The income category validation verifies that household totals equal the sum of all three income brackets across all zones. This check ensures the integrity of the income distribution data following the proportional allocation methodology applied during the ACS interpolation process.

## 8.2.-.a R

```
# check the sum of household by income level
lscog_se_base |>
dplyr::filter(HH != (INC_14999 + INC_49999 + INC_50000)) |>
nrow()
```

```
[1] 0
```

# 8.2.-.b Python

```
θ
```

# 8.3 Employment categories

The employment validation confirms that total employment equals the sum of all industry sector categories for each TAZ. This comprehensive check validates the LEHD data integration and ensures that no employment is lost or double-counted during the sectoral disaggregation process.RetryClaude can make mistakes. Please double-check responses.

#### 8.3.-.a R

```
# check the sum of employment by categories
lscog_se_base |>
  dplyr::filter(
    TOTAL EMP !=
      (AGR_FOR_FI +
        MINING +
        CONSTRUCTI +
        MANUFACTUR +
        TRANSP_COM +
        WHOLESALE +
        RETAIL +
        FIRE +
        SERVICES +
        PUBLIC_ADM)
  ) |>
  nrow()
```

```
[1] 0
```

# 8.3.-.b Python

```
# check the sum of employment by categories
lscog_se_base[
    lscog_se_base['TOTAL_EMP'] != (
        lscog_se_base['AGR_FOR_FI'] +
        lscog_se_base['MINING'] +
        lscog_se_base['CONSTRUCTI'] +
        lscog_se_base['MANUFACTUR'] +
        lscog_se_base['TRANSP_COM'] +
        lscog_se_base['WHOLESALE'] +
        lscog_se_base['RETAIL'] +
        lscog_se_base['FIRE'] +
        lscog_se_base['SERVICES'] +
        lscog_se_base['PUBLIC_ADM']
)
].shape[0]
```

```
0
```

# 9 Export the final data

The final export creates the complete TAZ-level socioeconomic dataset in both tabular and spatial formats for direct integration into the travel demand model. This comprehensive dataset serves as the primary input for trip generation, providing all necessary demographic, economic, and educational variables organized by traffic analysis zone for the LSCOG regional modeling system.

# Export as CSV flat file

#### 9.0.-.a R

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_se_base |>
    sf::st_drop_geometry() |>
    readr::write_csv(
        file.path(root, "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_raw/lscog_se_taz.csv"),
        append = FALSE
    )
```

## 9.0.-.b Python

```
# Export as CSV
lscog_se_base |>
   gpd.GeoDataFrame.to_csv(
    Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_raw" /
"lscog_se_taz.csv",
   index=False
)
```

## **Export as Geodatabase layer**

#### 9.0.-.c R

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_se_base |>
    sf::write_sf(
    file.path(
        root,
        "Task 1 TDM Development/Base Year/_gis/LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    ),
    layer = "lscog_se_base",
    append = FALSE
)
```

## 9.0.-.d Python

```
# Export as GDB
lscog_se_base |>
   gpd.GeoDataFrame.to_file(
```

```
Path(root) / "Task 1 TDM Development" / "Base Year" / "_gis" /
"LSCOG_2020Base_SE.gdb"
    layer='lscog_se_base',
    driver='FileGDB'
)
```