# Project 6: Build Data Dashboards In the Udacity Business Analyst Nanodegree

# <u>Telling Stories with Data in Tableau</u> Intro:

My story shows the uneven economic distribution of Income that trends into Poverty using Tableau data-visualization dashboards. This inequality is due to many factors. I will be using the data from the census table in the

acs2015-county-data.csv database to show three Insights into

# Poverty in the US

In this <u>Story</u> I use 3 Dashboards to allow the viewer 3 data visualization Insights into <u>Poverty in the US</u> from the 2015 census data. My main focus is on displaying how having a reliable Commute to a Job to receive Income is necessary to stay away from Unemployment and above the Poverty line.

The <u>Story</u> opens on <u>Dashboard 2</u> to center my main query on the source of Income which is Jobs and Commute. Then on the left <u>Dashboard 1</u> without Income you fall under the Poverty level. On the right <u>Dashboard 3</u> being Unemployed possibly from lack of reliable transportation is associated with higher Poverty.

# **Insight 1:**

- Title: Lower Median Income associated with Higher Poverty
- Question: Does the census data show if Lower median Income is associated with Higher Poverty?
- Main Insight: Yes. As Median Income goes down the Poverty rate goes up.
- Links: Dashboard 1
- Summary: Lower Median <u>Income</u> is associated with higher Child and adult <u>Poverty</u> by State is the main insight I would like to be clear to the viewer. No or low <u>Income</u> can be caused by many things. The main point is to show a link between Median <u>Income</u> and Average Percentage of adult and Child <u>Poverty</u> by State..
- Design: I choose 3 horizontal Bar charts side-by-side to display Median <u>Income</u> by State
  next to Adult <u>Poverty</u> and <u>Child Poverty</u> as Average Percentages. My design consideration
  was to compare how when the Median <u>Income</u> is low or null by smaller Bar length the
  Average Percentage of <u>Poverty</u> is larger. Lower <u>Income</u> States show higher <u>Poverty</u>.
- Resources: <a href="https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines">https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines</a>

## **Insight 2:**

- Title: Average Percentage of Jobs and Commutes by State
- Question: How important is Commute in maintaining a Job and maintaining Income?
- **Main Insight:** We know from experience no or low income will cause you to fall under the Poverty level. Very important from becoming Unemployed! Many people walk to Jobs like Alaska..
- Links: Dashboard 2
- Summary: The ability to live above the <u>Poverty</u> line relies on Income from a <u>Job</u>. Reliable transportation is still critical in maintaining a <u>Job</u> and <u>Income</u>. Otherwise you become on <u>Unemployment</u>. Reliable <u>Commute</u> is Key for most <u>Jobs!</u> Unless you work from home remotely!
- So reliable transportation is critical to not become Unemployed.
- **Design**: In the center <u>Dashboard 2</u>: <u>Average Percentage of Jobs and Commutes by State</u>,
- I used an interactive filter so when you Select a State the 2 charts above, <u>Jobs by State</u> and <u>Commutes by State</u>, will show the census data by categories as Average Percentage when you Hover over or Select, click, the State of choice.

The top 2 charts above are chosen as Bar charts to show the higher and lower average percentages by category by choosing a State from Select a State on the lower Map chart.

- Resources: No ride No Job.
   https://www.businessinsider.com/lack-of-transport-is-a-major-obstacle-to-employment-for-am ericas-poor-2018-1
- Mean Commute is less a factor now as remote work jobs have increased \* during the covid19 pandemic.
   <a href="https://www.brookings.edu/blog/up-front/2020/04/06/telecommuting-will-likely-continue-long-after-the-pandemic/">https://www.brookings.edu/blog/up-front/2020/04/06/telecommuting-will-likely-continue-long-after-the-pandemic/</a>
- Remote jobs are expected to continue to increase in number.

## **Insight 3:**

- Title: Higher Unemployment associated with Higher Poverty
- Question: Does the census data show if Higher Unemployment is associated with Higher Poverty?
- Main Insight: Yes. With no or low Income from a Job people trend below the Poverty level.
- Link: Dashboard 3
- **Summary:** Higher Unemployment can be the result of many factors. Such as transportation, lack of skills required, racial discrimination. Becoming Unemployed is related to being below the Poverty level.
- Design: I used a Tree and Bubble to allow the viewer 2 ways to visually see that higher
   <u>Unemployment</u> trends with higher <u>Poverty</u>. The top Tree chart shows larger size as higher
   <u>Poverty</u> and higher <u>Unemployment</u> as darker color shade. The lower Bubble chart shows
   higher <u>Unemployment</u> as larger size and higher <u>Poverty</u> as darker color shade.
- Resources: Unemployment reference charts job losses during covid19 pandemic <a href="https://public.tableau.com/views/USUnemploymentUpdatedJuly2020/Dashboard1?:language=en&:display\_count=y&:origin=viz\_share\_link">https://public.tableau.com/views/USUnemploymentUpdatedJuly2020/Dashboard1?:language=en&:display\_count=y&:origin=viz\_share\_link</a>
- Unemployment is at an all time high in 2020.

# Summary: With no Income from being Unemployed (due to lack of Commute) leads to Higher Poverty.

### Links:

https://public.tableau.com/profile/frida.rode#!/vizhome/Project\_6\_census\_1603202950221 0/Story1

### Dash1

https://public.tableau.com/shared/Z5N4PW5DC?:display\_count=y&:origin=viz\_share\_link

### Dash2

https://public.tableau.com/shared/GCG75WB5H?:display\_count=y&:origin=viz\_share\_link

#### Dash3

https://public.tableau.com/views/Project\_6\_census\_16032029502210/Story1?:language=e n&:display count=y&:origin=viz share link