Food access and health outcomes

How can a medicare advantage plan best use their resources?

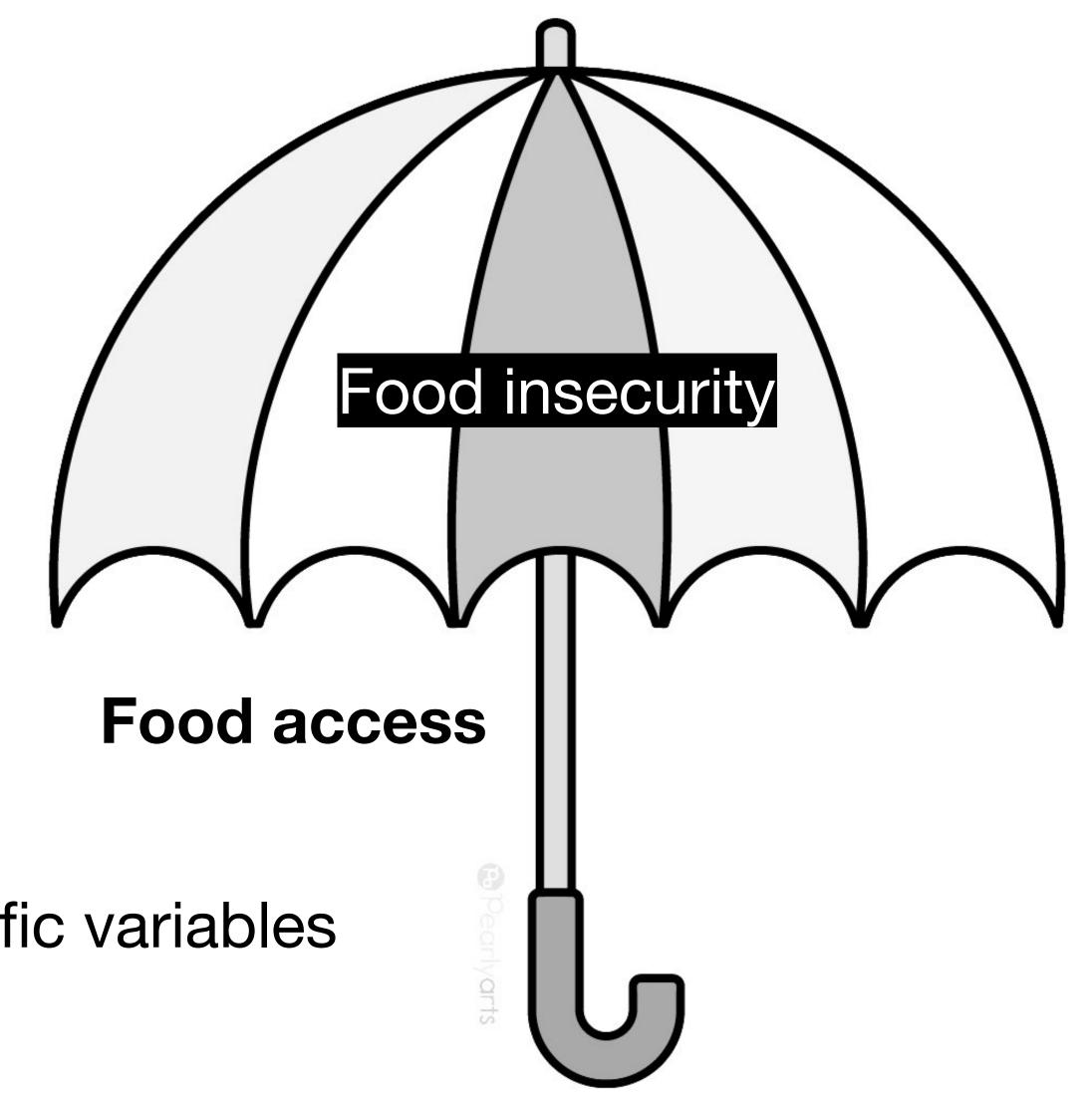
Background

And data overview

- 2017 USDA report
- 10 chronic conditions:
 - PREVALENCE
 - COST
 - MORBIDITY
 - PREVENTABILITY

Food Atlas dataset: only the access specific variables

CDC 500 Cities dataset



Health outcomes

Compare the top quartile of low access counties vs. remaining counties

Health outcomes focused on from CDC dataset:

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Hypertension

Cancer

Asthma

COPD

Diabetes

Kidney disease

Stroke



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p=0.013

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p<0.001

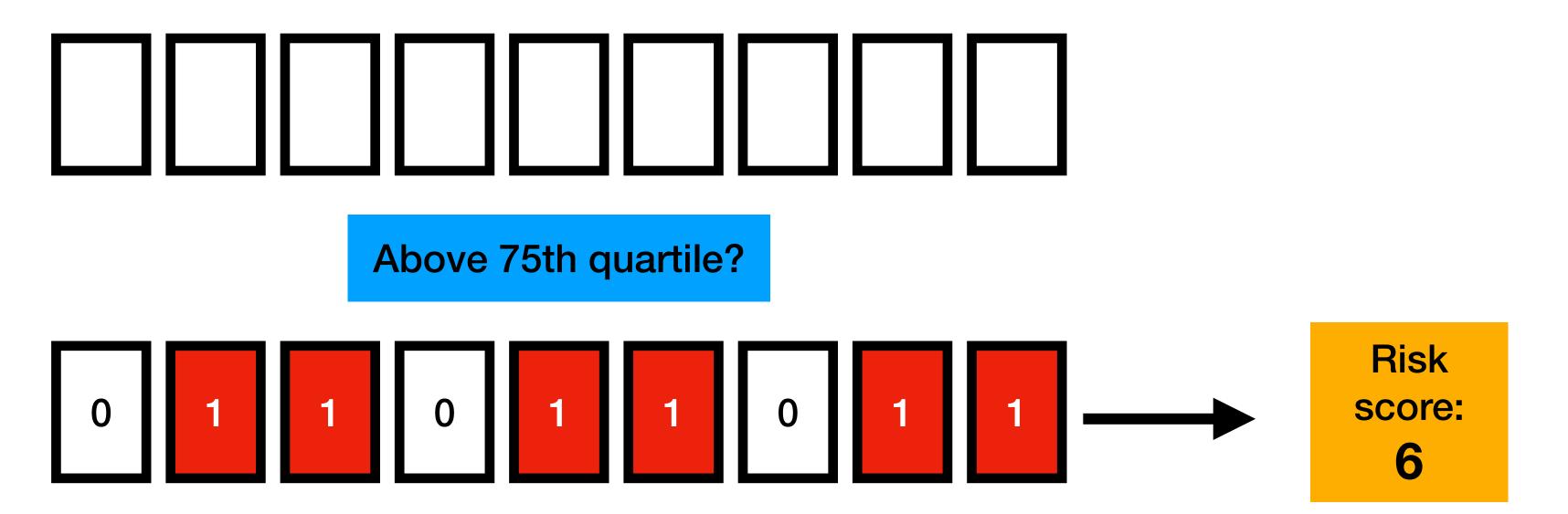
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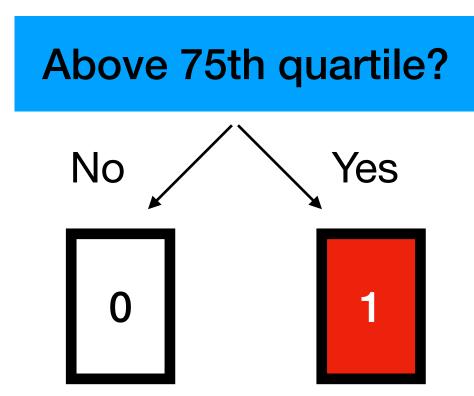
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Significantly different health outcomes in high % low access counties

Selected health outcome columns



% of population with low access to food, 2015



Adjusting access depending on resources available

Rule sets

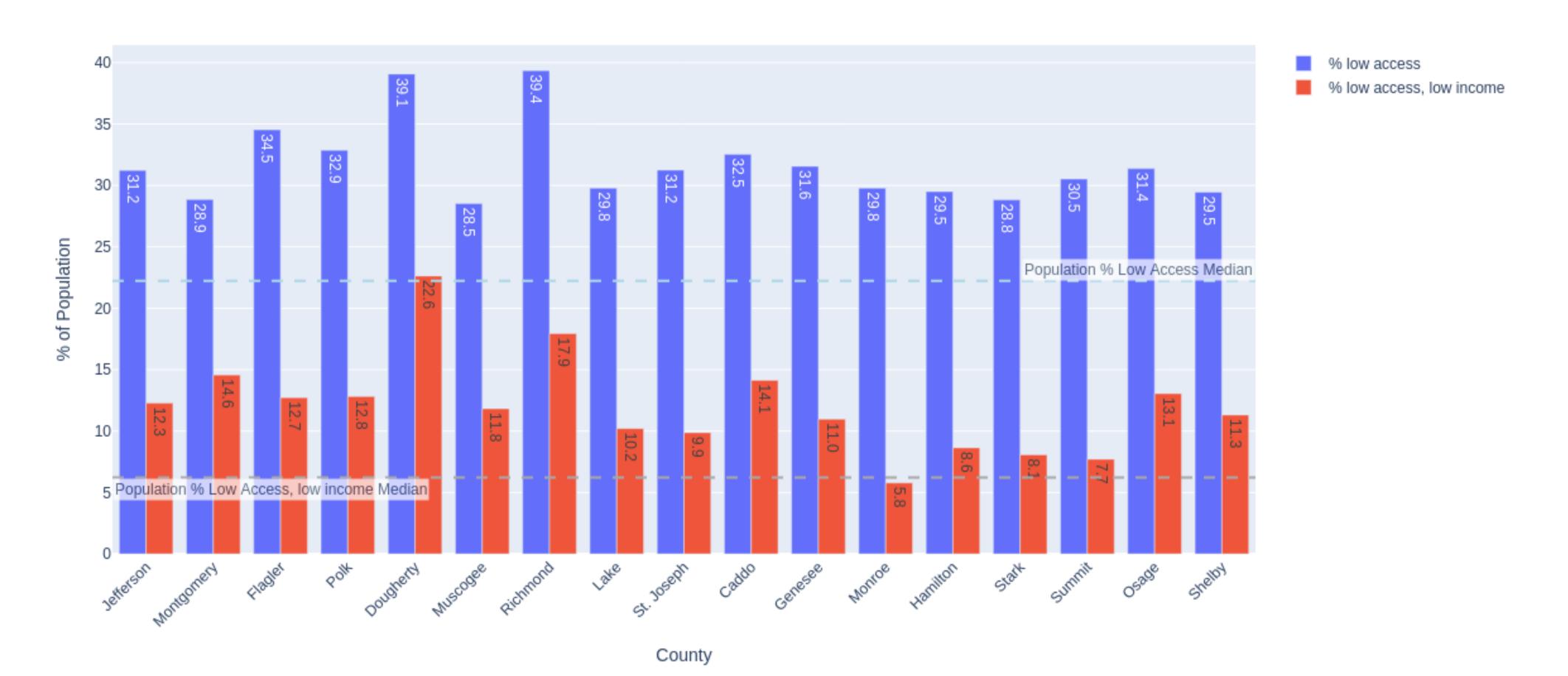
- Condition 1 Just access based: county in top 25% of data (**where health data available)
- 2. Condition 2 Just health outcome based: risk score above threshold
- 3. Either of these conditions met
- 4. Both conditions need to be met

~3 million people, 17 counties

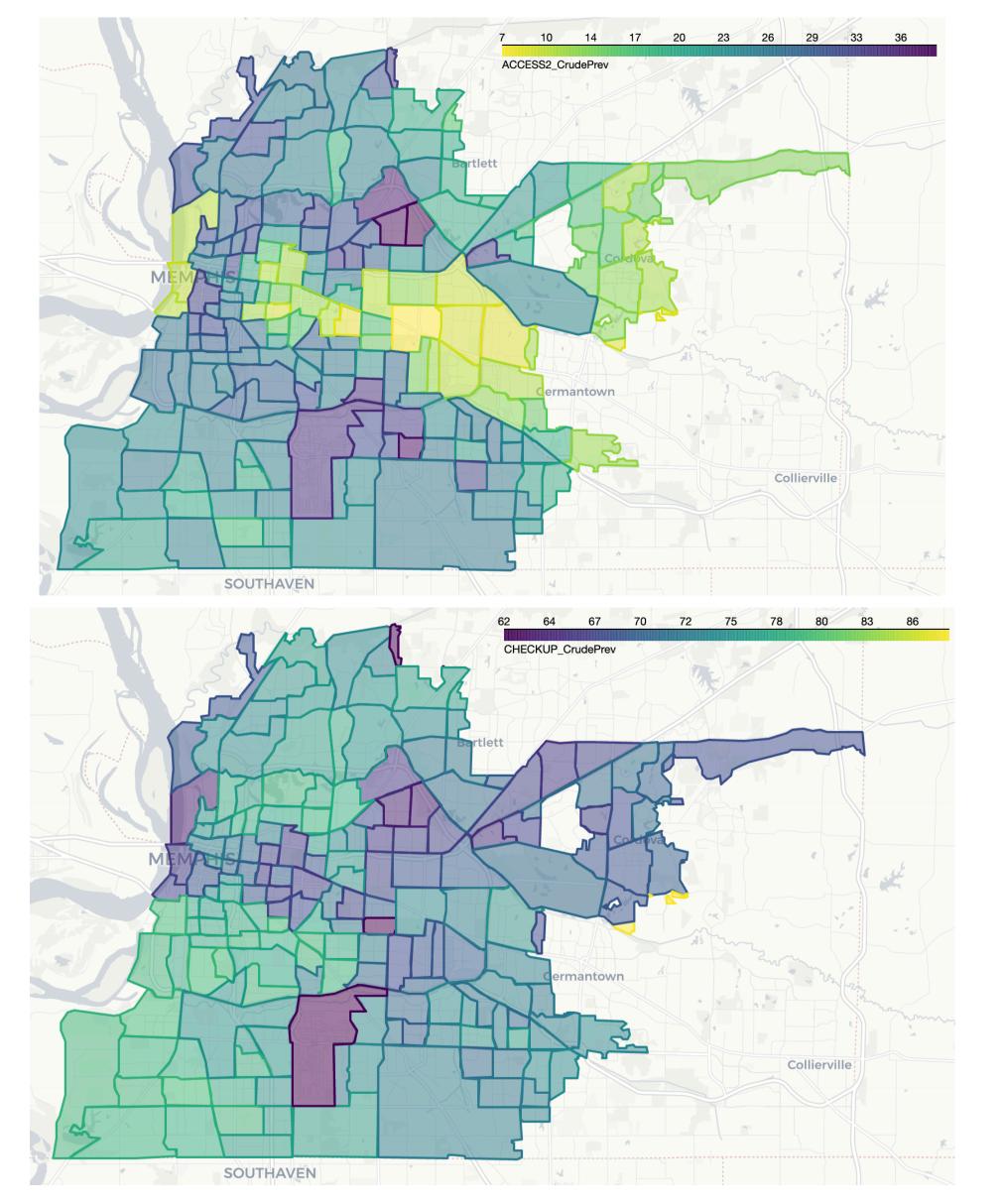
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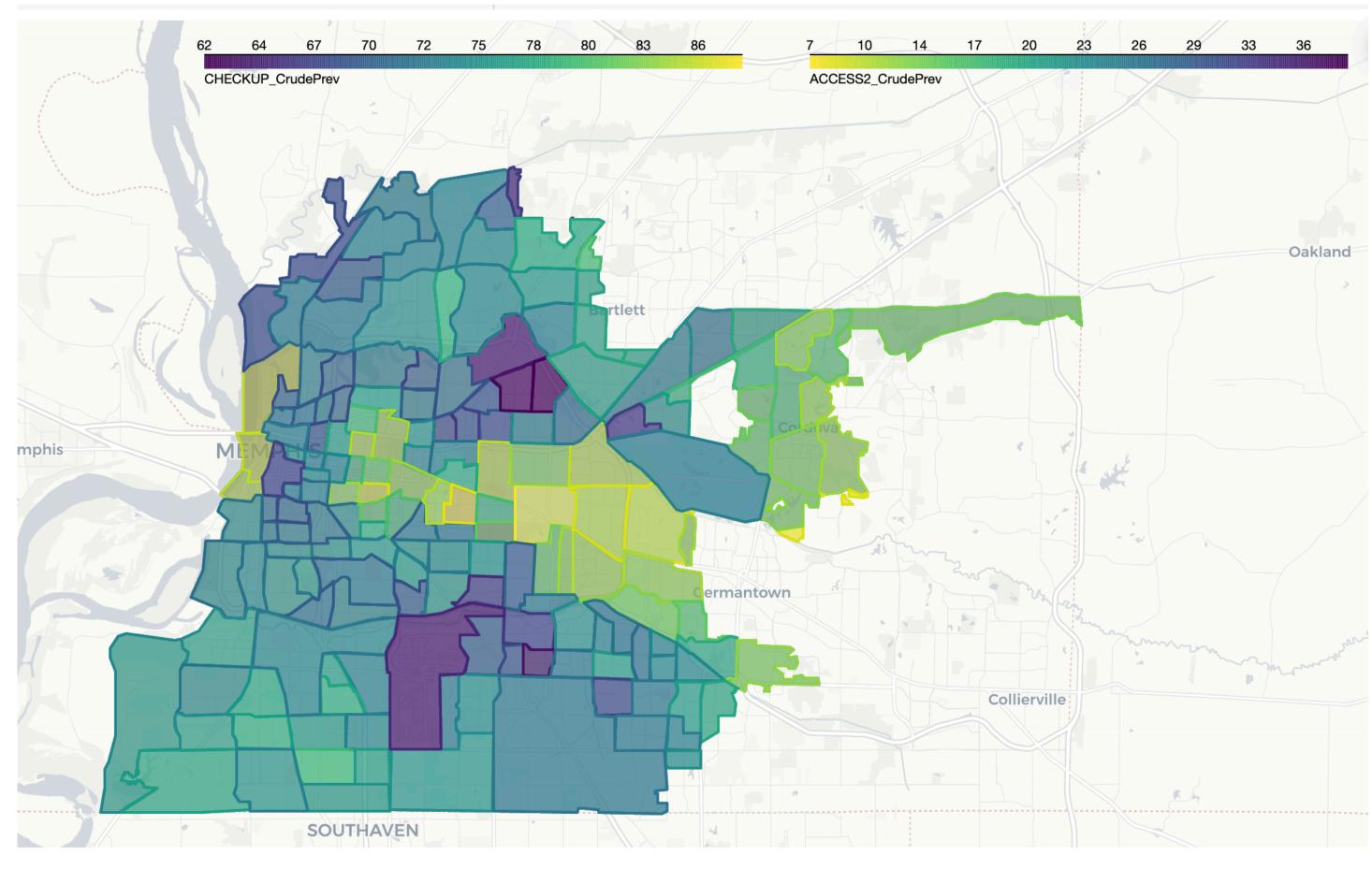
Risk score > 6, low access in top quartile

Percentage low access population and low access + low income in Highest Risk Counties



Shelby County: high risk county with largest population



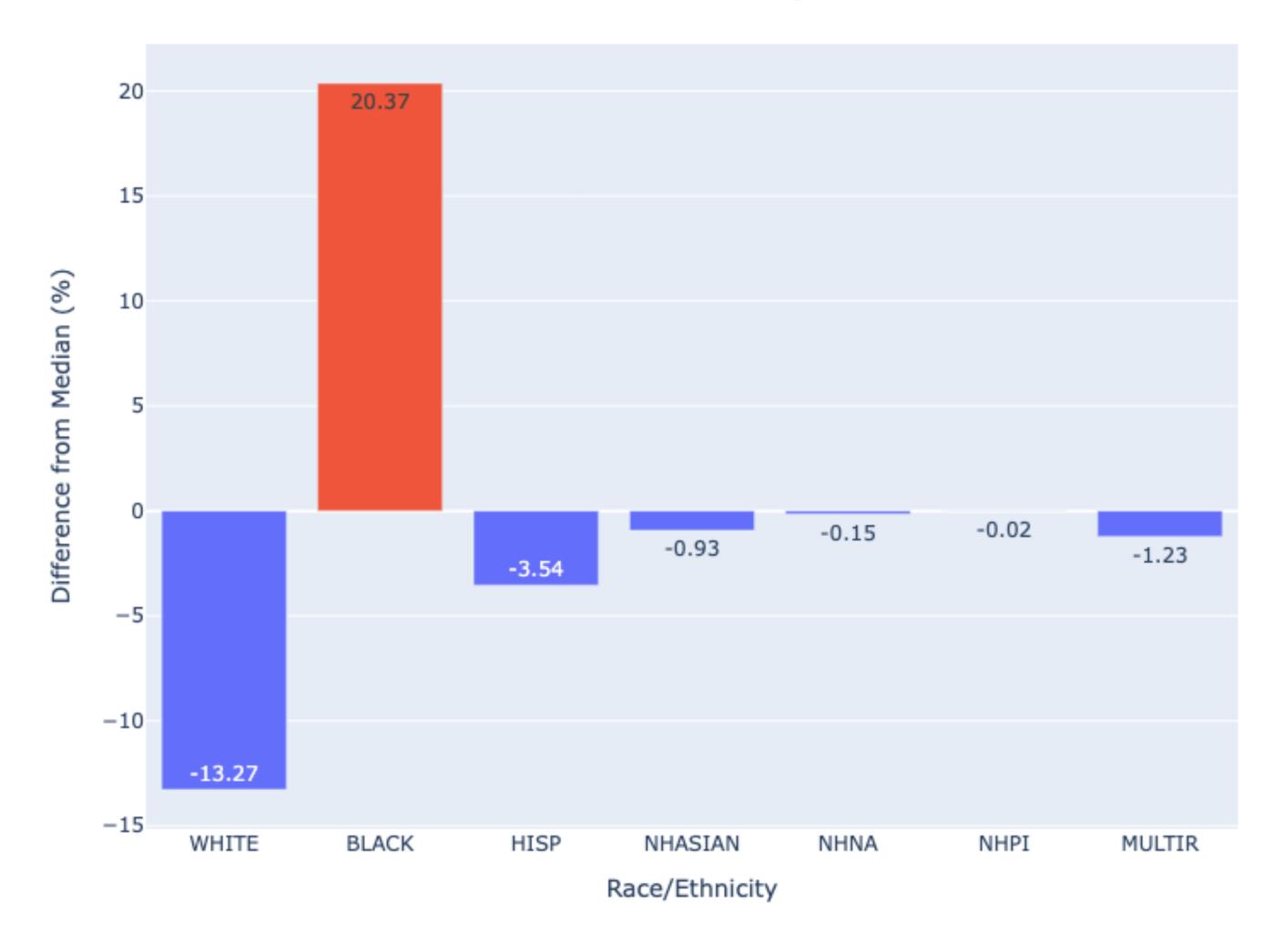


~800,000 26%

Which subgroup of the population?

Difference in median between all counties and high risk counties

- Correlation analysis between different race/ ethnicity groups and selected health outcomes
- Hypertension ~ % low access, Black.
- 0.5 correlation



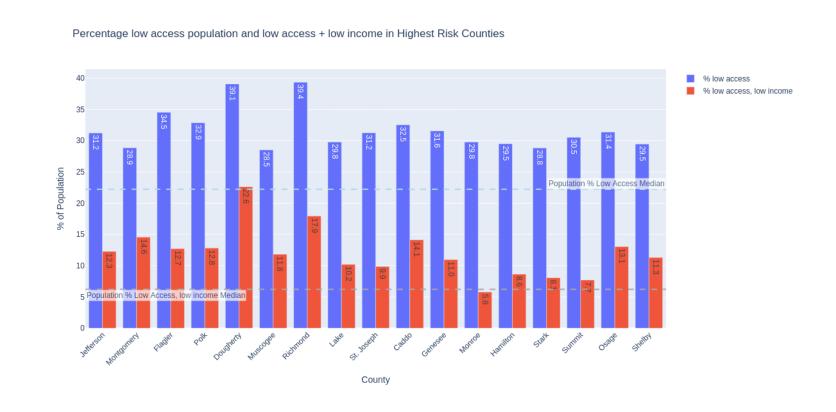
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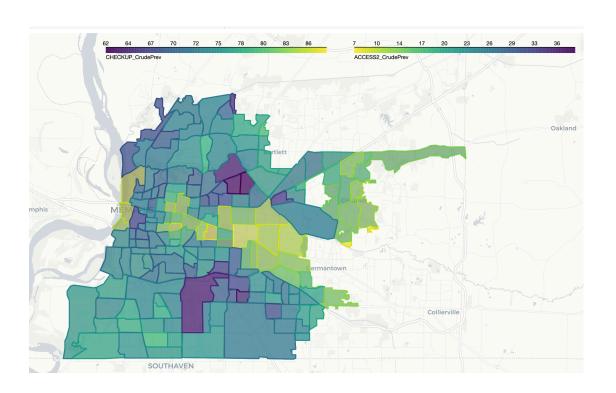
- Food access ~ health outcomes
- Identified 17 high risk counties
- Race/ethnic disparities across counties
- Expected improvement in hypertension +

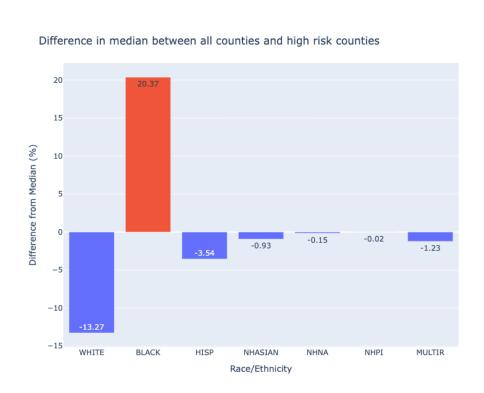
~3.1M people

Estimated 800,000 people engaged

26%

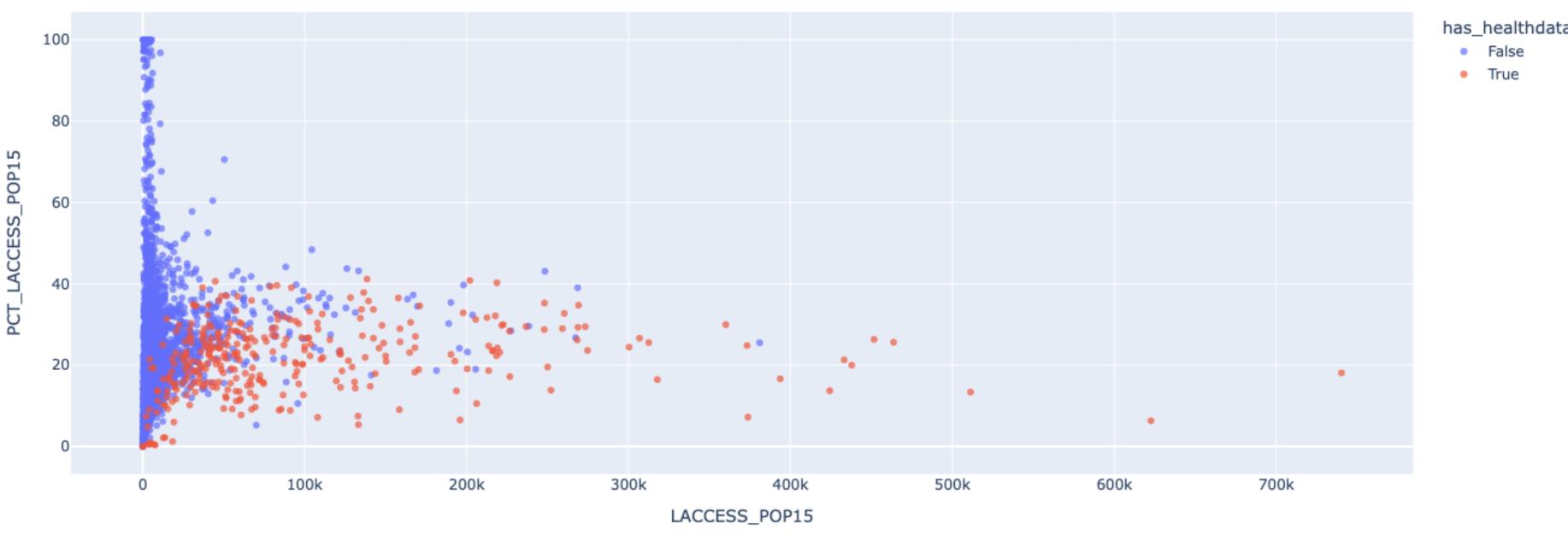




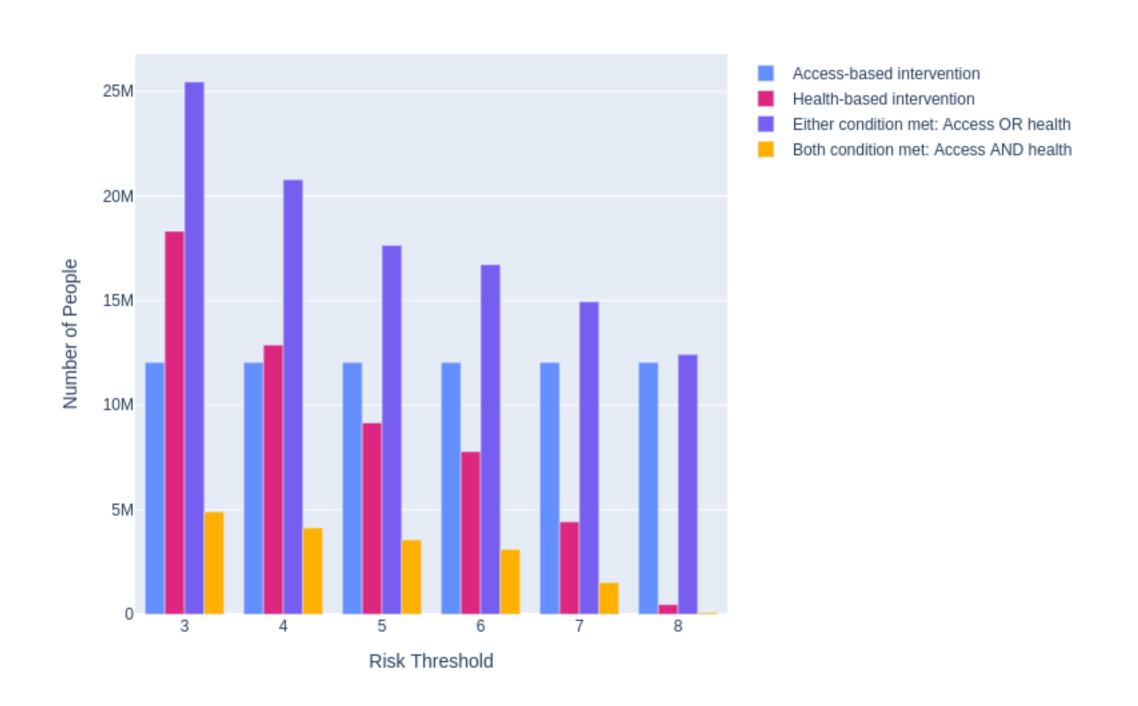


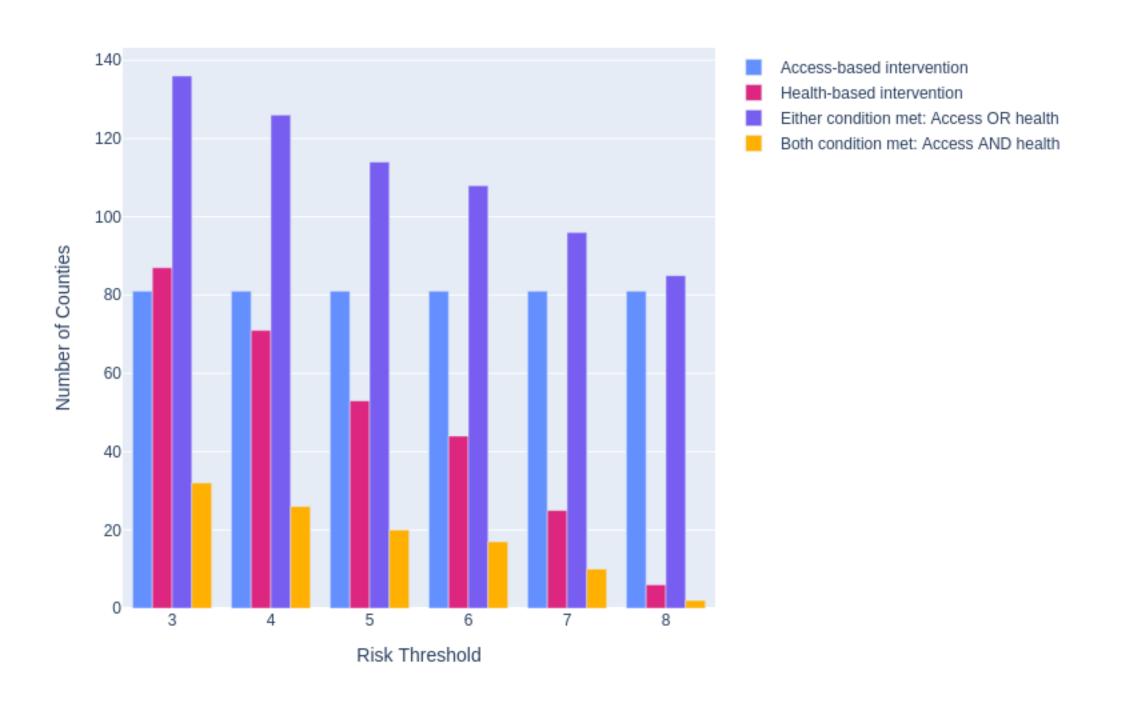
Appendix

500 cities dataset only a portion of the data representing the nation



Distribution of risk score

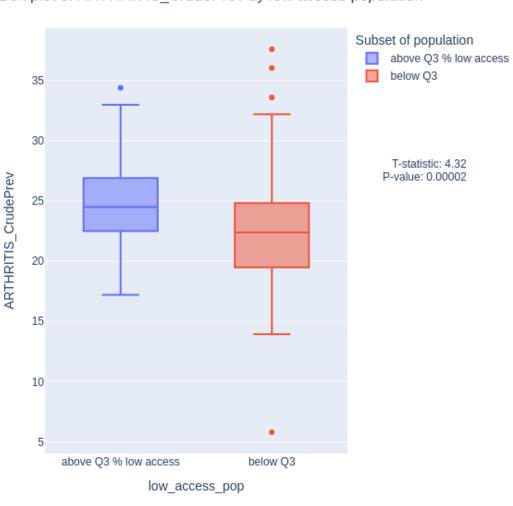




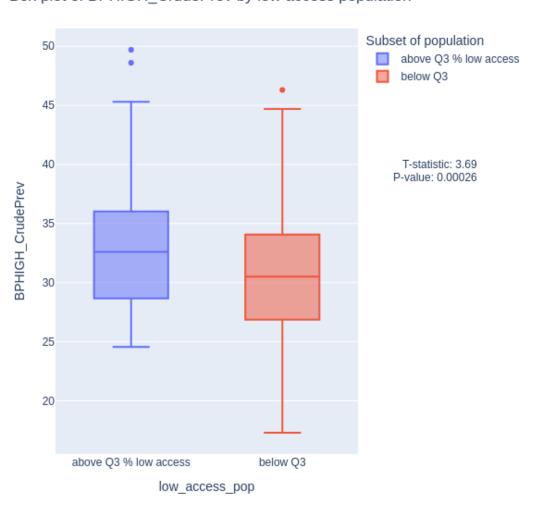
• Future work: add weighting depending on relative importance of different health outcomes

Supporting statistics - health outcomes

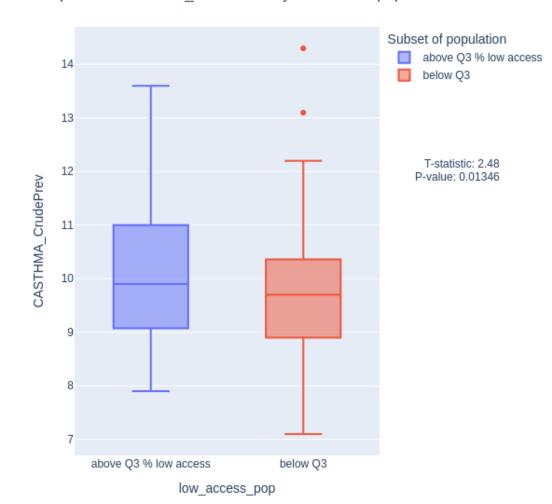
Box plot of ARTHRITIS CrudePrev by low access population



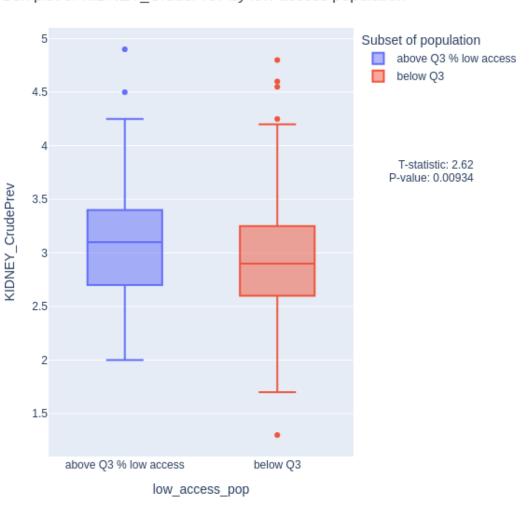
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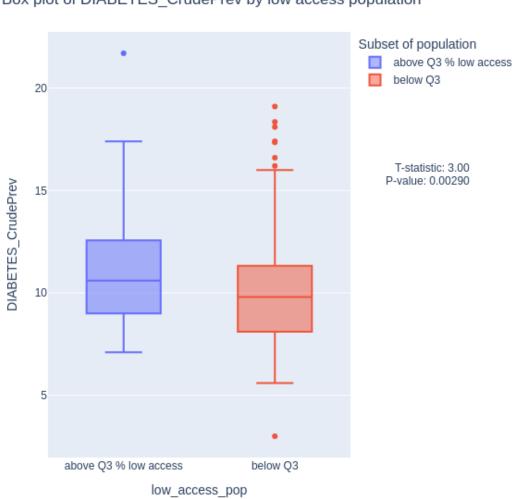
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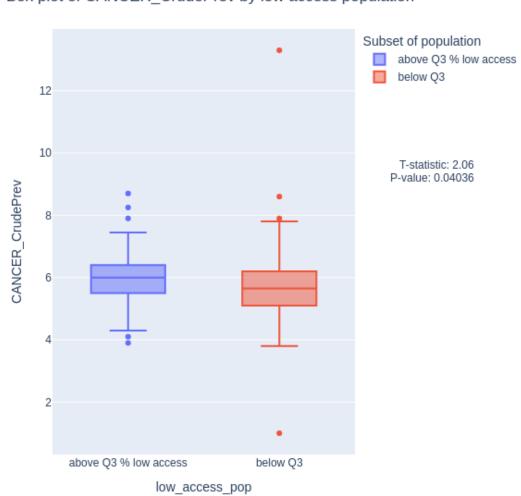
Box plot of KIDNEY_CrudePrev by low access population



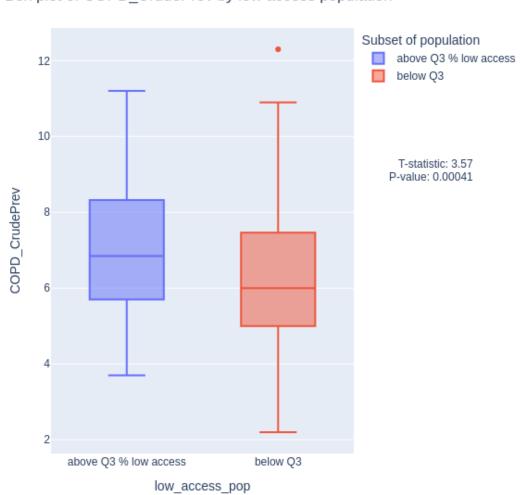
Box plot of DIABETES_CrudePrev by low access population



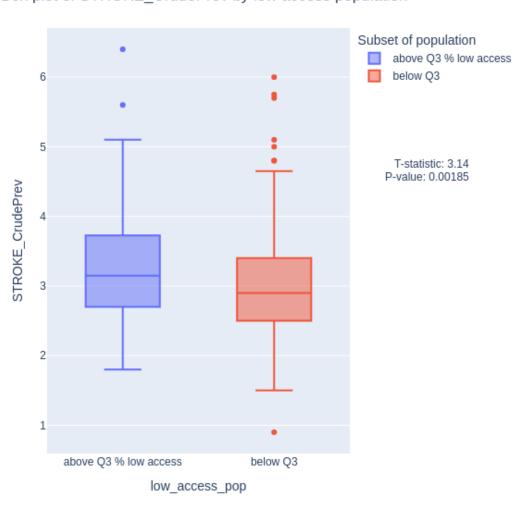
Box plot of CANCER CrudePrev by low access population



Box plot of COPD_CrudePrev by low access population



Box plot of STROKE CrudePrev by low access population



More supporting visualizations

