* Henry: data collection methodology, alternate data set search, inherent biases research

Social Vulnerability Index

Source:

<https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/placeandhealth/svi/index.html>

**Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)**

The **Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)**, based in Atlanta, Georgia, is a federal public health agency of the **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**. ATSDR protects communities from harmful health effects related to exposure to natural and man-made hazardous substances. We do this by responding to environmental health emergencies; investigating emerging environmental health threats; conducting research on the health impacts of hazardous waste sites; and building capabilities of and providing actionable guidance to state and local health partners.

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<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/epitox/>

# **Environmental Surveillance and Toxicology Branch**

The Environmental Surveillance and Toxicology Branch (ESTB) uses the principles of epidemiology, toxicology, and surveillance to identify populations at risk, to develop evidence-based actions, and to protect and promote the health of the people of Texas.