

HCV and PBS8 by Chicago communities

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This is the notebook with which I demonstrate the distribution of two affordable housing programs: Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) and Project-Based Section 8 (PBS8) in Chicago. I start with a dataset from HUD containing information on HCV and PBS8 data in each census tract in Illinois, a dataset that converts each census tract to the community area to which it belongs, and a shapefile for Chicago community areas. I process and merge these datasets to graph the number of occupied units for HCV and PBS8 in each community area in Chicago.

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[1]: import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
%matplotlib inline
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[2]: assIL = pd.read_csv('All Assisted Housing in IL by census tract.csv')
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[3]: # Filter out Cook County data
asscook0 = assIL[assIL.Name.str.contains('Cook County')]
# Eliminate all negative entries
d1 = asscook0.select_dtypes(include = 'number').copy()
d1.where(d1>0, 0, inplace=True)
d2 = asscook0.select_dtypes(exclude = 'number')
asscook = pd.concat([d2, d1], axis=1)
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[4]: # Convert entries under "Codes" into integers
def replace_func(x):
    return int(x[2:-1])
a=asscook.Code.map(replace_func)
asscook = asscook.assign(Code=a)
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[6]: # Read the dataset converting census tracts to community areas in Chicago
conv = pd.read_excel('/Users/bling/Documents/21-22/Housing policy/
↳Census_Tracts_in_Chicago_Community_Areas.xlsx',
↳sheet_name='TractsCommunityAreas')
conv.columns
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[6]: Index(['Tract', 'Label', 'CommunityAreaNumber', 'CommunityAreaName'],
dtype='object')
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[7]: # Rename the asscook column to prepare for merge
asscook.rename({'Code': 'Tract'}, axis = 'columns', inplace=True)
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[9]: # Merge the two datasets to get the affordable housing data for each tract in
      ↳ each community area in Chicago
ahchi = asscook.merge(conv, how = 'inner', on = 'Tract')
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[10]: ahchi.columns
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[10]: Index(['Program label', 'Sub-program', 'Name', 'Tract',
            'Congressional District', 'CBSA', 'PLACE', 'Latitude', 'Longitude',
            'State', 'PHA Total Units', 'HA category', 'Summary level', 'Program',
            'Subsidized units available', '% Occupied', '# Reported', '% Reported',
            'Average months since report', '% moved in past year',
            'Number of people per unit', 'Number of people: total',
            'Average Family Expenditure per month ($$)',
            'Average HUD Expenditure per month ($$)', 'Household income per year',
            'Household income per year per person', '% $1 - $4,999',
            '% $5,000 - $9,999', '% $10,000 - $14,999', '% $15,000 - $19,999',
            '% $20,000 or more',
            '% Households where wages are major source of income',
            '% Households where welfare is major source of income',
            '% Households with other major sources of income',
            '% of local median (Household income)', '% very low income',
            '% extremely low income', '% 2+ adults with children',
            '% 1 adult with children', '% female head',
            '% female head with children',
            '% with disability, among Head, Spouse, Co-head, aged 61 years or less',
            '% with disability, among Head, Spouse, Co-head, aged 62 years or older',
            '% with disability, among all persons in households',
            '% 24 years or less (Head or spouse)',
            '% 25 to 49 years (Head or spouse)', '% 51 to 60 (Head or spouse)',
            '% 62 or more (Head or spouse)', '% 85 or more (Head or spouse)',
            '% Minority', '%Black Non-Hispanic', '%Black Hispanic',
            '%Native American Non-Hispanic',
            '%Asian or Pacific Islander Non-Hispanic', '% Hispanic',
            'Average months on waiting list', 'Average months since moved in',
            '% with utility allowance', 'Average utility allowance $$',
            '% 0 - 1 bedrooms:', '% 2 bedrooms', '% 3+ bedrooms', '% Overhoused',
            '% in poverty (Census tract)', '% minority (Census tract)',
            '% single family owners (Census tract)', '%White Hispanic',
            '%White Non-Hispanic', '% Multiple Race', '%Other Hispanic', 'Label',
            'CommunityAreaNumber', 'CommunityAreaName'],
          dtype='object')
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[11]: key_vars = ['Program label', 'Tract', 'Program', 'Subsidized units available', '%
      ↳ Occupied',
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        '% moved in past year', 'Number of people per unit', 'Number of people:
→ total',
        'CommunityAreaNumber', 'CommunityAreaName']
ahchi_num = ahchi[key_vars]

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[12]: # Calculate the product of two columns (occupancy rate & number of available
→ units) to get occupied units
ahchi_num['Occupied Units']=ahchi_num['Subsidized units available']*ahchi['%
→ Occupied']/100
ahchi_num['Occupied Units']=ahchi_num['Occupied Units'].round(decimals = 0)

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ahchi_num['Occupied Units']=ahchi_num['Occupied Units'].round(decimals = 0)

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[13]: # Filter out data for HCV
ahchi_num_hcv = ahchi_num.loc[ahchi_num['Program label']=='="Housing Choice
→ Vouchers"']
ahchi_num_hcv.drop (columns = 'Program label')

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[15]: # Which census tract saw the biggest influx (highest % moved in past year)?
ahchi_num_hcv.nlargest(5,'% moved in past year')

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	Program label	Tract	Program \
352	"Housing Choice Vouchers"	17031081000	3
33	"Housing Choice Vouchers"	17031010702	3
710	"Housing Choice Vouchers"	17031221500	3
1989	"Housing Choice Vouchers"	17031833000	3
1568	"Housing Choice Vouchers"	17031610300	3

	Subsidized units available	% Occupied	% moved in past year \
352	406	91	43
33	68	91	30

710	168	91	28
1989	116	91	28
1568	13	91	27

	Number of people per unit	Number of people: total	CommunityAreaNumber \
352	1.1	385	8
33	1.7	99	1
710	1.3	192	22
1989	1.1	110	28
1568	2.4	26	61

	CommunityAreaName	Occupied Units
352	Near North Side	369.0
33	Rogers Park	62.0
710	Logan Square	153.0
1989	Near West Side	106.0
1568	New City	12.0

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[16]: # Sum up all occupied HCV units by community area
hcv_com=ahchi_num_hcv.groupby('CommunityAreaNumber').sum()
hcv_com=hcv_com.drop(columns=['Tract','Program','% Occupied','% moved in past_
    ↳year',
                                'Number of people per unit'])
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[21]: # Import the shapefile for community areas in Chicago
import geopandas
com_map= geopandas.read_file('/Users/bling/Documents/21-22/Housing policy/
    ↳Geographic data/Boundaries - Community Areas (current)/
    ↳geo_export_8de711f3-84a7-4e58-9b48-fa4037567404.shp')
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[22]: # Convert the area numbers to integers, rename the column
com_map['area_numbe']=pd.to_numeric(com_map['area_numbe'])
com_map.rename({'area_numbe':'CommunityAreaNumber'}, axis='columns',
    ↳inplace=True)
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[23]: # Merge the community area map with the dataset containing data for each census_
    ↳tract
map_w_hcv = com_map.merge(hcv_com, how = 'inner', on ='CommunityAreaNumber')
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[24]: # top 5 community areas with the largest number of HCV occupied units
map_w_hcv.nlargest(5,'Occupied Units')
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[24]:	area	area_num_1	CommunityAreaNumber	comarea	comarea_id \
	38	0.0	43	43	0.0 0.0
	25	0.0	25	25	0.0 0.0
	69	0.0	71	71	0.0 0.0
	29	0.0	29	29	0.0 0.0

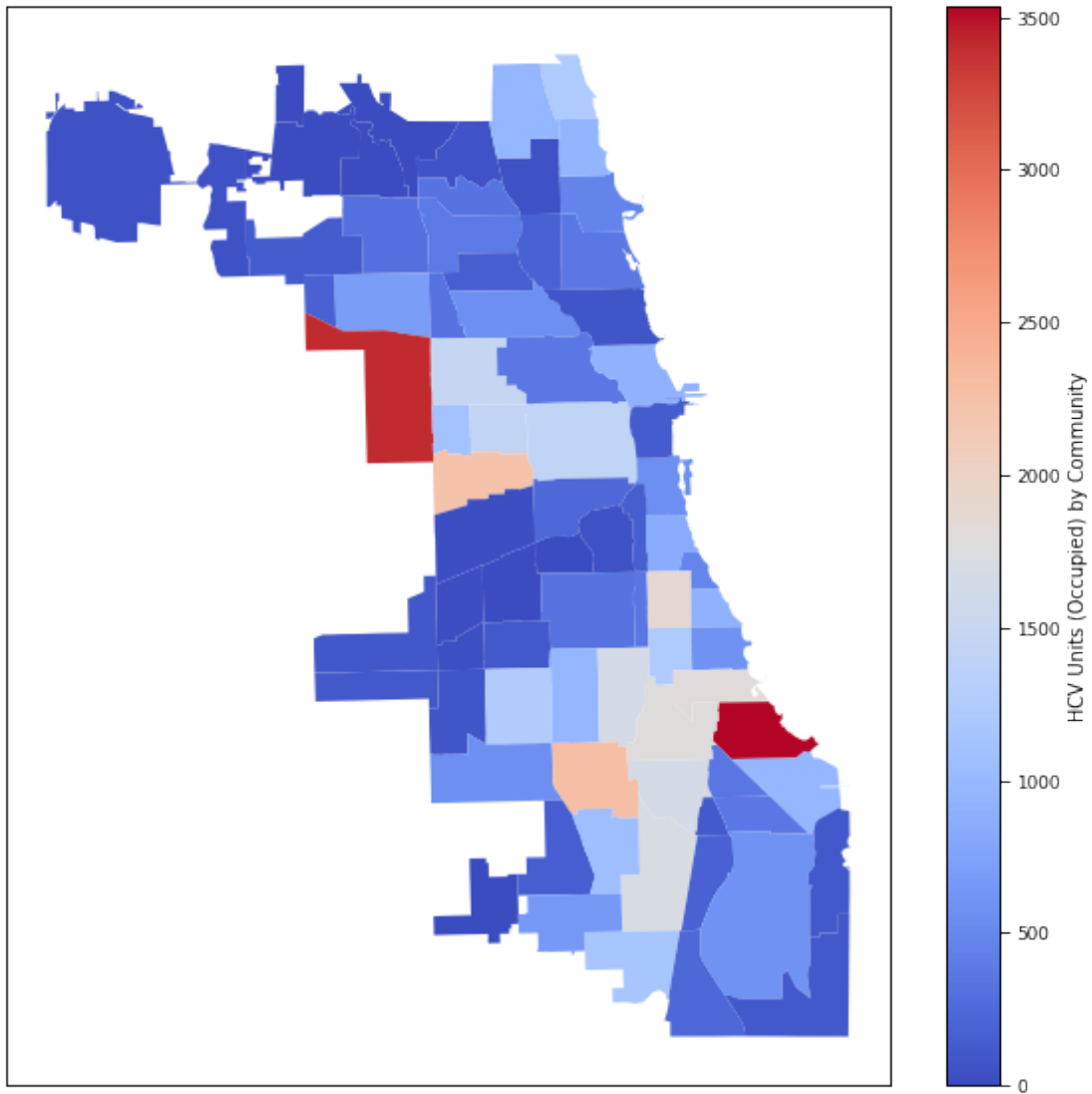
3	0.0	38	38	0.0	0.0
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	community	perimeter	shape_area	shape_len	\
38	SOUTH SHORE	0.0	8.181272e+07	44249.646117	
25	AUSTIN	0.0	1.992542e+08	75226.474917	
69	AUBURN GRESHAM	0.0	1.050654e+08	46757.721716	
29	NORTH LAWDALE	0.0	8.948742e+07	44959.459663	
3	GRAND BOULEVARD	0.0	4.849250e+07	28196.837157	

	geometry	\
38	POLYGON ((-87.54398 41.75515, -87.54400 41.755...	
25	POLYGON ((-87.78942 41.91751, -87.78927 41.917...	
69	POLYGON ((-87.63990 41.75615, -87.63990 41.755...	
29	POLYGON ((-87.72024 41.86987, -87.71965 41.869...	
3	POLYGON ((-87.60671 41.81681, -87.60670 41.816...	

	Subsidized units available	Number of people: total	Occupied Units
38	3889	6410	3539.0
25	3748	6952	3412.0
69	2508	5253	2282.0
29	2455	5405	2228.0
3	2071	3428	1884.0

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[31]: sns.set_context('paper')
ax1 = map_w_hcv.plot('Occupied Units',legend=True, cmap='coolwarm',
                    legend_kwds={'label':'HCV Units (Occupied) by Community'},
                    figsize=(10,10))
ax1.set_yticks([])
ax1.set_xticks([])
fig = plt.gcf()
fig.savefig('/Users/bling/Documents/my_first_figure.pdf')
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[32]: pbs8 = ahchi_num.loc[ahchi_num['Program label']=='="Project Based Section 8"']
pbs8.drop(columns=['Program label','Tract','Program','Number of people per_
↪unit'])
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[32]:
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	Subsidized units available	% Occupied	% moved in past year	\
3	304	94	9	
14	56	100	16	
20	171	98	7	
28	41	100	10	
34	25	91	9	
...	
2236	28	96	7	
2240	31	97	3	

2253	10	0	0
2257	98	100	3
2262	168	96	7

	Number of people: total	CommunityAreaNumber	CommunityAreaName \
3	579	1	Rogers Park
14	63	1	Rogers Park
20	183	1	Rogers Park
28	46	1	Rogers Park
34	55	1	Rogers Park
...
2236	66	29	North Lawndale
2240	87	29	North Lawndale
2253	0	38	Grand Boulevard
2257	102	5	North Center
2262	266	42	Woodlawn

	Occupied Units
3	286.0
14	56.0
20	168.0
28	41.0
34	23.0
...	...
2236	27.0
2240	30.0
2253	0.0
2257	98.0
2262	161.0

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[34]: pbs8.nlargest(5, 'Number of people per unit')
# It looks like that projects in Grand Boulevard and Woodlawn tend to be a bit
↳ overcrowded
# because the average number of people per unit exceeds 3 people.
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	Program label	Tract	Program \
2063	"Project Based Section 8"	17031836000	5
1262	"Project Based Section 8"	17031420800	5
968	"Project Based Section 8"	17031271300	5
2091	"Project Based Section 8"	17031836900	5
2222	"Project Based Section 8"	17031842500	5

	Subsidized units available	% Occupied	% moved in past year \
2063	11	92	17
1262	11	95	0

968	53	91	26
2091	85	91	11
2222	694	96	15

	Number of people per unit	Number of people: total	CommunityAreaNumber \
2063	3.9	47	38
1262	3.5	39	42
968	3.2	160	27
2091	3.1	251	27
2222	3.0	1992	69

	CommunityAreaName	Occupied Units
2063	Grand Boulevard	10.0
1262	Woodlawn	10.0
968	East Garfield Park	48.0
2091	East Garfield Park	77.0
2222	Greater Grand Crossing	666.0

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[35]: # Where are projects that are under-utilized?
pbs8.loc[(pbs8['% Occupied']<80)&(pbs8['Subsidized units available']>10)]
# In West Town, Kenwood, Woodlawn, and Logan Square, the available units tend to
↳ < 80% utilized.
# Notably, in Woodlawn there are 291 subsidized units available, with only 71%
↳ being utilized
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[35]:
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	Program label	Tract	Program \
800	"Project Based Section 8"	17031241100	5
835	"Project Based Section 8"	17031242500	5
1187	"Project Based Section 8"	17031390500	5
1251	"Project Based Section 8"	17031420500	5
1981	"Project Based Section 8"	17031832400	5

	Subsidized units available	% Occupied	% moved in past year \
800	11	0	0
835	12	0	0
1187	48	74	3
1251	291	71	1
1981	12	0	0

	Number of people per unit	Number of people: total	CommunityAreaNumber \
800	0.0	0	24
835	0.0	0	24
1187	2.8	108	39
1251	2.1	376	42
1981	0.0	0	22

	CommunityAreaName	Occupied Units
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800	West Town	0.0
835	West Town	0.0
1187	Kenwood	36.0
1251	Woodlawn	207.0
1981	Logan Square	0.0

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[36]: # Merge the project-based-section 8 data with community map
pbs8_num = pbs8.drop(columns=['Tract', 'Program', '% moved in past year', '%
↳Occupied',
                                'Number of people per unit']).
↳groupby('CommunityAreaNumber').sum()
pbs8_w_map= com_map.merge(pbs8_num, on='CommunityAreaNumber')
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[40]: sns.set_context('paper')
ax2 = pbs8_w_map.plot('Occupied Units', legend=True,
↳figsize=(10,10), cmap='BrBG',
                                legend_kwds={'label': 'Project-Based Section 8 units
↳(Occupied) in Chicago'})
ax2.set_yticks([])
ax2.set_xticks([])
fig = plt.gcf()
fig.savefig('/Users/bling/Documents/my_second_figure.pdf')
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