Census data

We load previously loaded census data. The code for fetching this data is also shown in this section.

```
load(here("API_KEY.rda"))

options(cancensus.api_key = api_key)
options(cancensus.cache_path = "cache")

vectors <- c("v_CA21_1", "v_CA21_6", "v_CA21_452", "v_CA21_449", "v_CA21_1040", "v_CA21_1085", "v_CA21_9

region_DA <- c("59154012", "59154105", "59154090", "59150936", "59154101", "59154104",
               "59154035", "59154103", "59154102", "59154034", "59150945", "59154091",
               "59154093", "59154099", "59150946", "59154100", "59154078", "59154079",
               "59154082", "59154081", "59154080", "59150939", "59150938", "59154083",
               "59154095", "59154084", "59150941", "59150942", "59154085", "59154088",
               "59154087", "59154089", "59154097", "59154098", "59154096", "59154092",
               "59154013", "59150952")

census_data <- get_census(
  dataset = "CA21",
  regions = list(CSD = "5915022", DA = region_DA),
  vectors = vectors,
  labels = "detailed",
  geo_format = "sf",
  level = "DA"
)

census_data <- census_data %>%
  mutate(pop_density = `v_CA21_1: Population, 2021` / `Shape Area`)

can_api_key <- ""
save(census_data, file = "../../data/census.rda")
```

```
load(here("data/census.rda"))

n <- nrow(census_data)
kable(head(census_data[, 1:5]), format = "latex", booktabs = TRUE, caption = "Census Data, 2021 (truncat
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("striped", "hold_position"))
```

Table 1: Census Data, 2021 (truncated rows and columns)

Shape Area	Type	Households	Quality Flags	name	geometry
0.2991	DA	266	0	59150307	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0231 4...
0.1096	DA	218	0	59150308	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...
0.1119	DA	282	0	59150309	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0283 4...
0.1094	DA	389	0	59150310	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...
0.0809	DA	187	0	59150311	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0257 4...
0.0871	DA	201	0	59150312	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...

Food data

```
food_data <- st_read(here("data/free-and-low-cost-food-programs.shp"))  %>%
  select(
    "program_nam",
    "program_sta",
    "meal_cost",
    "local_areas",
    "latitude",
    "longitude",
    "geometry"
  ) %>%
  drop_na("latitude", "longitude") %>%
  # set to wgs 84 as per can census
  st_set_crs(4326)
```

```
## Reading layer `free-and-low-cost-food-programs' from data source
##   `/Users/sid/Documents/ubc classes/2024w1/econ 326/foodprograms-326/data/free-and-low-cost-food-prog
##   using driver `ESRI Shapefile'
## replacing null geometries with empty geometries
## Simple feature collection with 83 features and 25 fields (with 2 geometries empty)
## Geometry type: POINT
## Dimension:     XY
## Bounding box:  xmin: -123.1821 ymin: 49.20725 xmax: -123.0287 ymax: 49.286
## CRS:           NA
```

```
# Food data processing
food_count <- food_data %>%
  st_set_geometry(NULL) %>%
  group_by(local_areas) %>%
  summarise(count = n(), .groups = "drop")

food_data_count <- food_data %>%
  left_join(food_count, by = "local_areas") %>%
  distinct(local_areas, .keep_all = TRUE) # one row per neighbourhood

combo_food_census <- census_data %>%
  st_join(food_data_count)

census_data_food <- combo_food_census %>%
  mutate(program_count = replace_na(count, 0),
         food_density = program_count / `Shape Area`)

head(census_data_food[, 1:5]) %>%
  kable(format = "latex", booktabs = TRUE, caption = "Food Data merged with Census Data, 2021 (truncate
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("striped", "hold_position"))
```

—

Crime data

```
crime <- read_csv(here("data/crime_data_all_neighborhoods.csv"), show_col_types = FALSE) %>%
  mutate(TYPE = as_factor(TYPE),
         HUNDRED_BLOCK = as_factor(HUNDRED_BLOCK),
         NEIGHBOURHOOD = as_factor(NEIGHBOURHOOD)) %>%
```

Table 2: Food Data merged with Census Data, 2021 (truncated rows and columns)

Shape Area	Type	Households	Quality Flags	name	geometry
0.2991	DA	266	0	59150307	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0231 4...
0.1096	DA	218	0	59150308	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...
0.1119	DA	282	0	59150309	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0283 4...
0.1094	DA	389	0	59150310	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...
0.0809	DA	187	0	59150311	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0257 4...
0.0871	DA	201	0	59150312	MULTIPOLYGON (((-123.0234 4...

```
  filter(!is.na(X) & !is.na(Y))

crime_data <- st_as_sf(crime, coords = c("X", "Y"), crs = "+proj=utm +zone=10") %>%
  st_transform(crs = "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84")
```

```
intersections <- st_is_within_distance(census_data, crime_data, sparse = FALSE, dist = 5)

crimes_contained <- rowSums(intersections, dims = 1)

census_data_crime <- census_data %>%
  cbind(crimes_contained) %>%
  mutate(crime_density = crimes_contained / Shape.Area)

unique_crimes <- unique(crime_data$TYPE)

for (type in unique_crimes) {
  type_data <- crime_data %>% filter(TYPE == type)
  intersections <- st_is_within_distance(census_data, type_data, sparse = FALSE, dist = 5)
  sum <- rowSums(intersections, dims = 1)
  df <- as.data.frame(sum)
  census_data_crime <- census_data_crime %>% cbind(df$sum) %>% rename_with(~ paste0("crimes_", type), di
}
```

Training data

Now we merge all of our data-sets into one table so we can feed it into our model.

```
training_data <- st_join(census_data_crime, census_data_food)

training_data <- training_data %>%
  rename_with(
    ~ gsub(":.*$", "", .),  # Remove everything after the colon, including the colon
    starts_with("v_CA21")  # Apply only to columns starting with "v_CA21"
  )

median_lico_at <- median(training_data$v_CA21_1085, na.rm = TRUE)

training_data <- training_data %>%
  mutate(
    low_income = ifelse(
      v_CA21_1085 > median_lico_at,
      1,
```

```
      0))


training_data[is.na(training_data)] <- 0
```

Model

Specification

```
# Specification models
# 1. Model with all variables (including interaction term)
reg_all_vars <- lm(crime_density ~
                   food_density:low_income +
                   food_density +
                   pop_density.x +
                   v_CA21_452 +
                   low_income,
                 data = st_set_geometry(training_data, NULL))

# 2. Model without the interaction term
reg_no_interaction <- lm(crime_density ~
                         food_density +
                         pop_density.x +
                         v_CA21_452 +
                         low_income,
                       data = st_set_geometry(training_data, NULL))

# 3. Model with only food density, crime density, and low income
reg_food_crime_low_income <- lm(crime_density ~
                                food_density +
                                low_income,
                              data = st_set_geometry(training_data, NULL))

# 4. Model with all variables (including interaction term) but replacing v_CA21_452 with v_CA21_449
reg_all_vars_449 <- lm(crime_density ~
                       food_density:low_income +
                       food_density +
                       pop_density.x +
                       v_CA21_449 +  # Replaced v_CA21_452 with v_CA21_449
                       low_income,
                     data = st_set_geometry(training_data, NULL))

models_spec <- list(
  "All Variables" = reg_all_vars,
  "Without Interaction" = reg_no_interaction,
  "Food Density, Crime, Low Income" = reg_food_crime_low_income
)

# Summary for each specification tested
summary_all_vars <- summary(reg_all_vars)
summary_no_interaction <- summary(reg_no_interaction)
summary_food_crime_low_income <- summary(reg_food_crime_low_income)
```

```r
summary_all_vars_449 <- summary(reg_all_vars_449)

# Add to the list of model summaries
model_summaries <- list(
  "All Variables" = summary_all_vars,
  "Without Interaction" = summary_no_interaction,
  "Food Density, Crime, Low Income" = summary_food_crime_low_income,
  "All Variables (with v_CA21_449)" = summary_all_vars_449
)
```

RESULTS FROM SPEC

Function definitions

We needed to manipulate our regression model data into formatted tables that emulated those from the package `stargazer` as we were having significant alignment issues between the data and rendered tables.

```r
all_variables <- unique(c(
  names(coef(reg_all_vars)),
  names(coef(reg_no_interaction)),
  names(coef(reg_food_crime_low_income))
))

all_variables_escaped <- gsub("_", "\\\\_", all_variables)  # Escape underscores
all_variables_escaped <- paste0("\\texttt{", all_variables_escaped, "}")  # Wrap in \texttt{} for LaTeX

add_stars <- function(estimates, ses, p_values) {
  significance_levels <- ifelse(p_values < 0.01, "***",
                         ifelse(p_values < 0.05, "**",
                         ifelse(p_values < 0.1, "*", "")))
  formatted <- sprintf("%.3f (%.3f)%s", estimates, ses, significance_levels)
  return(formatted)
}

extract_summary <- function(model, all_vars) {
  coefs <- coef(model)
  ses <- sqrt(diag(vcov(model)))
  p_values <- coef(summary(model))[, 4]  # Extract p-values from the summary

  # Create placeholders for all variables
  aligned_coefs <- setNames(rep(NA, length(all_vars)), all_vars)
  aligned_ses <- setNames(rep(NA, length(all_vars)), all_vars)
  aligned_p_values <- setNames(rep(NA, length(all_vars)), all_vars)

  # Fill with existing coefficients, standard errors, and p-values
  for (var in names(coefs)) {
    aligned_coefs[var] <- coefs[var]
    aligned_ses[var] <- ses[var]
    aligned_p_values[var] <- p_values[var]
  }

  # Replace missing coefficients with 0
  aligned_coefs[is.na(aligned_coefs)] <- 0
```

```r
  # Add stars to coefficients based on significance levels
  significance_levels <- ifelse(aligned_p_values < 0.01, "***",
                          ifelse(aligned_p_values < 0.05, "**",
                          ifelse(aligned_p_values < 0.1, "*", "")))

  # Format coefficients and standard errors for display
  formatted <- ifelse(is.na(aligned_ses),
                      sprintf("%.3f", aligned_coefs),
                      sprintf("%.3f (%.3f)%s", aligned_coefs, aligned_ses, significance_levels))

  # Replace missing standard errors with blank strings
  formatted[is.na(aligned_ses)] <- " "

  # Escape underscores for LaTeX compatibility and wrap in \texttt{} for table display
  formatted <- gsub("_", "\\\\_", formatted)
  formatted <- paste0("\\texttt{", formatted, "}")

  return(formatted)
}

extract_model_info <- function(model, covariate_labels, model_title) {
  coefs <- coef(model)
  ses <- sqrt(diag(vcov(model)))
  p_values <- coef(summary(model))[, 4]  # Extract p-values from the summary

  # Format coefficients, standard errors, and significance stars
  significance_levels <- ifelse(p_values < 0.01, "***",
                                ifelse(p_values < 0.05, "**",
                                       ifelse(p_values < 0.1, "*", "")))

  formatted <- sprintf("%.3f (%.3f)%s", coefs, ses, significance_levels)

  # Combine covariate labels and the formatted coefficients
  result <- data.frame(
    Variable = covariate_labels,
    Estimate = formatted,
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  )

  # Add model title
  result <- rbind(data.frame(Variable = model_title, Estimate = "", stringsAsFactors = FALSE), result)

  return(result)
}



# Extract R-squared, F-statistics, and number of observations from each model
r_squared <- c(
  summary(reg_all_vars)$r.squared,
  summary(reg_no_interaction)$r.squared,
  summary(reg_food_crime_low_income)$r.squared
)
```

```
f_statistic <- c(
  summary(reg_all_vars)$fstatistic[1],
  summary(reg_no_interaction)$fstatistic[1],
  summary(reg_food_crime_low_income)$fstatistic[1]
)

n_obs <- c(
  length(reg_all_vars$fitted.values),
  length(reg_no_interaction$fitted.values),
  length(reg_food_crime_low_income$fitted.values)
)


model1_aligned <- extract_summary(reg_all_vars, all_variables)
model2_aligned <- extract_summary(reg_no_interaction, all_variables)
model3_aligned <- extract_summary(reg_food_crime_low_income, all_variables)
```

Data manipulation

```
aligned_table <- data.frame(
  Variable = all_variables_escaped,
  `Model 1` = model1_aligned,
  `Model 2` = model2_aligned,
  `Model 3` = model3_aligned,
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)

print(aligned_table)
```

```
##                                Variable                          Model.1
## 1                \\texttt{(Intercept)} \\texttt{1291.286 (62.011)***}
## 2              \\texttt{food\\_density}       \\texttt{-0.203 (2.154)}
## 3            \\texttt{pop\\_density.x}     \\texttt{0.043 (0.001)***}
## 4             \\texttt{v\\_CA21\\_452} \\texttt{-517.756 (22.439)***}
## 5               \\texttt{low\\_income}  \\texttt{244.697 (24.734)***}
## 6 \\texttt{food\\_density:low\\_income}     \\texttt{9.460 (2.305)***}
##                          Model.2                          Model.3
## 1 \\texttt{1283.891 (62.047)***} \\texttt{383.969 (18.802)***}
## 2     \\texttt{8.053 (0.771)***}    \\texttt{9.631 (0.897)***}
## 3     \\texttt{0.044 (0.001)***}                   \\texttt{ }
## 4 \\texttt{-517.272 (22.461)***}                   \\texttt{ }
## 5  \\texttt{252.689 (24.682)***} \\texttt{577.872 (27.744)***}
## 6                    \\texttt{ }                   \\texttt{ }
```

```
summary_table <- data.frame(
  Variable = c("R squared", "F statistic", "Observations"),
  `Model 1` = c(sprintf("%.3f", r_squared[1]), sprintf("%.1f", f_statistic[1]), n_obs[1]),
  `Model 2` = c(sprintf("%.3f", r_squared[2]), sprintf("%.1f", f_statistic[2]), n_obs[2]),
  `Model 3` = c(sprintf("%.3f", r_squared[3]), sprintf("%.1f", f_statistic[3]), n_obs[3]),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)

# Combine both tables
```

```r
final_table <- rbind(aligned_table, summary_table)
print(final_table)
```

```
##                                Variable                         Model.1
## 1                \\texttt{(Intercept)} \\texttt{1291.286 (62.011)***}
## 2             \\texttt{food\\_density}       \\texttt{-0.203 (2.154)}
## 3            \\texttt{pop\\_density.x}     \\texttt{0.043 (0.001)***}
## 4             \\texttt{v\\_CA21\\_452} \\texttt{-517.756 (22.439)***}
## 5               \\texttt{low\\_income}  \\texttt{244.697 (24.734)***}
## 6 \\texttt{food\\_density:low\\_income}     \\texttt{9.460 (2.305)***}
## 7                            R squared                          0.315
## 8                          F statistic                          721.0
## 9                         Observations                           7860
##                         Model.2                        Model.3
## 1 \\texttt{1283.891 (62.047)***} \\texttt{383.969 (18.802)***}
## 2     \\texttt{8.053 (0.771)***}    \\texttt{9.631 (0.897)***}
## 3     \\texttt{0.044 (0.001)***}                   \\texttt{ }
## 4 \\texttt{-517.272 (22.461)***}                   \\texttt{ }
## 5  \\texttt{252.689 (24.682)***} \\texttt{577.872 (27.744)***}
## 6                    \\texttt{ }                   \\texttt{ }
## 7                          0.313                         0.067
## 8                          895.2                         282.6
## 9                           7860                          7860
```

```r
covariate_labels <- c(
  "(Intercept)",
  "Food Program Density: Low Income",
  "Food Program Density",
  "Population Density",
  "Average Household Size (v\\_CA21\\_452)",
  "Low Income"
)
covariate_labels_2 <- c(
  "(Intercept)",
  "Food Program Density",
  "Population Density",
  "Average Household Size (v\\_CA21\\_452)",
  "Low Income"
)

covariate_labels_3 <- c(
  "(Intercept)",
  "Food Program Density",
  "Low Income"
)

model_1_table <- extract_model_info(
  model = reg_all_vars,
  covariate_labels = covariate_labels,
  model_title = "Spec 1: All Variables"
)

model_2_table <- extract_model_info(
  model = reg_no_interaction,
```

```
  covariate_labels = covariate_labels_2,
  model_title = "Spec 2: Omitted Interaction Term"
)

model_3_table <- extract_model_info(
  model = reg_food_crime_low_income,
  covariate_labels = covariate_labels_3,
  model_title = "Spec 3: Food Density and Low Income"
)
```

Regression table

```
# Render the final table in a stargazer-like format using knitr::kable
kable(
  final_table,
  format = "latex",
  col.names = c("Variable", "Model 1", "Model 2", "Model 3"),
  caption = "Regression Specifications",
  align = "lccc",
  booktabs = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
) %>%
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_position", "striped")) %>%
  add_header_above(c(" " = 1, "Dependent Variable: Crime Density" = 3)) %>%
  footnote(general = "* p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01",
           general_title = "Note:",
           footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
           escape = FALSE)
```

Table 3: Regression Specifications

	Dependent Variable: Crime Density		
Variable	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3
(Intercept)	1291.286 (62.011)***	1283.891 (62.047)***	383.969 (18.802)***
food_density	-0.203 (2.154)	8.053 (0.771)***	9.631 (0.897)***
pop_density.x	0.043 (0.001)***	0.044 (0.001)***	
v_CA21_452	-517.756 (22.439)***	-517.272 (22.461)***	
low_income	244.697 (24.734)***	252.689 (24.682)***	577.872 (27.744)***
food_density:low_income	9.460 (2.305)***		
R squared	0.315	0.313	0.067
F statistic	721.0	895.2	282.6
Observations	7860	7860	7860

Note: * p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01

Model 1:

```
# Model 1: reg_all_vars
kable(
  model_1_table,
  format = "latex",
```

```
  col.names = c("Variable", "Estimate"),
  caption = "All Variables (Model 1)",
  align = "lc",
  booktabs = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
) %>%
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_position", "striped")) %>%
  footnote(general = "* p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01",
           general_title = "Note:",
           footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
           escape = FALSE)
```

Table 4: All Variables (Model 1)

Variable	Estimate
Spec 1: All Variables	
(Intercept)	1291.286 (62.011)***
Food Program Density: Low Income	-0.203 (2.154)
Food Program Density	0.043 (0.001)***
Population Density	-517.756 (22.439)***
Average Household Size (v_CA21_452)	244.697 (24.734)***
Low Income	9.460 (2.305)***

Note: * p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01

Model 2:

```
# Model 2: reg_no_interaction
kable(
  model_2_table,
  format = "latex",
  col.names = c("Variable", "Estimate"),
  caption = "Omitted Interaction Term (Model 2)",
  align = "lc",
  booktabs = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
) %>%
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_position", "striped")) %>%
  footnote(general = "* p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01",
           general_title = "Note:",
           footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
           escape = FALSE)
```

Model 3:

```
# Model 3: reg_food_crime_low_income
kable(
  model_3_table,
  format = "latex",
  col.names = c("Variable", "Estimate"),
  caption = "Food Density and Low Income (Model 3)",
```

Table 5: Omitted Interaction Term (Model 2)

Variable	Estimate
Spec 2: Omitted Interaction Term	
(Intercept)	1283.891 (62.047)***
Food Program Density	8.053 (0.771)***
Population Density	0.044 (0.001)***
Average Household Size (v_CA21_452)	-517.272 (22.461)***
Low Income	252.689 (24.682)***

Note: * p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01

```
  align = "lc",
  booktabs = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
) %>%
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("hold_position", "striped")) %>%
  footnote(general = "* p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01",
           general_title = "Note:",
           footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
           escape = FALSE)
```

Table 6: Food Density and Low Income (Model 3)

Variable	Estimate
Spec 3: Food Density and Low Income	
(Intercept)	383.969 (18.802)***
Food Program Density	9.631 (0.897)***
Low Income	577.872 (27.744)***

Note: * p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.01

```
stargazer(reg_all_vars_449,
          type = "latex",
          covariate.labels = c("Food Program Density: Low Income",
                               "Food Program Density",
                               "Population Density",
                               "Persons in Household (v\\_CA21\\_449)",
                               "Low Income"),
          dep.var.labels = "Crime Density",
          title = "Regression Model Summary (with Persons in Household)",
          digits = 3)
```

% Table created by stargazer v.5.2.3 by Marek Hlavac, Social Policy Institute. E-mail: marek.hlavac at gmail.com % Date and time: Sun, Dec 01, 2024 - 17:22:42

Table 7: Regression Model Summary (with Persons in Household)

	Dependent variable:
	Crime Density
Food Program Density: Low Income	1.513
	(2.218)
Food Program Density	0.053***
	(0.001)
Population Density	0.225***
	(0.031)
Persons in Household (v_CA21_449)	344.584***
	(25.039)
Low Income	9.063***
	(2.374)
Constant	−196.408***
	(25.778)
Observations	7,860
R^2	0.273
Adjusted R^2	0.273
Residual Std. Error	1,081.556 (df = 7854)
F Statistic	590.191*** (df = 5; 7854)
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01