

(≈20min; i will cut you off!)

1 Email us:

1. tell a story, be engaging, no need to go into technicalities how you recoded variables, merged files etc–i will see that in the final project
2. make sure you tell us what is your contribution, how your maps help with something
3. ideally, try to engage civically–your project should help public administration/policy; local CDC, etc; e.g.: do a project for county office,
4. **important:** in the final project you need to respond to my criticism of presentation inline (like in peer reviewed journals)–just copy-paste my email with comments and respond to each point (and of course make associated changes to the project) like e.g. http://help.yahoo.com/cpp/images/cg3/cg_replyinline_yp_1.gif; http://cdn.salehoo.com/files/image/in_line_reply.png?1379369713 ; you do not have to agree with every point neither implement each suggestion–but you have to respond to **each** point and if you disagree, don't have data or time etc, please explain

general notes (always the same)

- Use your (gis) data. Again if you do not have dataset, have a look at data_sources.csv from the class, or email the listserv for help
- you cannot use the data that I used in the class (or that I am using in the slides posted on the website for the future classes)
- assignments are due by the beginning of the class by email to me AND Straso
- the only allowed format for output is pdf and txt (no ms word etc)
- if you choose to work in a group (of upto 3 people), write down the names of people you worked with in the metadata file; otherwise we'll subtract points
- start early; it may take more time than you think it takes
- Never send me anything in word format.
- Files names must not have spaces.
- For big files (that do not fit into email) use something like wordpress or dropbox and give us the link.
- Do not double-zip (zipped file in a zipped file)
- Per url's give exact addresses, not just generic (e.g. <http://census.gov>)- I must be able to find it; sometimes there is no generic URL–then give steps: what I need to click