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THE IMPACT OF THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

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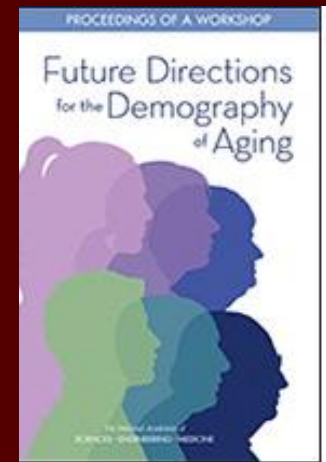
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Overview

Whether older adults reside in their long-term communities or move to other locations, the characteristics of the places within which they experience the aging process likely have profound consequences for their abilities to adapt to changes such as bereavement, retirement, the development of chronic health conditions or functional impairments, as well as to recover from illness and maintain independent community residence (Cagney & York Cornwell, 2018)

Steering Committee for Workshop on the Future Directions for the Demography of Aging (NIA)

Mark Hayward, Vicki Freedman, Linda Waite, David Weir, Rebeca Wong
Mark Hayward & Malay Majmundar, eds

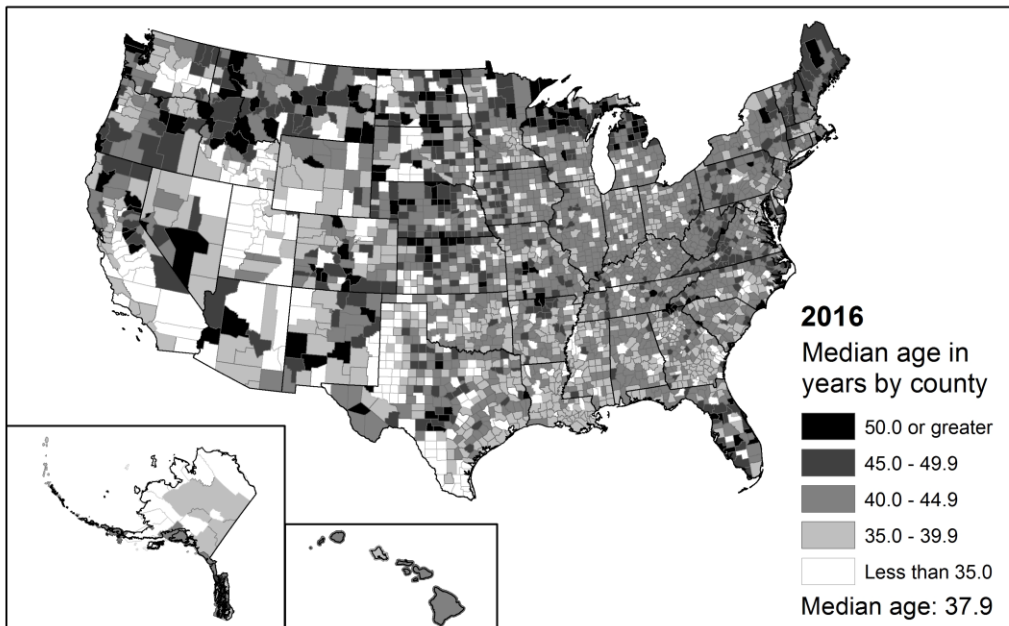
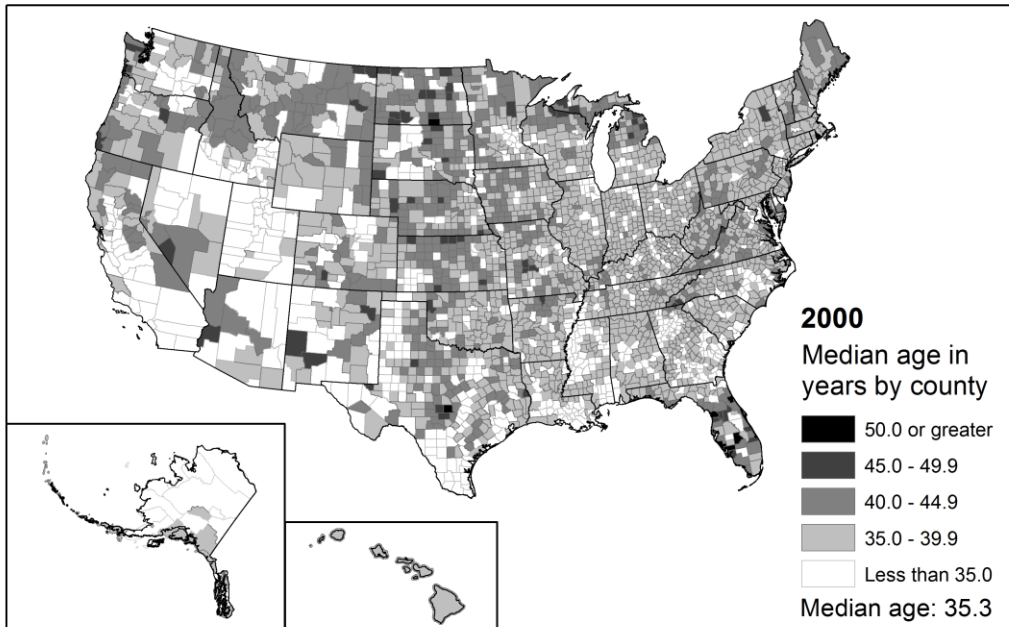


What is Place?

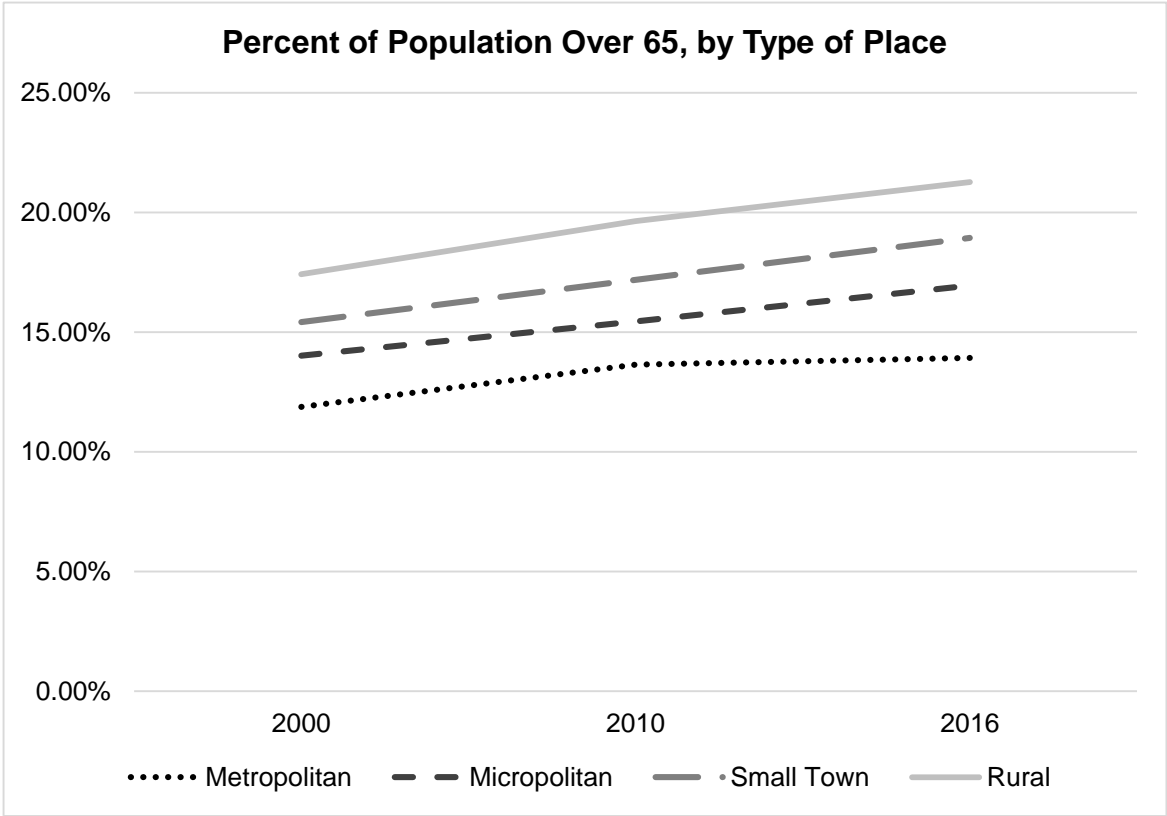
- A physical space
 - Municipal designation (e.g., city, county, state)
 - Residential location
 - Household
- A social space
 - Public/private
 - Indoor/outdoor
 - Institutional context
- Nested and overlapping environments

Place and Aging

- Individual level
 - Aging in place
 - Embeddedness (network ties, homeownership)
- Contextual level
 - Age structure
 - Built and social environment
 - Segregation by place (e.g., race, class, age)
- Mobility and micro/macro influences (Bean et al., 1994)
- Push/pull and dynamic nature of residential environment

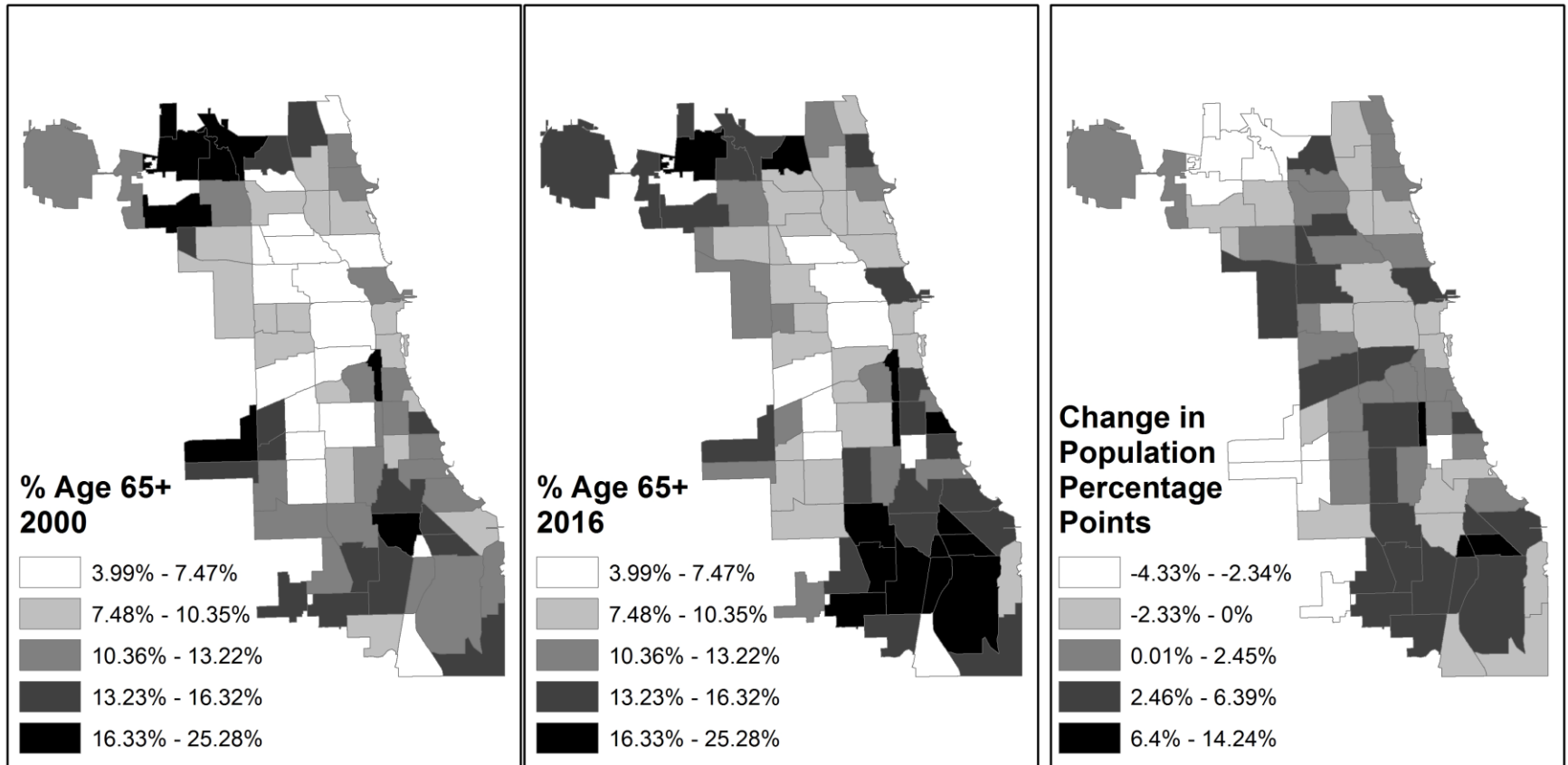


- Median age for adults in rural areas 51, as compared to 45 in urban
- By 2040, 25% of rural households will be 65 or older as compared to 20% of urban
- 2020-2030, rural population growth predicted 1%; urban population growth 8%

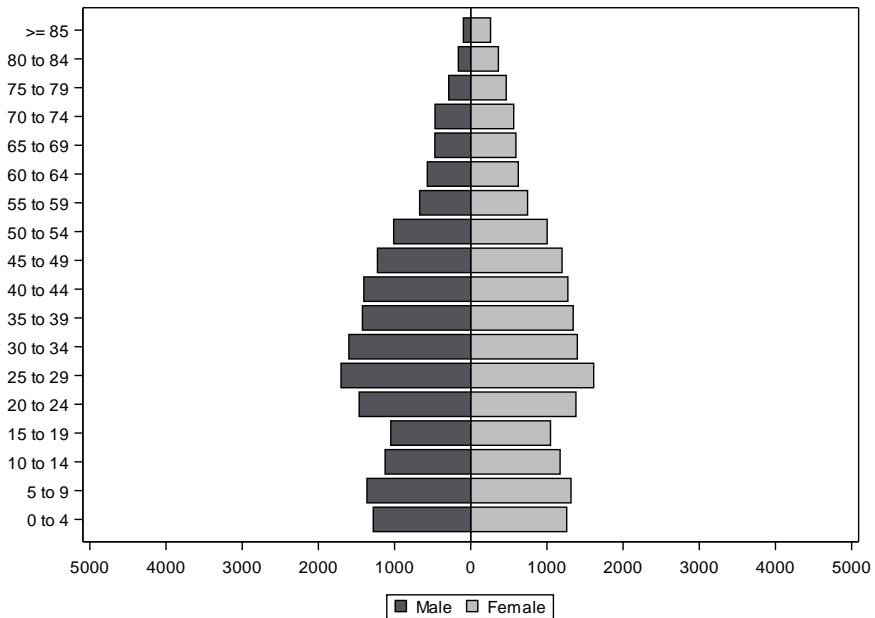


Note: Metropolitan (50,000 or more); Micropolitan (at least 10,000 but fewer than 50,000), Small Town (at least 2,500 but fewer than 10,000), Rural (all other).

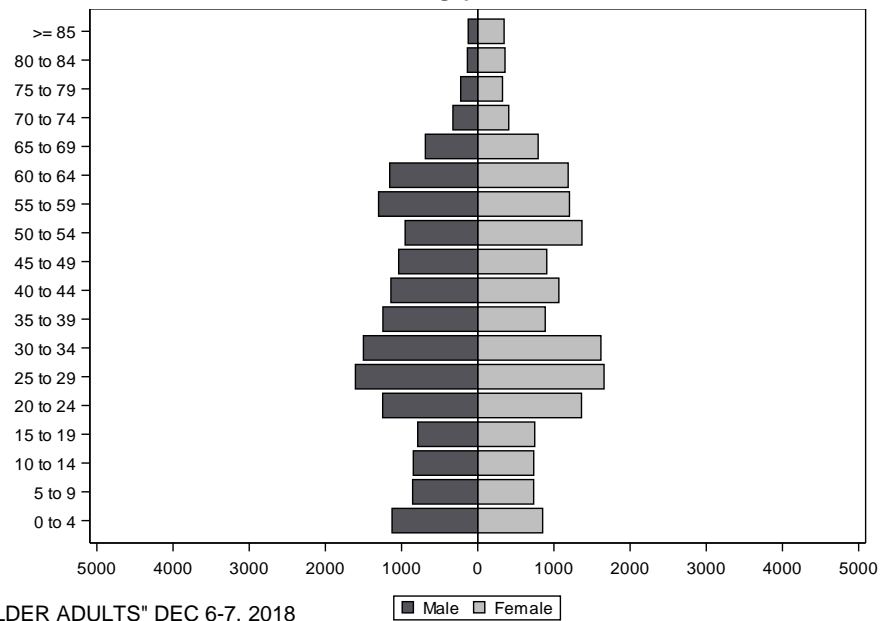
Chicago and its 77 Community Areas Population Composition for those 65+



Bridgeport, 2000



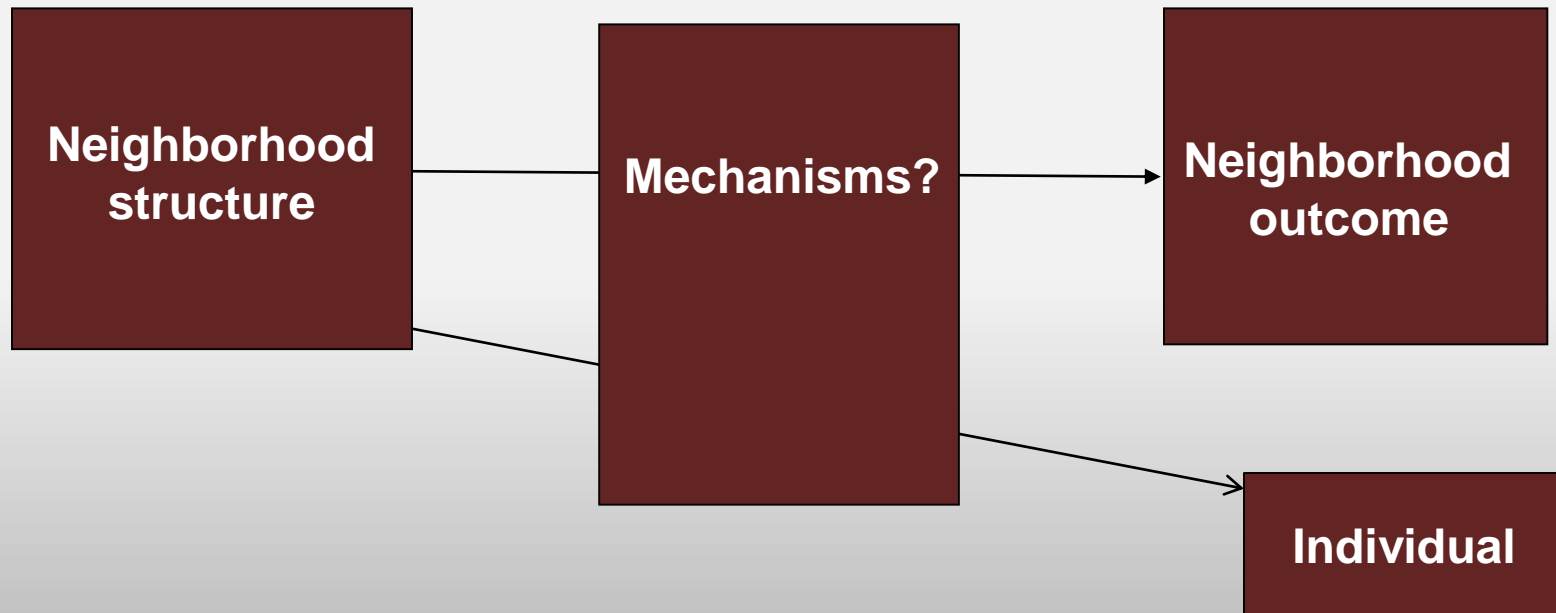
Bridgeport, 2016



Ex: A Sociological Approach to Understanding the Impact of Place

- People in and across place, in real time
- Limitations in characterization of space (breadth and depth)
 - Circumference of turf
 - Micro-environment
- *Can new methods provide insight into what place is, how it is perceived, how it matters for health and, potentially, how it might be modified for an aging population?*
- *Do lives constrict as we age?*

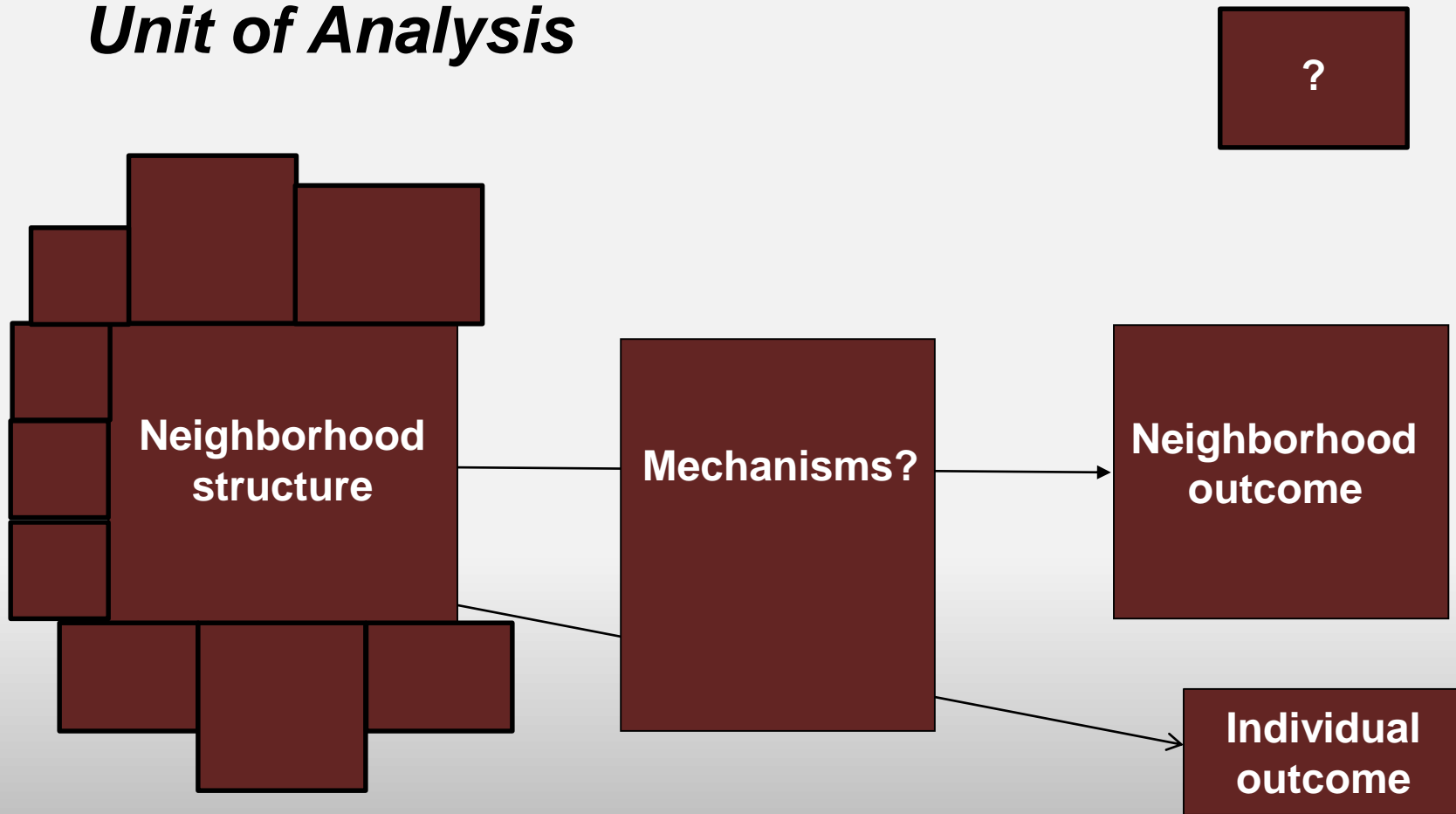
Neighborhood Research: *Theory*



Theory: What processes link e.g., poverty to outcomes?

Kasarda (social networks); Sampson (collective efficacy); Skogan (disorder);
Wilson (institutions); Anderson (culture); Entwisle (population processes)

Neighborhood Research: *Unit of Analysis*



Neighborhood unit: What boundary is most appropriate? Assumption of independence (residents may be exposed to other nearby units)

The Structure of Sociospatial Exposure

Activity space:

The set of places individuals come into contact with as a result of their routine activities



Activity Space, Social Interaction and Health Trajectories in Later Life

NIA R01AG050605 (Cagney, PI)

Project Period: 09/01/2016 – 05/30/2021

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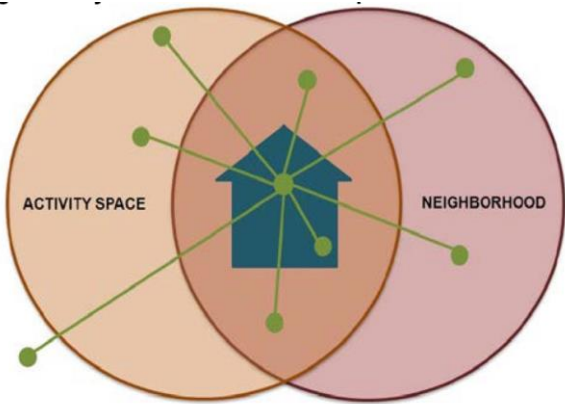
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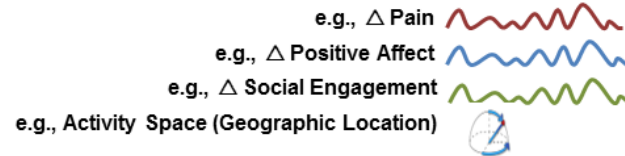


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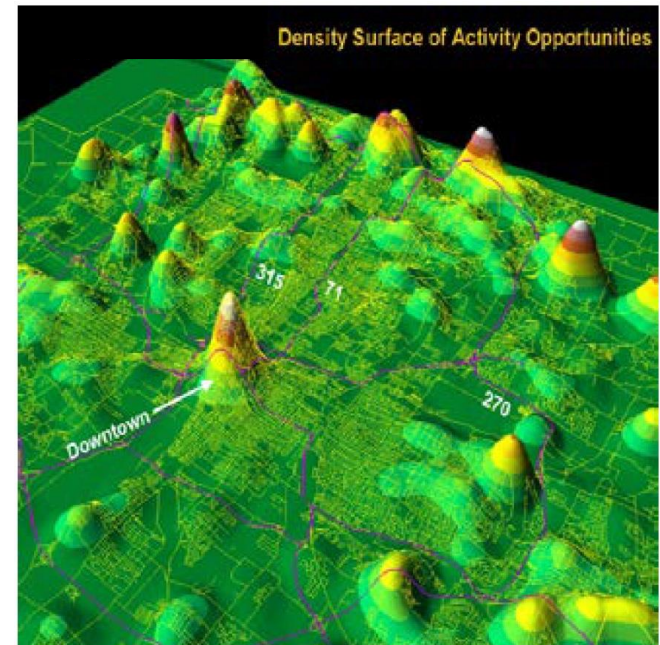
Wave 2: Follow-Up (All In-Home)

Wave 3: Follow-Up (All In-Home)

ECOLOGICAL MOMENTARY ASSESSMENT (EMA 1-5)
7-day Real-Time Data Capture of Variation (Δ)



In-Person Questionnaire
Neighborhood Context Neighborhood social ties and interaction Perceptions of neighborhood physical/social environment Norms and collective efficacy Transportation access
Household Context Household roster Perceptions of household physical and social environment Household order/disorder
Social Context Social network roster Social support Social involvement and activities
Physical Health Self-rated health and Morbidity Functional health and disablement (including mobility and assistive devices) Health-related behaviors Health care utilization
Well-being: Depression (CES-D), Loneliness, Anxiety
Transit: Driving ability and transportation practices
Sociodemographic Characteristics: Age, Gender, Race/Ethnicity, Foreign-born status, Education, Income





What language would you like to complete this survey in?

¿En qué idioma le gustaría completar esta encuesta?

Select one.

English

Español

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Think about where you were when you were pinged to complete this survey.

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Okay



When you were pinged, where were you?

Select one.

- At home
- At someone else's home
- In transit by bus, train, subway, taxi, or car
- In transit by foot
- At work
- Someplace else

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Were you indoors or outdoors?

Select one.

- Indoors
- Outdoors

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At the time of the ping, who were you with?

Check all that apply.

- Nobody
- Spouse or romantic partner
- Family member
- Friend
- Neighbor
- Other
- Don't know

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Other than the people you were with, how many people were around?

Select one.

- None
- 1 to 2
- 3 to 4
- 5 to 9
- 10 to 20
- 20 or more
- Don't know

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Did you feel content?

Select one.

- Very
- Moderately
- Slightly
- Not at all
- Don't know

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Did you feel energetic?

Select one.

- Very
- Moderately
- Slightly
- Not at all
- Don't know

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EMA ITEMS

- Where are you? With whom? Doing what?
- Symptoms of stress, mood, perceived safety, health
- Social and physical characteristics of current location
 - Disorder
 - Street-level integration by age and race/ethnicity
 - Perceived collective efficacy, e.g.,:
“This place feels close-knit”
“If I needed help in this place, someone would come to my aid”
 - Positive and negative forms of local interaction

Did you see any of the following?
(Check all that apply.)

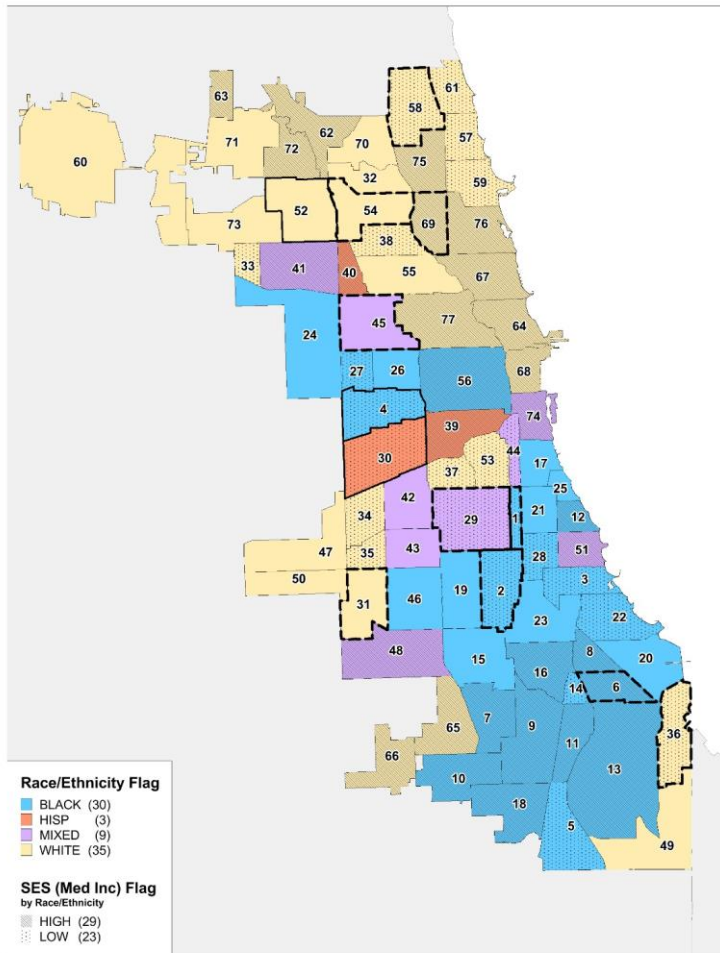
Check all that apply.

- People of different ages
- People of different races or ethnicities
- People smiling, nodding, or saying “hello”
- Groups of people socializing or talking
- People helping each other
- Teenagers hanging out
- Homeless people or panhandlers

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The application of collective efficacy theory to places one passes through, observations of prosocial activity

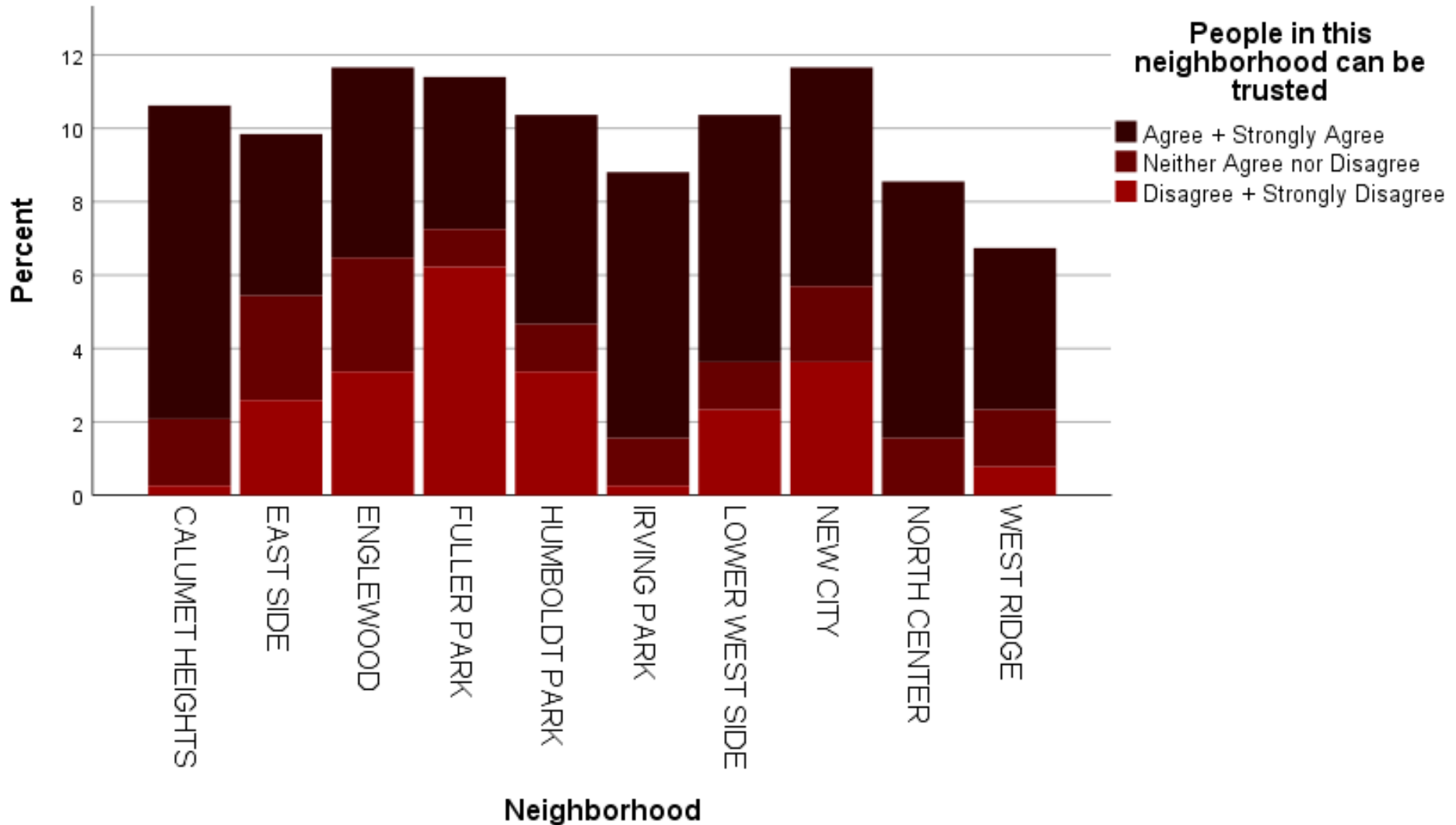
Chicago Neighborhoods Selected



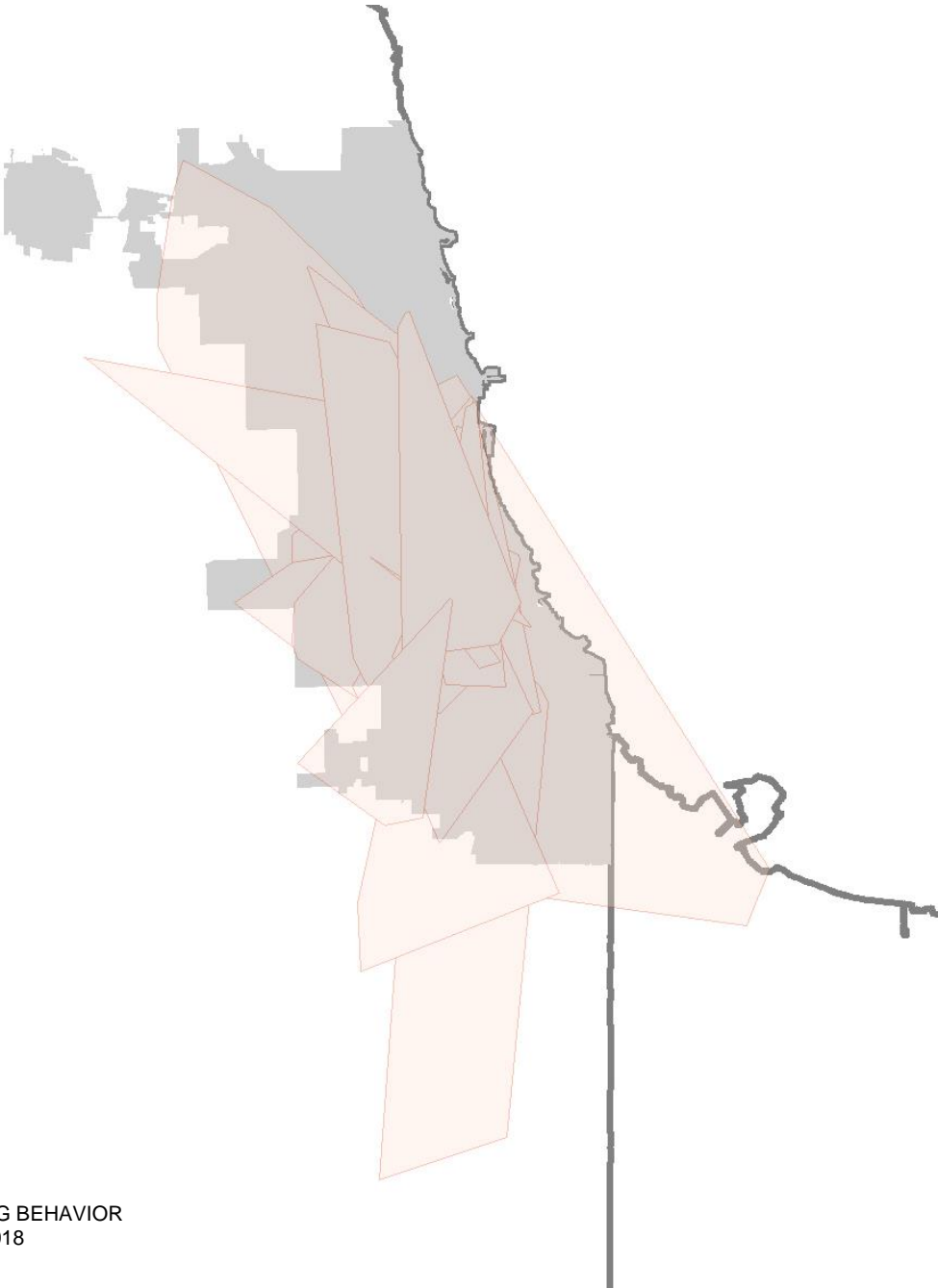
Neighborhood	Overall	
CALUMET HEIGHTS	50	
EAST SIDE	42	
ENGLEWOOD	53	
FULLER PARK	50	
HUMBOLDT PARK	48	
IRVING PARK	40	
LOWER WEST SIDE	44	449 cases, Nov 06 2018
NEW CITY	49	
NORTH CENTER	38	
WEST RIDGE	35	

KEY: 1 = FULLER PARK; 2 = ENGLEWOOD; 6 = CALUMET HEIGHTS; 29 = NEW CITY; 36 = EAST SIDE; 39 = LOWER WEST SIDE; 45 = HUMBOLDT PARK; 54 = IRVING PARK; 58 = WEST RIDGE; 69 = NORTH CENTER

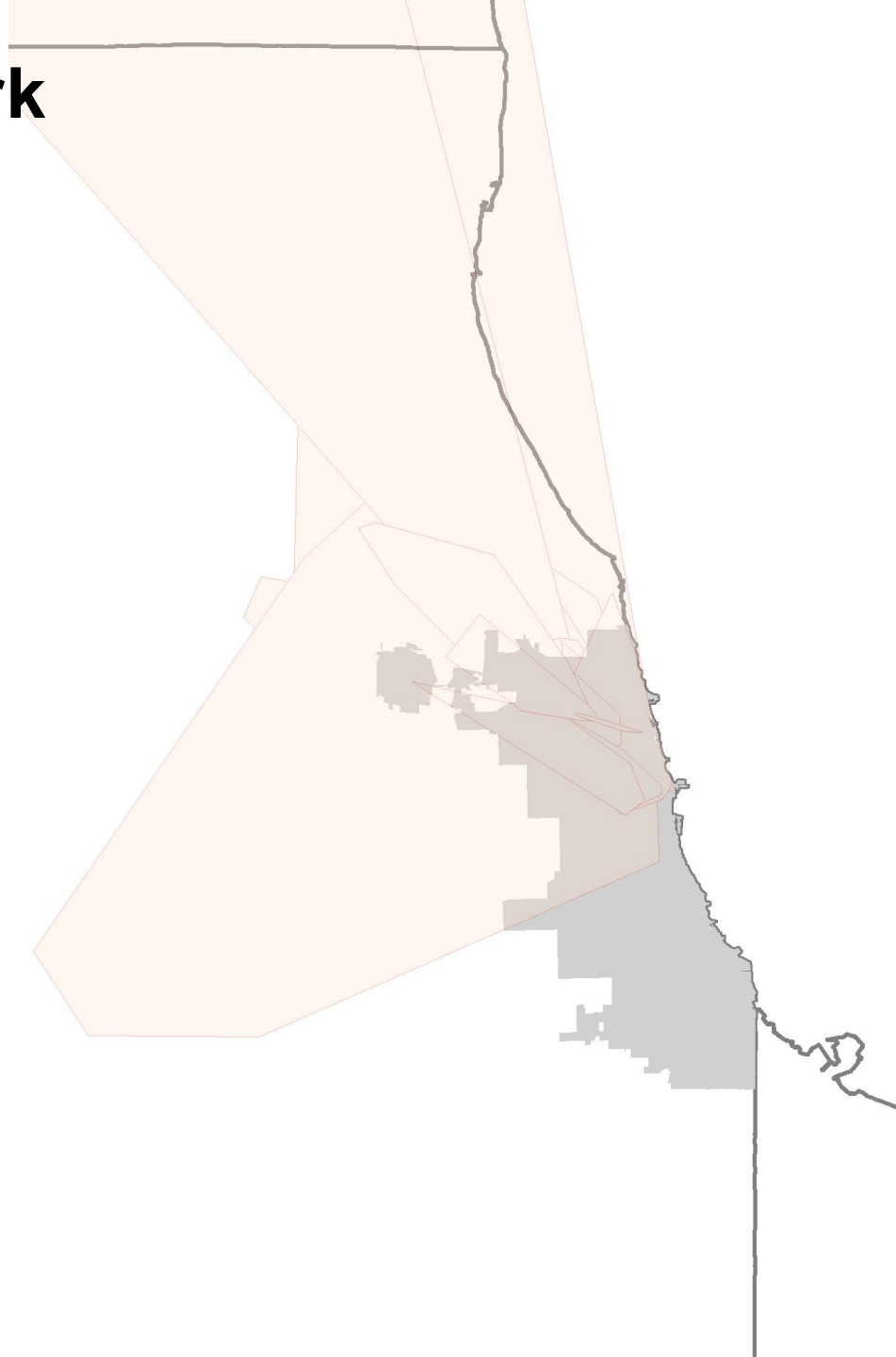
Neighborhoods & Trust



Englewood

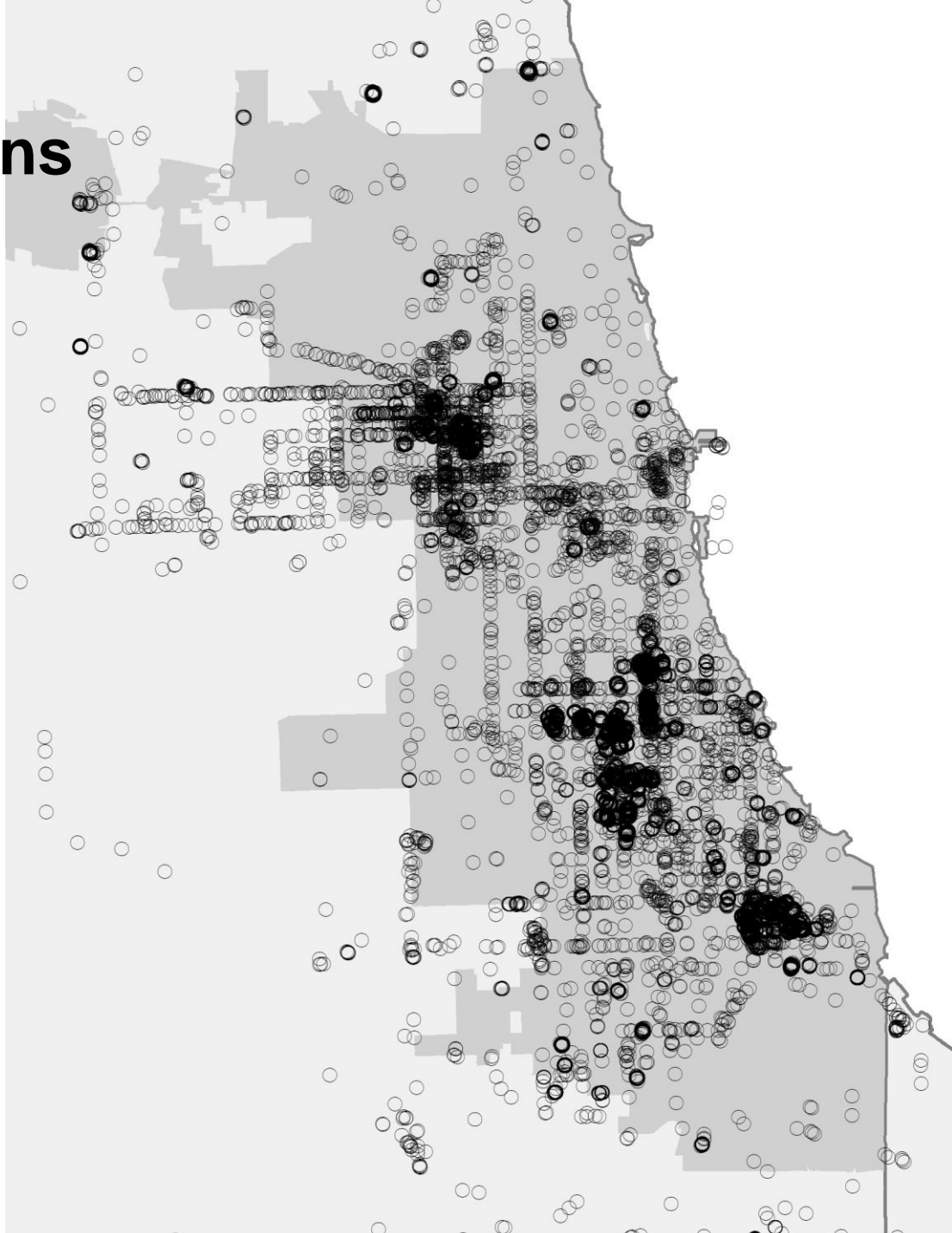


Irving Park



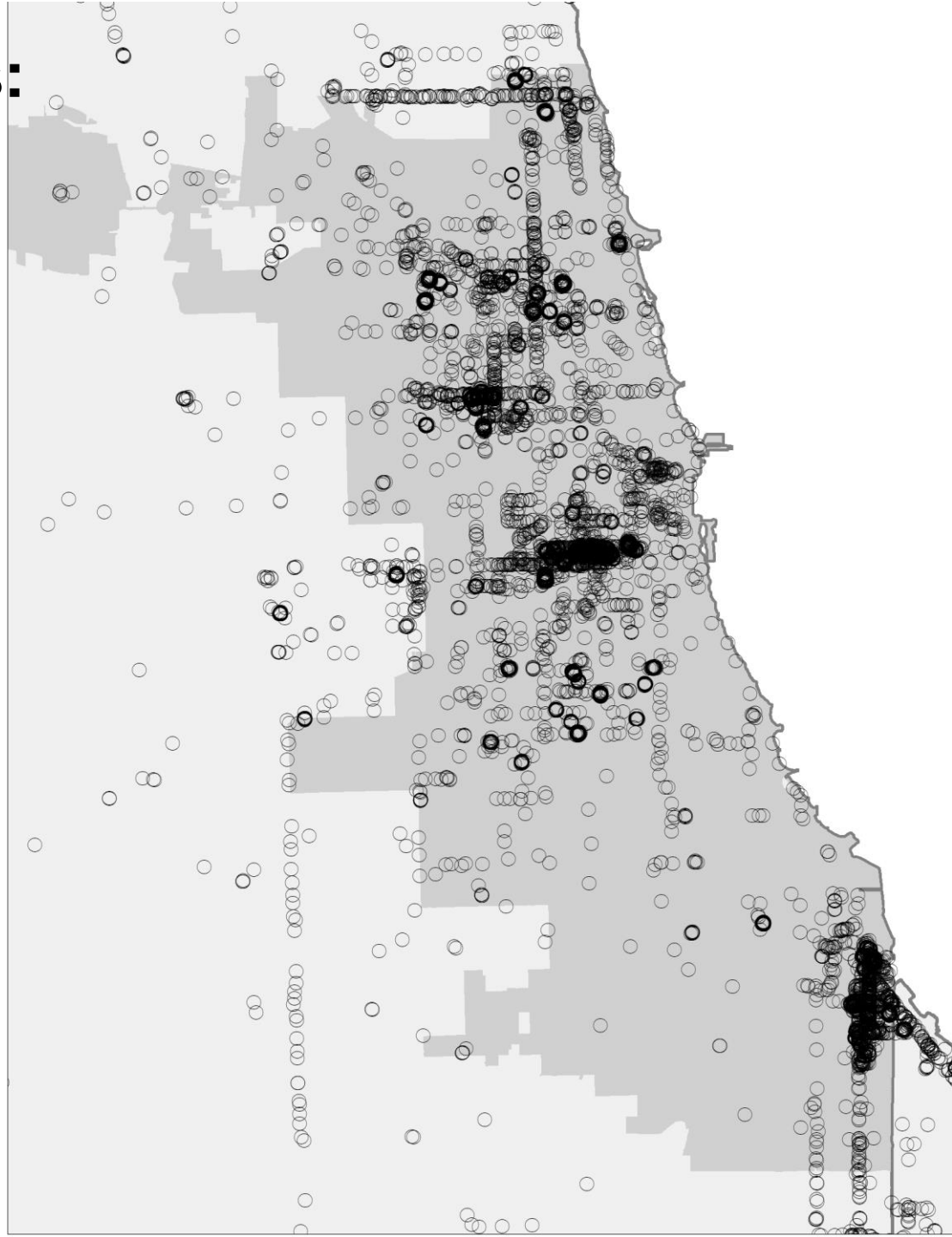
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GPS Locations: African Americans



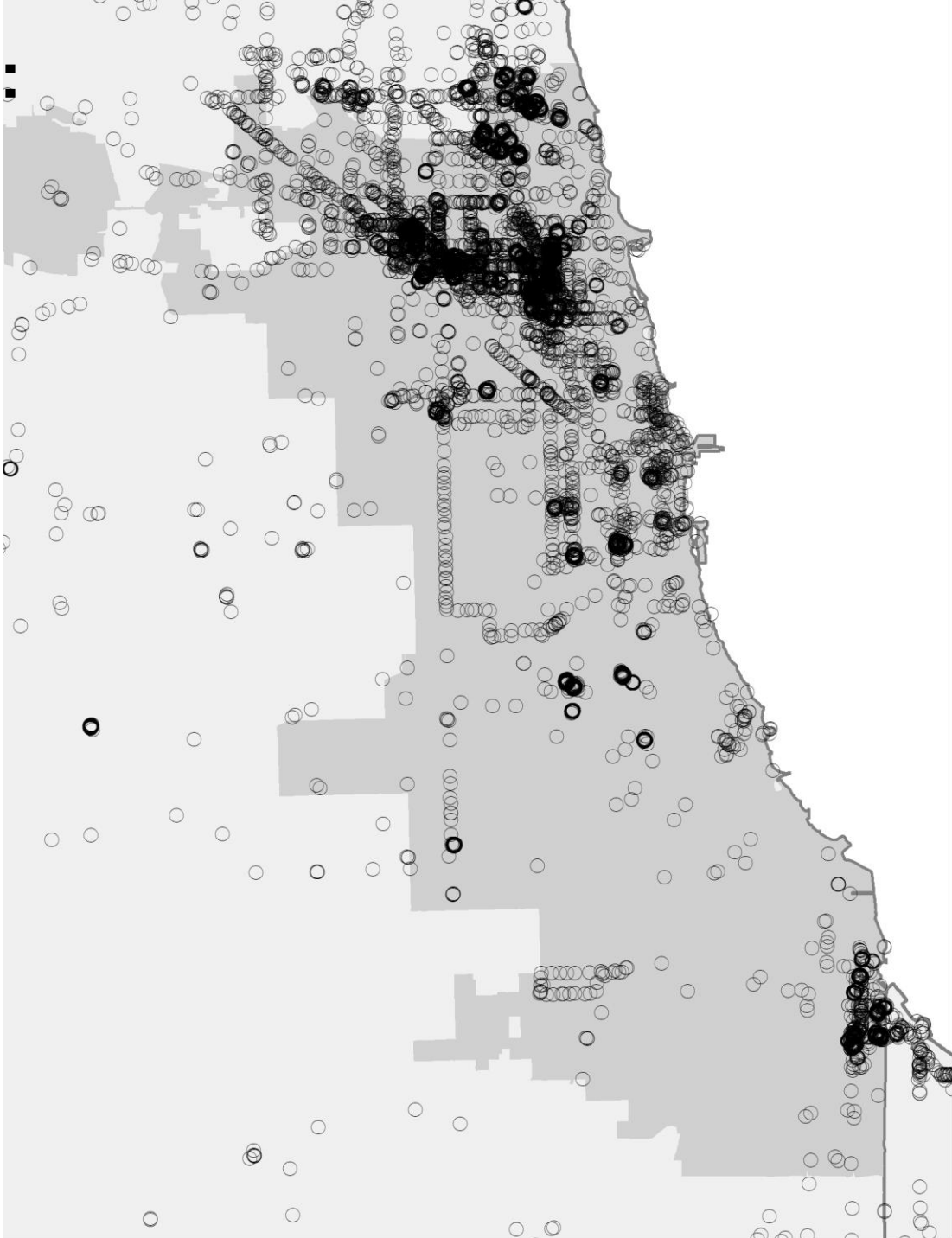
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GPS Locations: Latinos



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GPS Locations: Whites



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Understanding Cities through Data and Computation





New Directions

How might all this matter for behavior change?

- Incorporate social theory – relevant space to consider guided by theory (political, social)
 - Attend to nested contexts
 - Explore found/big data, with implications for social surveys
 - Examine virtual places– substitute?
 - Physical place matter less, differently?
 - Assess how communities form, and barriers and inducements to residential sorting
 - Role of propinquity, nature and extent of intergenerational exchange

- EXTRA

Results So Far

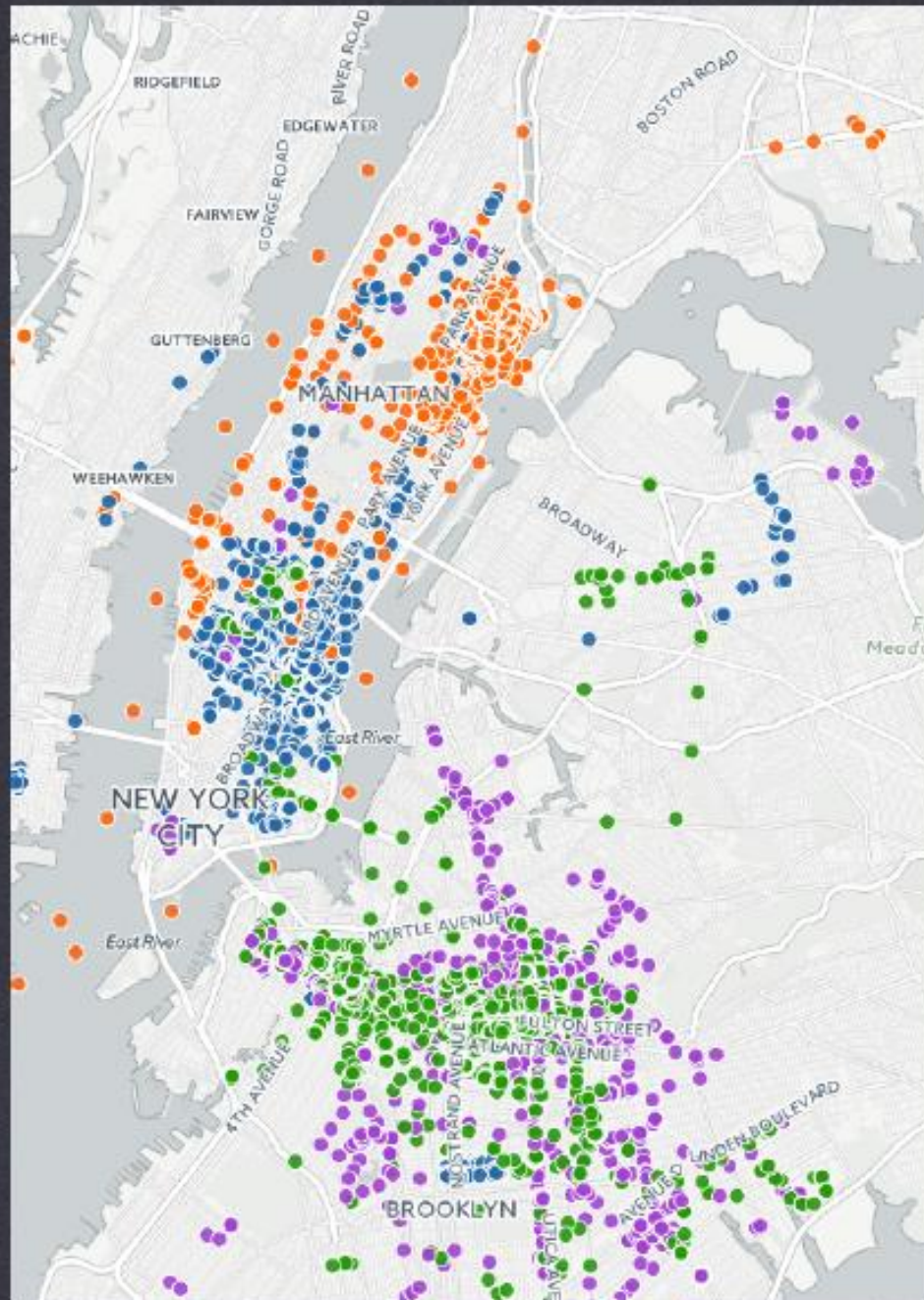
In field since April 16:

- 449 cases
 - Sex: 57.9% F
 - Age: mean 74, median 73, range 65-97
 - Race/ethnicity: African American (46.9%), White (25.3%), Latino (23%), Other (4.5%)
 - Education: \leq 8th (15.5%), < HS (15.3), HS grad (20.5%), AA (4.6%), BA (10.7%), Grad/prof (15.9%)
 - Income: mean \$36,164, median \$21,000
 - Roster:
 - SN1 (important people) mean 2.86, median 3.0
 - SN2 (people you spend your time with, not listed above) mean 1.12, median 1.0
 - SN3 (people you live with, not listed above) mean 0.39, median 0
 - All 3 SNs combined mean 4.38, median 4.0

Table 5. Poverty in Residential and Nonresidential Tracts, by Respondent Characteristics

	Mean poverty level in residential tract (<i>SD</i>) ^a	Exposure-weighted poverty level in nonresidential tracts (<i>SD</i>) ^b	Within-group difference between nonresidential and residential poverty ^c
Overall	23.31 (9.12)	19.96 (7.30)	-3.35**
Age			
55-64	28.01 (9.31)	22.29 (6.11)	-5.72†
65-74	22.21† (8.53)	19.71 (7.70)	-2.50
75 and over	21.52† (8.38)	18.46 (7.30)	-3.06
Gender			
<i>Male</i>	21.52 (8.38)	19.79 (7.58)	-1.73
Female	24.13 (9.42)	20.03 (7.26)	-4.10**
Racial/Ethnic Background			
Black, non-Hispanic	22.59† (6.80)	20.14** (6.98)	-2.45
Hispanic	29.37** (8.97)	23.75*** (7.74)	-5.62*
<i>White, non-Hispanic</i>	17.13 (10.46)	14.41 (3.41)	-2.72
Education			
<i>Less than college degree</i>	23.65 (8.07)	21.87 (7.42)	-1.78
College degree or more	22.67 (11.59)	15.45*** (4.75)	-7.22*
Income			
Less than \$20,000	25.69* (8.47)	22.69* (6.84)	-3.00†
<i>\$20,000 and higher</i>	20.31 (9.05)	17.63 (6.90)	-2.68
Car ownership			
No	22.85 (9.93)	20.50 (7.70)	-2.35
Yes	24.67 (6.16)	18.32 (5.84)	-6.35***
Senior Center Site			
<i>East Harlem</i>	32.47 (2.07)	24.31 (6.37)	-8.16***
Gramercy Park	15.28*** (11.34)	14.69** (8.53)	-0.59
North Bedford-Stuyvesant	23.50*** (2.41)	25.02 (3.45)	1.52
South Bedford-Stuyvesant	21.60*** (8.76)	15.04*** (2.61)	-6.56**

Note: ^aSymbols denote statistically significant differences compared to the italicized group, from bivariate OLS regressions of poverty rates in residential tracts. ^bSymbols denote statistically significant differences compared to the italicized group, from bivariate OLS regressions of poverty rates in nonresidential tracts. ^cSymbols denote statistically significant differences in residential and nonresidential poverty levels *within the same group*, based on paired-sample t-tests with *df* = *n*-1. †*p* < .10. **p* < .05. ***p* < .01. ****p* < .001 (two-tailed tests).



Activity Space

**Locations outside of
the respondent's
residential tract:
40.1%**

**Tracts visited:
mean = 30.8**

- Gramercy Park
- East Harlem
- N Bed-Stuy
- S Bed-Stuy

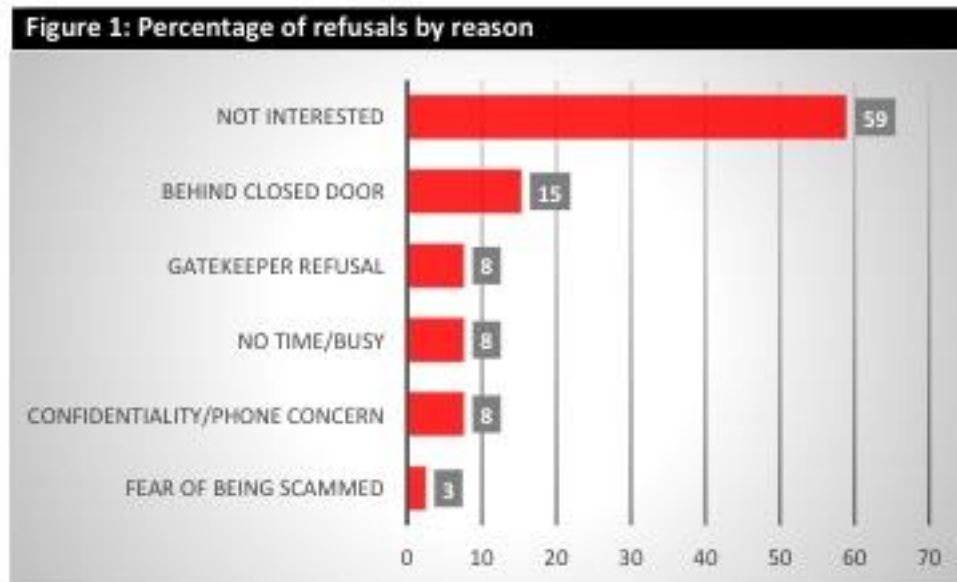
A Note on Mobility

- Residential mobility more prevalent:
 - Retired, younger, higher levels of income/wealth, poorer health, urban
- Mobility rates for all age groups have fallen over last two decades – two-earner households and long-term population shift to south and west have reduced later life incentive to move (Fernald, 2014)
 - Mobility drops after age 50; continues to decline through the 60s with a sharp uptick at approximately age 85
- Older adults who do move disproportionately do so within their county or state; 14 percent move to another state
 - In context of disadvantage, African American older adults moved to a worse neighborhood, White counterparts to a better one (Riley, Hawkey & Cagney, 2016)
- Voluntary
 - Weather
 - Children
- Involuntary
 - Eviction
 - Foreclosure

The Main Study Pilot – Chicago Health and Activity in Real-time (CHART)

- Pilot Nov 08 2017-Jan 06 2018
 - 22 respondents
 - Neighborhoods
 - North Lawndale
 - South Lawndale
 - Portage Park
- Questions to consider:
 - Reliability and validity of questions
 - Instrument length
 - Need for geofencing
 - Use of CAT-MH
 - Field challenges
 - Interface with app developer (MetricWire)

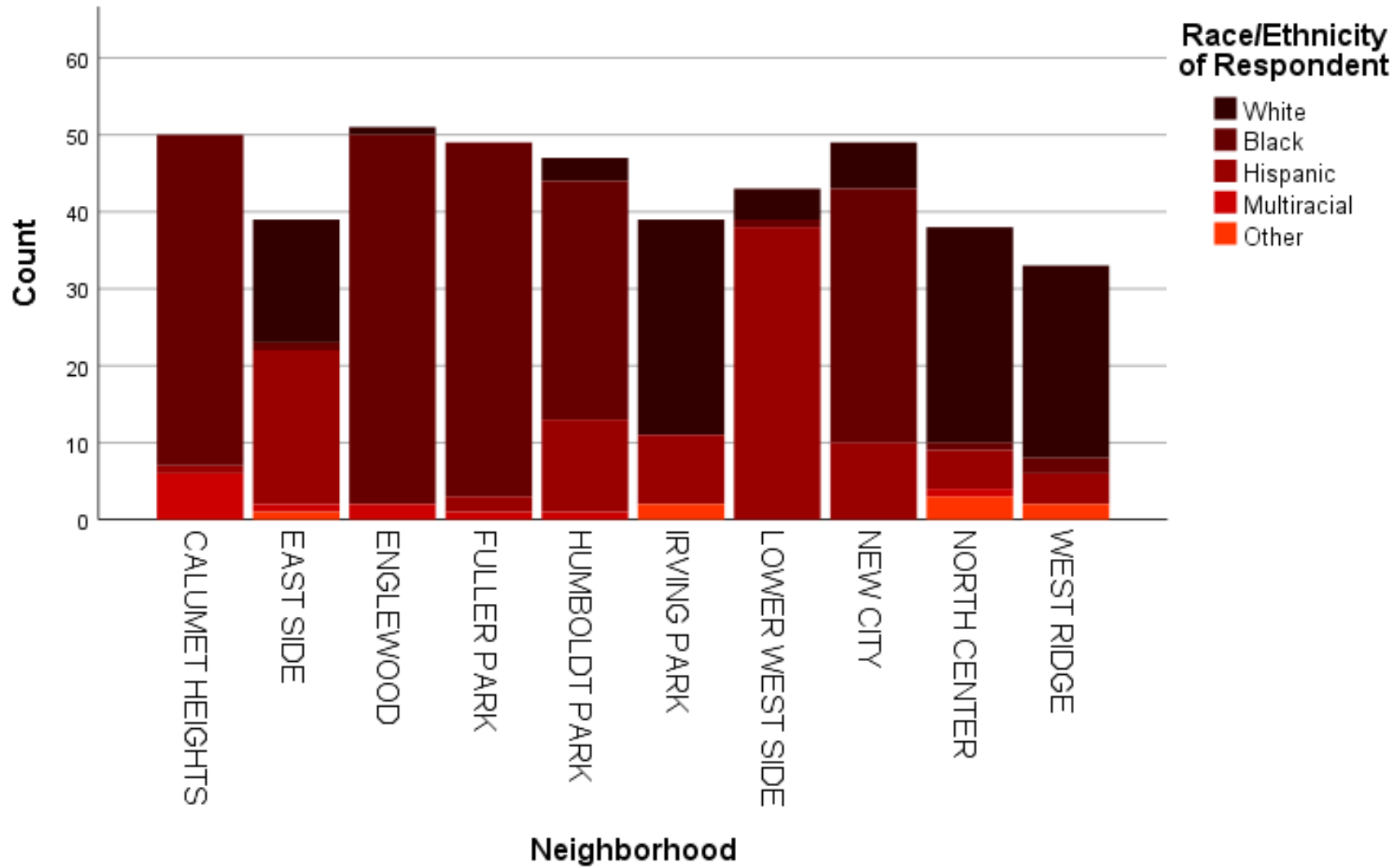
A Key Field Challenge...



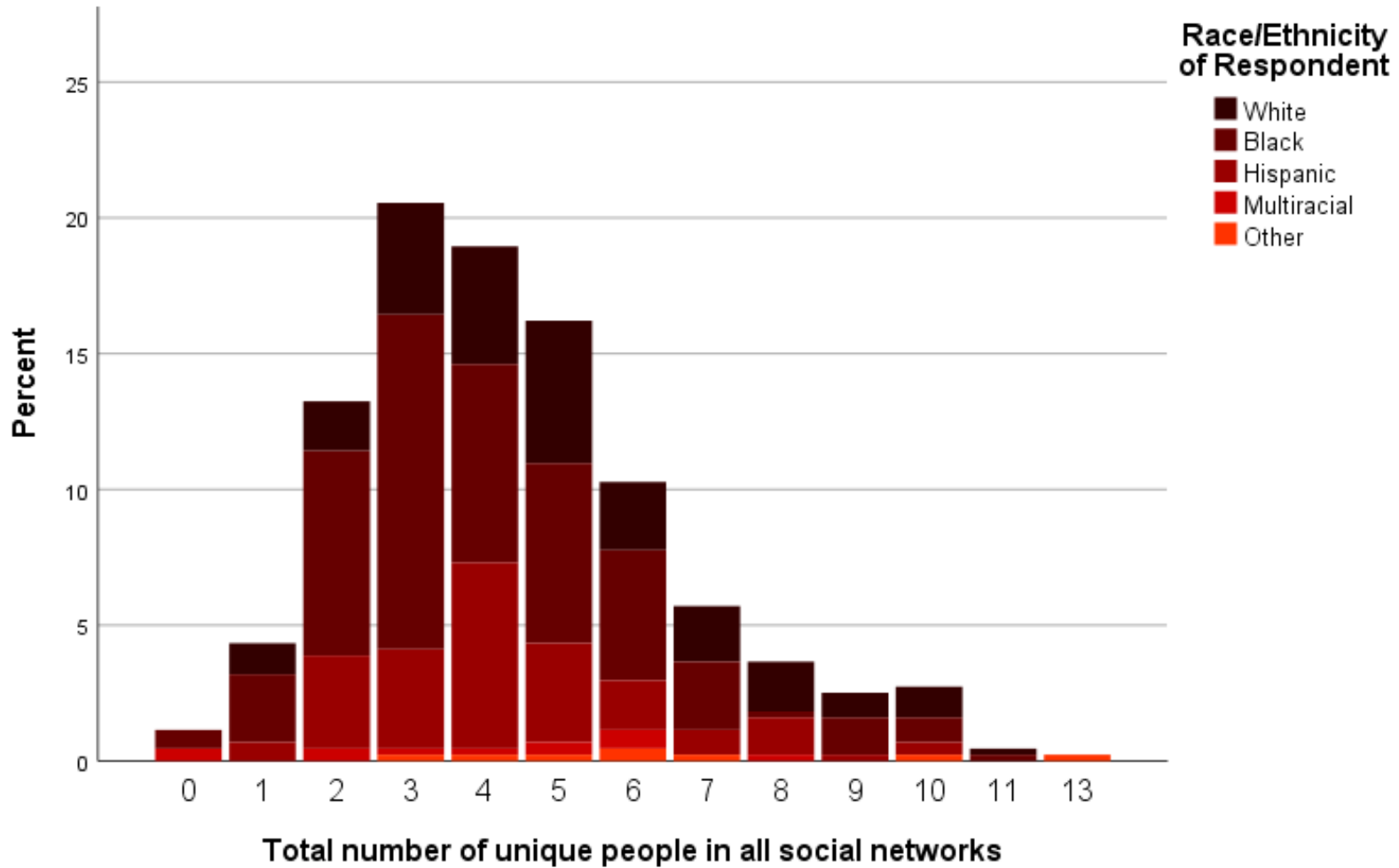
What we Learned from the Pilot

- Innovations/Decisions
 - Addition of a 5th daily EMA survey
 - Experiment on \$
 - Modifying incentive structure of EMA surveys to include two options (\$1 per survey vs \$5 per day when 3+ surveys completed) – will use more effective of two in future waves
 - Blood spots instead of saliva (earlier)
 - In-home baseline revisions
 - Minor fixes applied to programming of name-generator items and questions about victimization modified to reflect study timelines
 - CAT-MH adaptive assessments used considerably more items than expected (22 for Anxiety and Depression combined; A+D score related to # items at $p < .001$), but total time was <5 minutes and did not generate complaints from respondents or FIs
 - EMA revisions
 - Eliminating items that showed no variability, adding more “positive” choices for neighborhood characteristics and emotional states, as well as option to be with a “pet” rather than being “alone”
 - 41% of completed surveys indicated that respondent was either in someone else’s home or in public space (so decided not to use geofencing)
- FI Training Considerations
 - Respondent interaction
 - Fear that FIs were selling something (e.g., private health insurance)
 - Talkative
 - Gatekeepers – compliance from adult children and caretakers (FI emphasize credential and academic goals)
 - How to describe GPS tracking?
 - Smartphone challenges
 - Lack of familiarity
 - Did not like being responsible for phone
 - Hard to hear ping

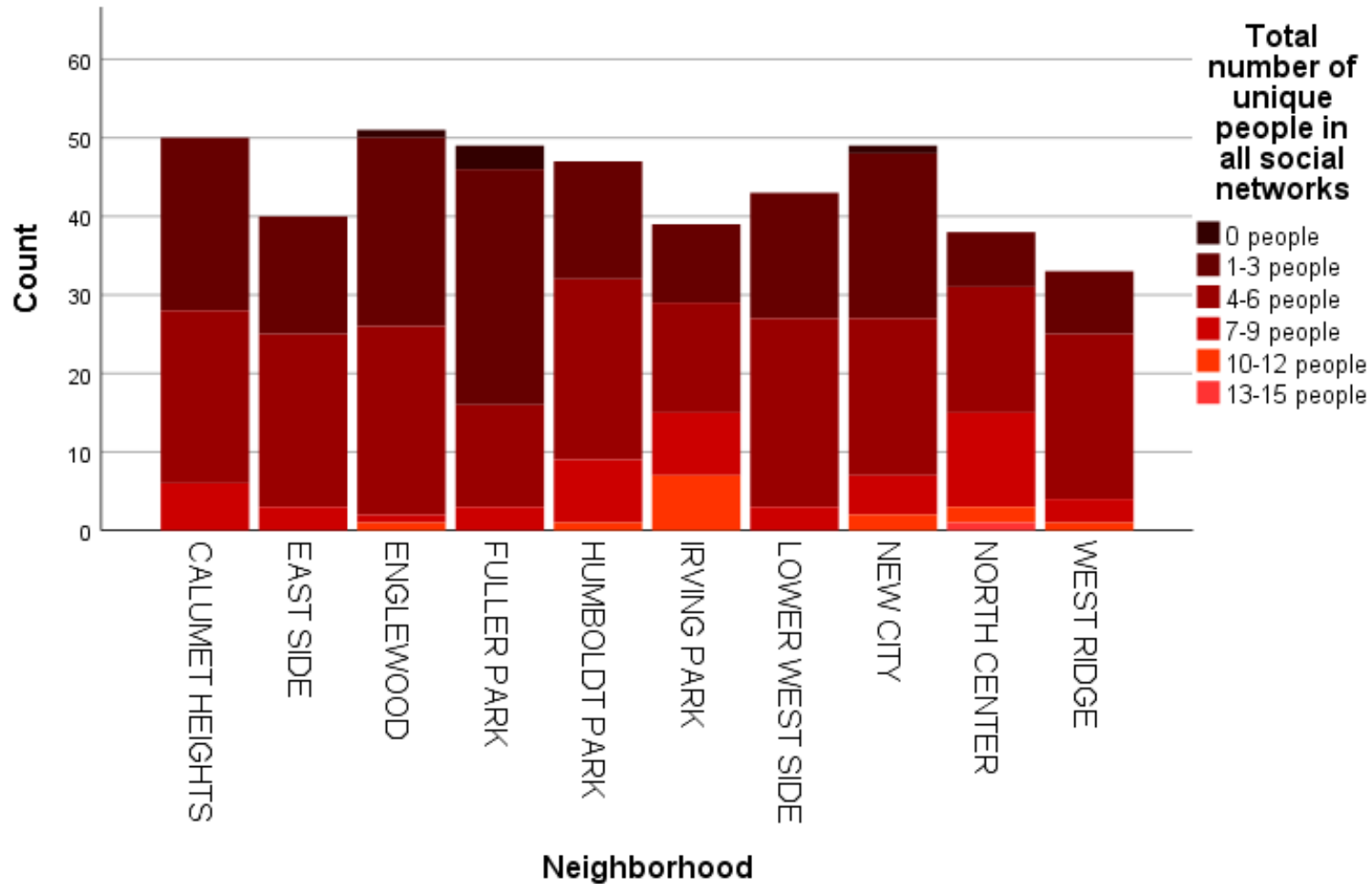
Neighborhood & Racial/Ethnic Composition



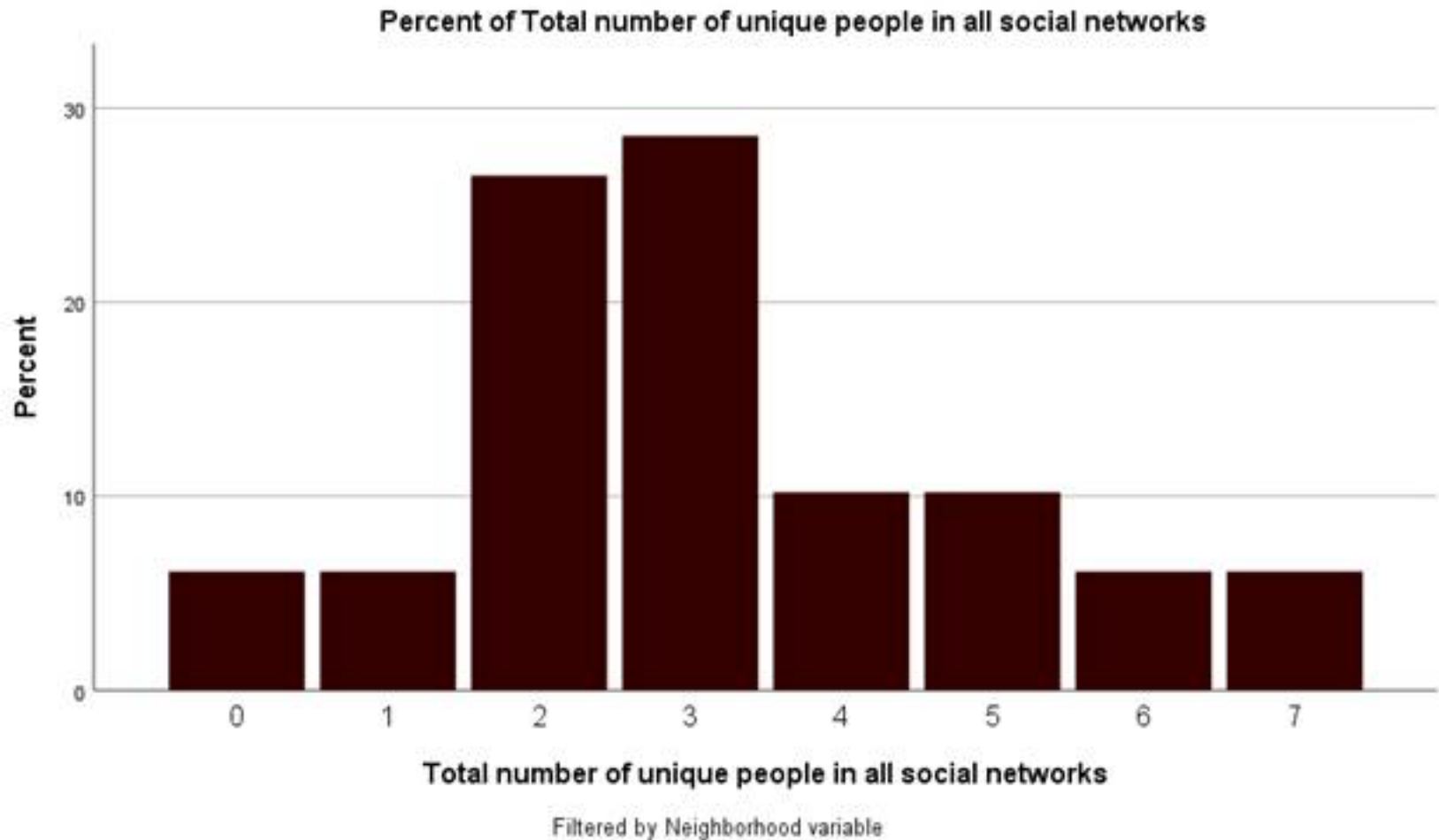
Race/Ethnicity & Networks



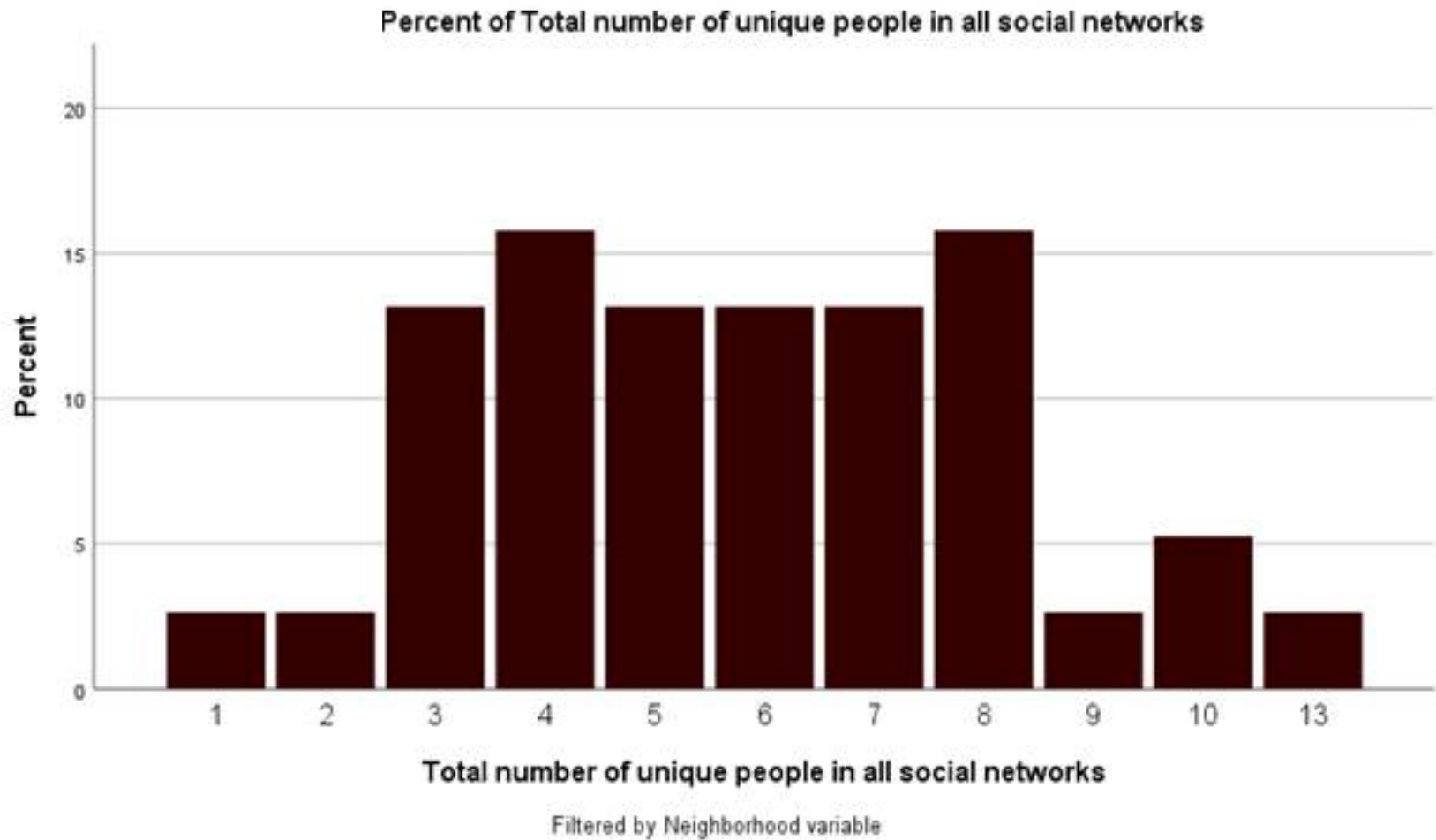
Neighborhoods & Networks



Fuller Park



North Center



Why is Place Important?

- Resource allocation
 - Health services (Ng et al., 2015)
 - Social safety net (Tach & Edin, 2017)
- Resource availability
 - Formal (Altschuler et al., 2004)
 - Informal (Moore et al., 2011; Berman, 2008)
- Opportunity structure
 - Employment (Turney et al., 2006)
 - Social engagement (Pettit, 2004)
- Sense of belonging/connectedness (Sampson, 2012)
- Exposure space (Cagney et al., 2013)

Relevant Disciplines to Inform Study of Place

- Psychology – place attachment (Lawton, Berman)
- Economics – evolution of the city (Glaeser)
- Anthropology – experience of aging in place (Penny)
- Architecture – social architecture (Boyd)
- Urban planning – age-accommodating urban places (Burkart et al.)
- Geography – “spatial” gerontology (Andrews)
- Epidemiology – social factors and population health (Berkman, Diez Roux, Galea)
- Sociology – place and social cohesion (Longino, Sampson)

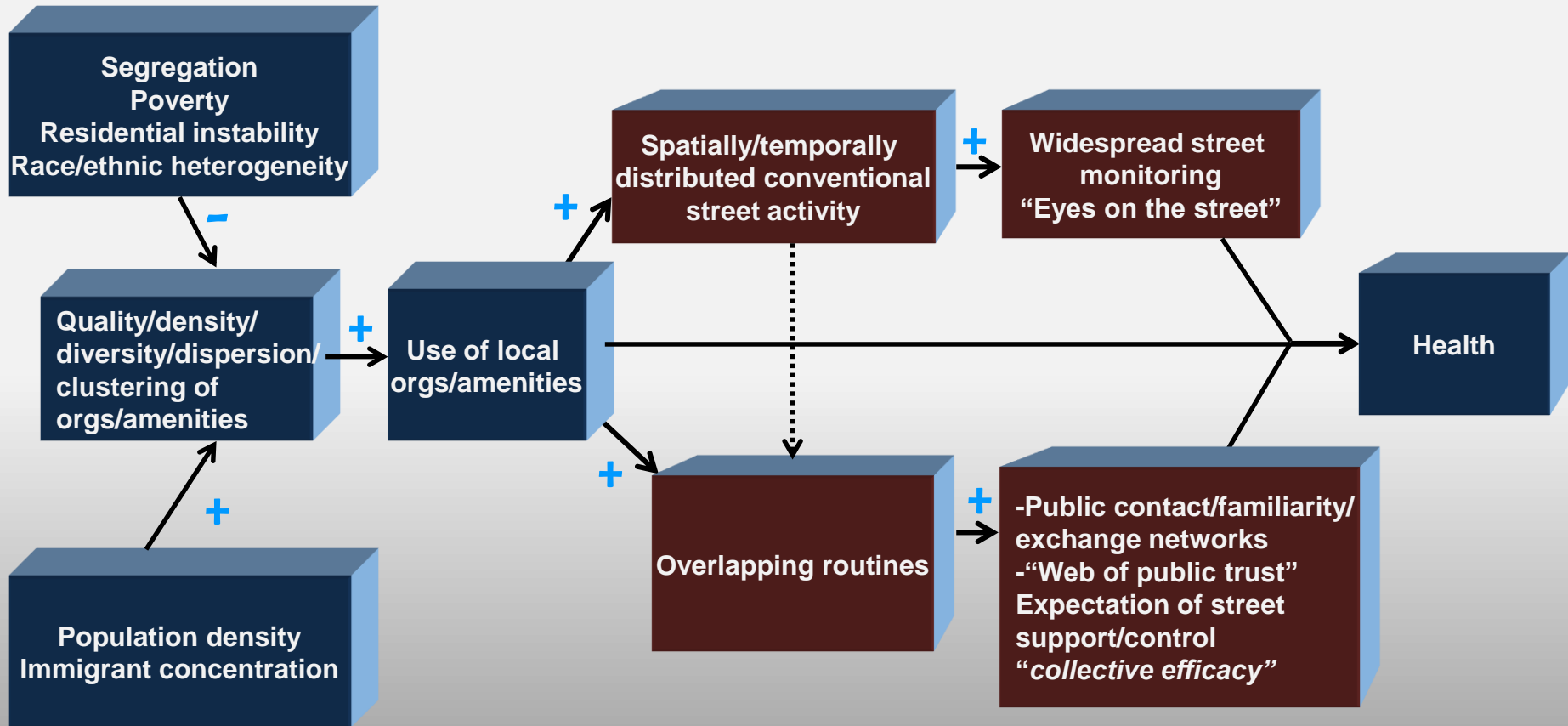
Research on “Neighborhoods Effects” and Health

- Theoretical approaches largely neglect actual spatial exposure patterns (beyond residential address)
- Integrate
 - Social disorganization theory
 - Social ecological approach (Jane Jacobs)
- Incorporate conceptualization of individual level exposures (“activity space”)
- Emphasize age and aging
 - Circumference of turf may shrink but little know about these patterns
 - Neighborhoods—and networks within—may be more consequential

Beyond the Residential Neighborhood

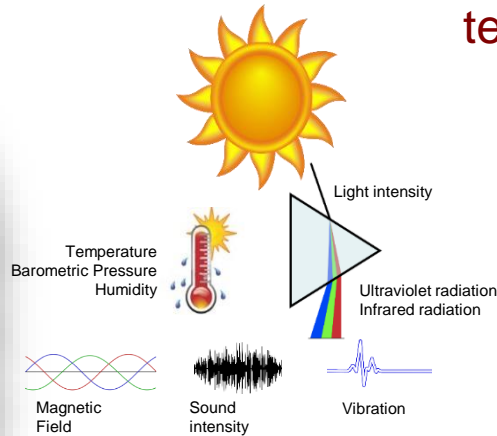
- Current approaches may not effectively assess exposure, access to resources
- Residential neighborhood a small part of daily experience?
 - Arbitrary census-based units may obscure more complicated geographic exposures
 - Where/how people spend time may prove more valuable for health, well-being, access to care

Neighborhood Influences on Health

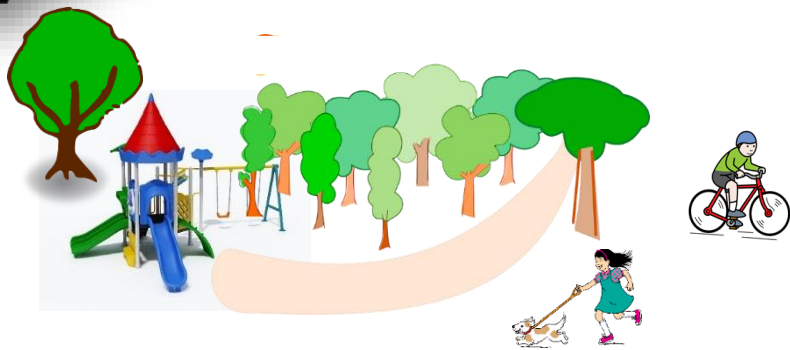
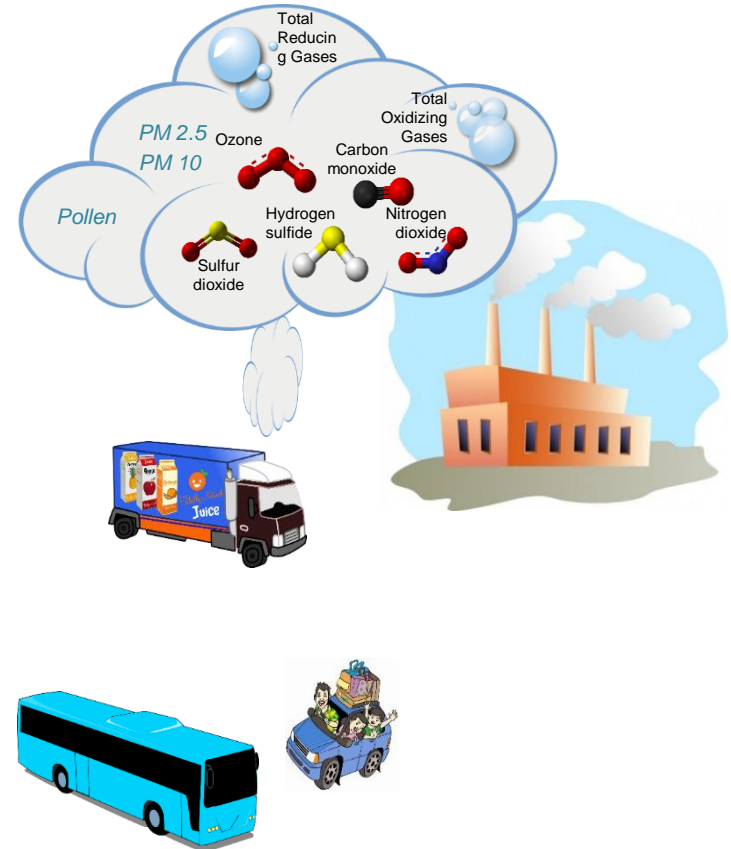


The Array of Things

1. A Standard Sensor network



2. A Platform to Evaluate new sensor technologies



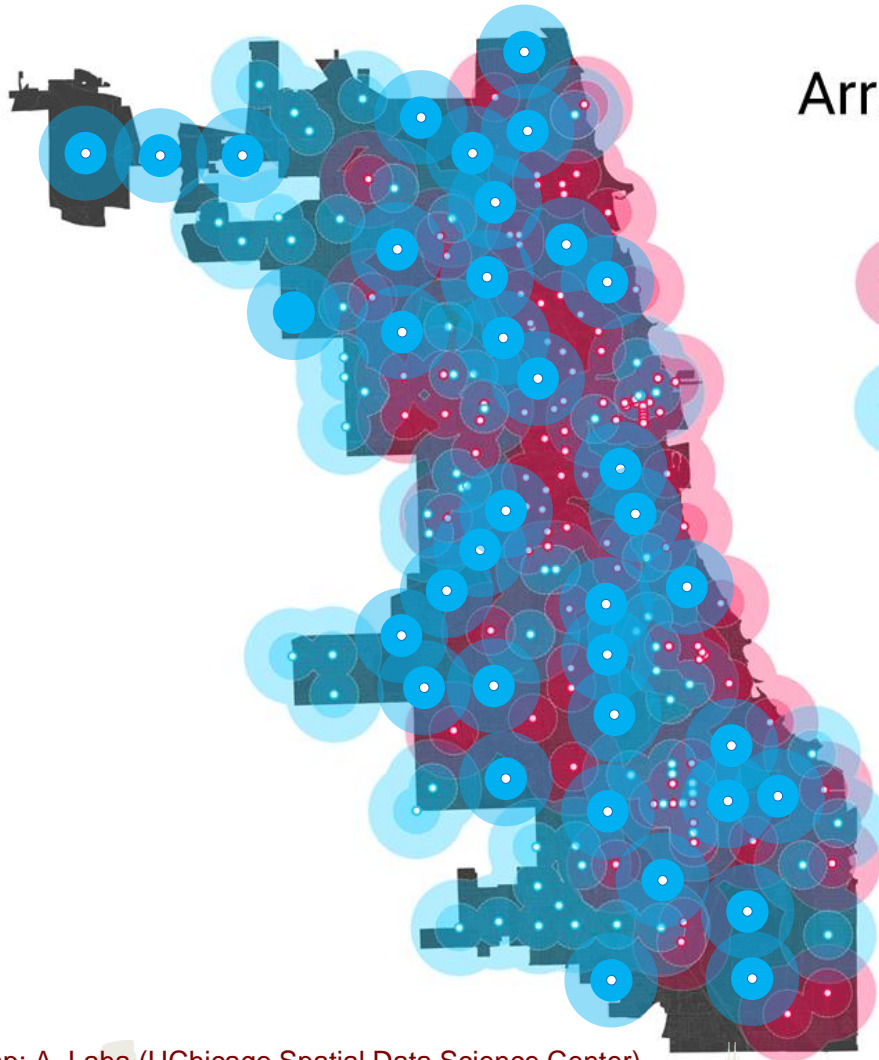
3. A Platform with embedded ("edge") computing to develop and evaluate new computer perception capabilities

4. <https://arrayofthings.github.io/node-locations.html>

Chicago AoT Installation Coverage

Array of Things Coverage

July 2018



May 2018 Nodes



Dec 2018 Nodes

Today there is an AoT node (red) within 2km of 80% of Chicago's population, and within 1km of 42% of the population

By early 2019 every Chicago resident will have an AoT node within 2km and at least 70% will live within 1km of a node.



Map: A. Laha (UChicago Spatial Data Science Center)

Specific Aims:

- The project aims to collect primary, multi-wave data from 450 Chicagoans aged 65 and older by:
 - conducting in-person interviews to obtain baseline measures of self-reported and objective indices of health, including BMI, physical mobility, and any changes in mental, emotional, and physical health status between each of the three waves of data collection;
 - using smartphone app over week-long periods to identify latitude, longitude, and distance traveled in order to describe respondents' physical activity spaces and to obtain real-time reports of social settings, health status, and well-being using EMA in order to identify day-to-day fluctuations in social environment and both emotional and physical health; and
 - leveraging extant information such as Census and Area Resource File data and sensor-type data on Chicago neighborhoods collected by NSF-funded Array of Things project to identify neighborhood environmental and demographic determinants of both activity space and health status.



How would you describe your home when you were pinged?

Cramped-----Spacious

Touch the bar below to select.
Touch again or drag to change your choice.



(1) Cramped

(5) Spacious

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Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement about the inside of your home when you were pinged.

This home feels close-knit.

Select one.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

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Answer

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