The Racial and Social Equity Index, produced by the Office of Planning & Community Development, is a tool to aid in the identification of City planning, program, and investment priorities.

The index includes:

- **Race, ELL, and Origins** (shares of population who are)
  - Persons of color
  - English language learners
  - Foreign born

- **Socioeconomic Disadvantage** (shares of population with)
  - Income below 200% of poverty level
  - Educational attainment less than a bachelor's degree

- **Health Disadvantage**
  - No leisure-time physical activity
  - Diagnosed diabetes
  - Obesity
  - Mental health not good
  - Asthma
  - Low life expectancy at birth
  - Disability

Source: 2011-2015 5-Year American Community Survey Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau; estimates from the Centers for Disease Control, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) published in the The 500 City Project: Tracking the Health of America’s Largest Cities. Public Health—Seattle & King County, based on the Community Health Assessment Tool. Language is for population age 5 and older, Life expectancy is for population age 0 and over.

This index may be used as-is or as a starting point. Suggested guidance for using this index is at [link].

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