

# Racial and Social Equity Index

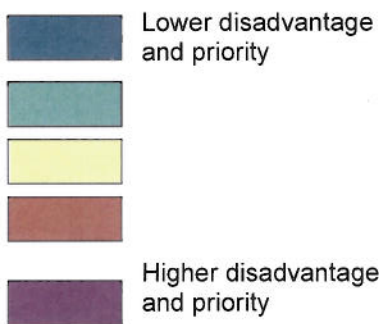
The Racial and Social Equity Index, produced by the Office of Planning & Community Development, is a tool to aid in the identification of City planning, program, and investment priorities.

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 percent 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

## Legend

(map numbers are tract identifiers)



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

Sources: 2011-2015 Five-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 Cities Project," Washington State Department of Health's Washington Tracking Network (WTN), and estimates from the Public Health - Seattle & King County (based on the Community Health Assessment Tool).  
 Language is for population age 5 and older.  
 Educational attainment is for the population age 25 and over.  
 Life expectancy is life expectancy at birth.  
 Other health measures based on percentages of the adult population.

More information on the index, including guidance for use, and maps for component indices as well as map layers and tables for individual measures are available at:

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