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Partner Forum and Kickoff

City Hall

January 30, 2024



CITY OF
LANCASTER

COMMUNITY PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Welcome!



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Mayor Danene Sorace

Nearly 50 organizations are here today or have offered support!



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The Common Wheel
The Mix
Touchstone Foundation
Union Community Care*
United Way of Lancaster County*
UPMC - Lititz
Water Street Mission
YMCA of The Roses*
YWCA Lancaster*

Your Project Team



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- ▶ Seasoned team includes experts in community health research and planning; epidemiology, data analytics, social services and healthcare, population health management, program development, and survey administration
- ▶ Have worked in hundreds of communities across the nation for 250+ clients in conducting community studies
- ▶ Emphasize community engagement and use Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) practices to invite wide participation to both define and solve challenges with the people who experience them
- ▶ Focus research on documenting lived experiences, illuminating health disparities, and developing upstream action to advance health equity

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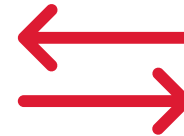
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Today's Discussion

- ▲ Project Background
- ▲ Why conduct this study?
- ▲ Stakeholder Engagement
- ▲ Preliminary Data:
The Social Drivers of Health
- ▲ Your Input: Small Group Discussion
- ▲ What's next



Why are we conducting this study?

- ▶ Create a **comprehensive profile of the City of Lancaster** as a distinct community within Lancaster County
- ▶ Provide **deeper insights into health disparities** rooted in underlying socioeconomic inequities and emerging trends, **particularly as impacted by COVID**
- ▶ Foster **direct dialogue with community members about their challenges and aspirations** for our community
- ▶ Identify **priority issues for the City**; understand cross-cutting and different health needs across neighborhoods and population groups
- ▶ Lay a **foundation for ongoing community engagement**, including CBOs and neighborhood partnerships
- ▶ Develop a **legacy data dashboard** for action planning and measurement and as a **community resource**

BUILDING A STRONGER AND MORE EQUITABLE LANCASTER



BLOCK BY BLOCK



**STRONG
NEIGHBORHOODS**



**SAFE
PLACES**



**SUSTAINABLE
ECONOMY**



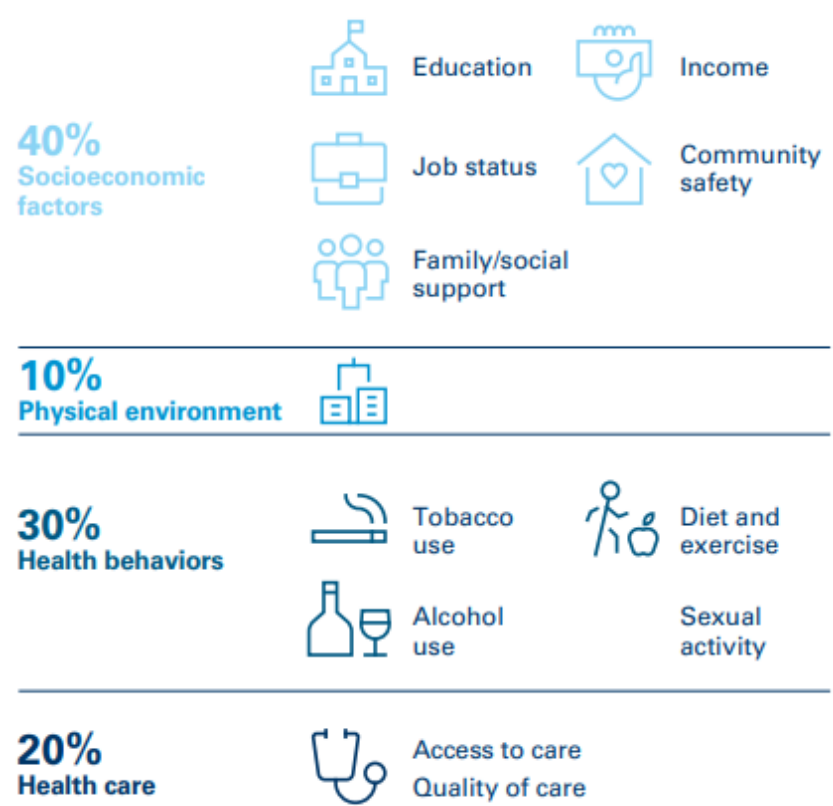
**SOUND
GOVERNMENT**



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SOCIAL DRIVERS OF HEALTH (SDoH)



Infographic credit Blue Cross Blue Shield Minnesota

Safe, reliable, affordable housing.

Access to healthy food.

Equitable access to resources.

Friends and support.

Ways to get around.

Value and celebrate diversity.



Early Community Engagement

What would make Lancaster a healthier city for everyone?
What would you change about Lancaster to make it a healthier community?

- Increase inclusivity, welcoming, equity
- Housing access/affordability
- Increase healthcare access
- Pedestrian/street safety/walkability
- Increase behavioral healthcare access

What do you love most about your community?

- Diverse and welcoming community
- Amenities (parks and recreation, culture, social and healthcare resources)
- Organized Events and Activities
- Access to quality education
- Having family here



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Foster Community Conversations



- ▶ Bring opportunities for dialog to neighborhoods; share data with community for input
- ▶ Focus on underserved communities; listen to lived experiences; hear about residents' challenges and aspirations
- ▶ Deepen our understanding of the root causes of health disparities
- ▶ Partner with CBOs to hold focus groups and forums and encourage participation in survey
- ▶ Invite input to co-develop solutions that reflect residents' priority issues and enthusiasm



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Community Survey



- ▶ Document impact of COVID-19, social drivers of health
- ▶ Ask for residents' recommendations, solutions to challenges
- ▶ Methods:
 - Convenience sample
 - Online and onsite data collection
 - Quantitative and qualitative responses
 - Available in multiple languages and proctored
- ▶ Collect responses at community forums, special events, data collection sessions, neighborhood activities
- ▶ Collaborate with community partners to increase participation; give data back to community



What strategies do you recommend or use for community engagement, especially among underserved and under-represented communities?



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Ways we can work together for community engagement

- Invite HLHL to attend an upcoming event at your organization to interact with community members
- Participate in a key stakeholder interview or discussion
- Share information about HLHL in our organization newsletters, social media, or other public communications
- Host a community forum, focus group, or listening session at your location
- Distribute survey to residents you serve
- Help us connect with key demographic groups and priority populations
- Be an advisor or join a HLHL Work Group



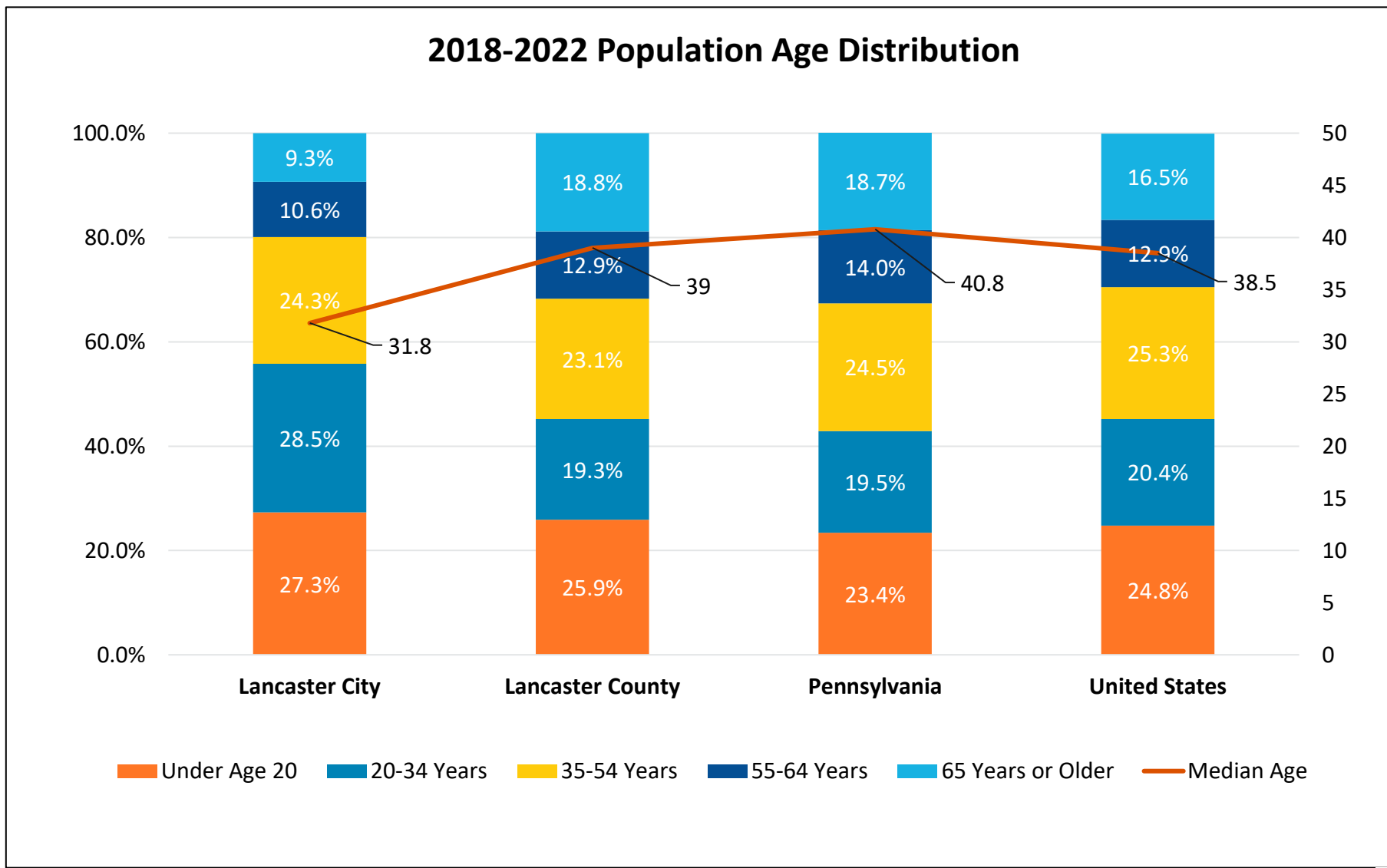
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Preliminary Data Sharing

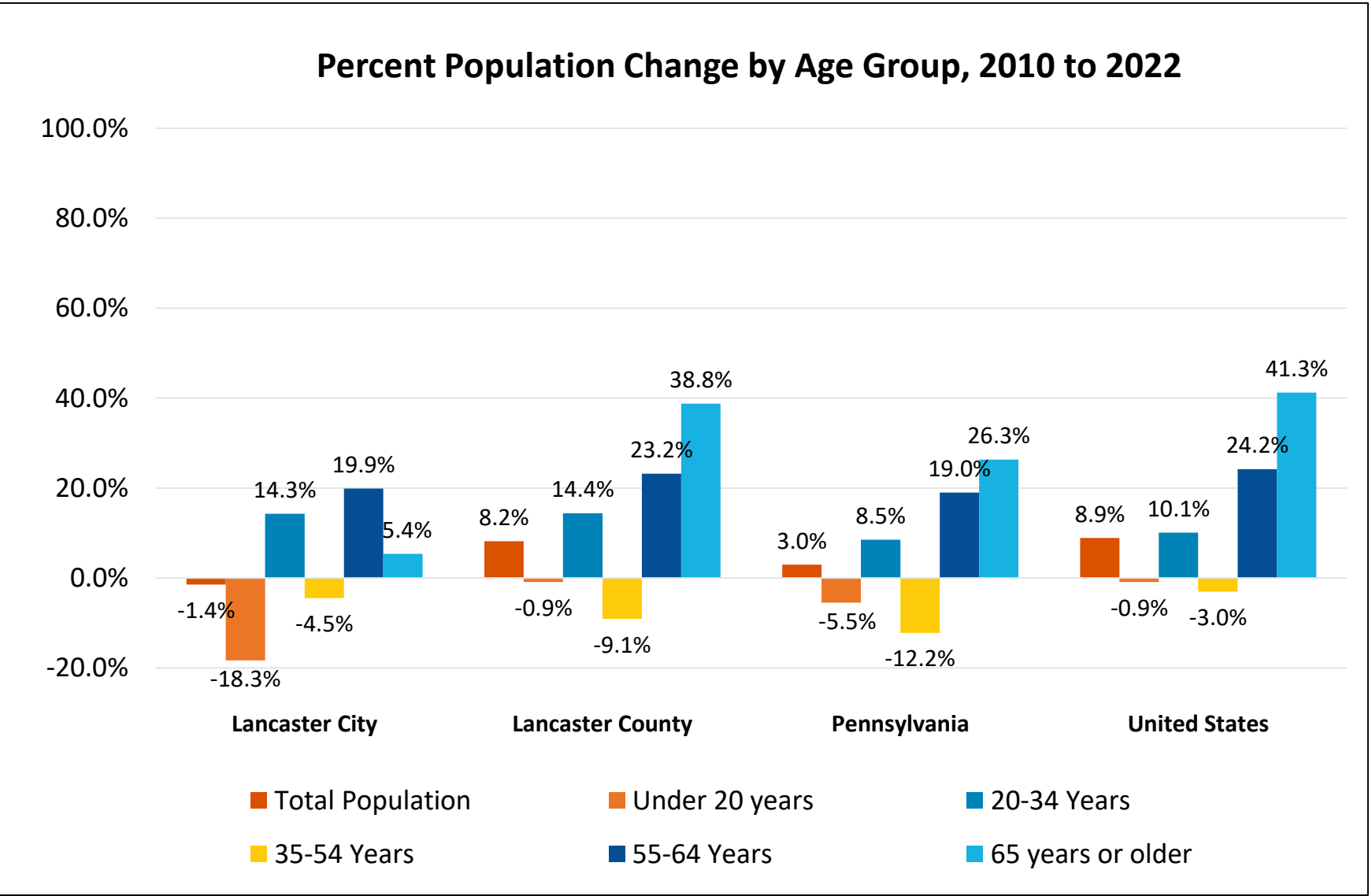
Population Changes in Lancaster City



Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey



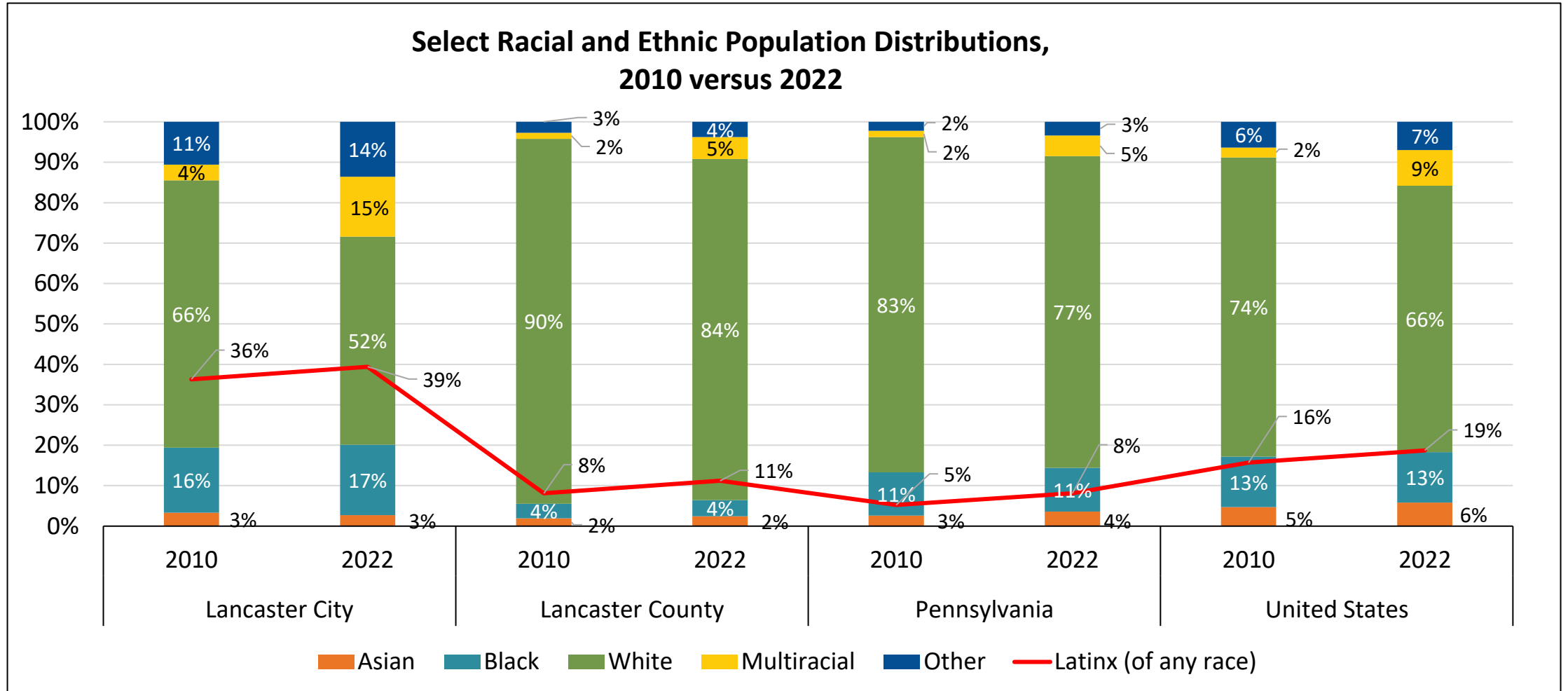
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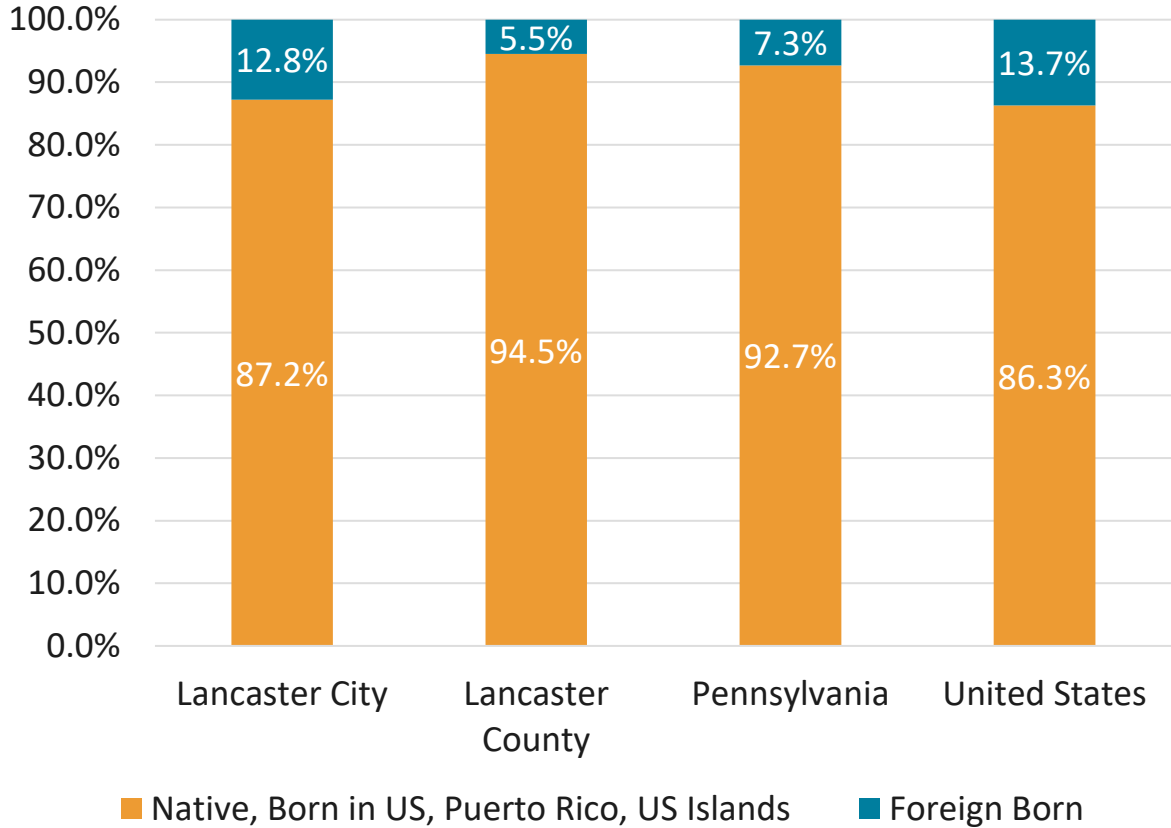
Diversity within Lancaster City



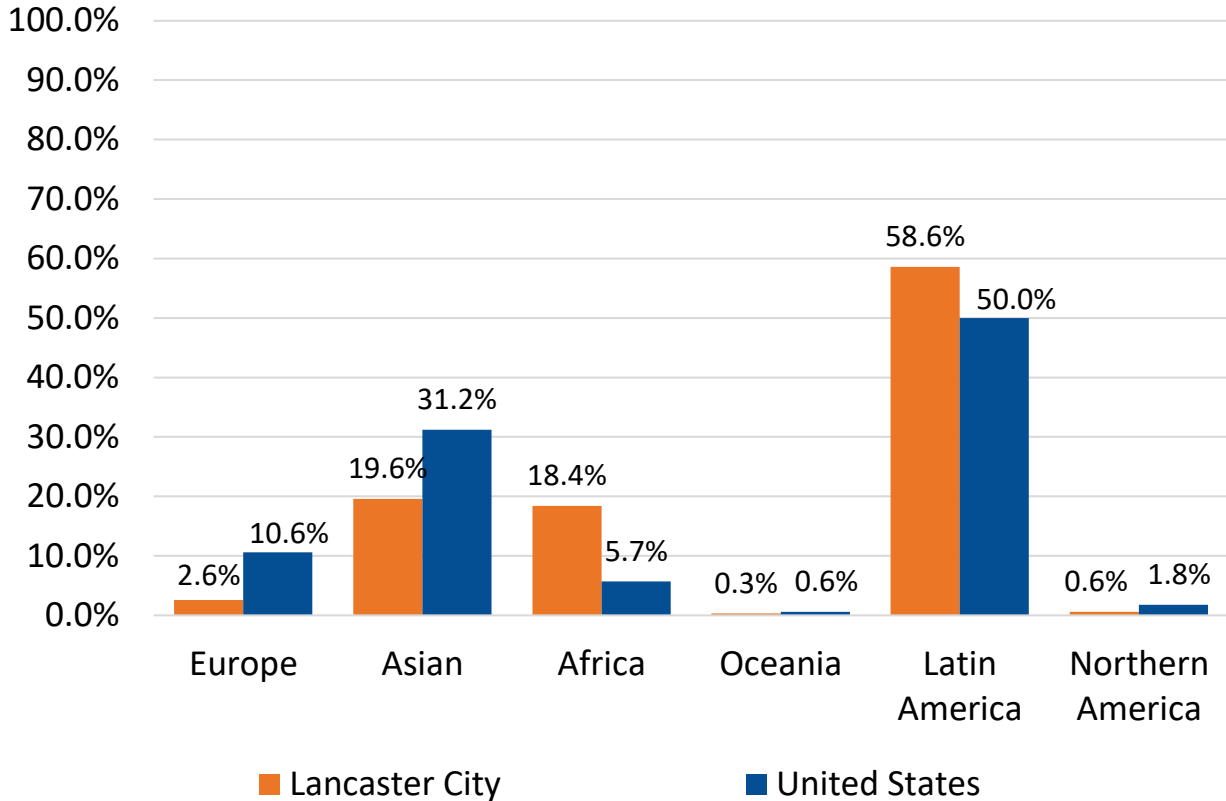
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Lancaster is a Certified Welcoming City

2018-2022 Resident Place of Birth



2018-2022 Region of Birth for Foreign-Born Population



Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey



Secondary Data Approach *Focus on Health Equity*

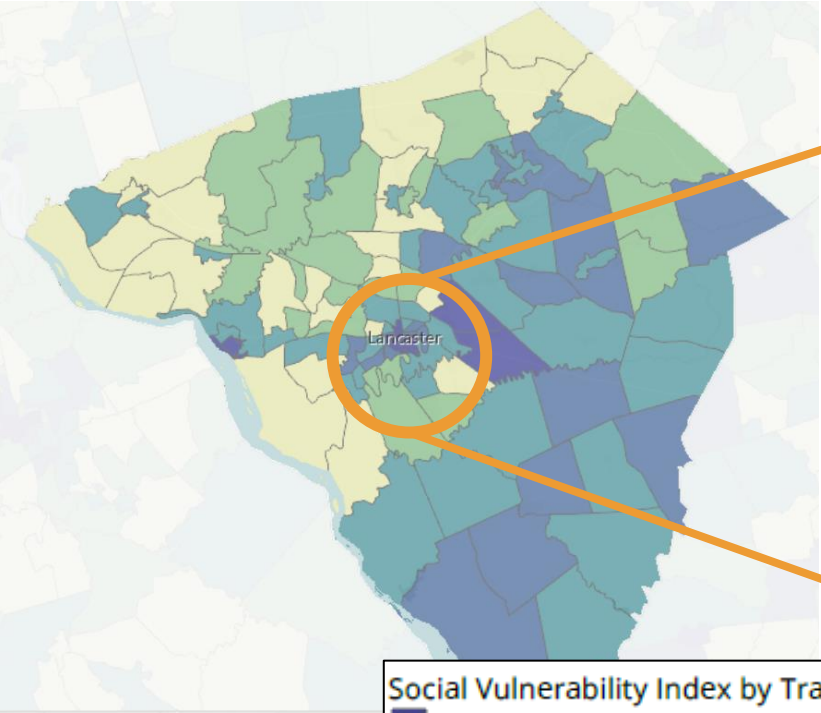
Sample Indexes

- ▶ Demographic and socioeconomic data
- ▶ Health indicators and trends, COVID-19 data
- ▶ Social Vulnerability Index
- ▶ Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed (ALICE)
- ▶ Racial Disparities and Disproportionality Index

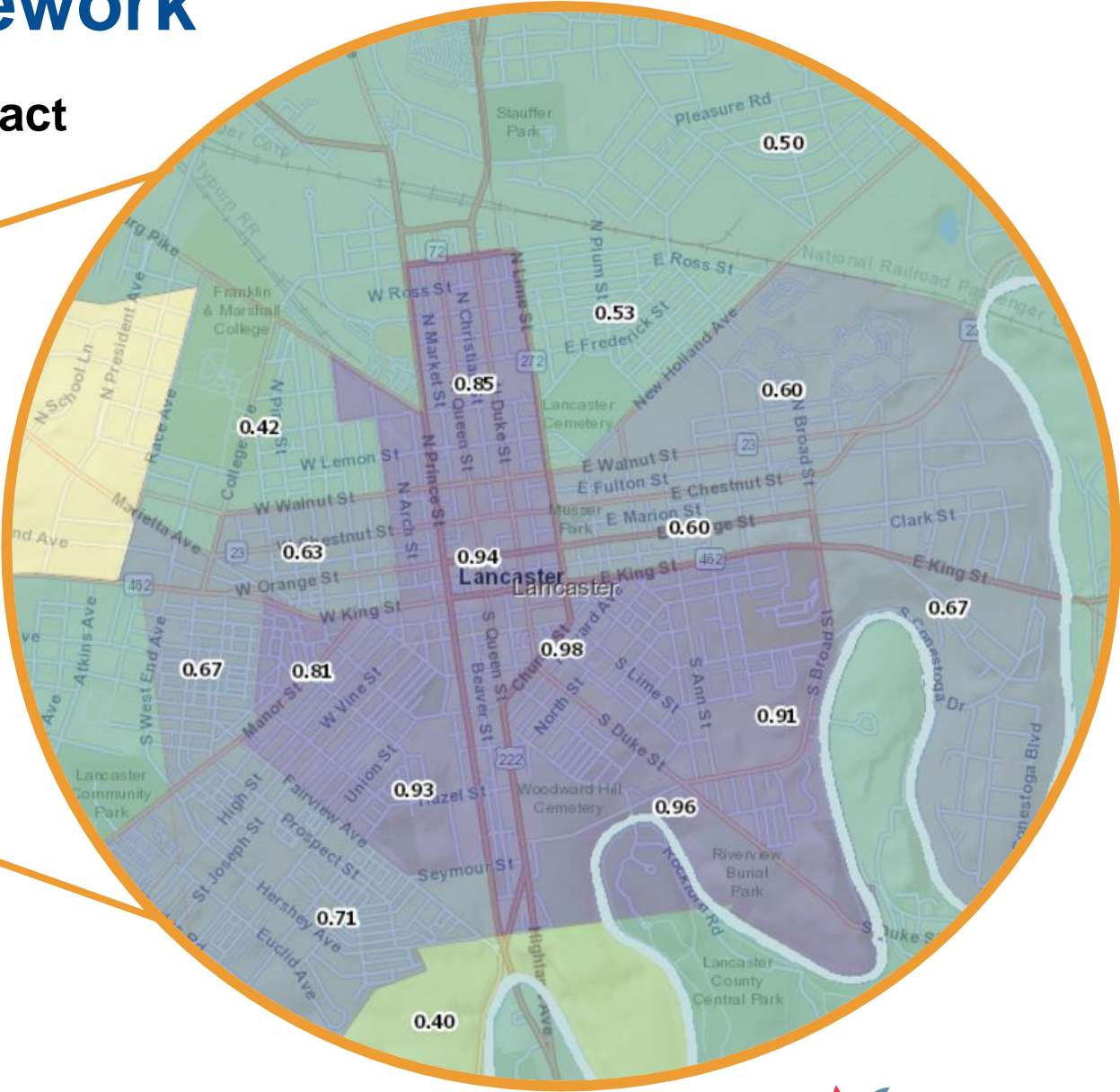
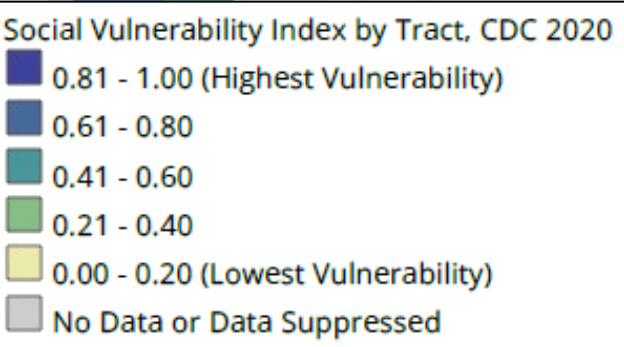


Social Drivers of Health Framework

Social Vulnerability Index by Census Tract



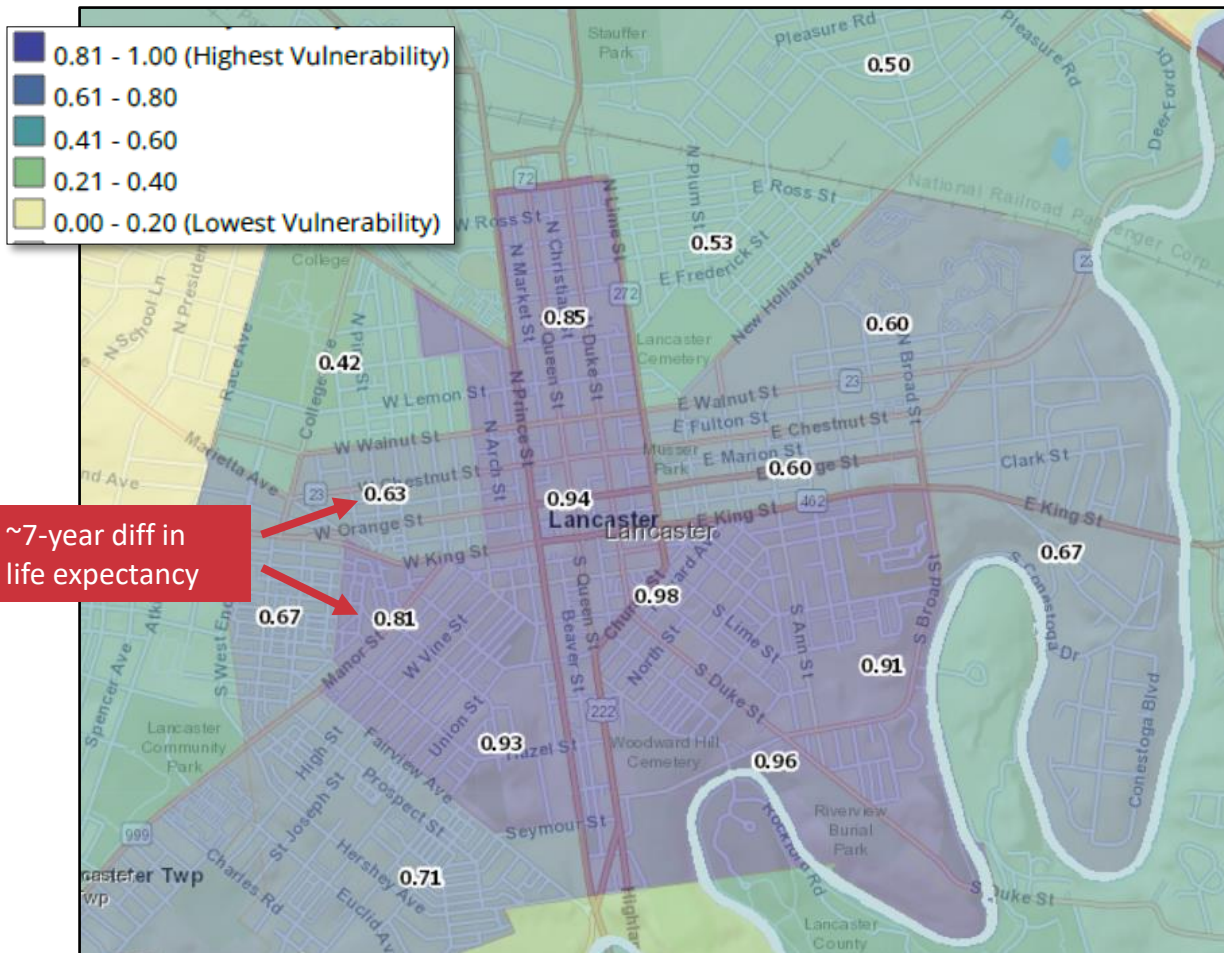
Source: CDC



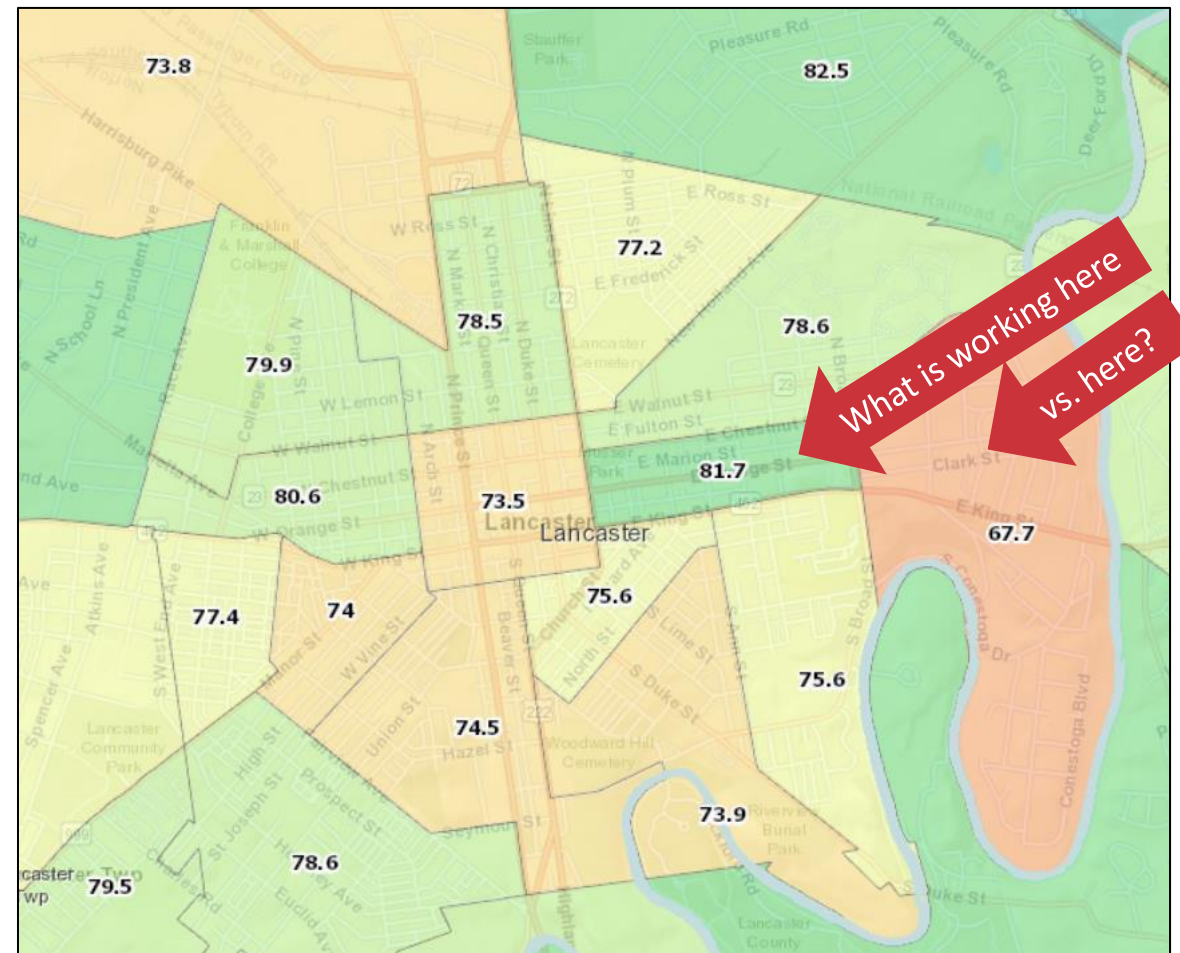
SDoH: Informing Strategy

- ▶ Better understand SDoH experience to reduce life expectancy disparities
- ▶ Explore existing protective factors that foster high quality and length of life

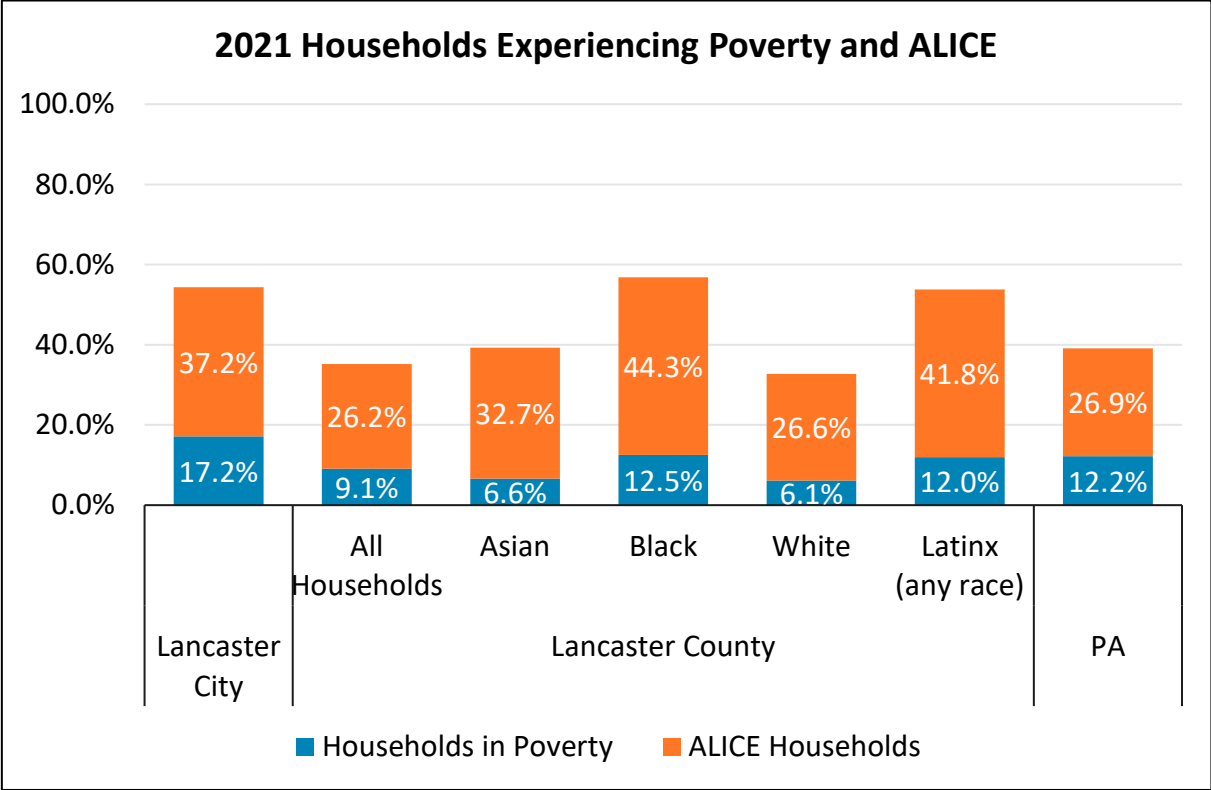
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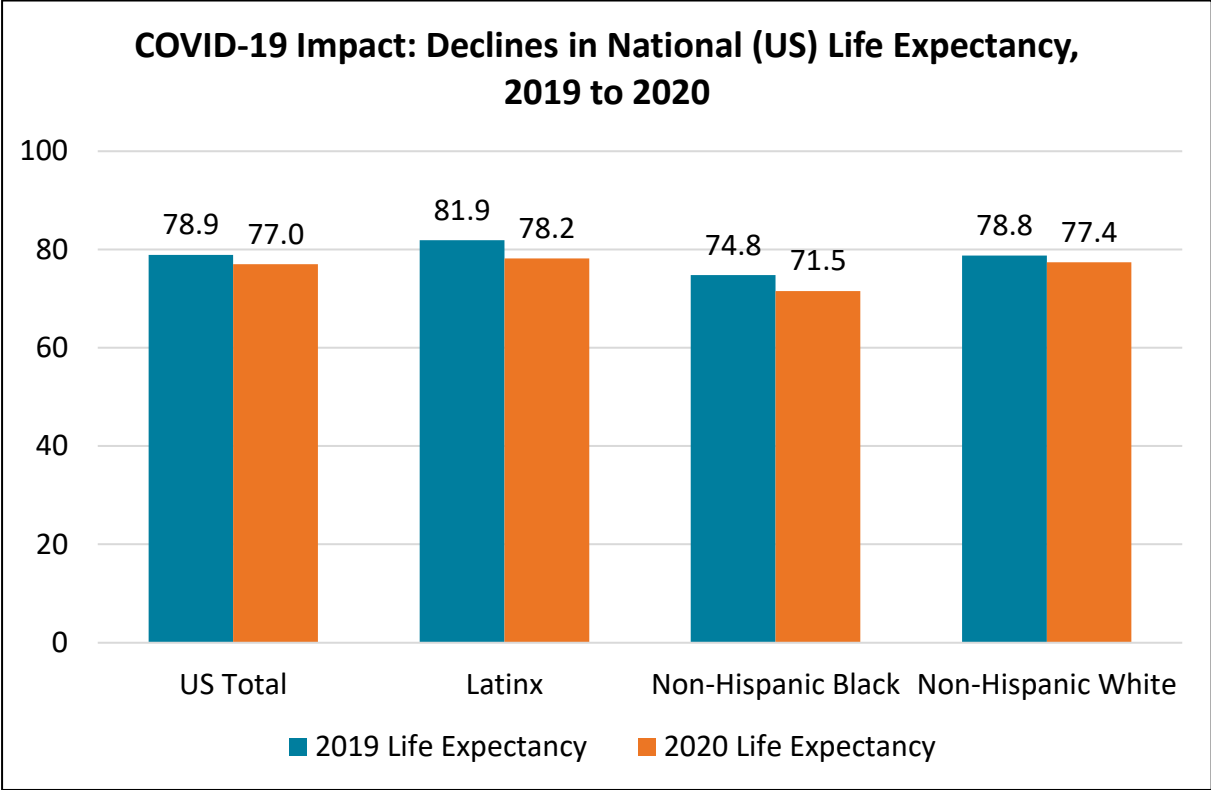
Avg. Life Expectancy (years) by Census Tract



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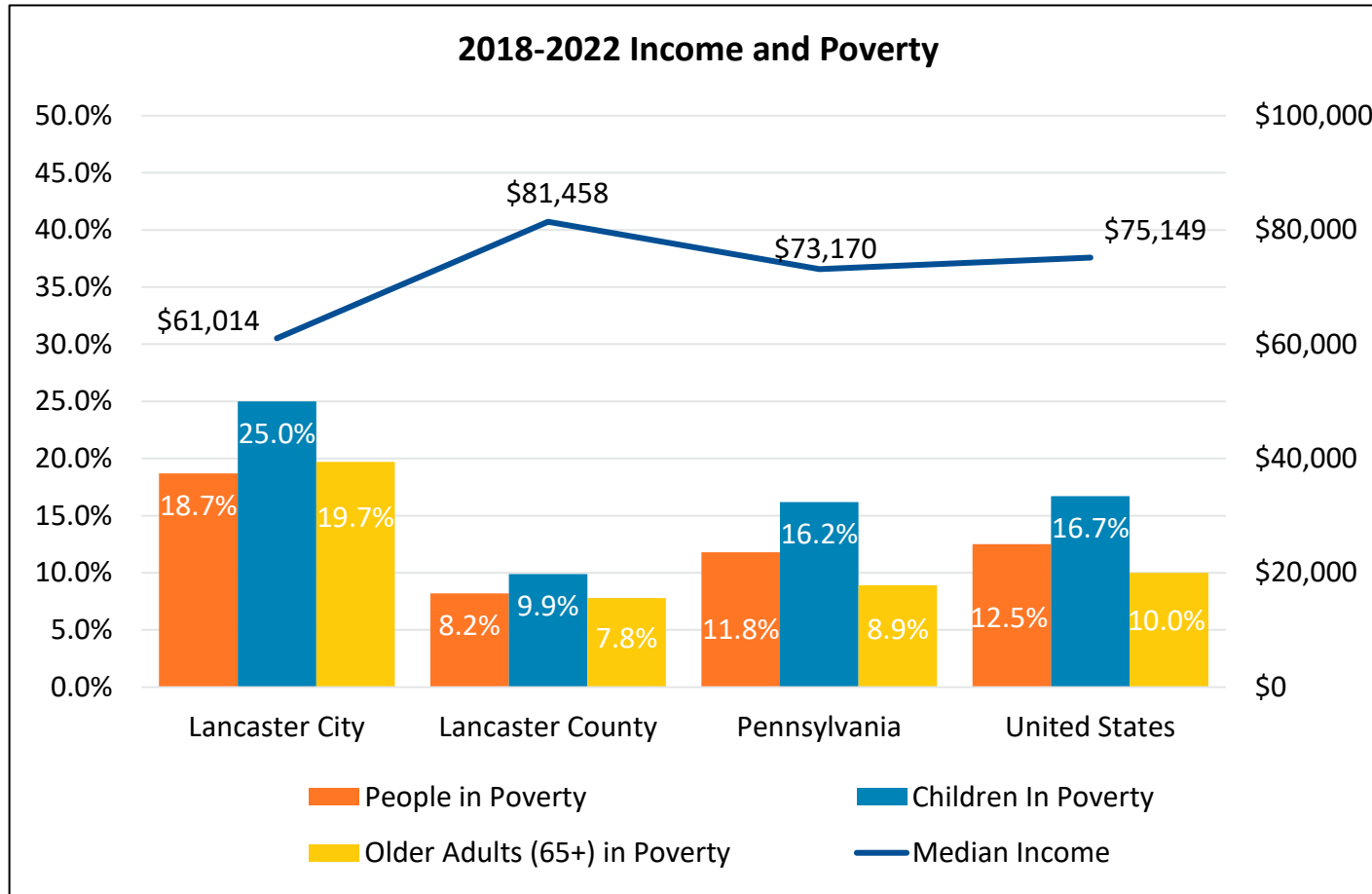


Source: United for ALICE



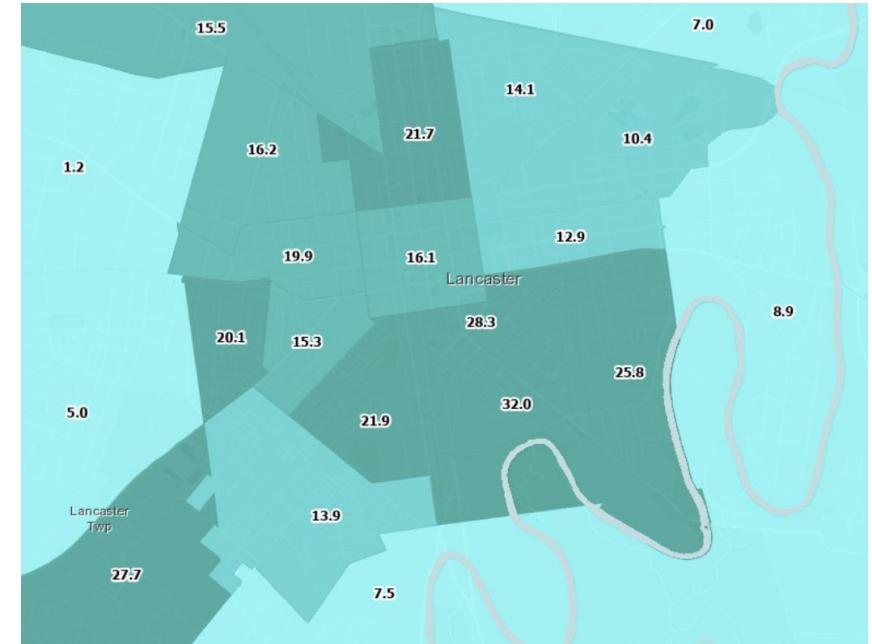
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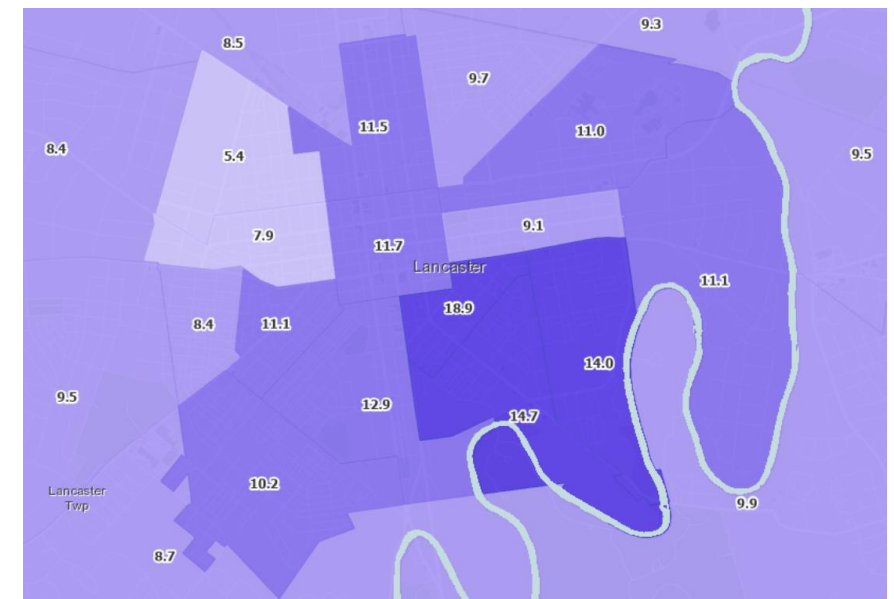


Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey & CDC

People in Poverty by Census Tract

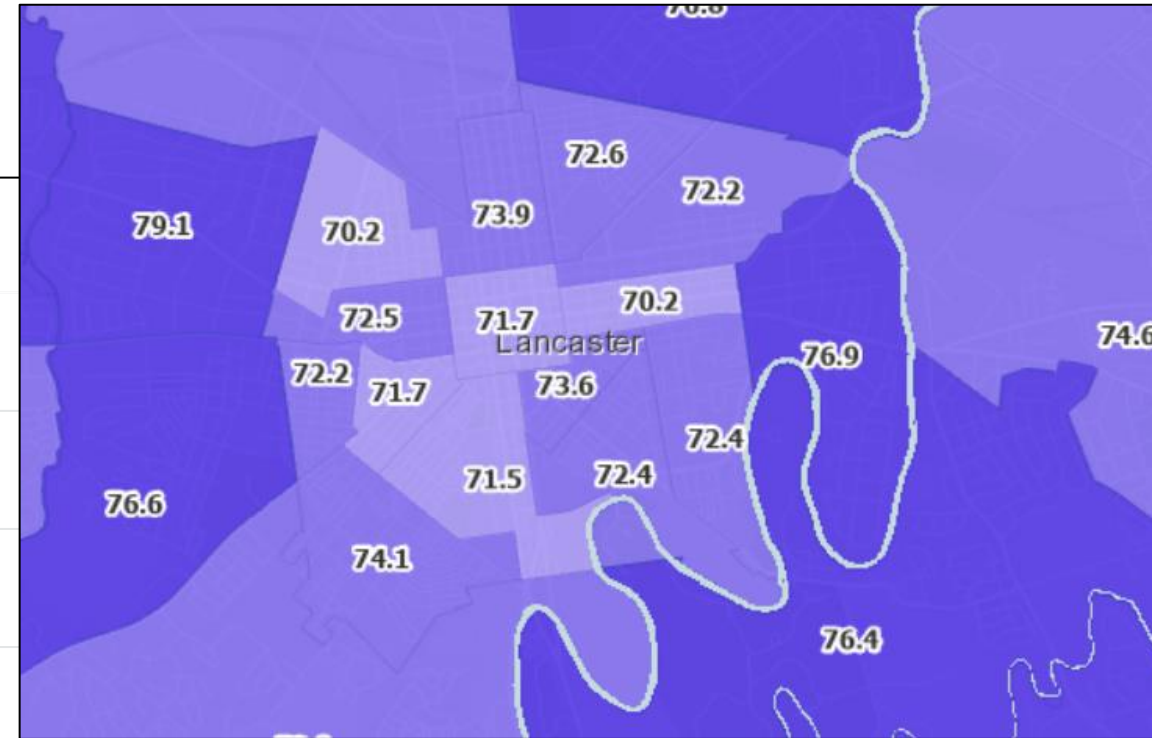
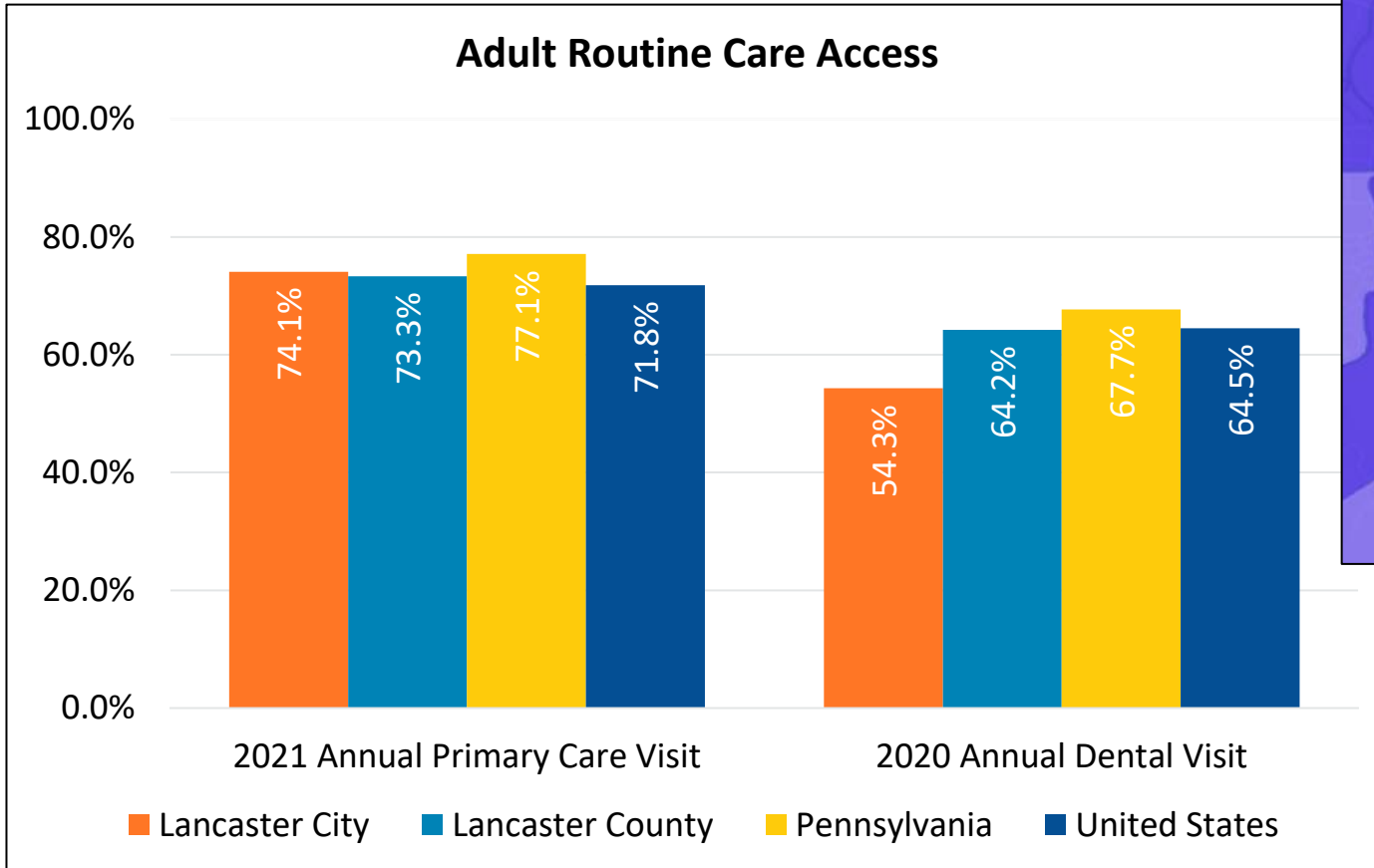


2021 Adults with Diabetes by Census Tract



Access to Care

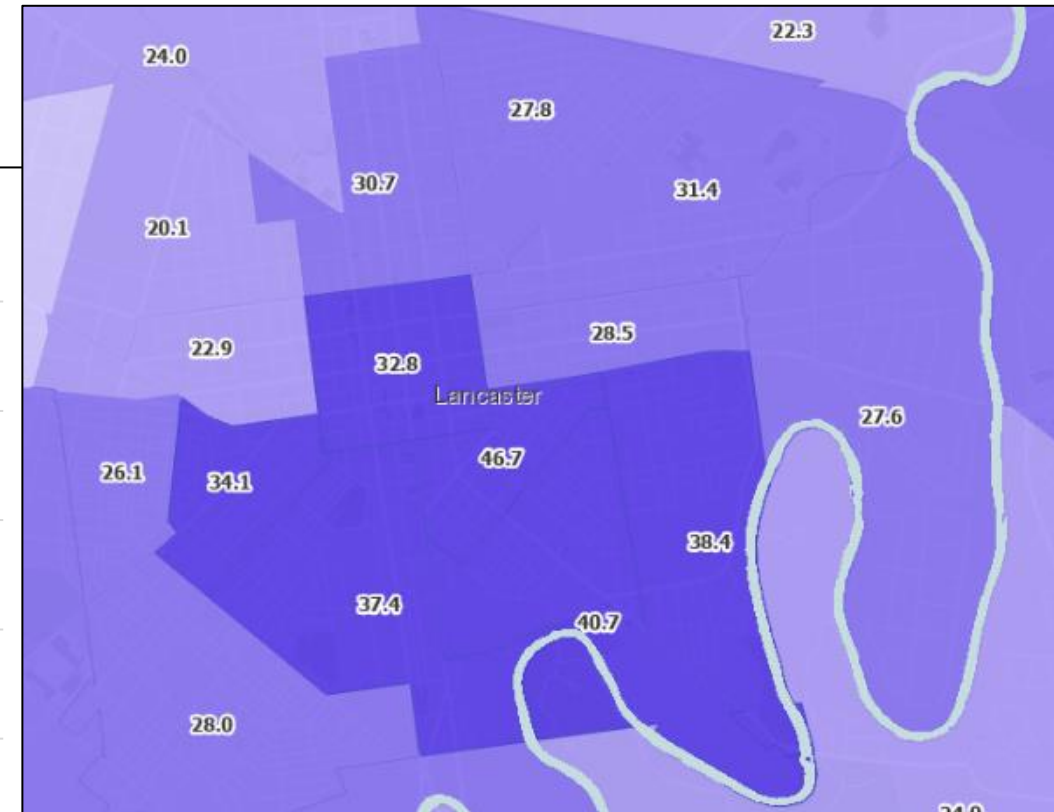
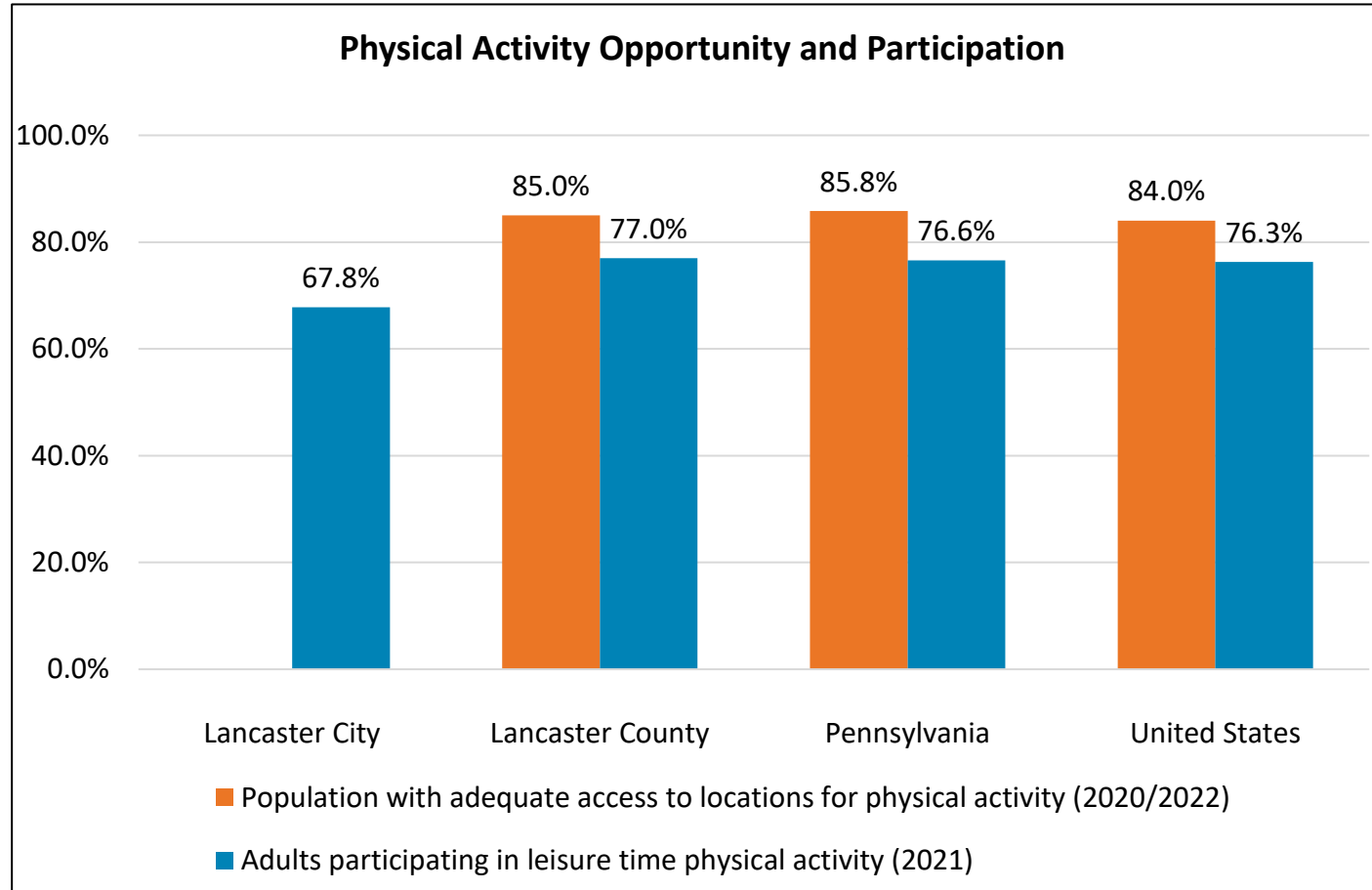
2021 Adults with a Primary Care Visit Within the Past Year
by Census Tract



Source: CDC

Physical Activity

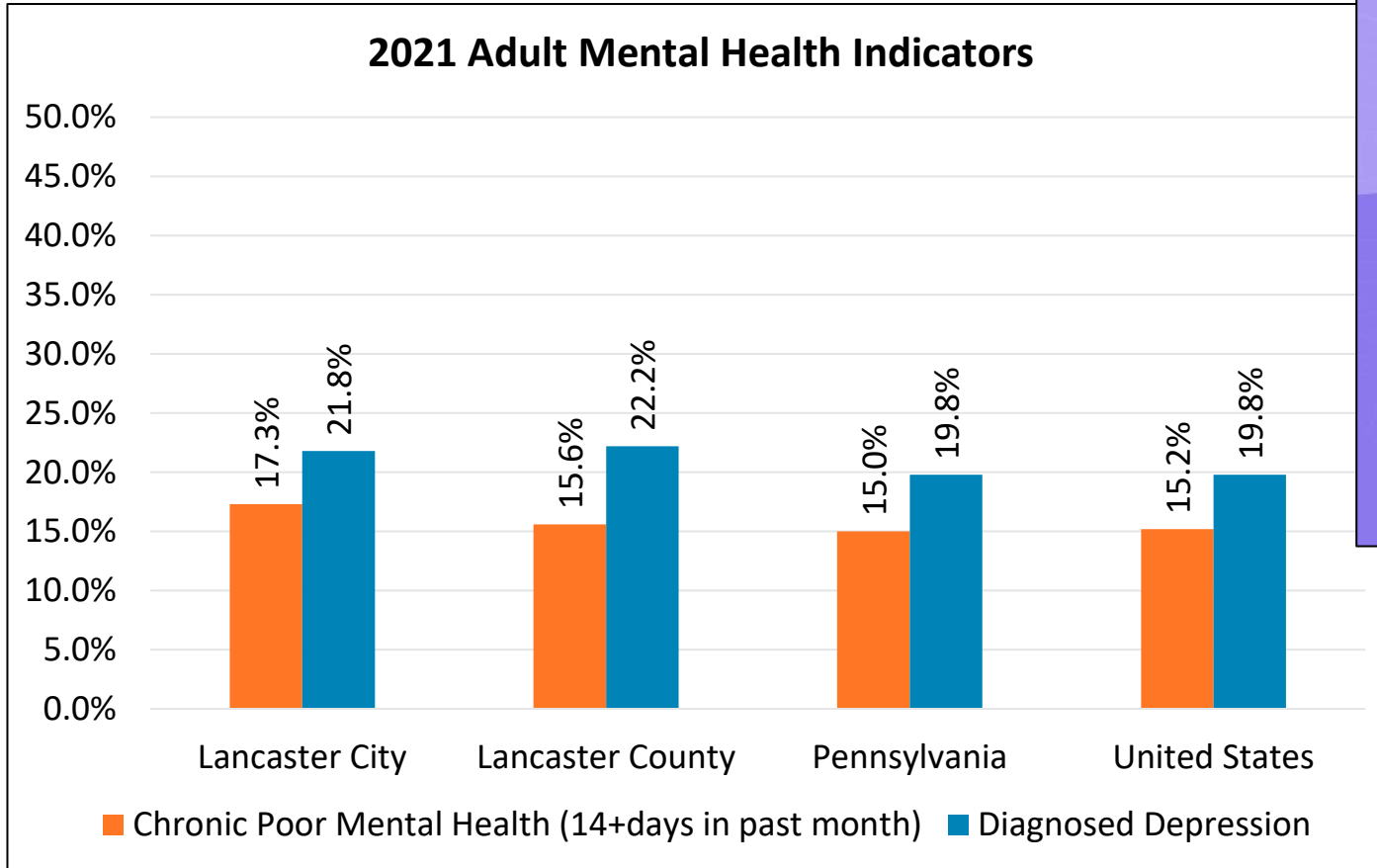
2021 Adults with No Leisure Time Physical Activity by Census Tract



Source: CDC

Behavioral Health

2021 Adults with Chronic Poor Mental Health by Census Tract

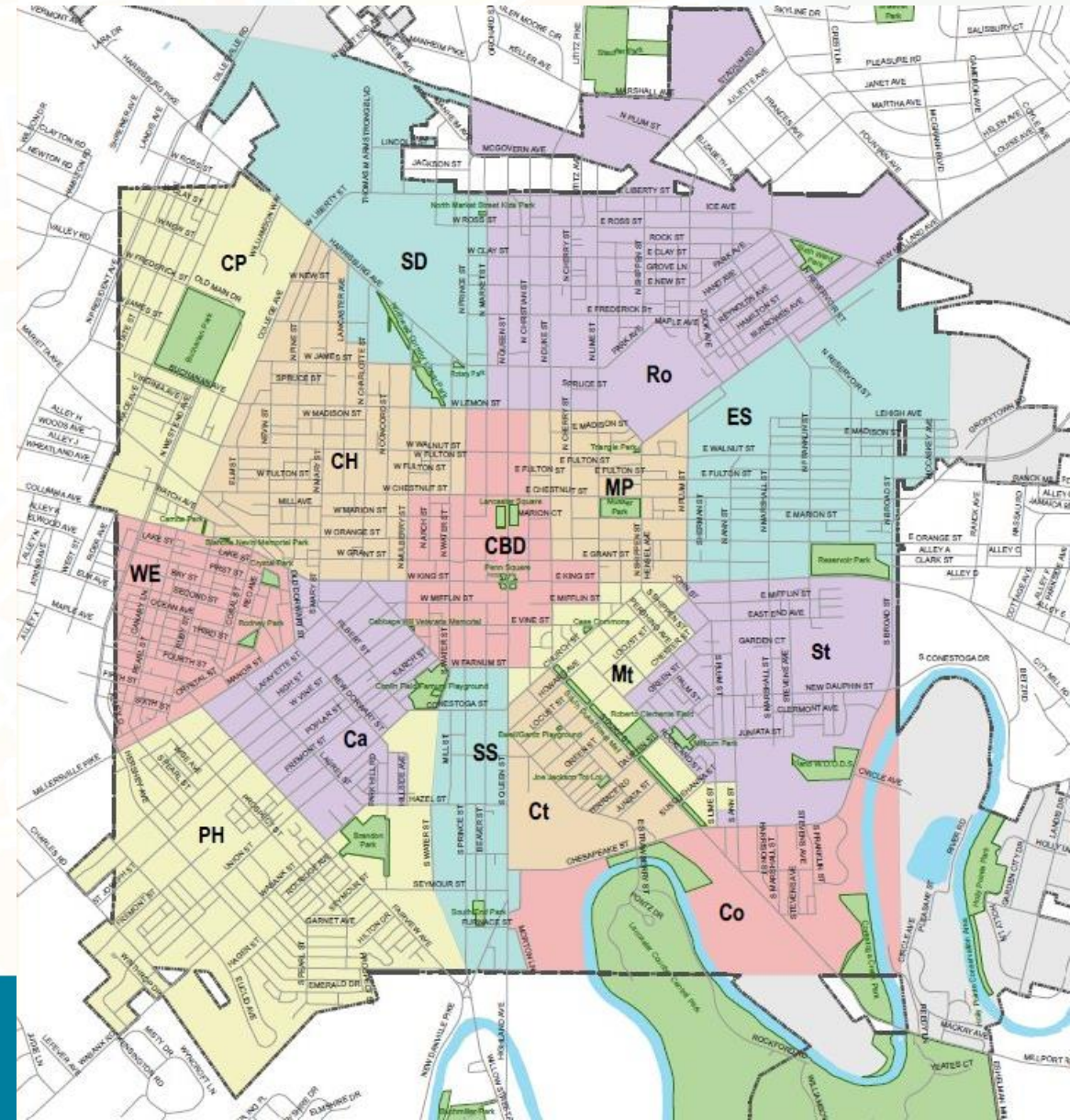


Source: CDC



Data Dashboard: A Community Resource

- ▶ Interactive data display and querying
- ▶ Customized to geography and community focus areas
- ▶ Defined geographic parameters, comparison areas
- ▶ Customized to target audience(s)
- ▶ Incorporated into existing City of Lancaster existing platform to integrate with other city-wide data
- ▶ Public portal to access and use data





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Small Group Discussion

What strategies do you recommend or use for community engagement, especially among underserved and under-represented communities?

What data from this study would be most helpful for your organization?

What will make this study valuable to Lancaster City residents?

What are the biggest obstacles or challenges you have in connecting people with the services or resources that they need?

What do you love about Lancaster City and its People?



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