

NACDD

Building Resilient Inclusive Communities (BRIC)
Community Selection Model and State Profile

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Executive Summary

This Project

Our work supported NACDD and the CDC in identifying high potential DNPAO Ambassador states for funding and will support existing State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) states in identifying priority communities for improving health among high-risk and vulnerable populations, as well as providing additional support and resources **to increase nutrition security, access to safe physical activity, and social connectedness** in the COVID-19 environment.

Phase 1: Selection of 4 DNPAO Ambassador States for Additional Funding

- Developed an approach to select four (4) DNPAO Ambassador states to receive additional funding, using criteria to both identify need and determine capacity to implement programs, while considering COVID-19 burden and vulnerability.

Phase 2: State Profile to Support State Selection of Communities

- Developed state-specific profiles for sixteen (16) SPAN states and four (4) DNPAO Ambassador states to support identification of priority communities. State profiles will provide a holistic picture of state need in the COVID-19 context and insights around partner selection.

Phase 3: State Technical Assistance and Funding Implementation

- The National Technical Assistance Partnership (NTAP) will provide technical assistance to support states in understanding their data, further assessing community health, and directing funding to communities with need and existing public health initiatives.



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Model Overview

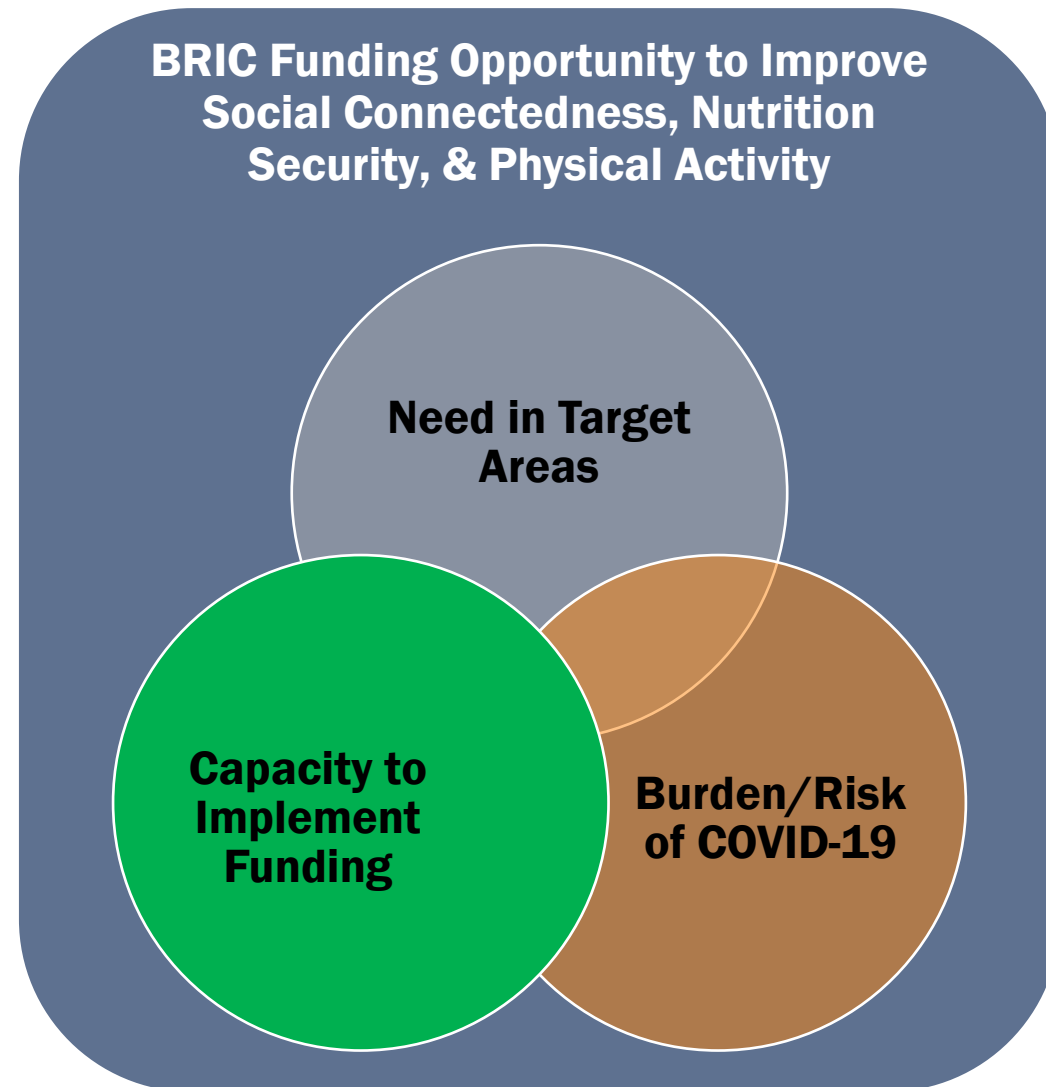


Prioritizing BRIC Funding Across States

To quickly and effectively deploy new BRIC funding to improve social connectedness, nutrition security, and physical activity in the time of COVID-19:

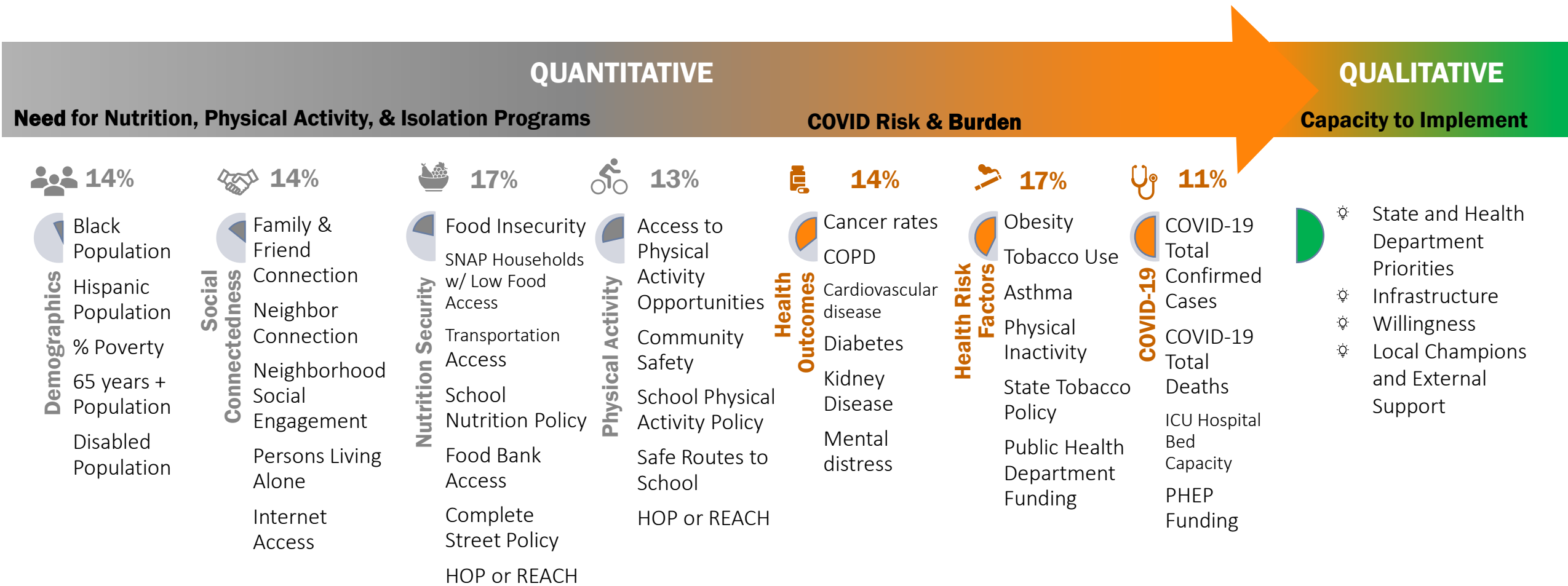
We created a model of state data to assess needs, burden (COVID-19 burden and chronic disease risk), and capacity to implement the funds among the four Ambassador states.

- The 16 SPAN states have existing public health initiatives, particularly with HOP and REACH programs.
- Among the 34 non-SPAN states, four were chosen that demonstrated capacity (evaluated qualitatively and quantitatively) to implement funding, as well as meeting criteria for needs and burden.

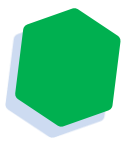


BRIC Opportunity Model & Domains

To best deploy BRIC funds and maximize the opportunity, Leavitt Partners developed a model and calculated a composite score using seven specific domains measuring aspects of need, burden, and capacity, weighted for appropriate influence.











Note: Proportional weights for each domain are listed as a percentage above each domain in the graphic (ex. Demographics represents 14% of the total composite score). Each variable is standardized to the national average.



BRIC Opportunity Geographic Ranking Model

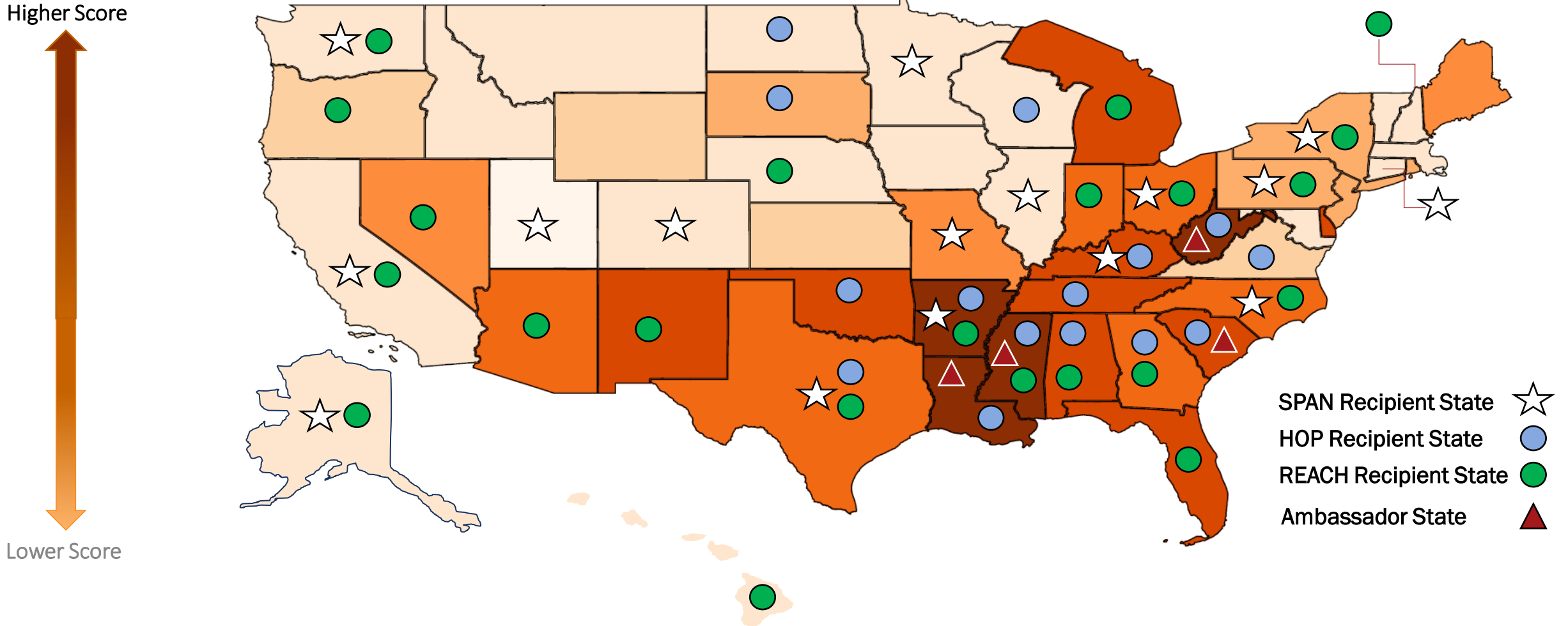
The quantitative model used combinations of variables and weights for the relative importance of those variables to produce a Composite Opportunity Score illustrating a confluence of all factors of interest across all states, inclusive of SPAN and Ambassador states.

	Domain	Weights	Proportion Model Weight
	Nutrition Security	23	17%
	Health Risk Factors	22	17%
	At-Risk Demographics	18	14%
	Social Connectedness	19	14%
	Chronic Disease	19	14%
	Physical Activity	17	13%
	COVID-19 Burden	15	11%
	Full Model	133	100%



BRIC Opportunity Model Results: National View of All States

Using the BRIC Composite Opportunity Score, we ranked states according to specific BRIC funding criteria. Overlaid below are indicators for HOP, REACH, SPAN, and the four new Ambassador states for reference.





Adapting the BRIC Opportunity Model to Prioritize State Funding Using County Indicators

To help all 20 states prioritize funding to address need and burden within the state, we created a similar BRIC Composite Opportunity Score at the county level to identify preliminary targets; leveraging this score, states can then look at specific need and burden domains to refine choices for investment. Note that not all data from the BRIC Opportunity Model is available at the county level.

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Need for Nutrition, Physical Activity, & Isolation Programs

COVID Risk & Burden

14%

Demographics

- Black Population
- Hispanic Population
- % Poverty
- 65 years + Population
- Disabled Population

14%

Social Connectedness

- Persons Living Alone
- Social Associations per 10,000 pop.
- % population receiving emotional support

17%

Nutrition Security

- Nutrition Security
- SNAP Households w/ Low Food Access
- REACH or HOP Recipient County

13%

Physical Activity

- Access to Physical Activity Opportunities
- Violent Crime
- REACH or HOP Recipient County

14%

Health Outcomes

- Diabetes
- Mental distress

17%

Health Risk Factors

- Obesity
- Tobacco Use
- Physical activity

11%

COVID-19

- COVID-19 Total Confirmed Cases
- COVID-19 Total Deaths
- ICU Hospital Bed Capacity

Indicators not available at a city/county level:

- School Physical Activity Policy
- Safe Routes to School
- Family & Friend Connection
- Neighborhood Social Engagement
- Internet Access
- PHEP Funding
- Public Health Department Funding
- Kidney Disease
- Cancer Rates
- COPD
- Transportation Access
- Food Bank Access
- Complete Street Policy
- State Tobacco Policy
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Asthma

*Percentages reflect weights by domain in the final composite score



State Profile Orientation: Using Model Results

Leavitt Partners State Profiles provide county level data from the BRIC Opportunity model inputs. To help all 20 states prioritize funding to address need and burden within the state, the Composite Opportunity Score by county allows us to find preliminary targets and look at specific need and burden domains to refine choices for investment.

- The purpose of the state profile is to provide **actionable guidance** to prioritize funding between one and five communities in a state to help residents **improve their health** during the Coronavirus pandemic
- Our team has provided **state-specific** health burden and health outcome data for **seven key domains**
- Counties of greatest opportunity, as it pertains to **nutrition security, access to safe spaces for physical activity, and social connectedness**, are highlighted in this state profile



State Profile Charts

- Domain Analysis of States
- County Ranking by Composite Opportunity Score and Key Need Domains
- Top Five Counties Performance Across All Seven Domains
- Highest Need Counties by Key Need Domains



State Profile Companion Data

- All Indicators Used to Generate Domain Scores and BRIC Opportunity Score for Counties
- Detailed Description of Each Indicator, Source, and Year of Data
- Indicators Presented by Domain to Inform Understanding of Key Domain Composition



SECTION 3

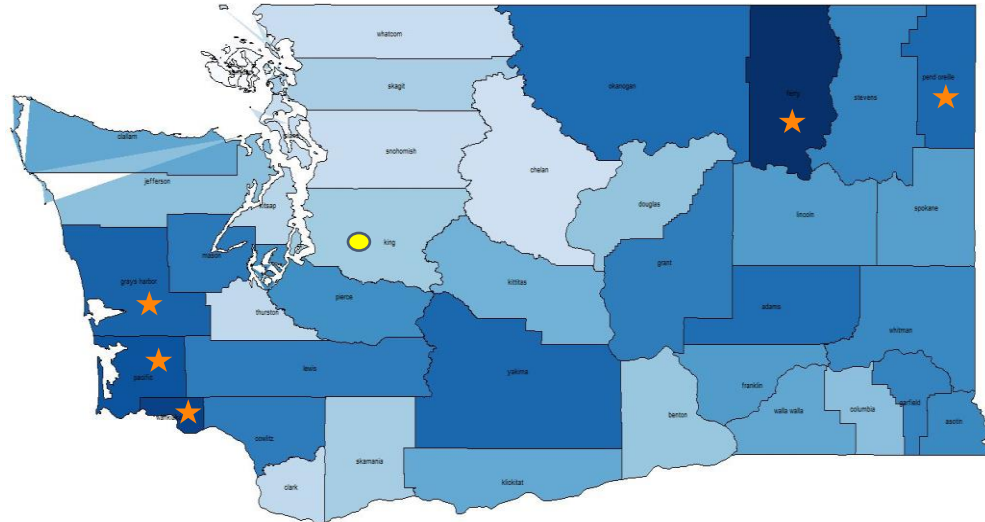
 **Washington State Profile**

Washington – Key Takeaways from Domains

Domain	Key Domain Indicators (relative to all 50 states)	Areas of Highest Risk/Burden
At-Risk Demographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington’s population is composed of a lower proportion of demographic groups at greater risk for complications of COVID-19 and chronic diseases. The state is relatively young and less likely to live in poverty compared to other states. Washington’s Hispanic population represents approximately 13% of the population, 15th highest among states and 10.8% of the population is disabled. These groups are disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. 	
Social Connectedness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of Washington report below average rates of frequent connection with family, friends (40.4%), and neighbors (40.5%). The state’s rate of centers for community engagement (recreation center, community centers, etc) are near the national average. Washington residents, however, are less likely to live alone (27.5%) and more likely to have access to internet (88%), factors potentially enabling meaningful connection despite increases in physical distancing resulting from COVID-19. 	★
Physical Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington residents report above average rates of access to spaces for physical activity (88% population access) and below average rates of violent crime, creating greater opportunity for safe physical activity. While the state does not have a mandate on school recess or general activity requirements, the state is a REACH participating state and, compared to other Safe Route to School states, is more advanced in the implementation of Safe Routes to School criteria. 	
Nutrition Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While Washington state reports below average rates of nutrition insecurity (13% food insecure), among SNAP participants, Washington is near the national average for the proportion of SNAP participants with less access to grocers (1% of total state population). The state does have the fourth lowest proportion of food banks per capita. Washington is near the national average for proportion of the population with no access to a vehicle (2.6%). Washington does have a higher rate of public transportation use and is a Complete Street Policy state which may reduce the burden of vehicle access issues. Note: the state is a REACH participating state. 	
Health Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington reports below average rates of chronic disease prevalence compared to all other states. 	
Health Behavior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington ranks second lowest on rates of health behavior risk factors, suggesting a population with overall healthier lifestyles. 	
COVID-19 Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington is a state less impacted by COVID-19 in terms of total case count and deaths (as of November 1, 2020). Washington does have fewer ICU beds per capita and comparatively low Emergency Preparedness Funding per capita. 	

Washington – Quantitative Model Results

A county-level composite score was developed using a similar weighting scheme as the state-wide assessment. The map to the left reflects the scores, with darker coloring signifying greater opportunity across all domains.



1. Ferry County

- Highest percentage of the population within at-risk demographic groups driven by; 23.5% poverty rate, and 27.43% adult disability rate.
- Highest rate of social isolation due to number of persons living alone (31.5%).
- High Food Insecurity (18%) and of population receiving SNAP assistance with low access to grocer (10.7%).

2. Wahkiakum County* (pop ~4,000)

- High percentage of the population within at-risk demographic groups driven by; 3rd highest aging population (31.3% age 65+) and high adult disability rate (22.5%).
- Highest Rate of Food Insecurity: Highest rate of SNAP assistance with low access to grocer (15%).
- High Physical Inactivity; only 11.7% of population mentioned having access to safe physical activity.

3. Pacific County

- At-risk Demographic Groups; 24.7% disability rate amongst adults, 29% of population being 65yr+.
- 2nd highest rate of adults claiming frequent mental distress; 13.5%.

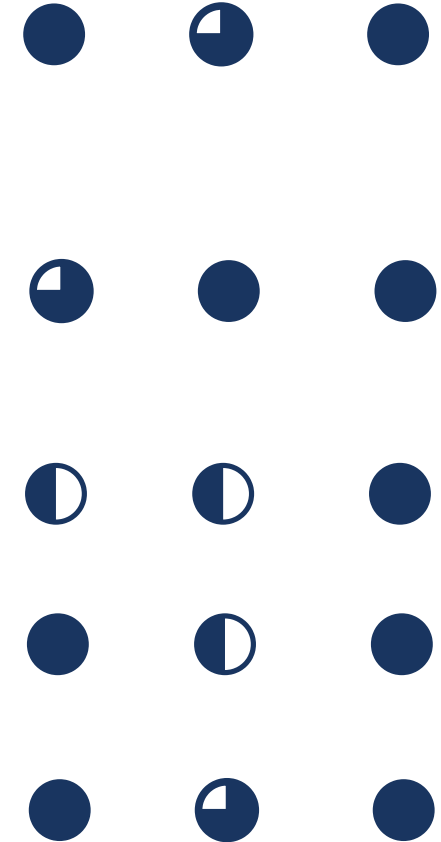
4. Grays Harbor County

- High rate of isolation; 23% of population claimed to never or rarely receive emotional support (2nd highest).
- High Food Insecurity (15.6%) and of population receiving SNAP assistance (6.4%).

5. Pend Oreille

- High Food Insecurity (17.1%), 2nd highest Diabetes prevalence (13.6%).

Social Connectedness	Physical Activity	Nutrition Security
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- HOP Recipient County
- REACH Recipient County
- ★ Top 5 County



Washington – County Domain Results

The five notable counties from the model vary in performance across domains. The table displays how counties perform across the domains of interest – fuller ● reflects areas of higher opportunity.

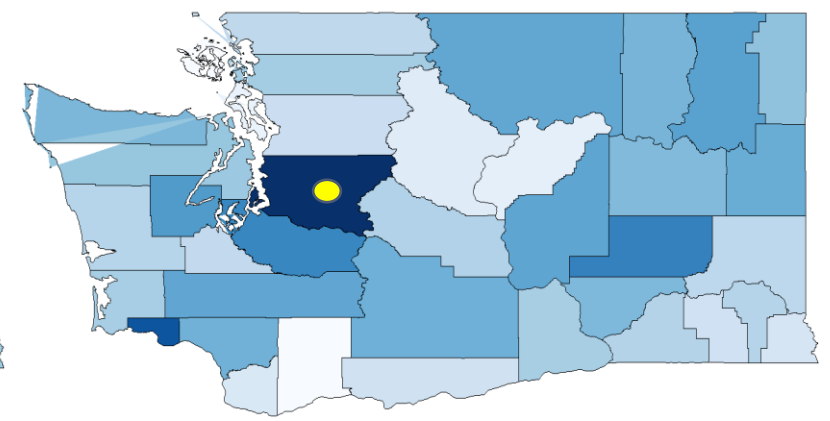
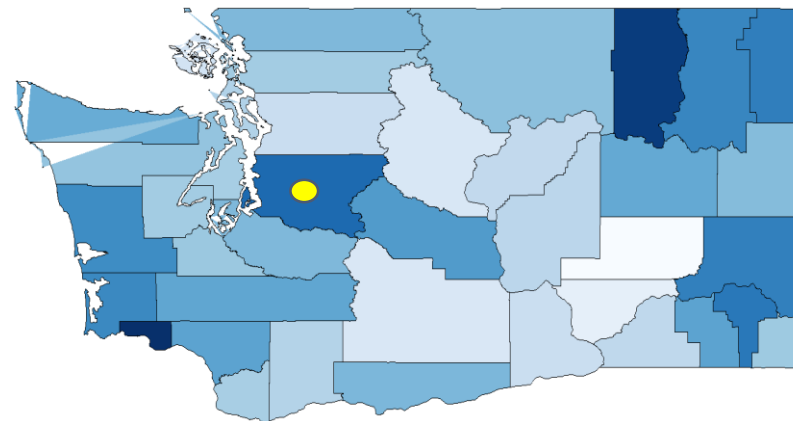
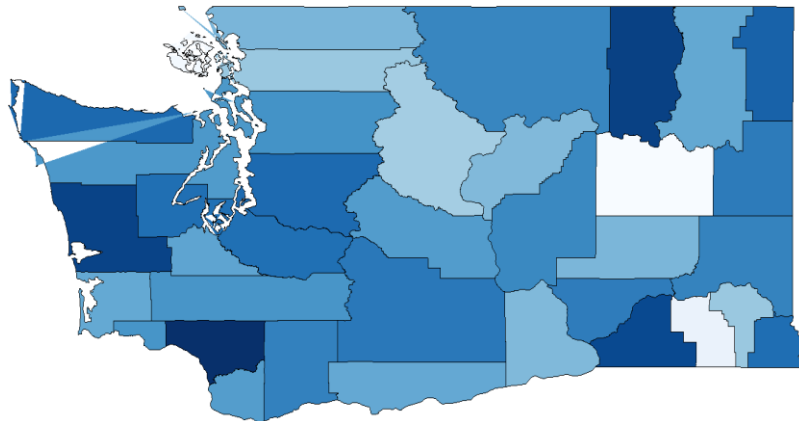
Rank	Notable Counties	At-Risk Demographic	Social Connectedness	Physical Activity	Nutrition Security	Health Outcomes	Health Behaviors	COVID-19 Impact
1.	Ferry County	●	●	◐	●	●	◐	◐
2.	Wahkiakum County*	●	◐	●	●	●	◐	◐
3.	Pacific County	●	◐	◐	●	●	●	◐
4.	Grays Harbor County	◐	●	◐	●	●	●	◐
5.	Pend Oreille County	●	●	◐	●	●	◐	◐

Notes: * identifies counties with population less than 5,000 persons. ** identifies counties with population less than 1,000 persons.



Washington – Domains for Priority Funding Areas

A county-level domain score was developed using a similar weighting scheme as the state-wide assessment. The maps reflect the aggregate scores in each of the three priority funding areas (Social Connectedness, Nutrition Security, and Access to Safe Physical Activity). The darker coloring of a county signifies greater opportunity.



Social Connectedness Domain

1. Cowlitz County
2. Ferry County
3. Grays County
4. Walla Walla County
5. Pend Oreille County

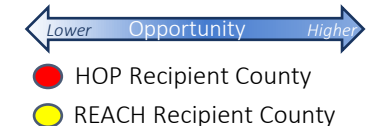
Nutrition Security Domain

1. Wahkiakum County*
2. Ferry County
3. King County
4. Garfield County*
5. Pend Oreille County

Physical Activity Domain

1. King County
2. Wahkiakum County*
3. Adams County
4. Pierce County
5. Mason County

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SECTION 4



Next Steps

The BRIC partners stand ready to help you make decisions and implement funding to address challenges in advancing nutrition security, physical activity and social connectedness in a COVID-19 context.

Leavitt Partners Technical Assistance

- Additional support to use model and data to direct and implement funding within specific communities and programs in your state:
 - Facilitate opportunities to participate in small group Q&A and gain additional quantitative insight
 - Support one-off inquiries and requests from states as it relates to the use of data and utilizing their state profile
 - Provide updates on COVID-19 data regional burden in Q2

Other Technical Assistance Partners and Resources

- Other BRIC Partners
 - Mental Health America
 - Equitable Cities
 - Association of State Public Health Nutritionists
 - Healthy Places by Design
 - Dr. Angela Odoms-Young/UIC/Feeding America
- Resources for More Local Data
 - City Health Dashboard
 - 500 Cities
 - CDC PLACES database