



Geocoding and Linking HIV Data

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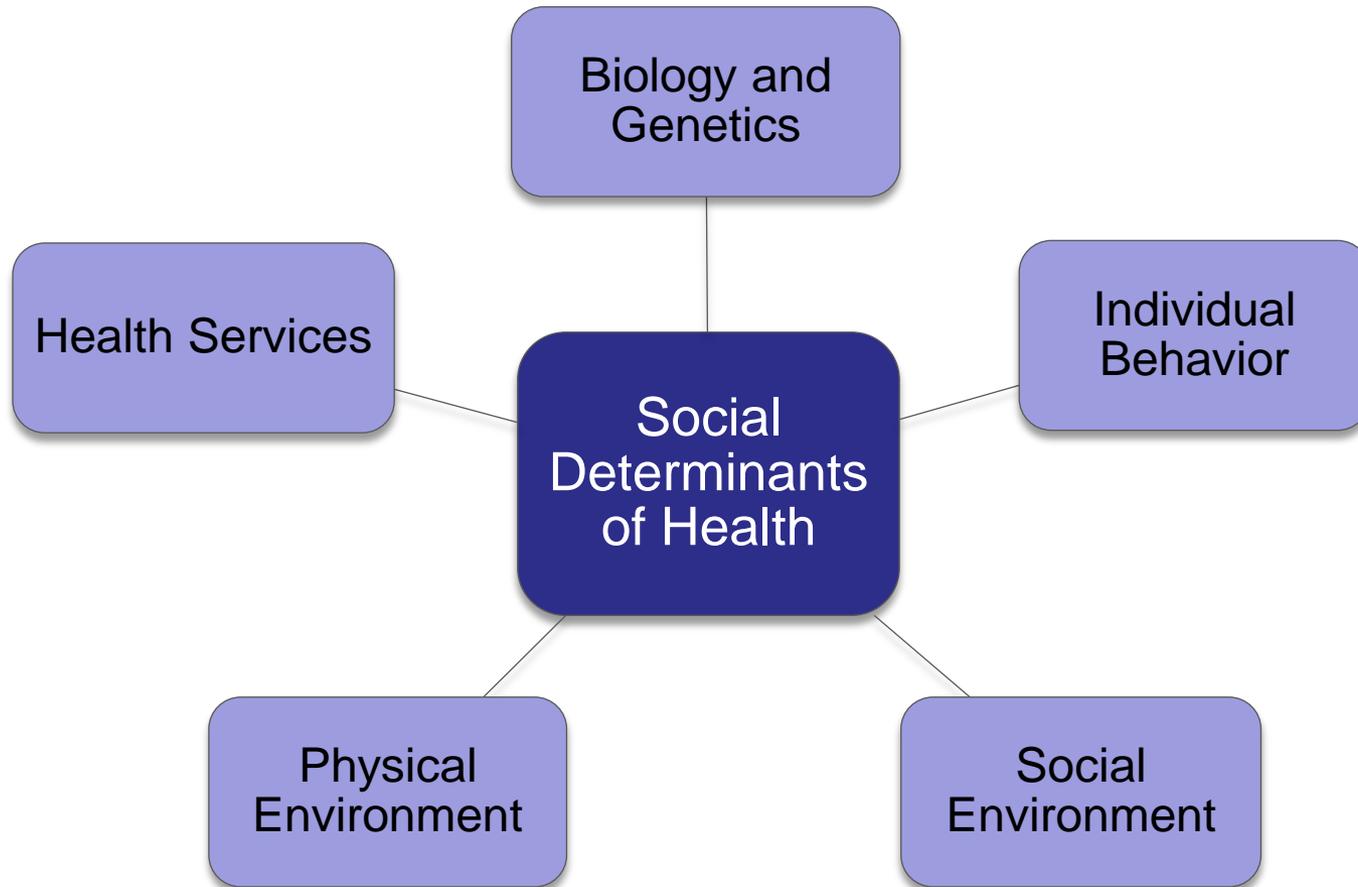
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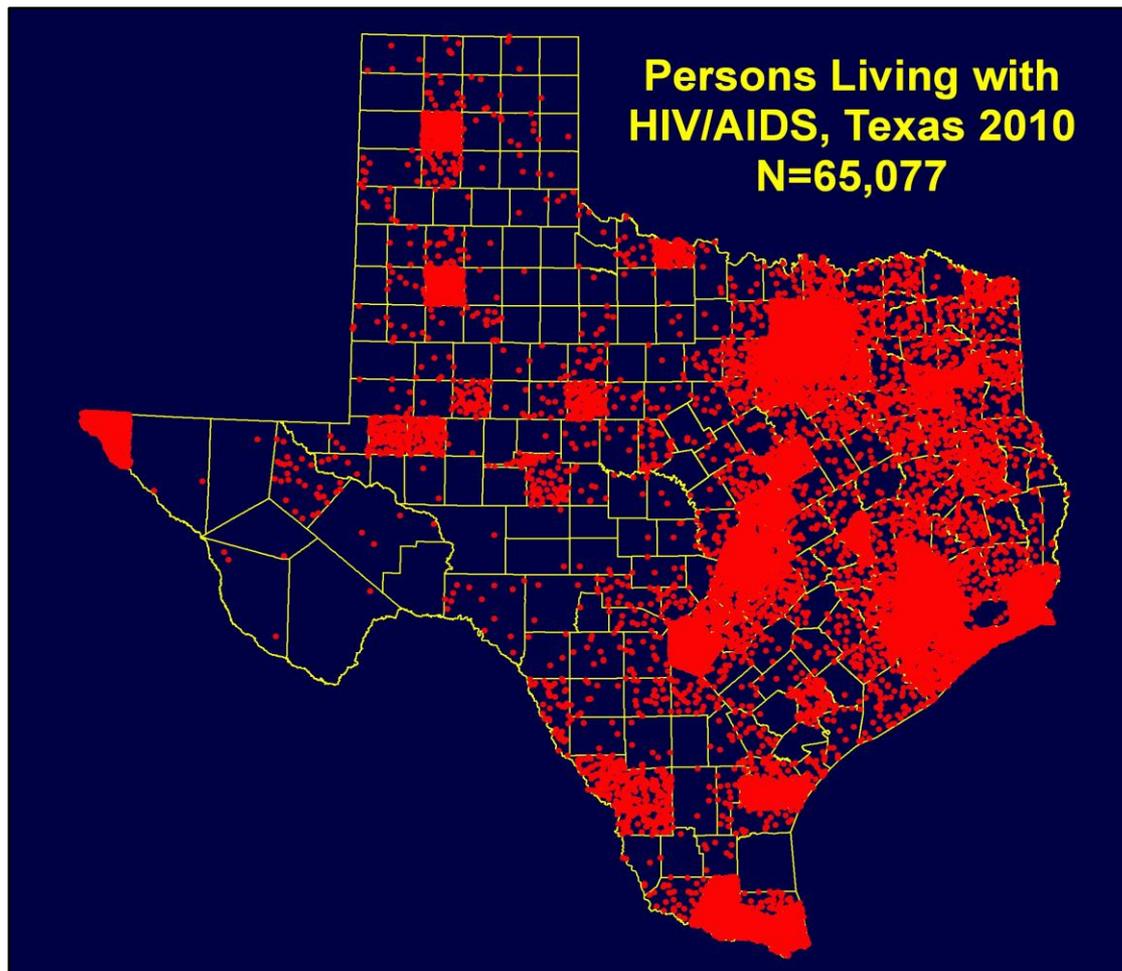
Geocoding and Linking Activities with HIV Data (GLAHD)

- Capture, store, analyze, and spatially display data
- Link geocoded HIV data to other data
- Enhance understanding of social determinants of health (SDH) affecting communities impacted by HIV

Social Determinants of Health



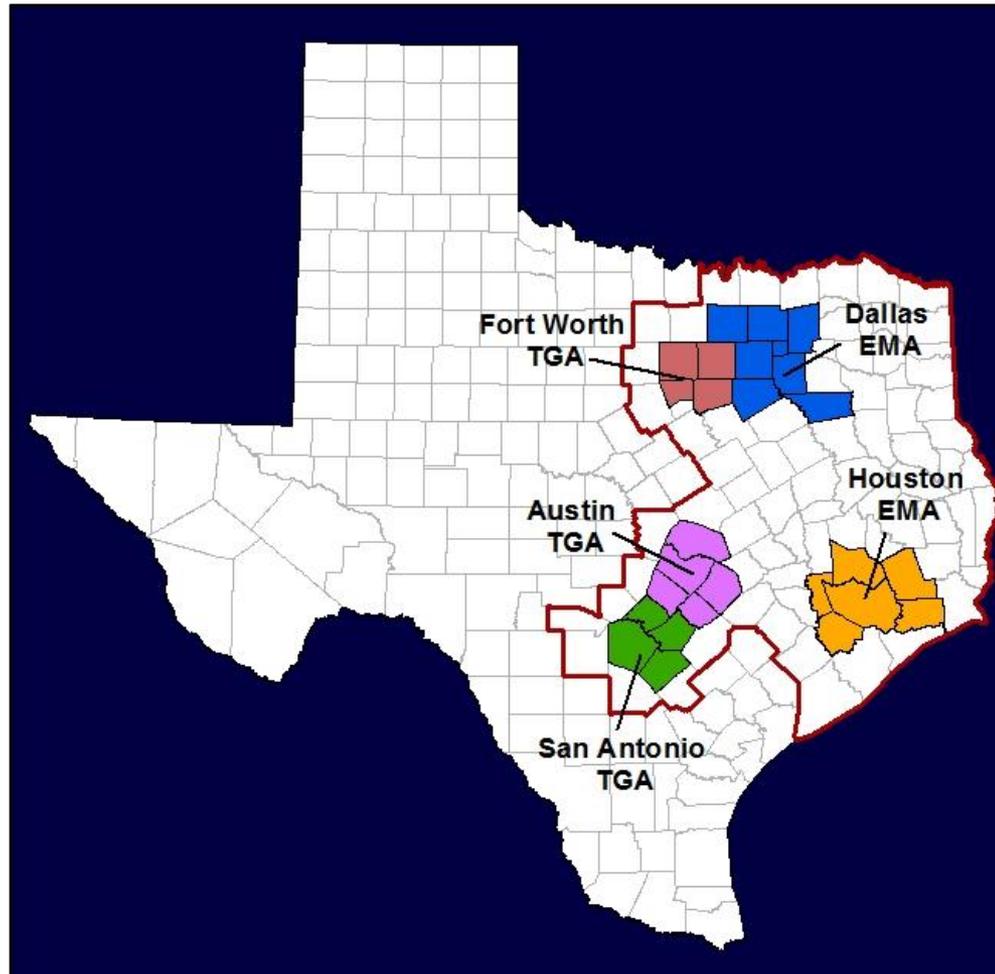
Distribution of PLWH in 2010



What do we want to do?

- Explore how varying magnitudes of socioeconomic conditions are related spatially to varying rates of PLWH
- Emphasis on local spatial correlation

EMAs and TGAs Study Area



What are the steps?

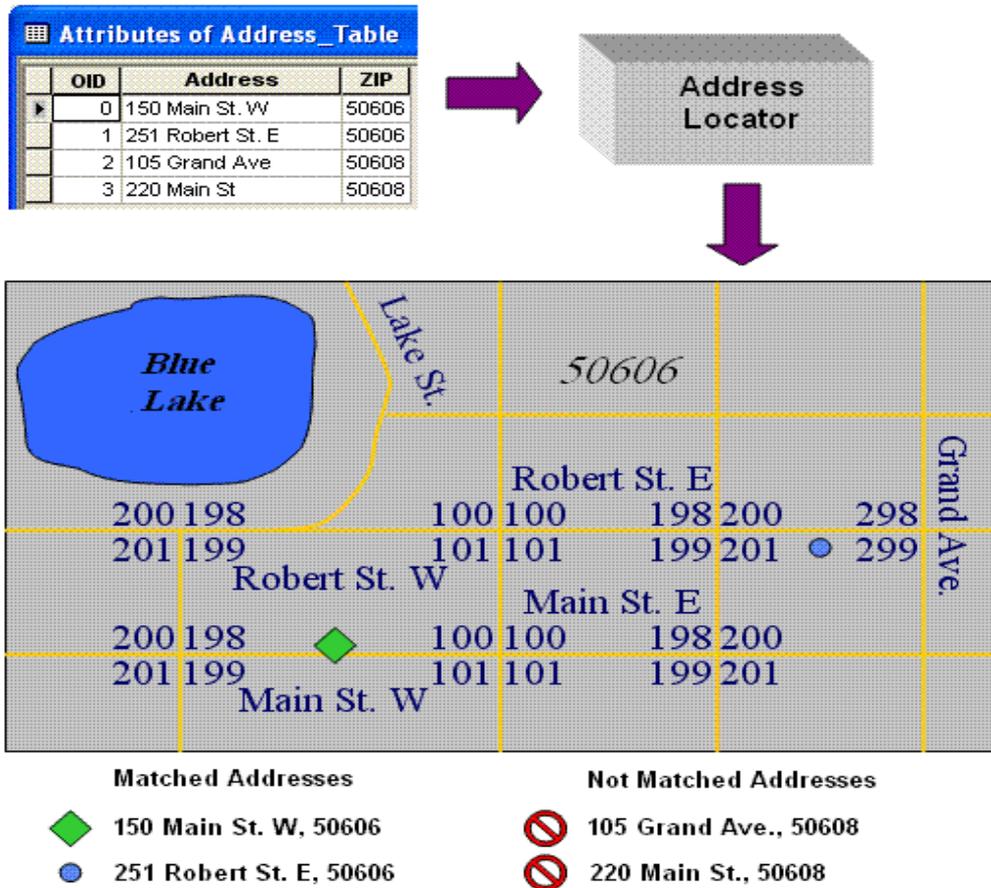
Geocode current address of PLWH in ArcGIS and Centrus

Aggregate addresses of PLWH by census tract

Select SDH variables by census tract

Conduct local spatial correlation in GeoDa

Geocoding



Source: http://resources.esri.com/help/9.3/arcgisdesktop/com/gp_toolref/geocoding_tools/geocode_addresses_geocoding_.htm

Geocoding

Geocoded addresses have coordinates (latitude and longitude) assigned to them

Original address:

Street

1100 W 49th St

ZIP

78756

Geocoded address:

Street

1100 W 49th St

ZIP

78756

Latitude

30.8215

Longitude

-97.735514

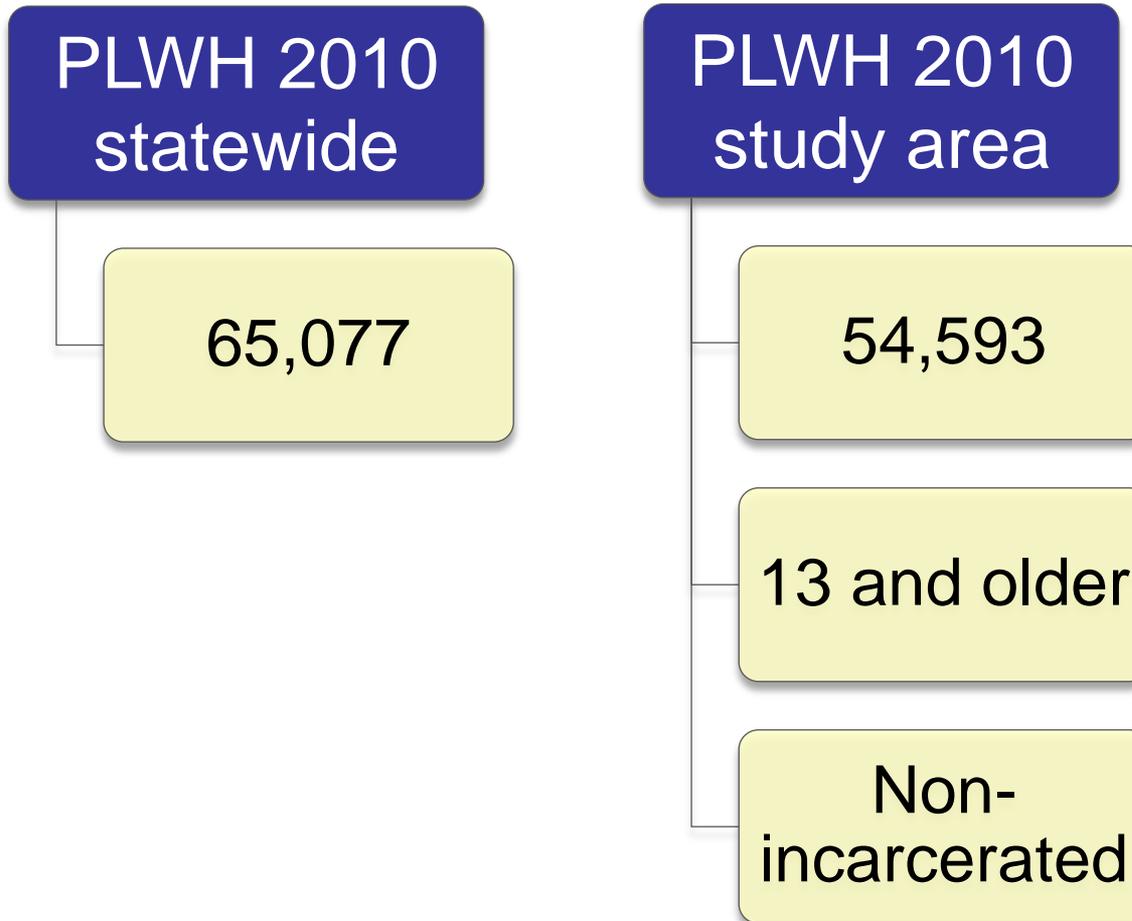
SDH variables

18+ with less than 9th grade schooling

16+ in workforce and unemployed

25+ living below national poverty level

PLWH in 2010



Moran's I Statistic (Global)

Univariate analysis (autocorrelation)

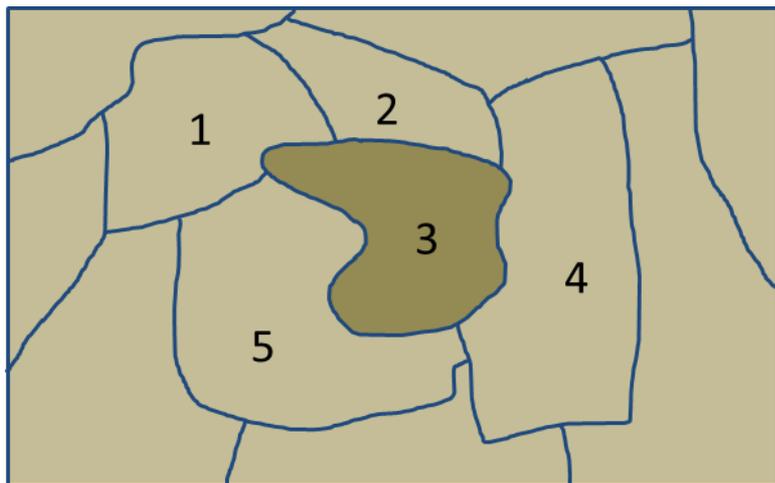
- the degree to which values of a variable are similar among locations in close proximity

Bivariate analysis

- the degree to which values of one variable are similar to values of another variable among locations in close proximity

Weight matrix

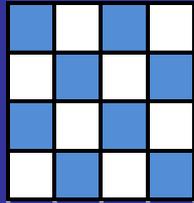
- Structure of the neighbors of each location
- Can be specified in several ways
 - ✓ Example: First-order contiguity or immediate neighbors



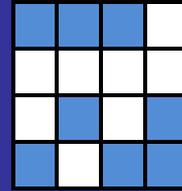
Census Tract	Variable (e.g. rate)	Weighted rate
1	184	198
2	341	173
3	168	201
4	149	162
5	129	170

$$201 = (184 + 341 + 149 + 129) / 4$$

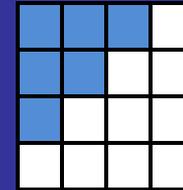
Moran's I values



-1
dispersion



0
random pattern



1
correlation

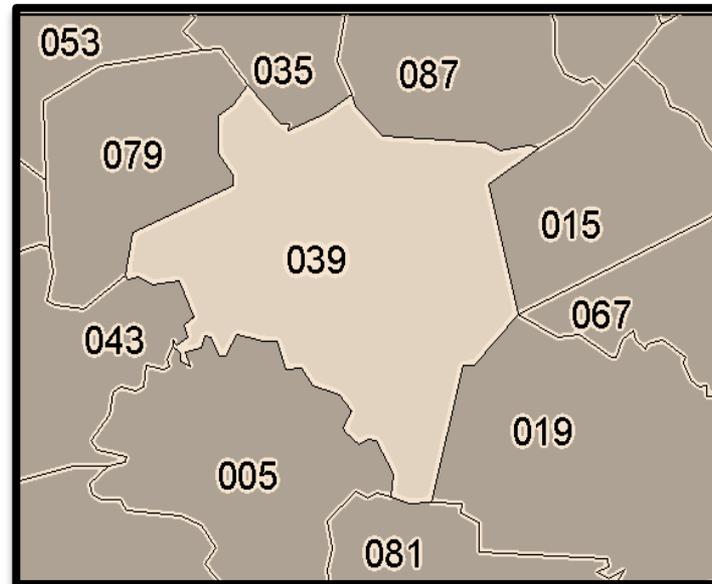
<u>Variable</u>	<u>Moran's I</u>
PLWH rate	0.55
% below poverty level	0.30
% school < 9 th grade	0.60
% unemployment	0.30

Local Indicator of Spatial Association (LISA)

Calculation of local Moran's I for each spatial unit

Unit of analysis

- neighborhood of census tracts



Bivariate LISA

Association between a pair of variables

LISA value for each feature (census tract)

Permutation value = 9999

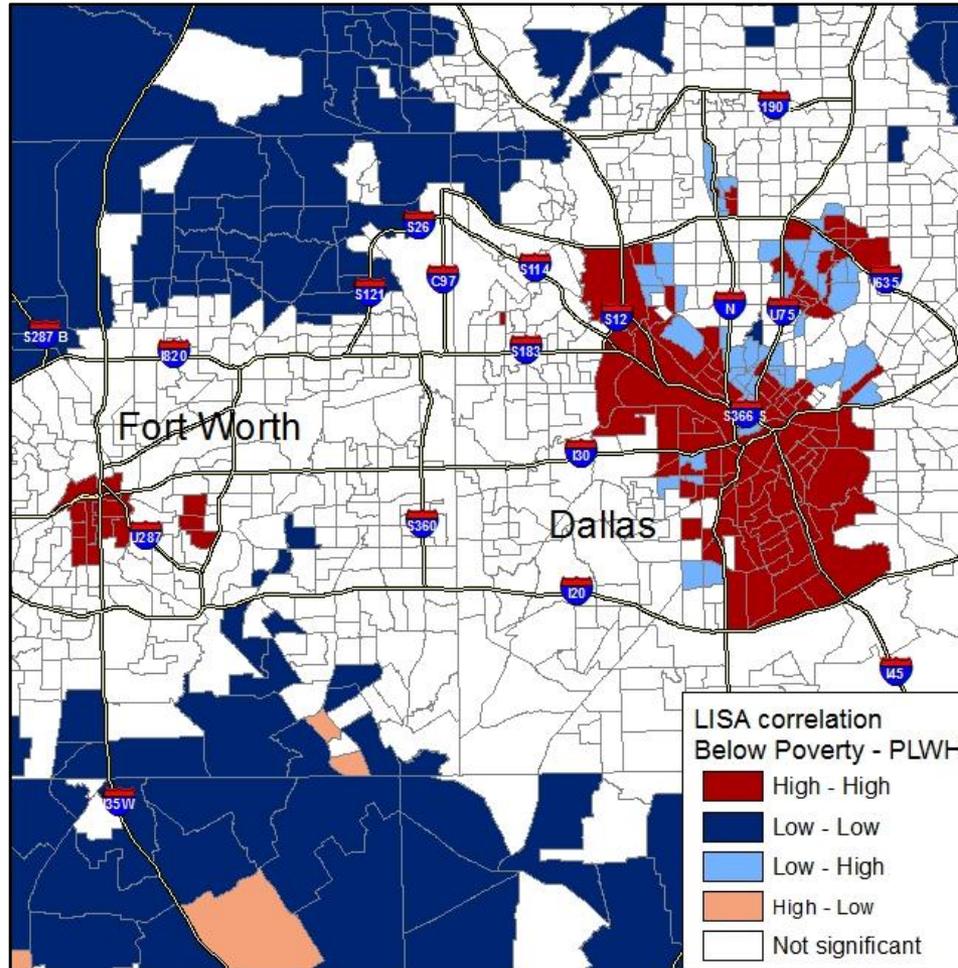
Statistically significance $p < 0.05$

LISA Maps

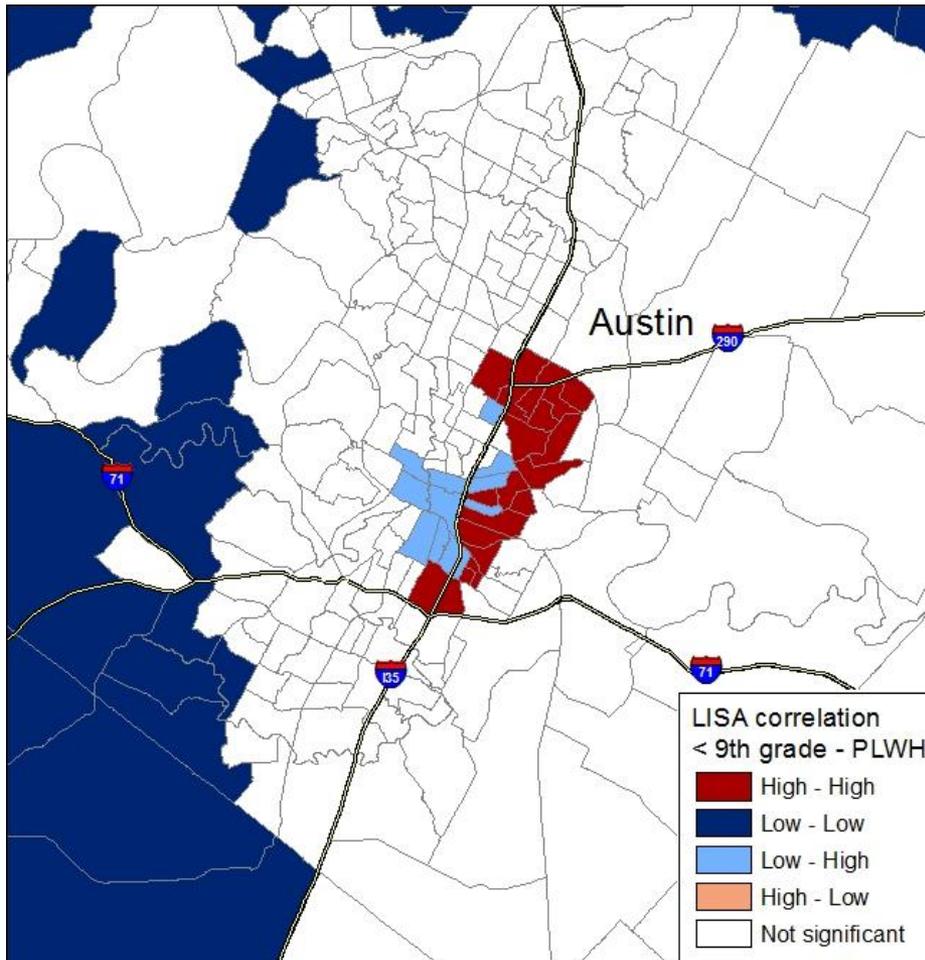
Bivariate LISA maps for each pair of variables, the Rate of PLWH and one SDH:

- Percent Less than 9th grade schooling
- Percent Below Poverty Level
- Percent Unemployment

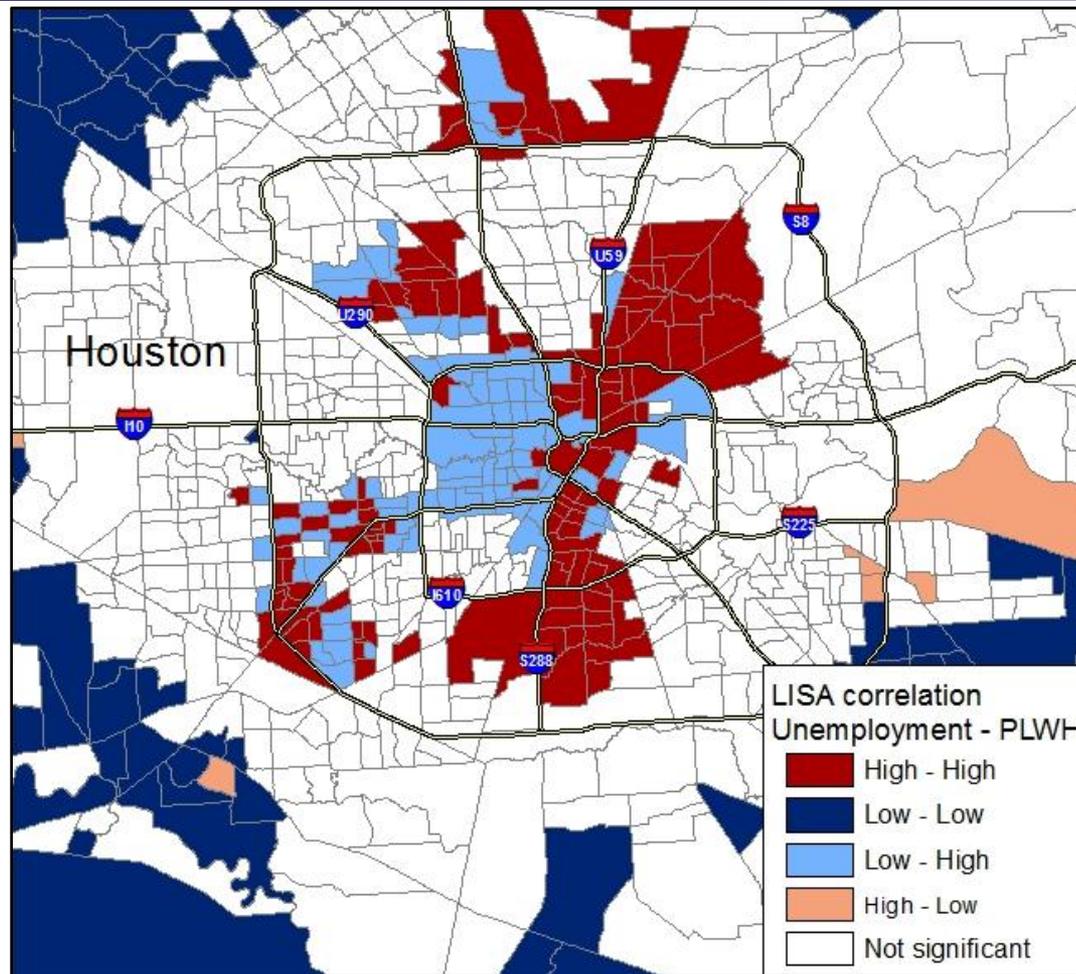
Percent Below Poverty Level and Rate PLWH in Dallas and Ft Worth, TX



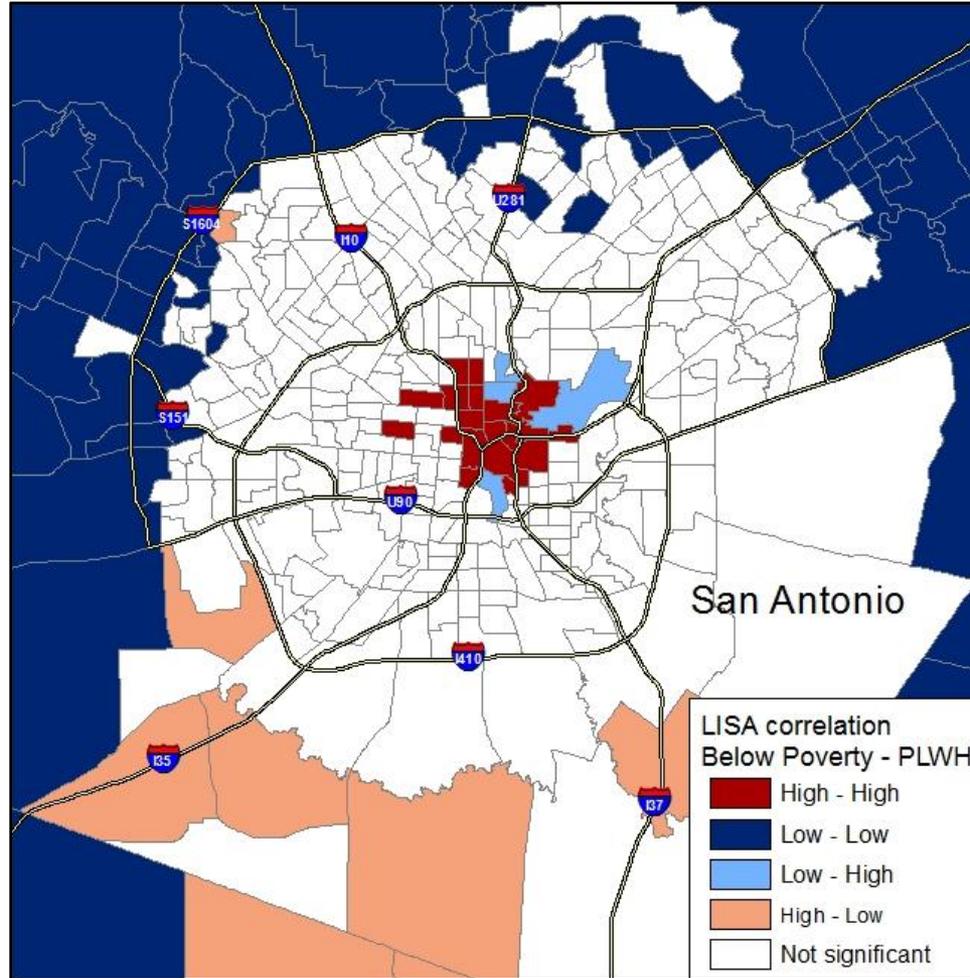
Percent < 9th grade and Rate PLWH in Austin, TX



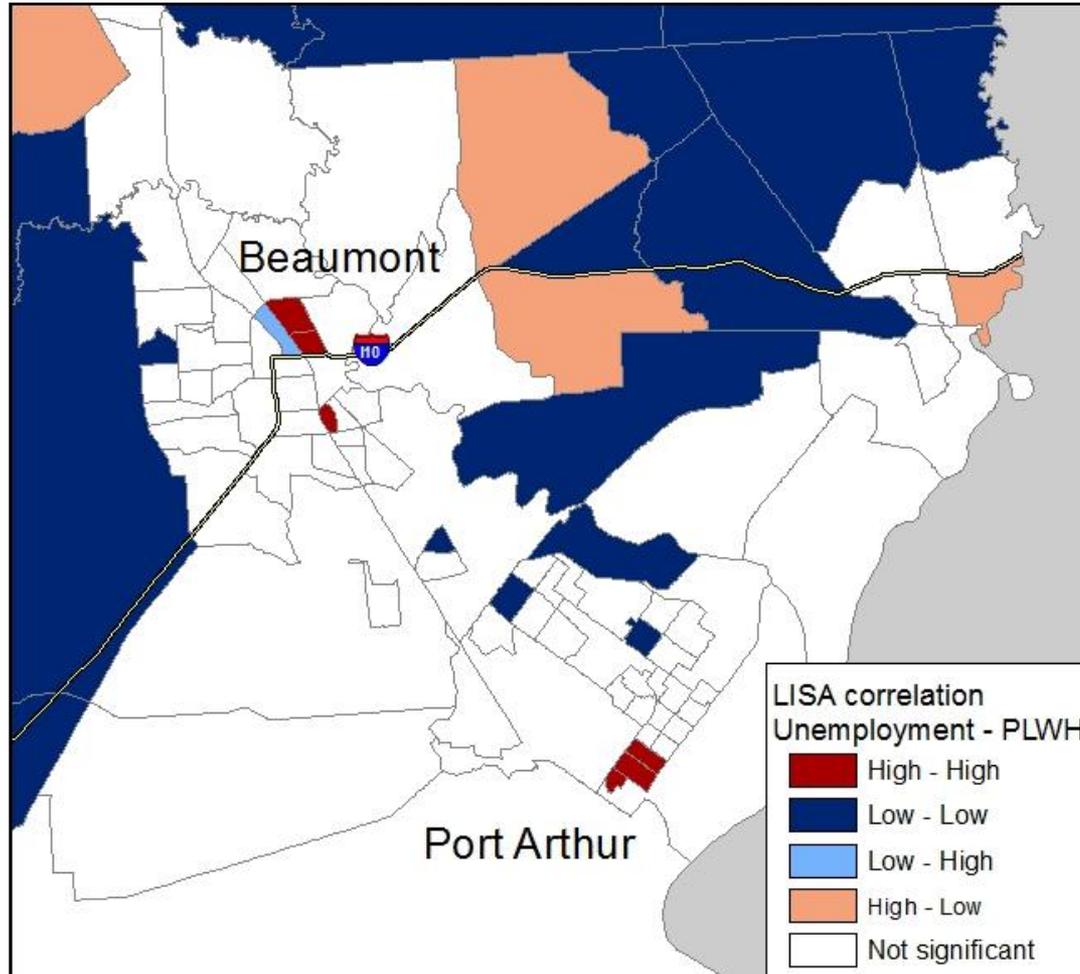
Percent Unemployment and Rate PLWH in Houston, TX



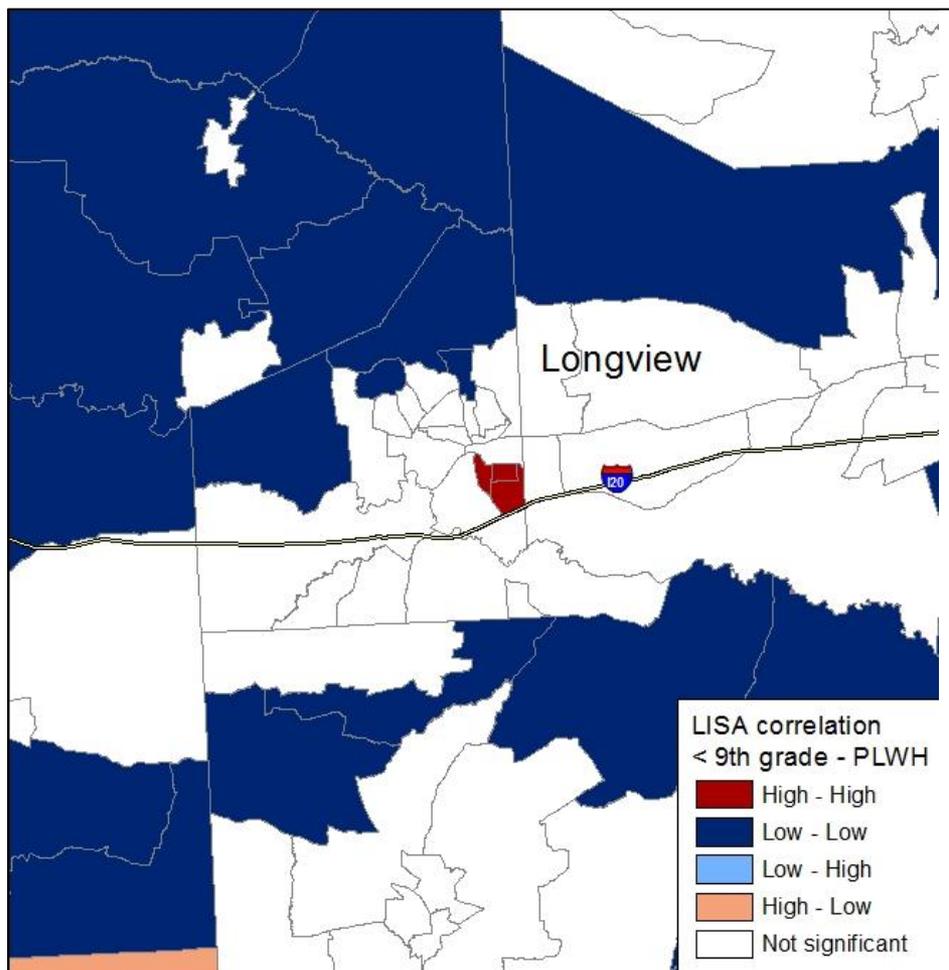
Percent Below Poverty Level and Rate PLWH in San Antonio, TX



Percent Unemployment and Rate PLWH in Beaumont - Port Arthur, TX



Percent < 9th grade and Rate PLWH in Longview, TX



What did we learn?

LISA maps highlighted areas of increase vulnerability

- Small areas maybe overlooked in larger regional context

Areas with similar measures of SDHs experience different magnitude of PLWH

- There are likely to be other key factors that need to be considered

Limitations

SDH variables are limited to predefined geographies

- Usually not collected at the neighborhood scale

Dependence on the overall mean

- Associations are relative to regional averages

Implications

LISA map distributions suggest spatial structure, do not explain

- More detailed local analyses needed to refine understanding of relationships

Area-level measures do provide a measure of the local context

- Suggest local conditions that contribute to community-level health outcomes