Opportunity Zones and Race

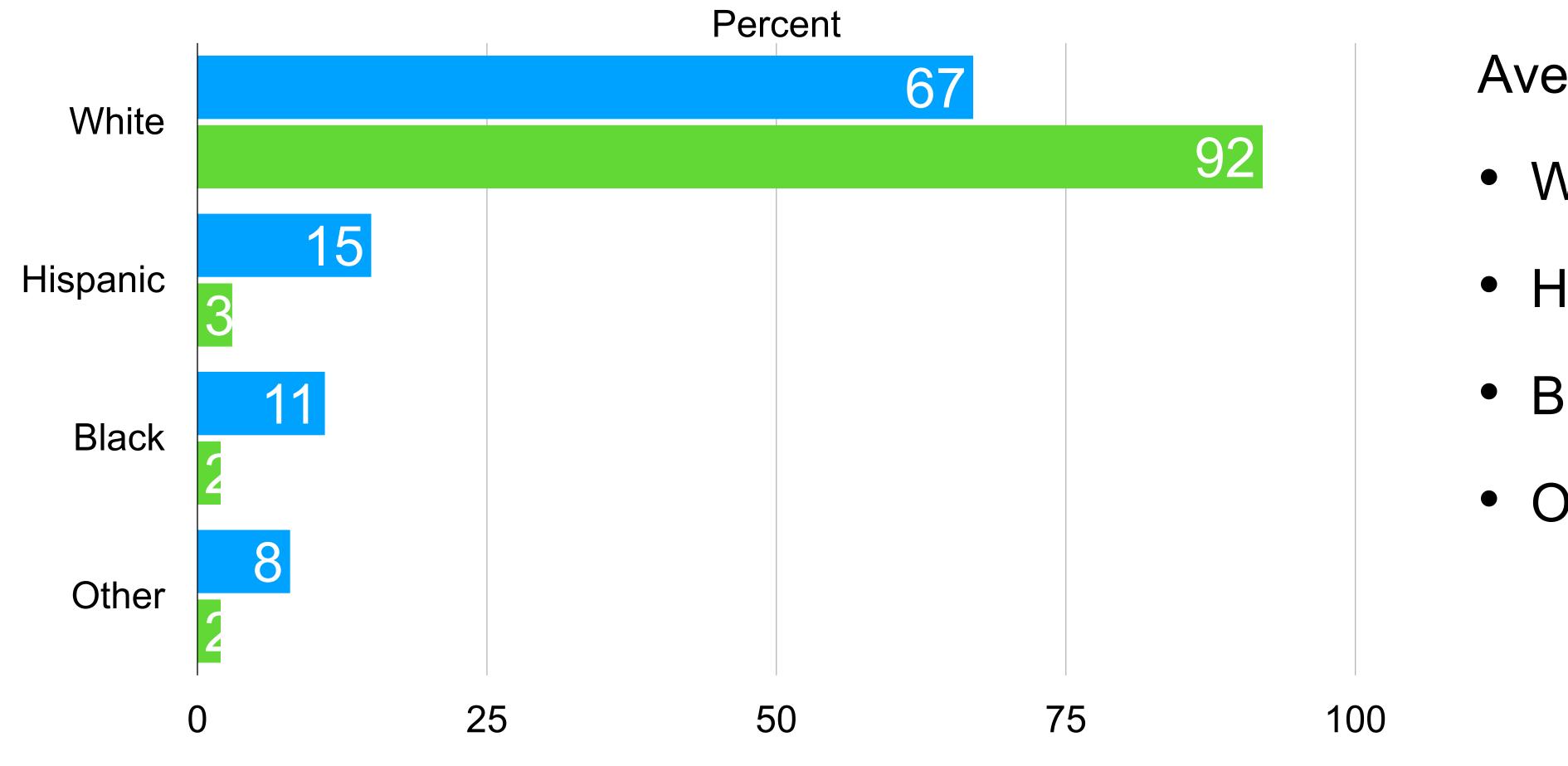
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Early Insights from OZ Implementation

- Distribution of OZ investment capital is focused on 16% of designated tracts.
- Tracts with investments have increasing population, educational attainment, income, and home values and decreasing elderly and nonwhite residents.
- How can we secure community benefit for those most in need through this policy?
- Question of race not just composition of OZ communities, but composition of beneficiaries of capital gains preferences.

Tax Expenditures by Race and Ethnicity (2023)



Average per Family

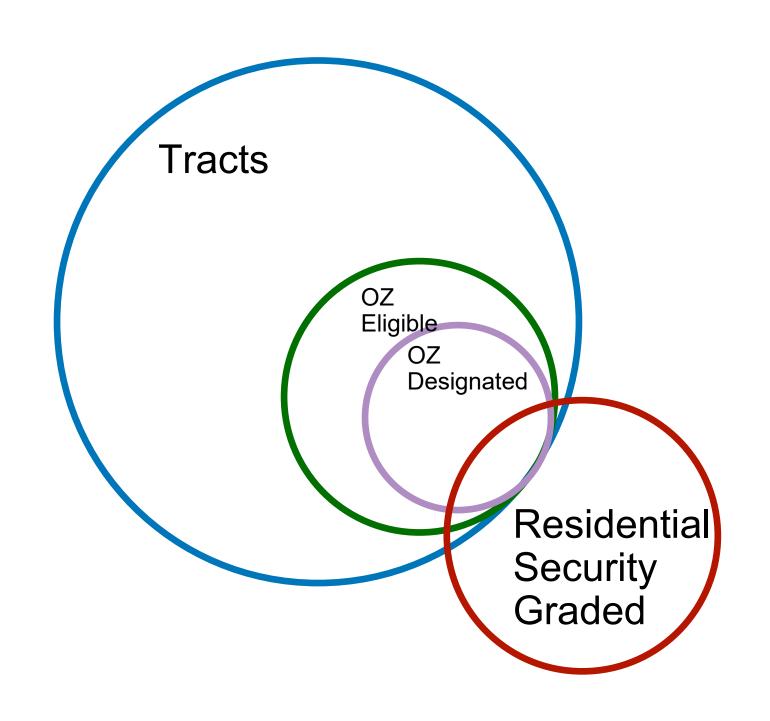
• White: \$1,086

Hispanic: \$131

Black: \$124

• Other: \$370

- Families
- Share of Preferential Rates Capital Gains / Dividends



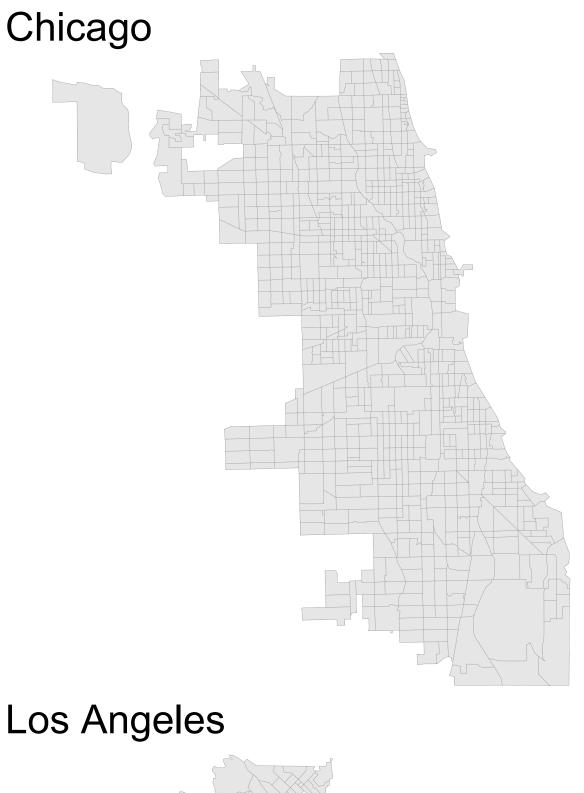
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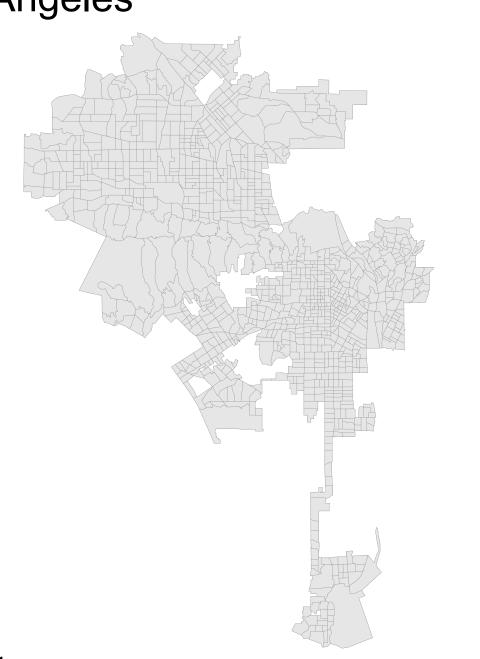
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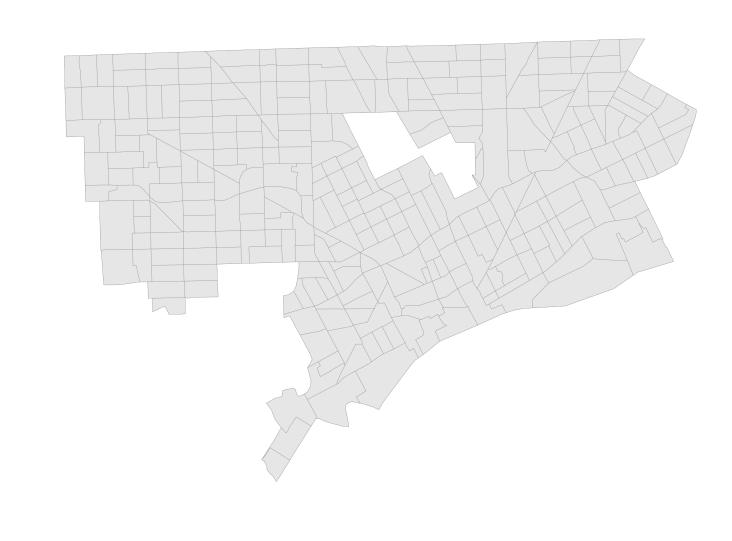
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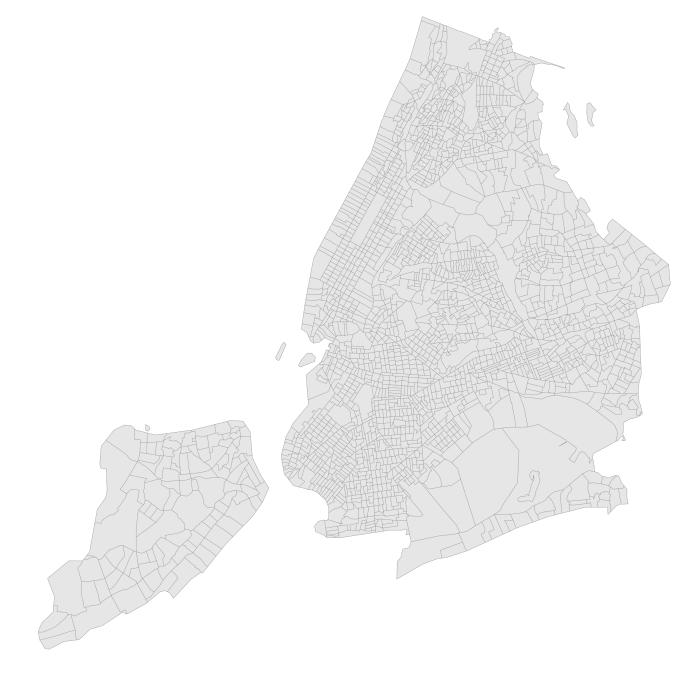


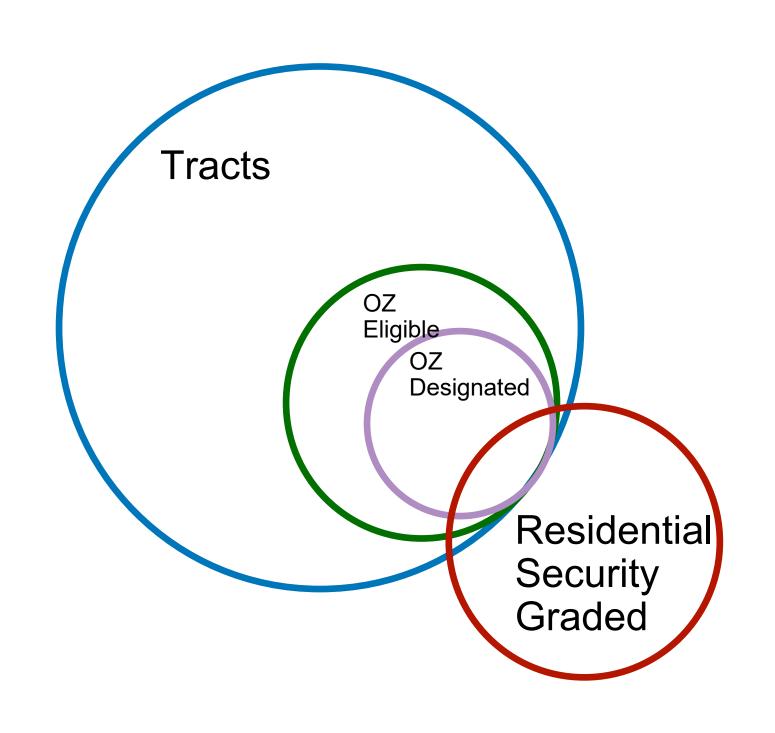


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New York





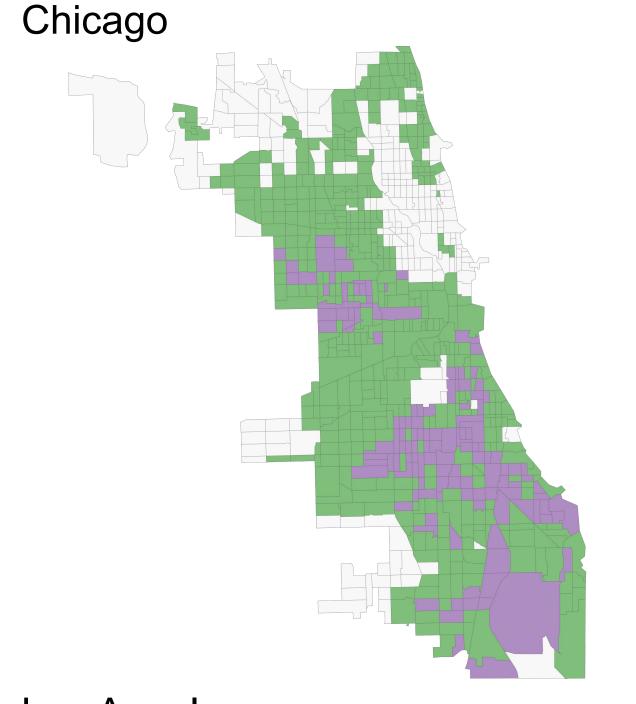
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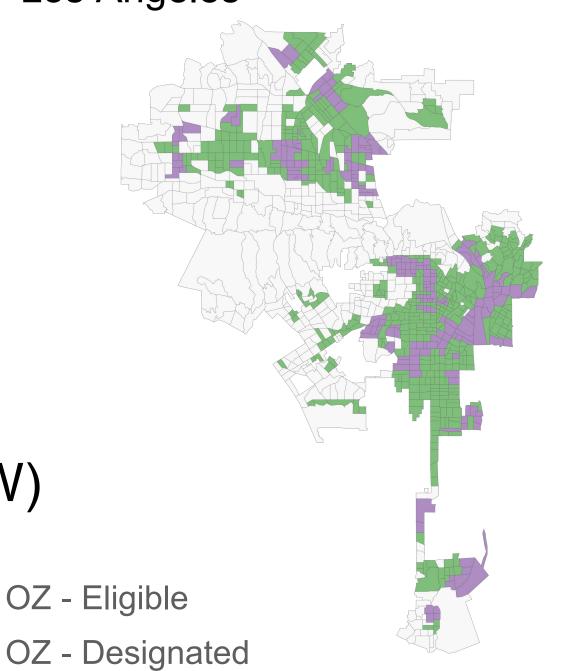
OZ Designated: 8,762 (21%B, 60% NW)

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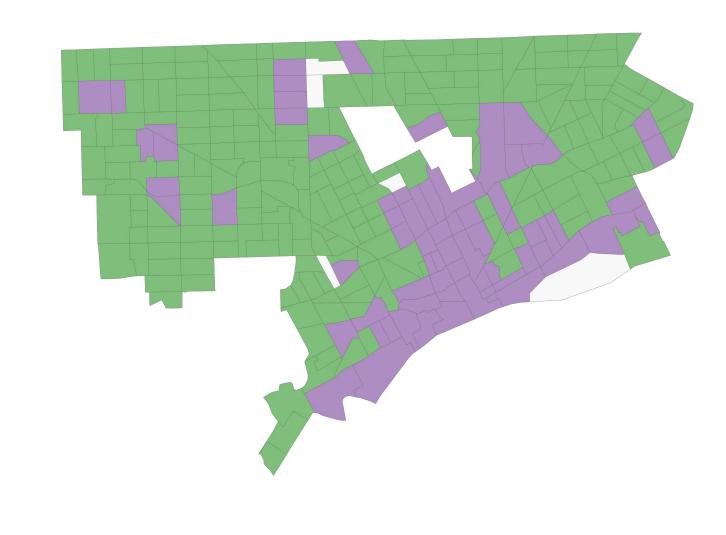
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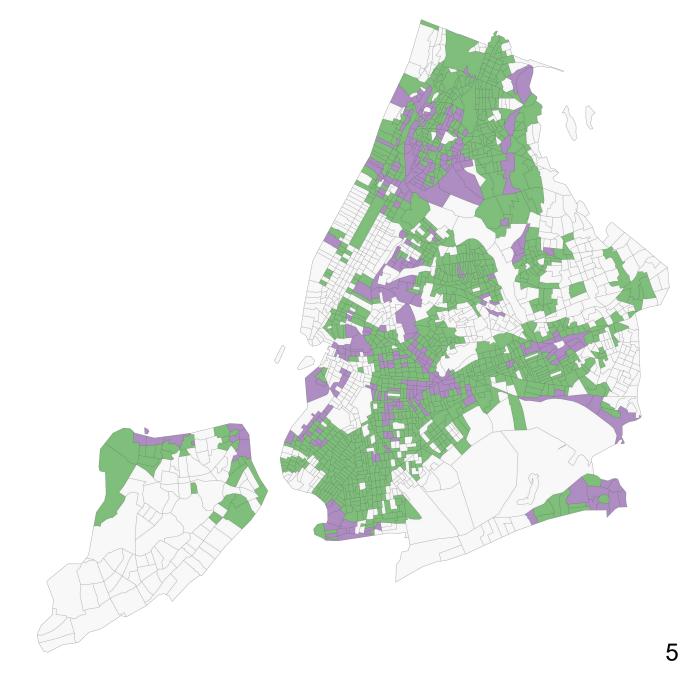
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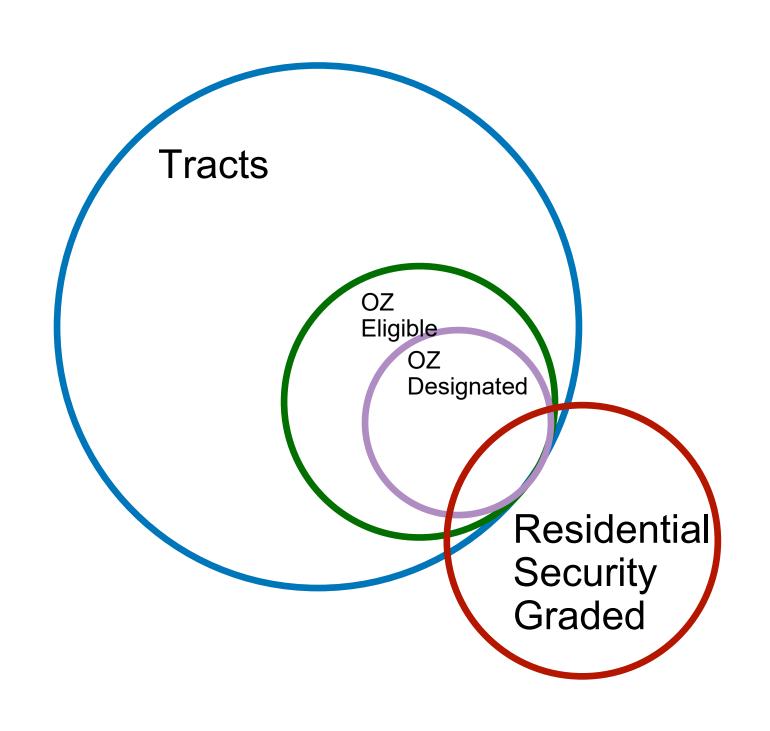


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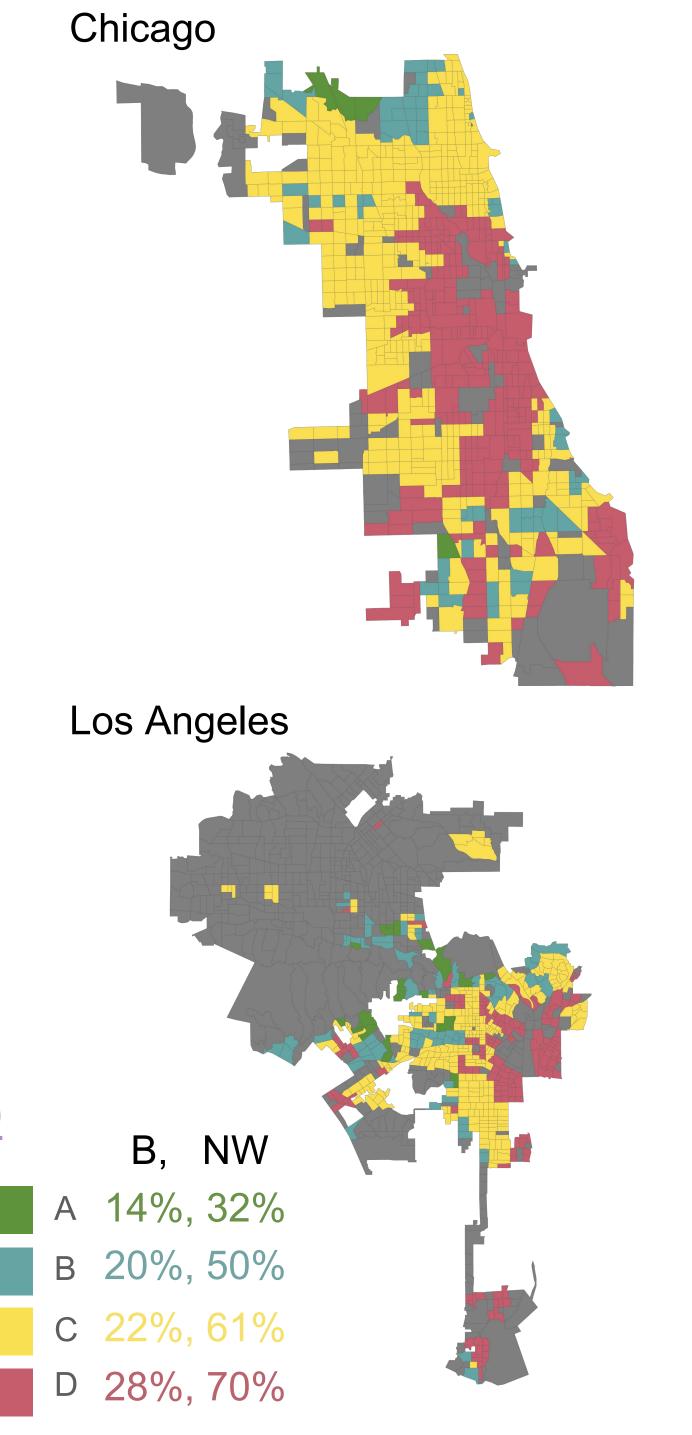


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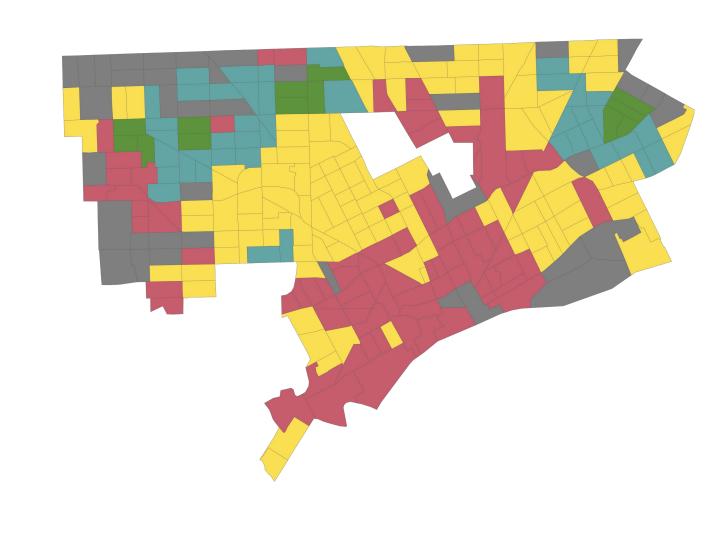


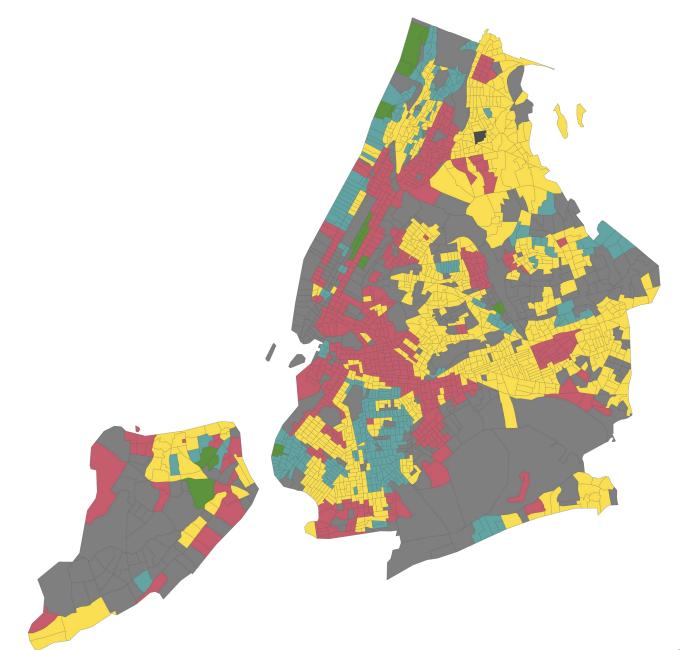
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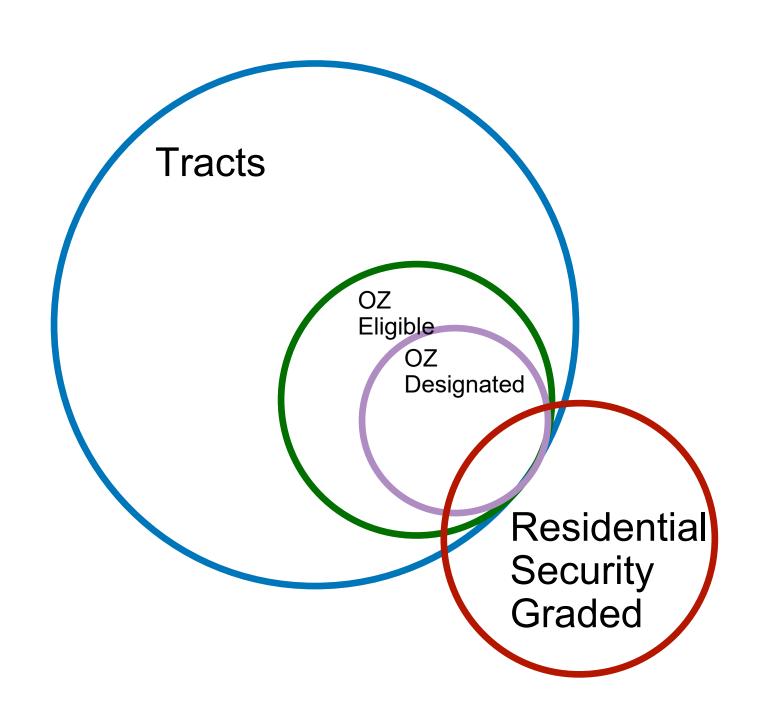




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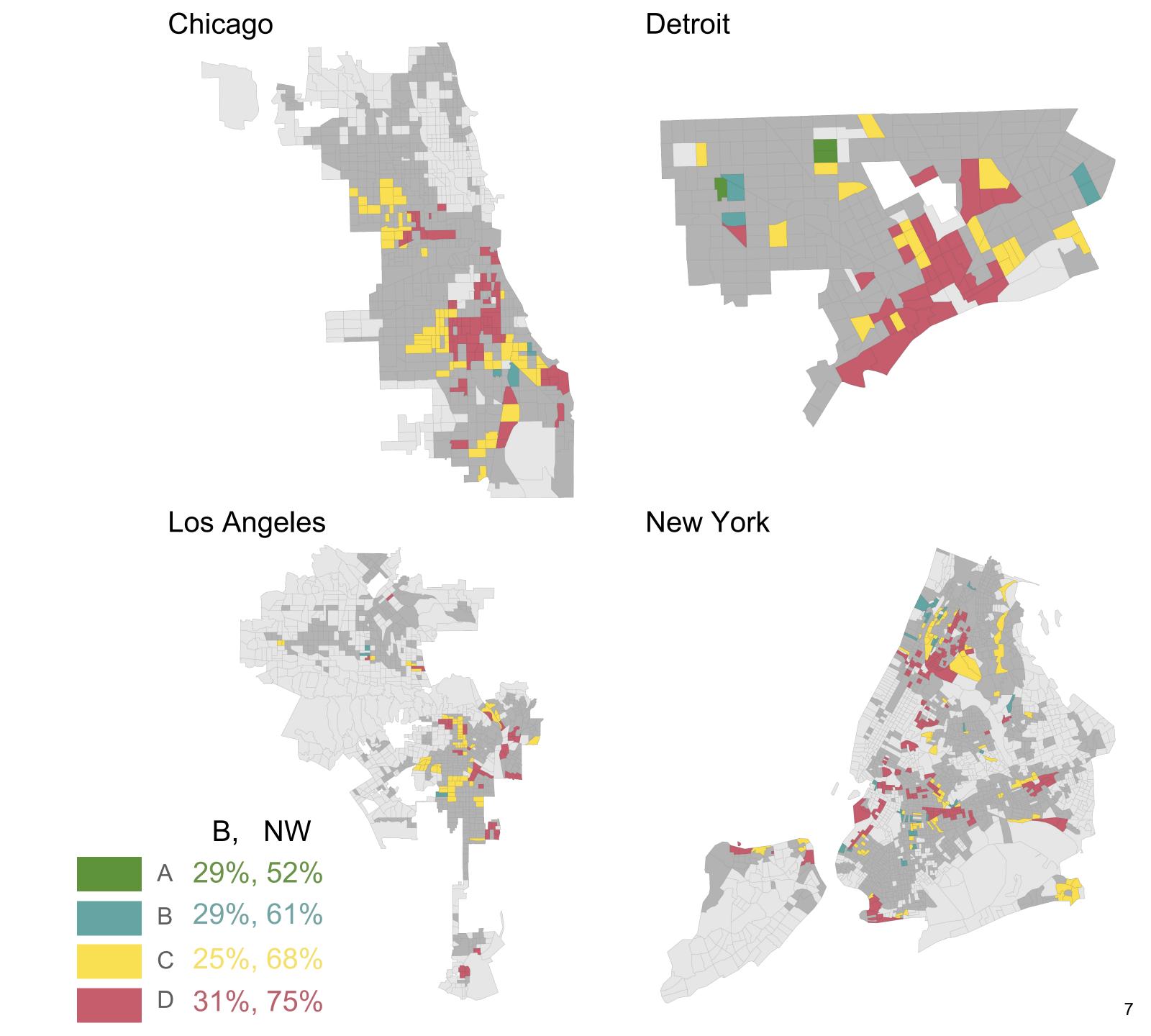
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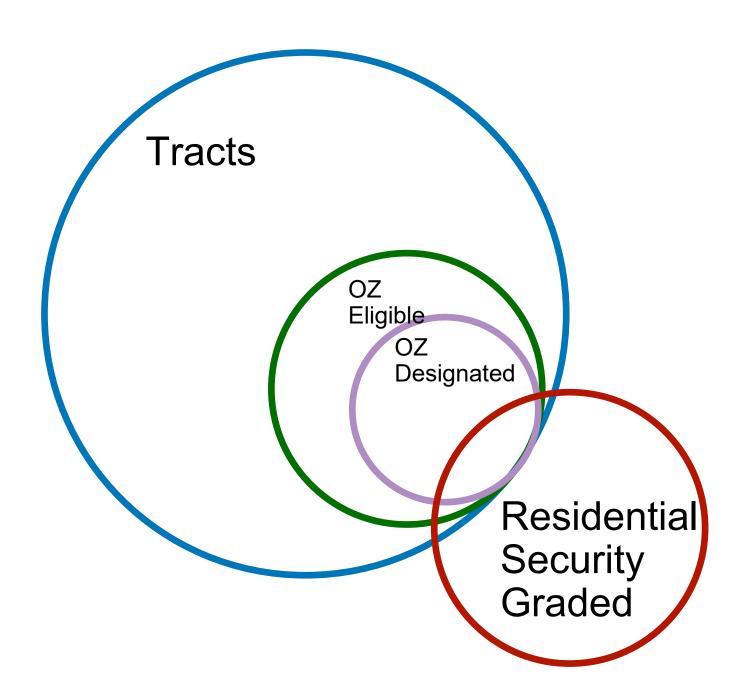
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National Picture



Tracts

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Graded and OZ Eligible: 8,566

Graded and OZ Designated: 1,988

Population

• Total: 326,289,971

• OZ Eligible: 175,708,484

• OZ Designated: <u>34,799,298</u>

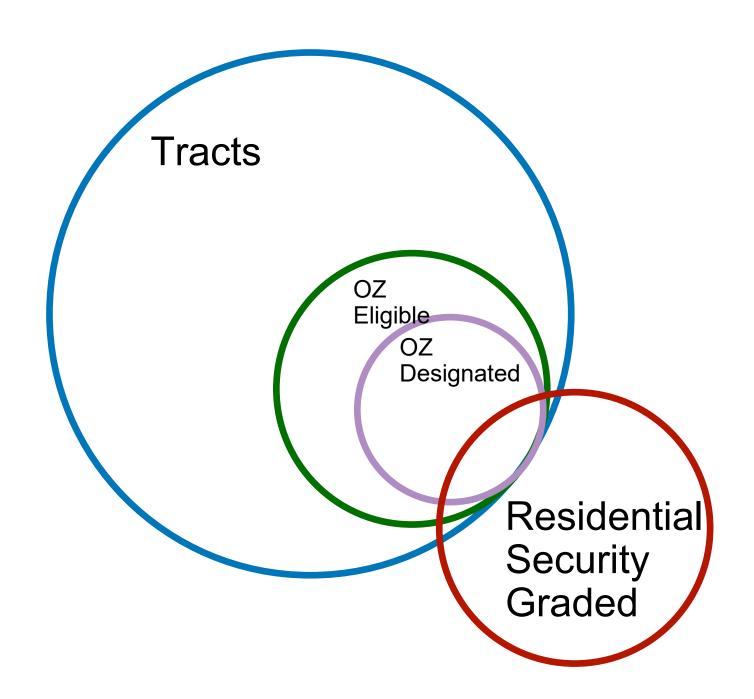
OZ Not Designated: 140,909,186

• Residential Security Graded: 41,012,328

Graded and OZ Eligible: 30,159,960

Graded and OZ Designated: 6,671,097

Graded Places



Tracts

• Total: 19,834

• OZ Eligible: 13,613

OZ Designated: 2,874

OZ Not Designated: 10,739

Residential Security Graded: 11,182

Graded and OZ Eligible: 8,465

Graded and OZ Designated: 1,970

Population

• Total: 77,772,533

• OZ Eligible: 51,974,051

• OZ Designated: <u>10,078,246</u>

OZ Not Designated: 41,895,805

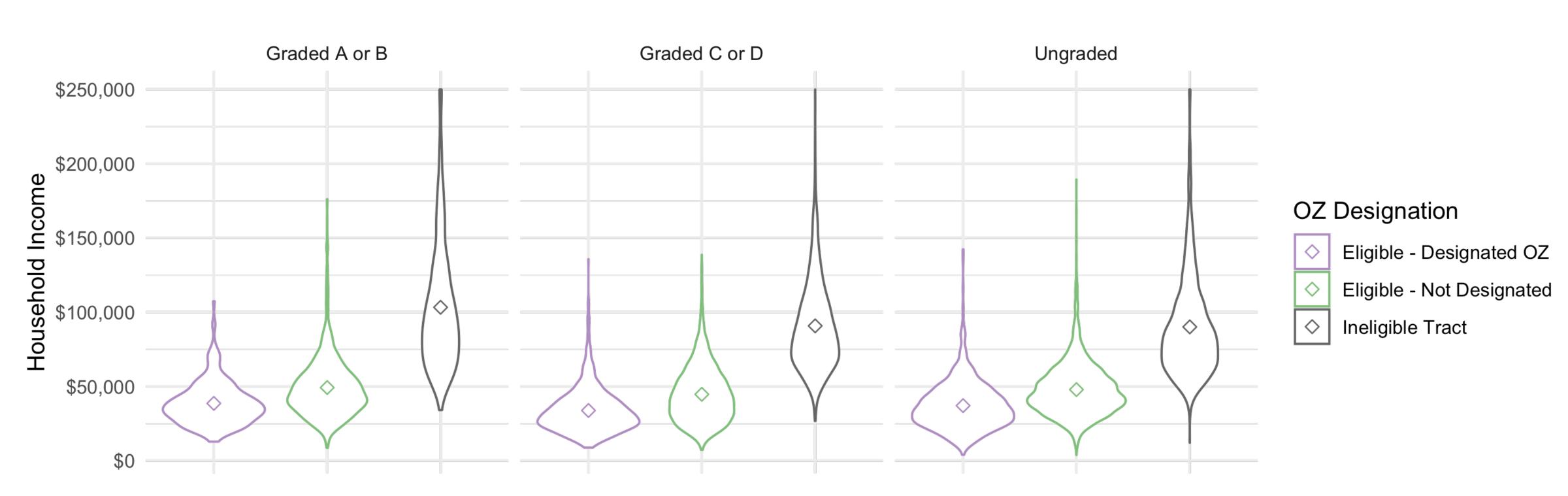
• Residential Security Graded: 40,071,680

Graded and OZ Eligible: 29,750,218

Graded and OZ Designated: 6,589,380

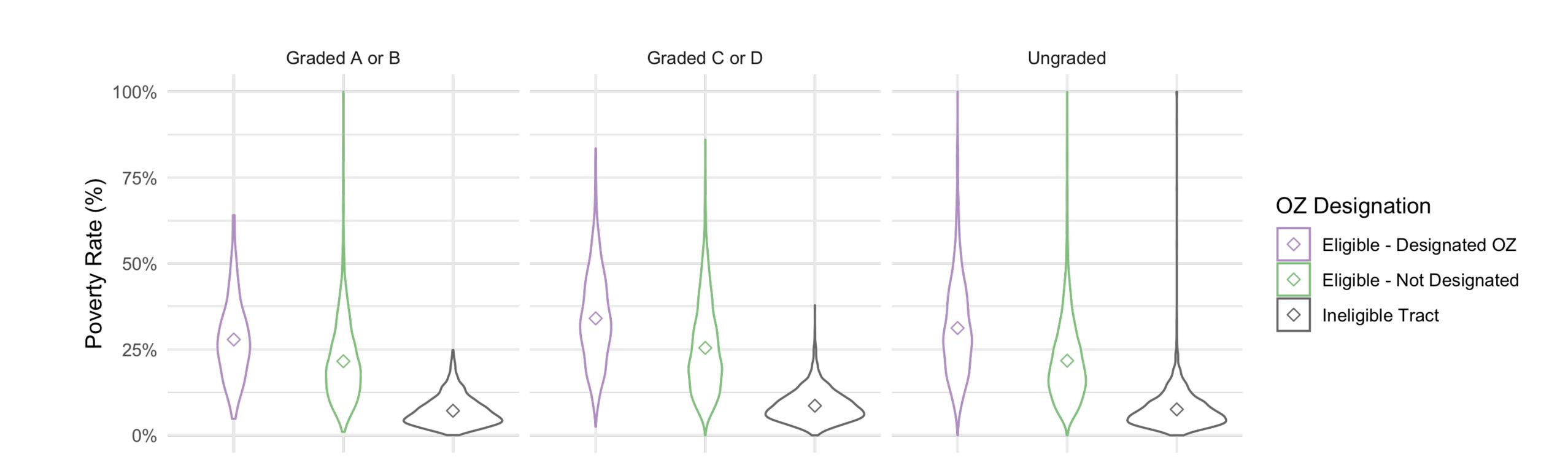
Income

Designation	Graded A or B	Graded C or D	Ungraded	Difference
Eligible - Designated OZ	\$38,628	\$33,850	\$37,105	-\$3,256
Eligible - Not Designated	\$49,291	\$44,736	\$47,906	-\$3,171
Ineligible Tract	\$103,306	\$90,812	\$90,116	\$695



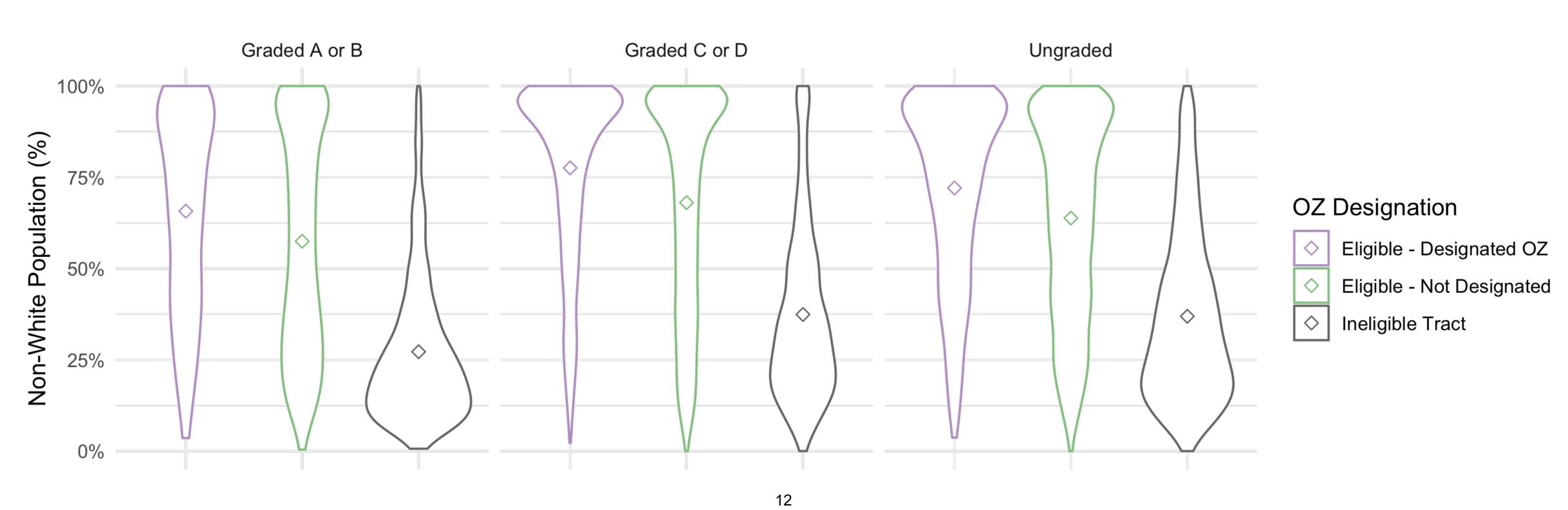
Poverty

Designation	Graded A or B	Graded C or D	Ungraded	Difference
Eligible - Designated OZ	27.9%	34.0%	31.2%	2.8%
Eligible - Not Designated	21.5%	25.4%	21.7%	3.7%
Ineligible Tract	7.1%	8.6%	7.6%	1.1%



Nonwhite Population

Designation	Graded A or B	Graded C or D	Ungraded	Difference
Eligible - Designated OZ	65.7%	77.6%	72.1%	5.5%
Eligible - Not Designated	57.5%	68.1%	63.8%	4.2%
Ineligible Tract	27.2%	37.4%	36.9%	0.5%

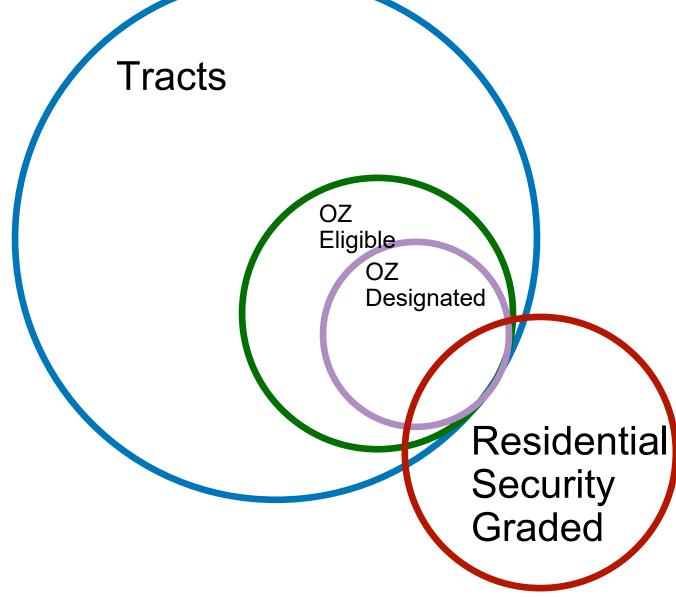


Summary

- Focusing on the intersection between OZ-eligible places that have residential security grades yields a smaller subset of higher-need locations.
- The legacy of redlining remains evident in radicalized neighborhood disparities, even within OZ-eligible places.

 Evidence for heightened disadvantaged based upon less favorable residential security ratings.

 (Re)targeting of OZ capital to historically redlined neighborhoods could simultaneously meet program goals and address the deep legacy of state-sponsored disinvestment through revitalization.



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