Using Small-Area Data From the ACS Overcoming Reliability Issues

ACS Data User Workshop

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43 Demographic, Social, Economic, and Housing Variables Bronx Census Tracts and Neighborhoods, 2001-2005 ACS

Demographic & Social

- 1) Children 0 to 4 years of age
- 2) Nonrelatives
- 3) Married couple families
- 4) Nonfamily households
- 5) High school graduate only
- 6) Bachelor's degree
- 7) Never married
- 8) Divorced females
- 9) Civilian veterans
- 10) Foreign-born
- 11) Naturalized U.S. citizen
- 12) Speaks lang. other than Eng.
- 13) Speaks Eng. less than "very well"
- 14) Speaks Spanish at home

Economic

- 1) Persons employed
- 2) Females employed
- 3) Use public transp.
- 4) Mgmt., prof. & related occp.
- 5) Construction occp.
- 6) Retail industry
- 7) Education industry Class of workers:
- 8) Government
- 9) Self-employed Households:
- 10) w/ inc. & benefits < \$10,000
- 11) w/ earnings
- 12) w/ Social Security
- 13) w/ cash public assist. inc.

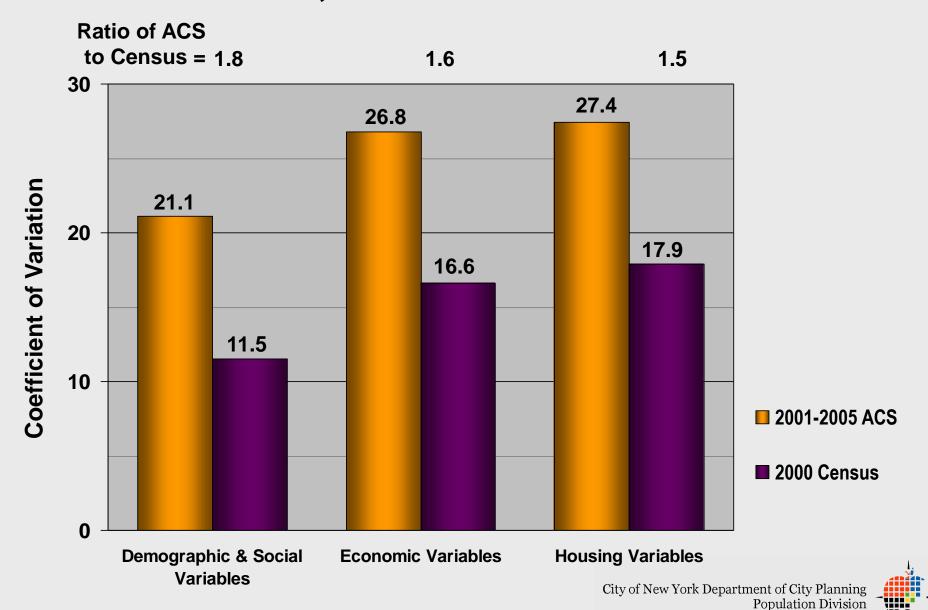
Housing

Housing units in:

- 1) Struct. w/ 20+ units
- 2) Struct, blt.1990 or later
- 3) Struct. blt.1980-89
- 4) Struct. blt.1970-79
- 5) Struct. blt. before 1940
- 6) Rooms in unit = 1
- 7) Rooms in unit = 5
- 8) Vehicles available = 0
- 9) Vehicles available = 1 Heating fuel:
- 10) Utility gas
- 11) Electric
- 12) Oil, etc.
- 13) No telephone service
- 14) 1.5+ occupants per room Gross rent as % of HH inc.:
- 15) less than 15%
- 16) 35% or more

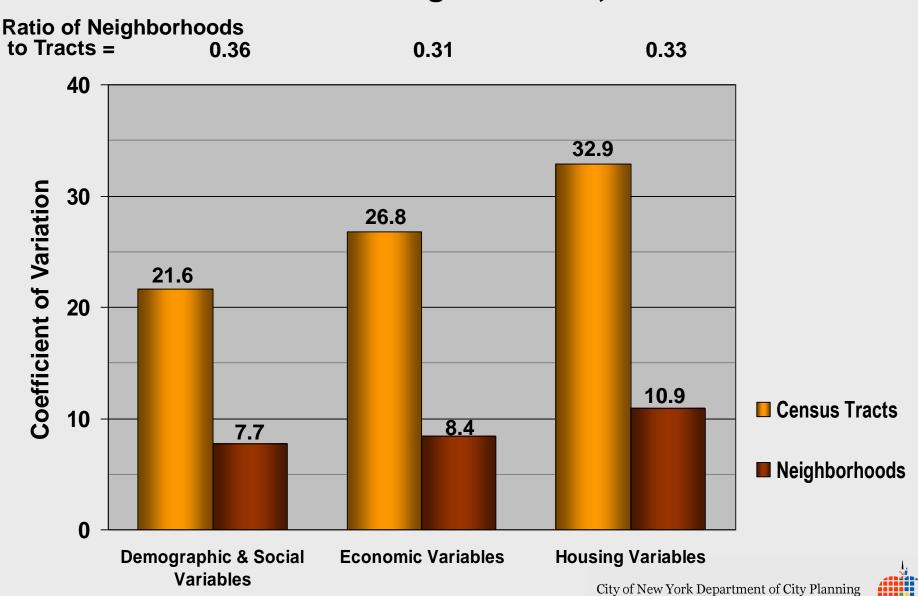


Median Overall Coefficients of Variation for Bronx Census Tracts, 2000 Census and 2001-2005 ACS

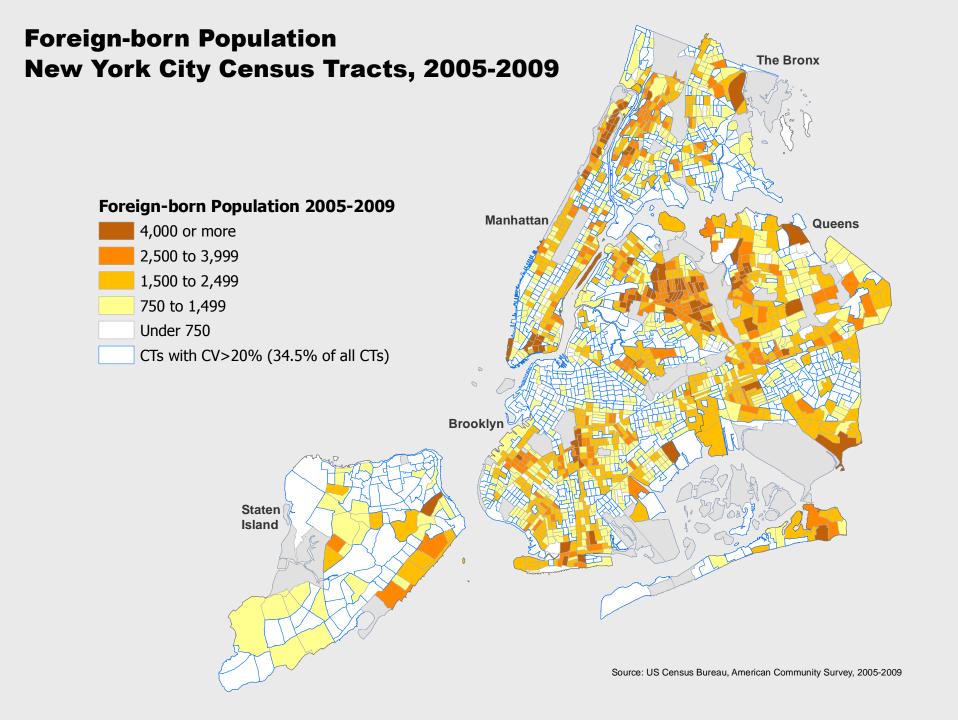


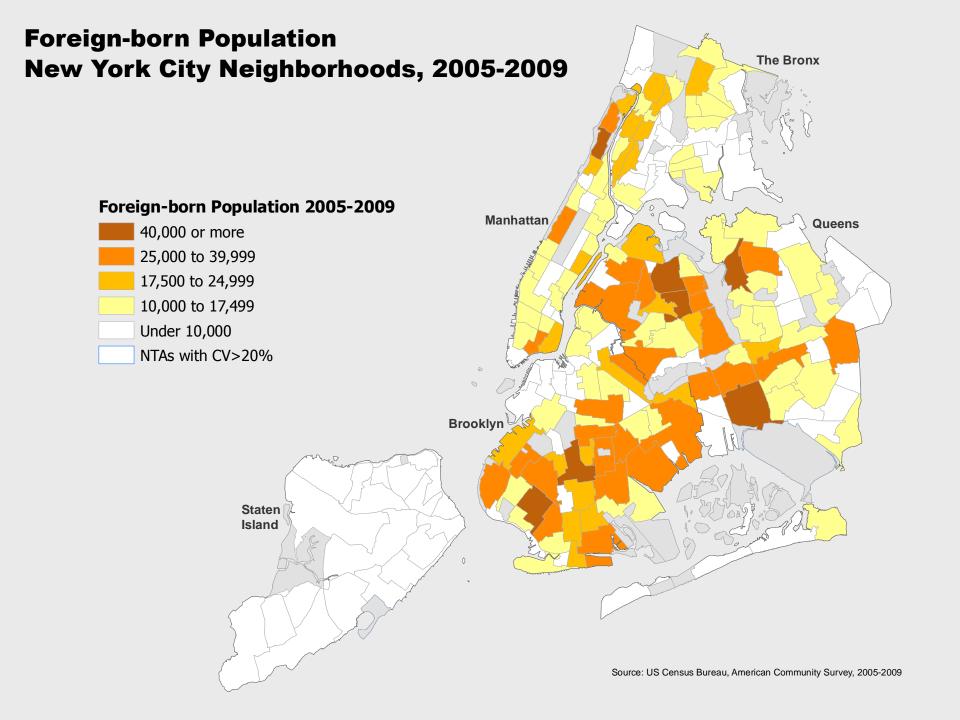
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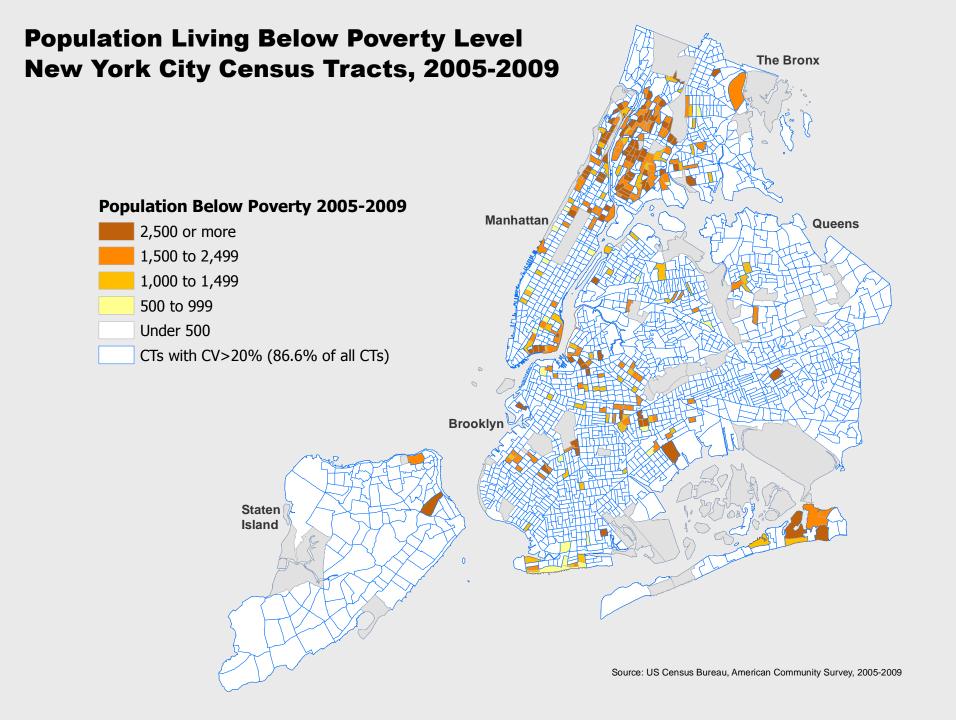
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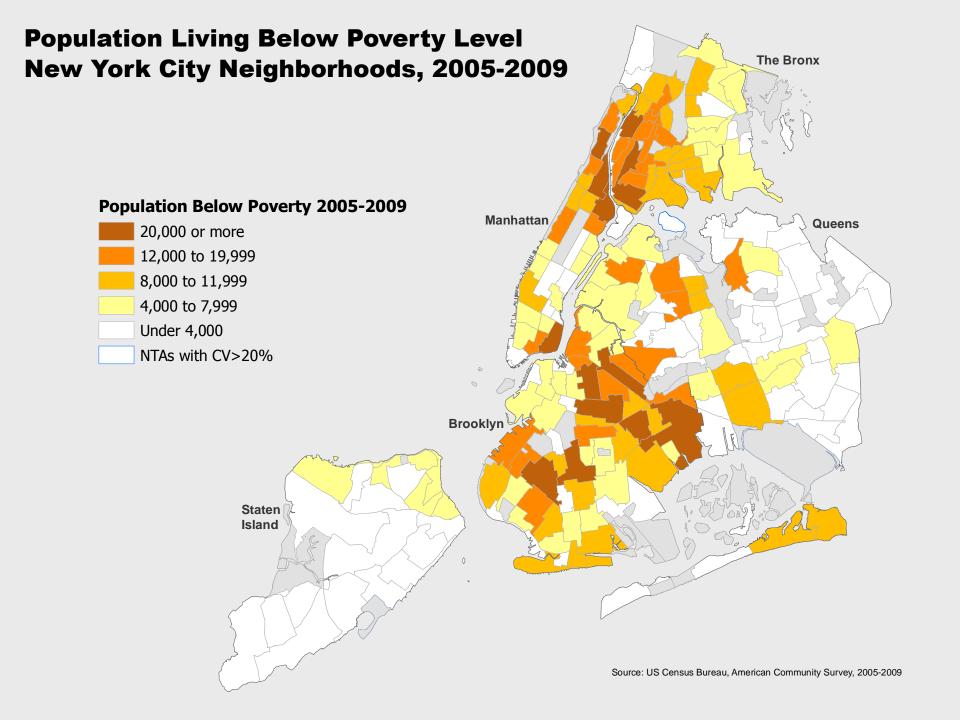


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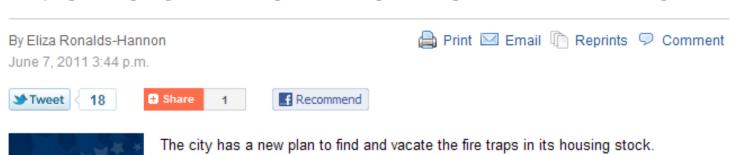




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New city crackdown on fire traps

For years, city inspectors have struggled to get into apartments that they believed to be fire traps. A new program targeting the most dangerous buildings will bring uniformed fire officials along.



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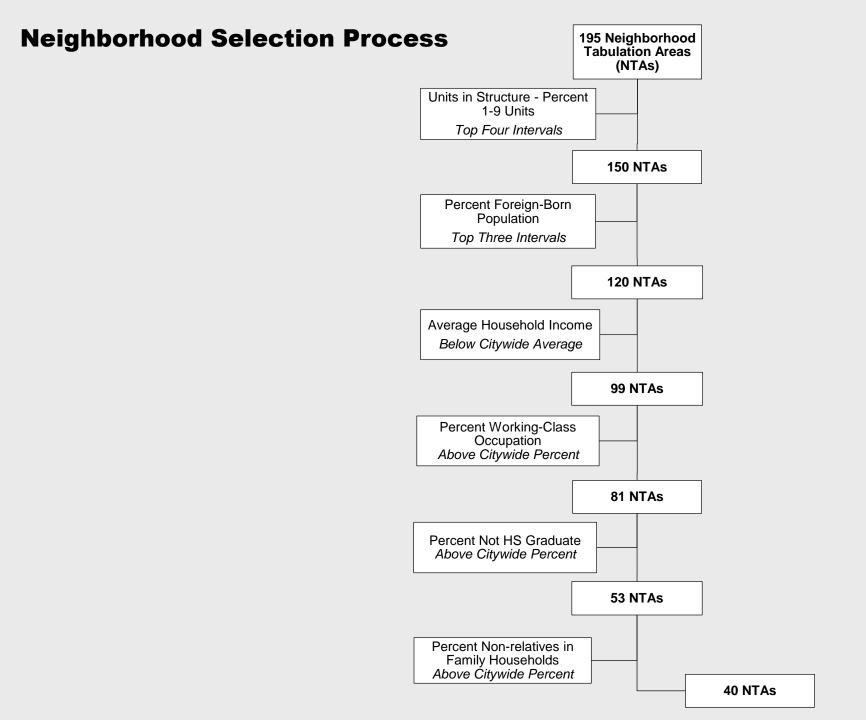
A new multi-agency program will inspect potentially illegally converted buildings more aggressively and quickly than ever, Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced Tuesday. The new approach identifies the conversions most likely to be dangerous based on buildings' ages, locations, financial records and code histories, and assigns investigators to those cases within 48 hours.

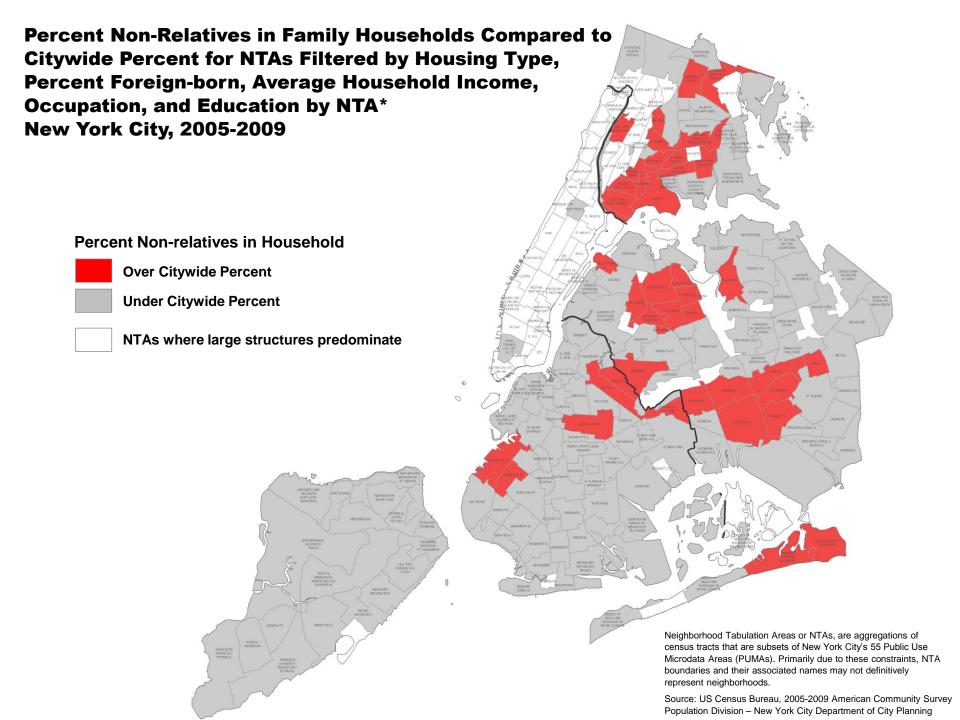
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Two fatal fires in recent months highlighted the need to reform the inspection system, Mr. Bloomberg said at a City Hall press conference. A 12-year-old boy and his parents were killed in the Bronx in April when they were not able to escape a blaze in their illegally subdivided apartment. And in February, a man died in an East New York fire because he was trapped in his illegal basement apartment.

It's no secret that illegal apartments are numerous, but city inspectors have for years struggled to gain access to them because landlords would turn them away. But a twoweek pilot project in which Department of Buildings inspectors were joined by colleagues from other agencies, notably the Fire Department, improved access substantially.





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