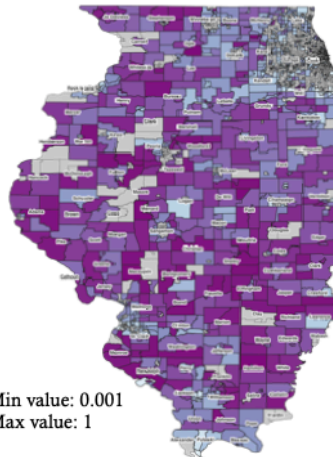


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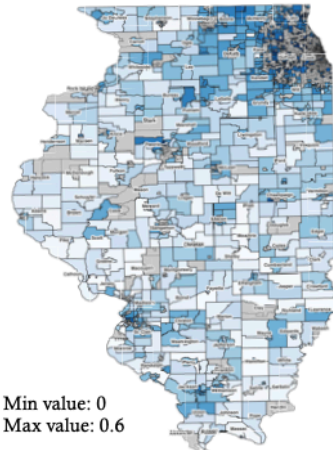
Do Demographic Patterns Influence Challenge Participation?

Proportion of White Residents



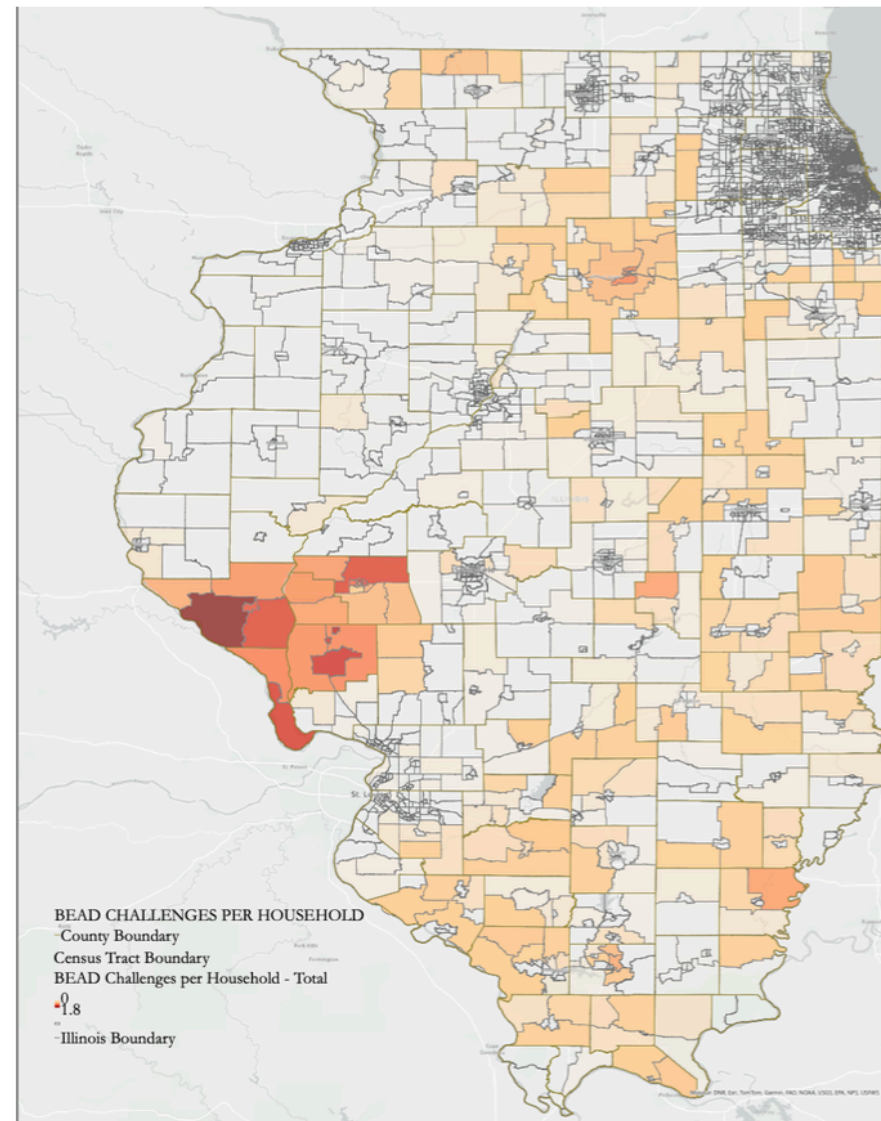
Higher proportion of white residents correlated with more challenges

Proportion of Foreign-born Residents



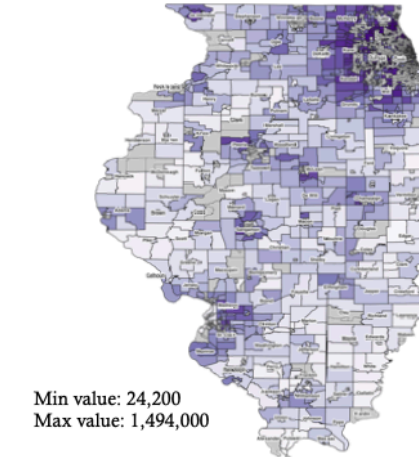
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Challenges Per Household



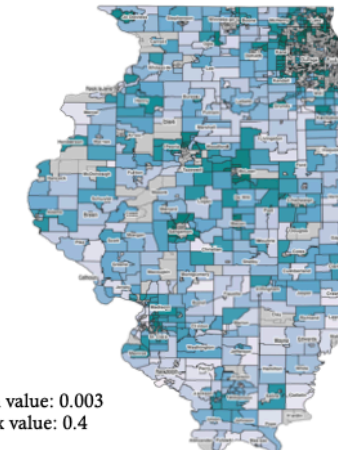
Residents of rural or non-metropolitan areas submitted more challenges per household than those in more urban areas

Median Housing Value



Higher median housing value is correlated with less challenges

Proportion with a Bachelor's Degree



Higher proportion of residents with a Bachelor's correlated with less challenges