

Opportunity Indices

Indicator	SACOG	Boston - Metropolitan Area Planning Council	Seattle - Puget Sound Regional Council
Economy			
Number of Jobs in Census Tract 2008	x		
Job Growth Trends			x
Job Change 2001-2008 in Industries Paying Above Average Wages	x		
Access to Living Wage Jobs			x
Unemployment Rate	x		x
Poverty Rates	x	x	x
Household Income	x	x	
Gini Coefficient of Income Inequality		x	
Tax Burden as Percent of Family Income		x	
Labor Force Participation Rates		x	
Housing & Neighborhood			
Home Ownership Rate	x		
Percentage of Owner-Occupied and Renter-Occupied Units with 1.01 or More Occupants per Room	x		
2001-2008 Change in Total Sales of Businesses with 50 or Fewer Employees	x		
Job Change in 2001-2008 in Industries Paying Above Average Wages	x		
Proportion of Businesses with Lower Sales in 2008 than 2001	x		
Porportion of Businesses that Closed Between 2001 and 2008	x		
Percentage of Single Parent Households	x		
Percentage of Households Linguistically Isolated	x		
Percent of Renter and Owner-Occupied Housing Units Paying more than 0.5 of Household Income in Housing Cost	x		
Vacancy Rate	x		x
Housing Cost Burden		x	
Housing Affordability		x	
Dissimilarity Index - Segregation		x	
Foreclosure Rate		x	x
Home Loan Denial Rate		x	
High Cost Loan Rate			x
Housing Stock Condition			x
Violent Crime Rates		x	
Crime Index			x

Education			
Percentage of Population 25 yrs. and Older with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher	x		
Percentage of Population 25 yrs. and Older with Less Than a High School Degree	x		
High School Dropout Rates		x	
Attendance of High-Poverty Schools/Student Poverty Rate		x	x
English/Reading Scores		x	x
Math Scores		x	x
High School Graduation Rates		x	x
Teacher Qualification			x
Exclusionary Discipline Rates		x	
High School Students' Plans for After Graduation		x	
Educational Attainment Rates		x	
Mobility & Transit			
Percent of Workers Using Other Means of Transportation to Work Besides Driving Alone	x		
Young Adults' Access to MBTA Transit		x	
Transit and Sidewalk Access for Seniors		x	
Transportation Services for Seniors		x	
Cost per Commute			x
Proximity to Express Bus Stops			x
Average Transit Fare			x
Percent of Commuters Who Walk			x
Health & Environment			
Low Birth Weight		x	
Youth Asthma Hospitalization Rate		x	
Hospitalizations due to High Blood Pressure		x	
Dissimilarity Index for Nursing Homes		x	
Premature Mortality Rates		x	
Open Space per 1,000 Residents		x	
Distance to the Nearest Open Space (or Park)		x	x
Proximity to Toxic Waste Release			x
Percent of Area that is Within a Food Desert			x