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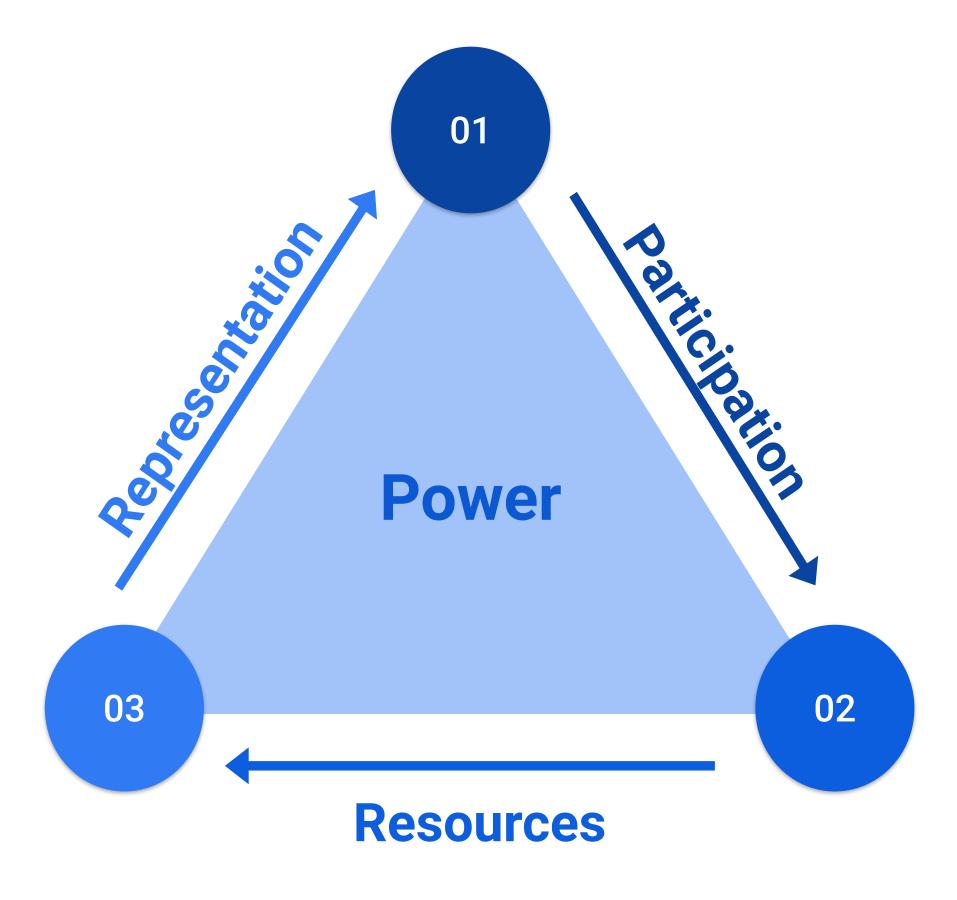
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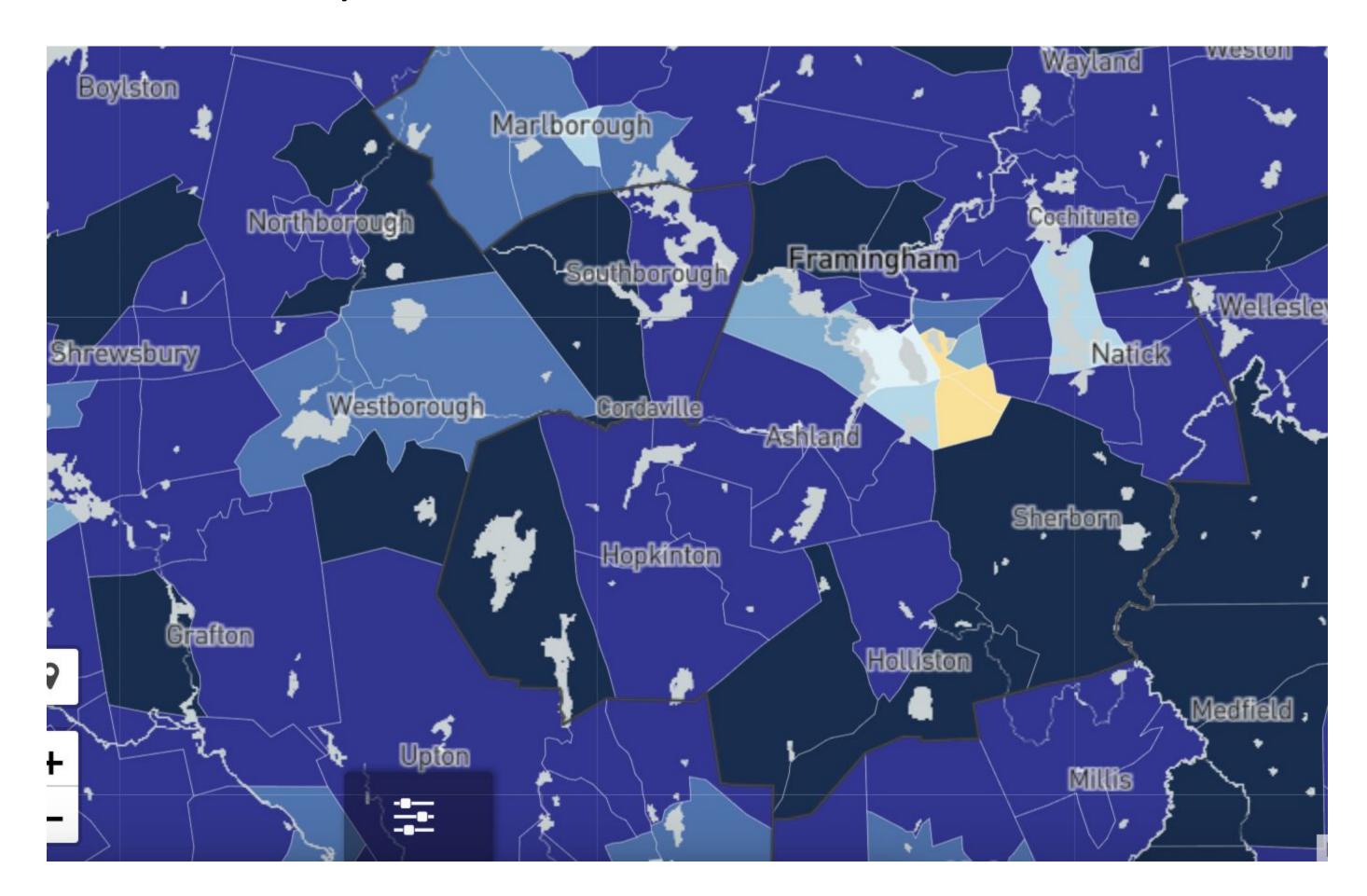
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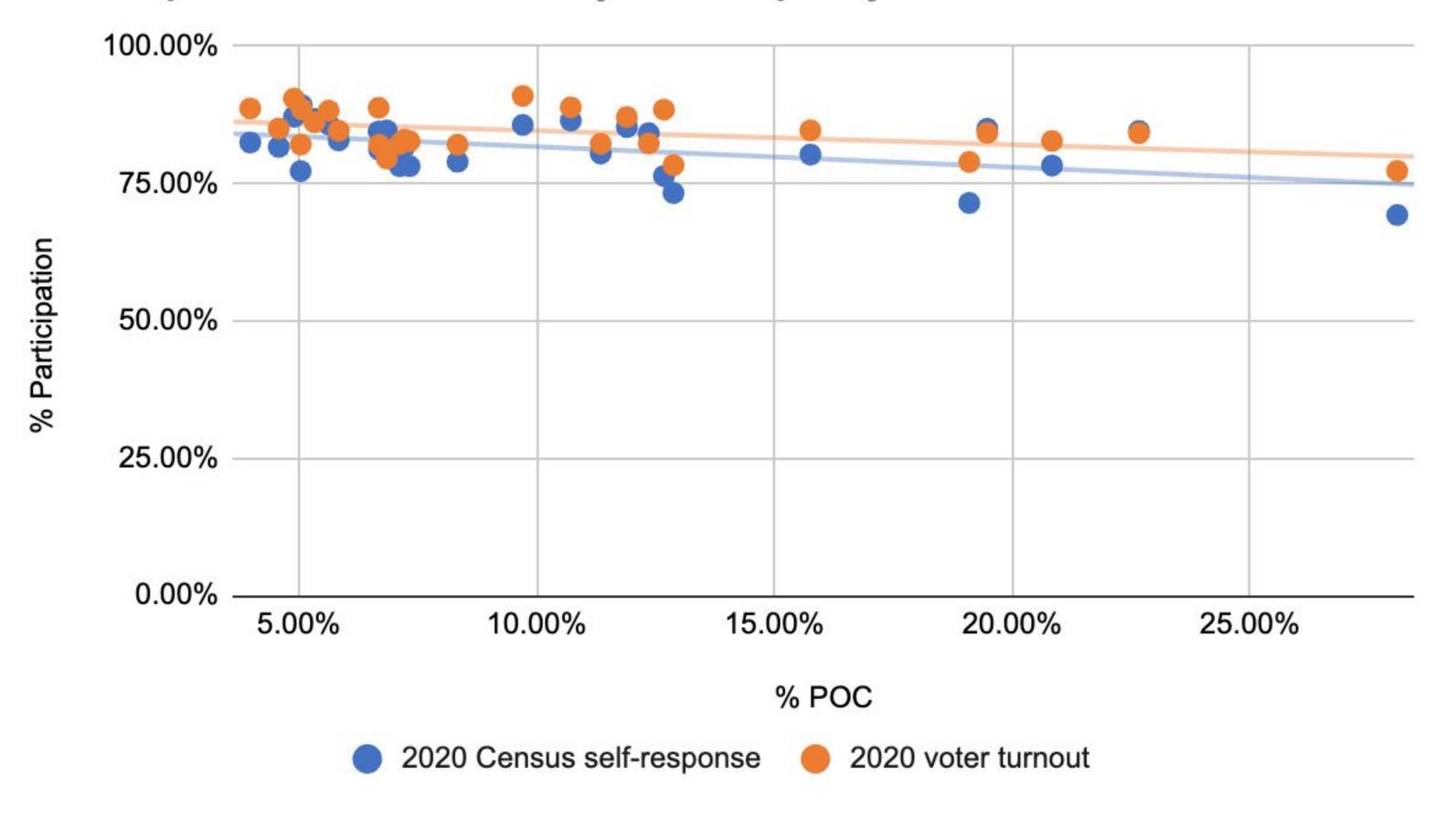
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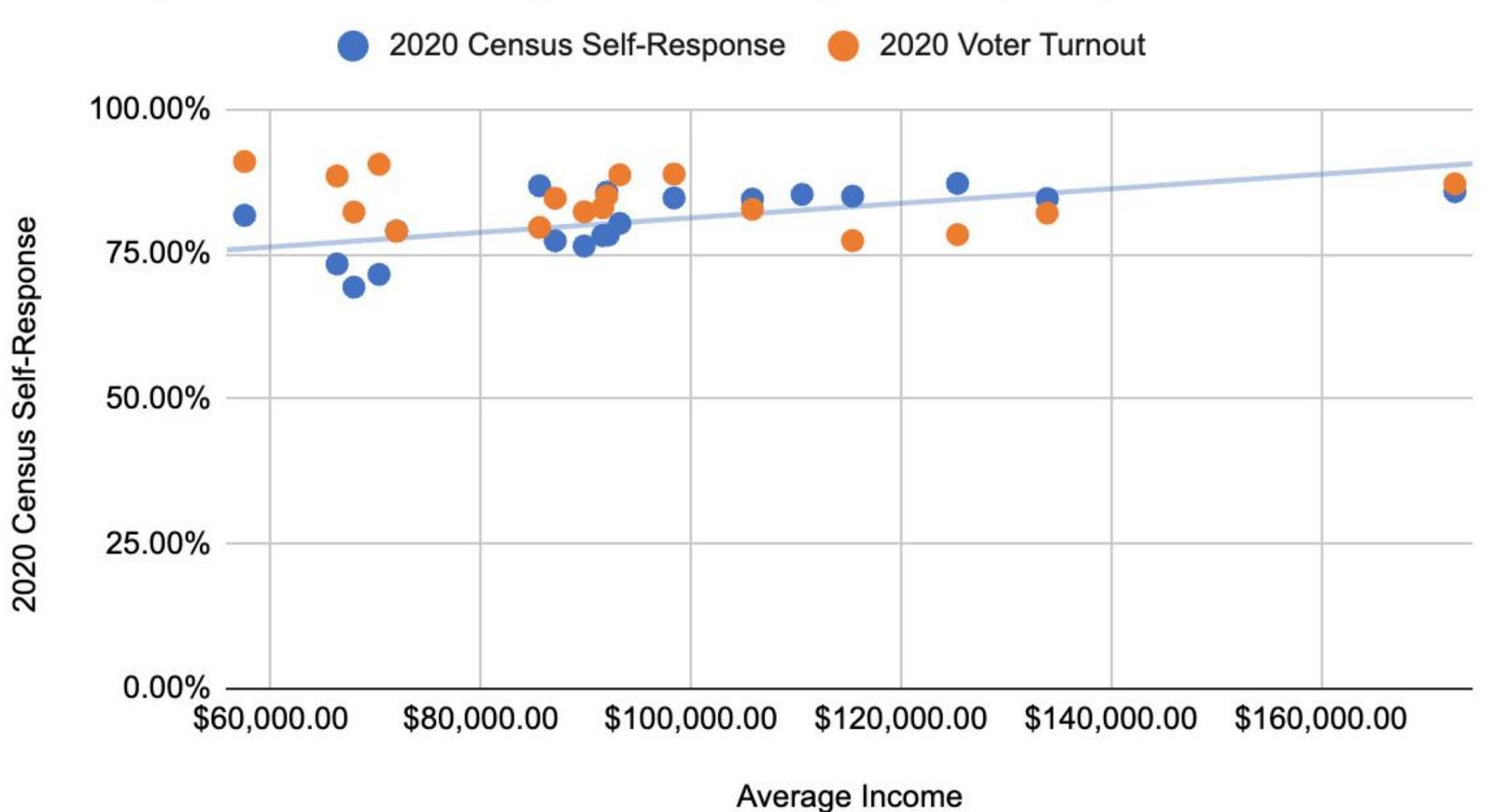
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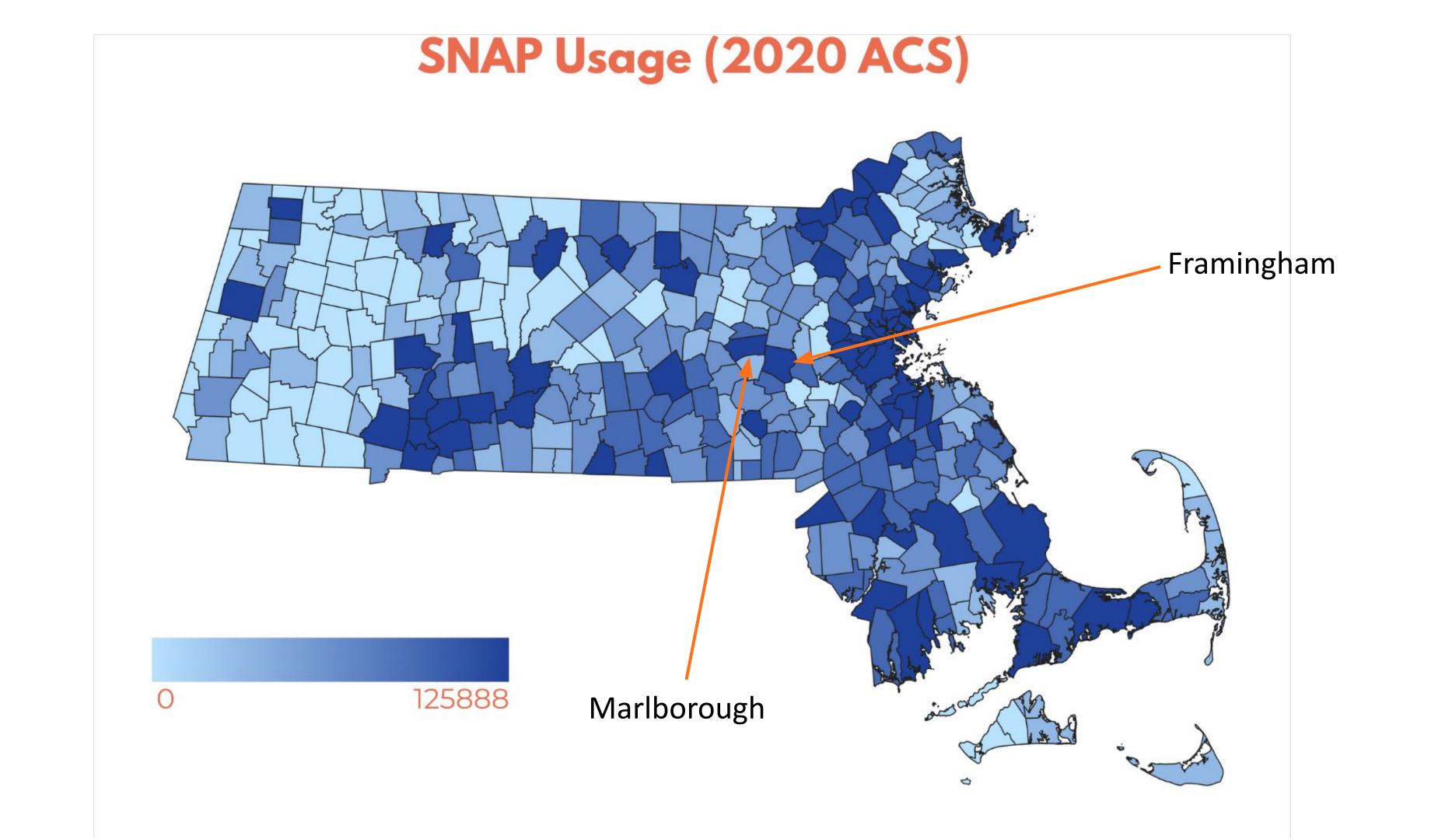


Participation vs. % POC by Municipality



Participation vs. Average Income by Municipality



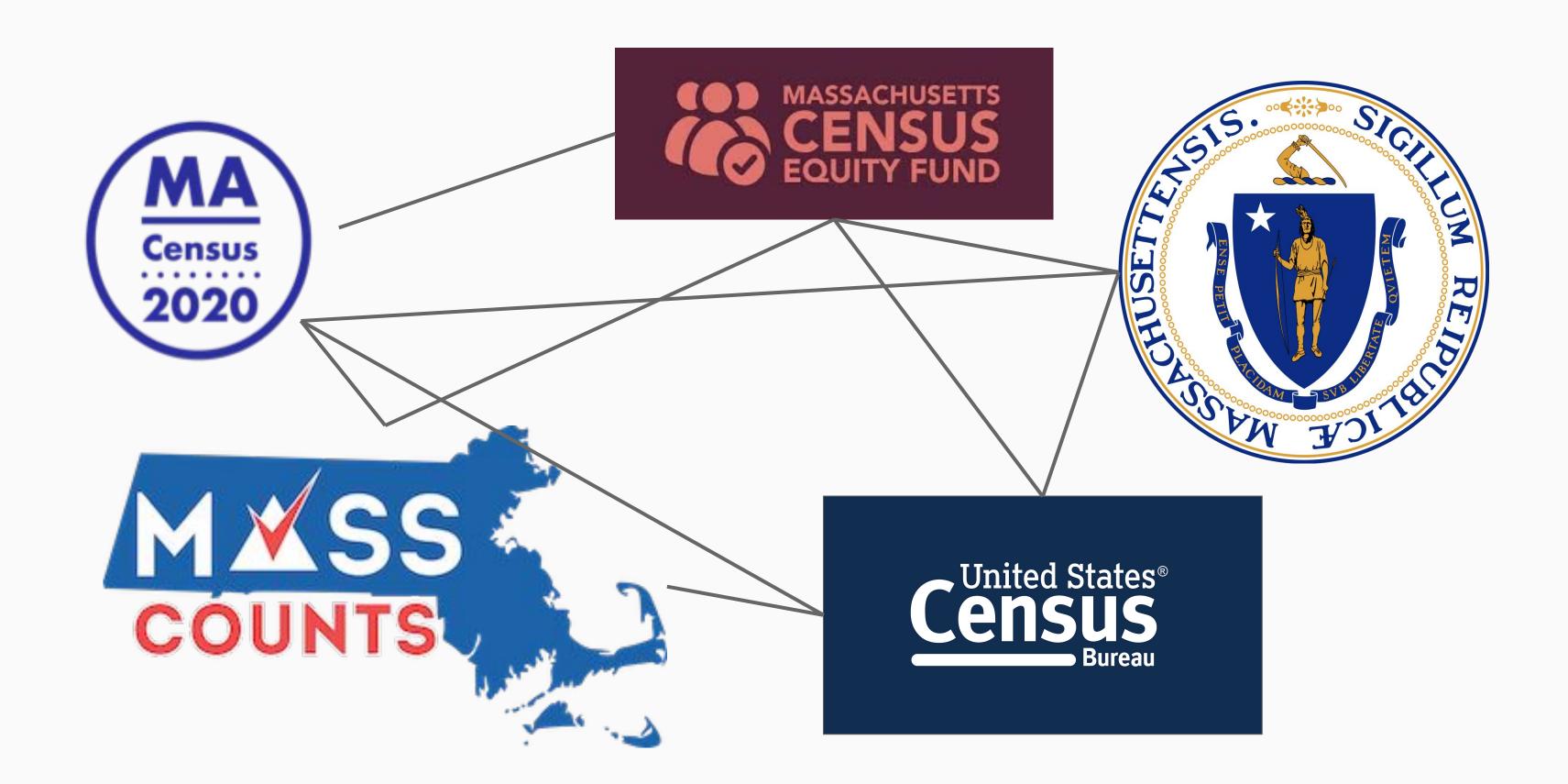


How did we get out the count in 2020?





Networks





Meeting People Where They're At

Challenges to a Complete Count



Citizenship Question & Hostile Political Climate

Is this person a citizen of the United States?	
	Yes, born in the United States
	Yes, born in Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Northern Marianas
	Yes, born abroad of U.S. citizen parent or parents
	Yes, U.S. citizen by naturalization – Print year of naturalization ✓
	No, not a U.S. citizen

Solution: Partnerships with Trusted Legal Organizations

HOW DOES WORKING FOR THE CENSUS AFFECT MY PUBLIC BENEFITS?

You can work for the U.S. Census AND keep certain needs-based benefits you may receive!

HOUSING & SHELTER PROGRAMS

Census earnings **do not count** as income for:

- The major federal and state housing programs including public housing, vouchers & subsidized housing
- Fuel assistance (LIHEAP) benefits
- The Emergency Assistance (EA) shelter program for homeless families

NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Census earnings **do not count** as income for:

- SNAP (food stamps) benefits
- Healthy Incentives Program (HIP) available to SNAP recipients



Census earnings **may count** for the following programs (*unless* you also receive SNAP):

- National school lunch and breakfast programs
- Women, Infant & Children's (WIC) benefits

For more information on cash assistance and health programs, see the back of this page.







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CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Census earnings **do not count** as income for DTA cash assistance programs:

- TAFDC for families with children
- EAEDC for persons with disabilities or age 65+



Census earnings **do count** for persons who receive **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**, a program for persons with disabilities or age 65+.

Census earnings may count for Social Security

Disability Insurance or Early Retirement benefits.

Contact SSA for more information.

HEALTH PROGRAMS

Census earnings **do not count** as income for MassHealth for:

- Persons age 65+ or
- Persons who receive TAFDC, EAEDC or SSI cash benefits



For most other MassHealth members, Census earnings **do count**, but may not affect your MassHealth coverage.

For more information:

- See Mass.gov webpage: Important Information About the Treatment of Census Bureau Worker Earnings. This webpage is updated regularly.
- If you get SNAP or cash benefits, DTA wants to know about your earnings even though Census income does not count.
- For more information on MassHealth, call the MassHealth Customer Service Center at 800-841-2900. See flier on masslegalservices.org on MassHealth and Census Earnings.
- If your benefits are cut because of your Census income and you think this is wrong, contact an advocate. Go to MassLegalHelp.org

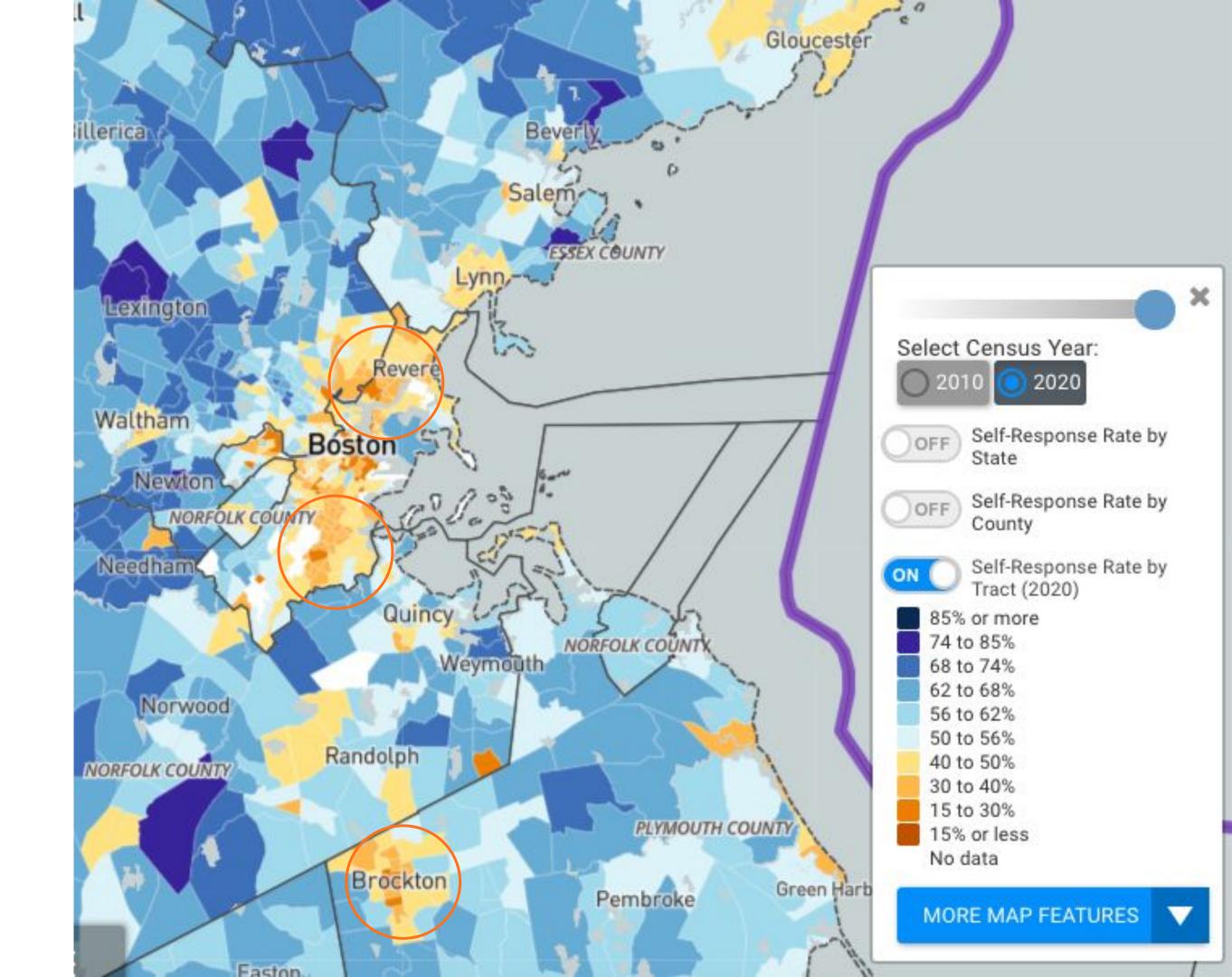




LAWYERS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

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Early COVID-19 hotspots were in low-response census tracts



Solution:
Outreach on
COVID Issues
+ Census



How We're Leveraging Networks for Year-Round Civic Engagement



Strengthening Civic Engagement Infrastructure



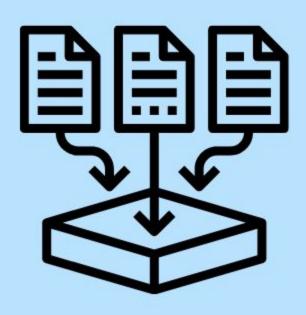
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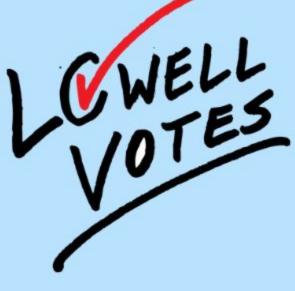












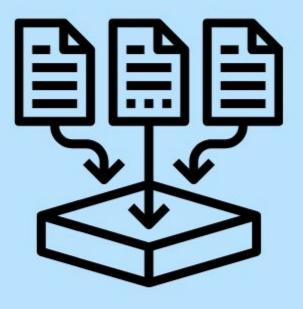
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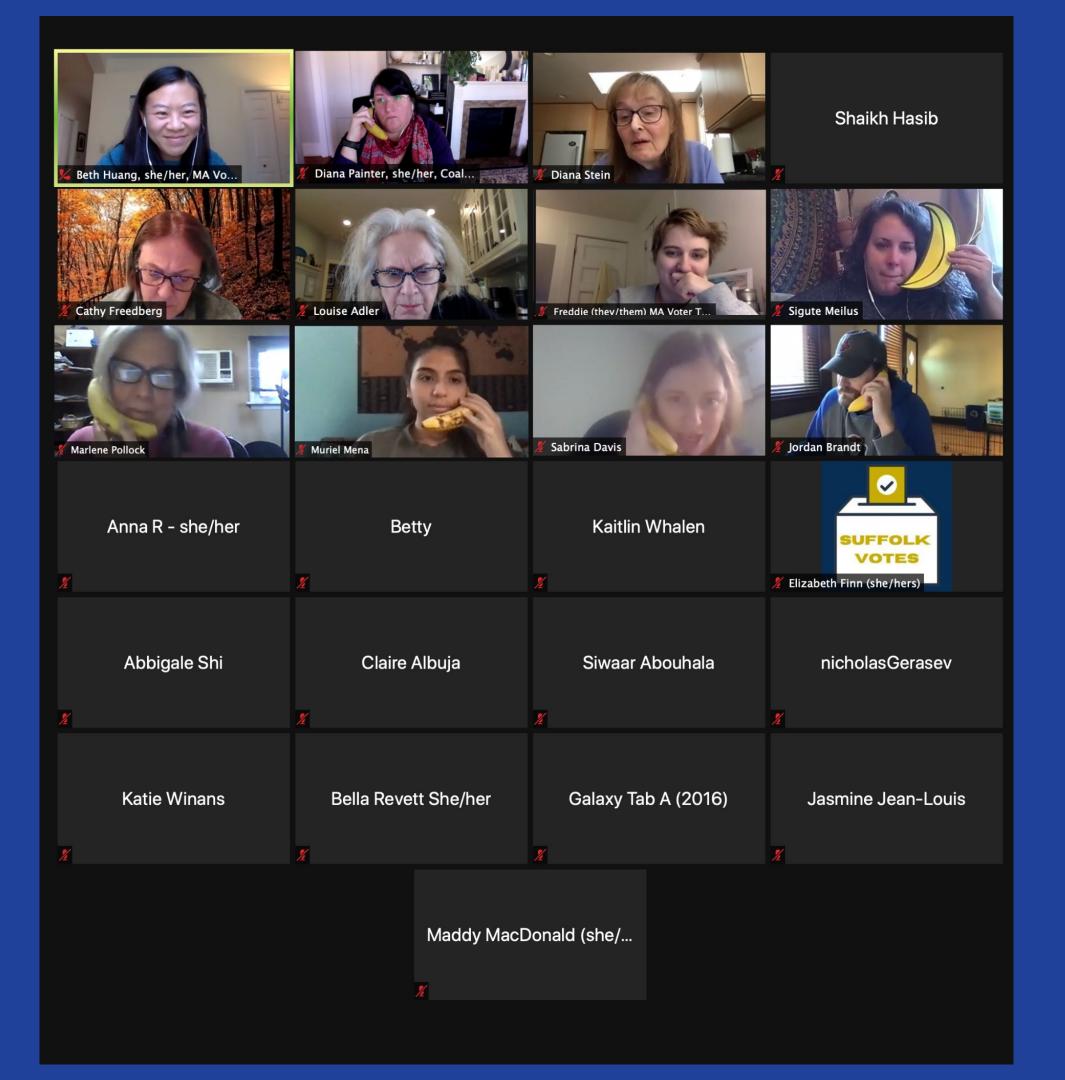
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Training Trusted Leaders

