# The National Equity Atlas:

Data to Build an Equitable Economy

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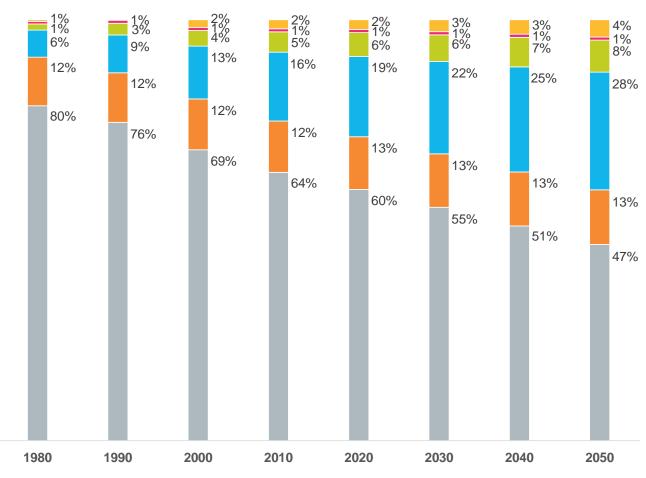






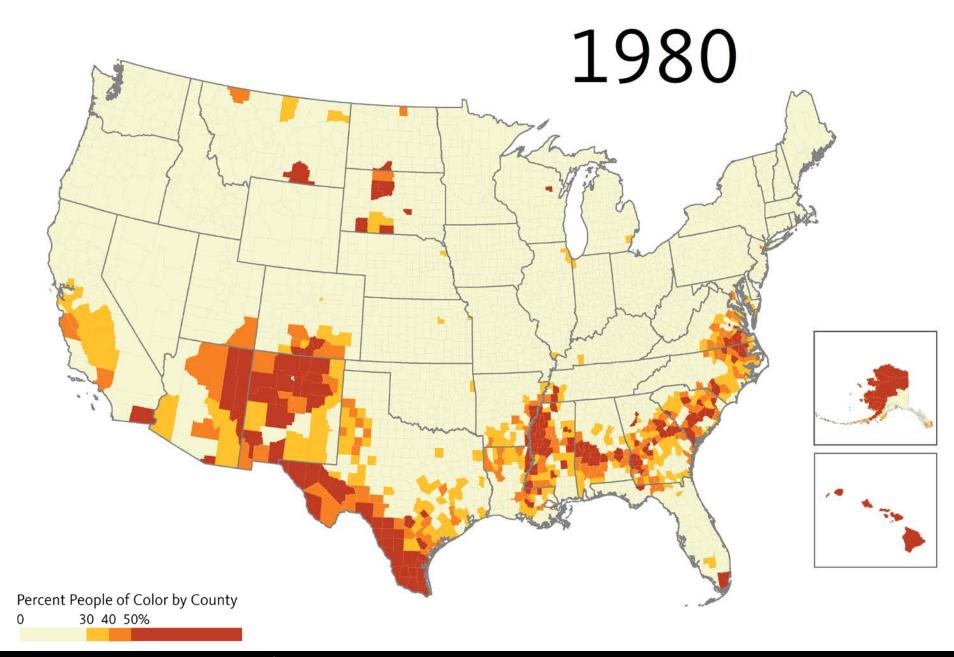
### Demographic transformation: 1980-2050





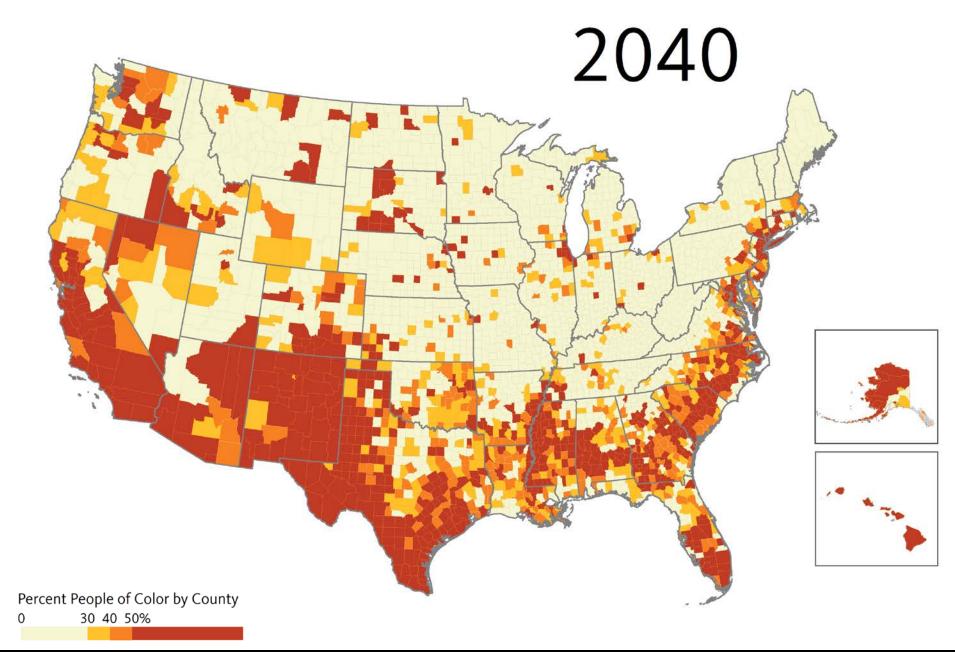
Source: 1980-2010 decennial censuses; U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 National Population Projections.







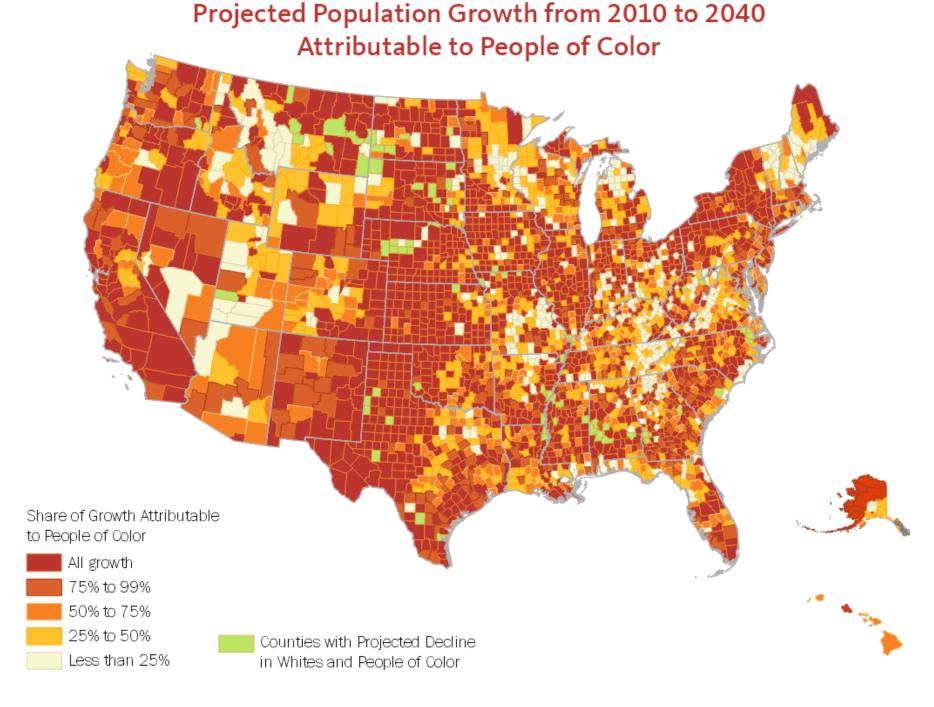












Map created by PolicyLink and the Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE) using data from the 2010 Decennial Census, Woods & Poole Economics projections data (adjusted using 2010 census data), Census TIGER/Line, NHGIS, and ESRI.





### New research: Inequity threatens economic growth



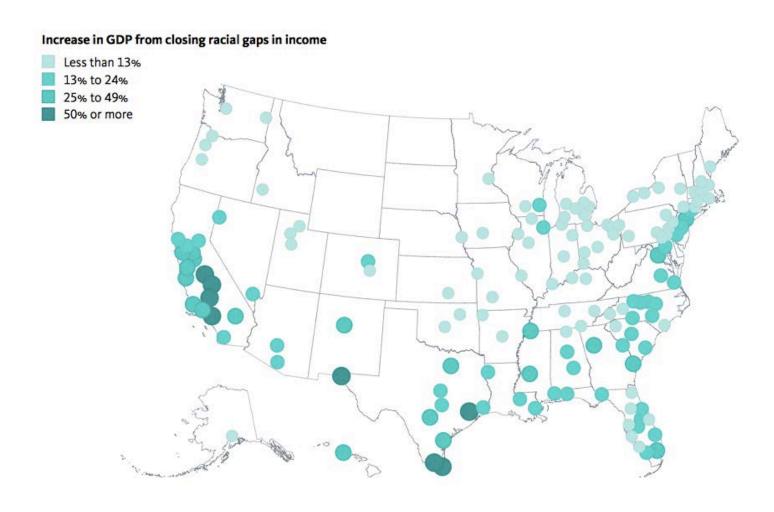
"As an economist, I worry that these inequities pose a serious threat to future economic growth... As people of color become a majority of the population, the failure to end their economic exclusion means a failure of the American economy."

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"IMF study finds inequality is damaging to economic growth"



## Equity will make our economy stronger



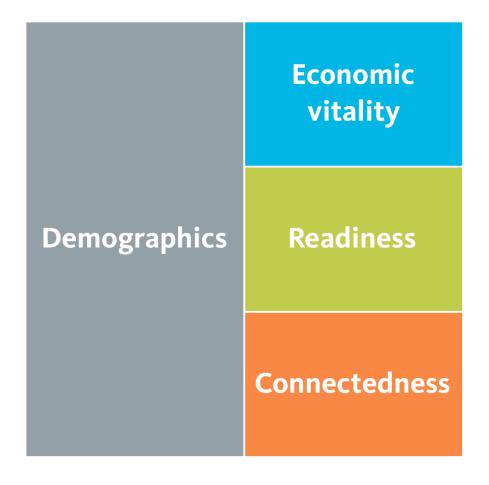




### What is an equitable region?

Regions are equitable when all residents – regardless of their race/ethnicity and nativity, gender, or neighborhood of residence – are fully able to participate in the region's economic vitality, contribute to the region's readiness for the future, and connect to the region's assets and resources.

### Indicators framework



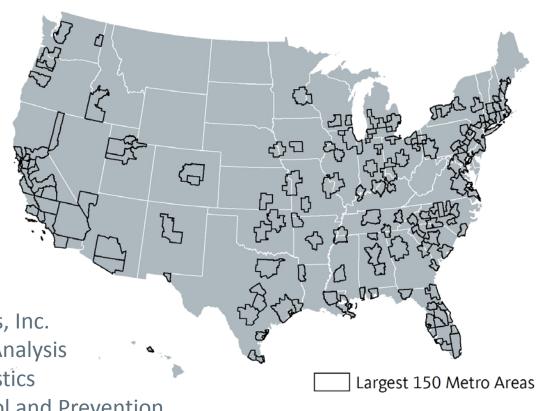
### Regional indicators database

#### Coverage

- Largest 150 metros
- 50 states + D.C.
- United States

#### **Key Sources:**

- IPUMS
- U.S. Census Bureau
- Geolytics
- BRFSS
- Woods & Poole Economics, Inc.
- U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



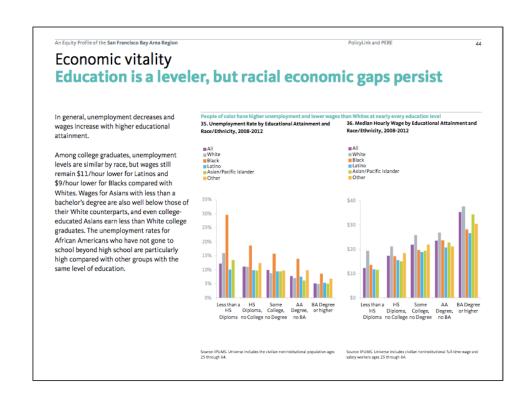
### Equity profiles: Informing regional dialogues

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By 2044, the majority of Americans will be people of color. Rising diversity is a tremendous asset—if all can access the resources and opportunities they need to thrive.

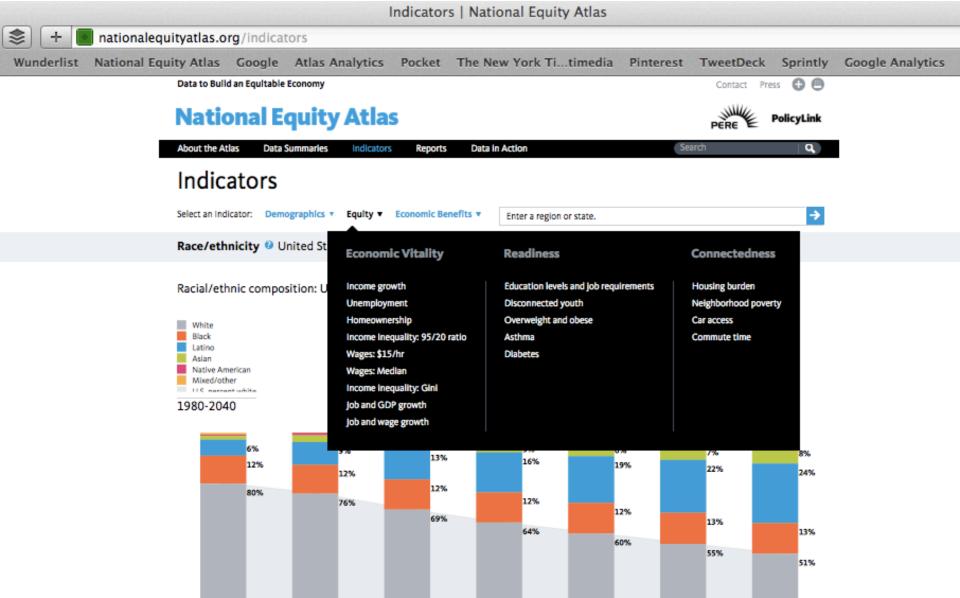
inclusive growth.

Explore the Atlas to get data on changing demographics, racial inclusion, and the economic benefits of equity—in your region, state, and nationwide. Begin with the U.S. Summary to explore indicators like the map to the right.



all residents share in this economic prosperity.







#### Are all residents healthy?

United States: In 2012, All adults had a combined rate of being overweight or obese of 63 percent. 36 percent were overweight and 27 percent were obese, with wide variation by race/ethnicity.







#### Why it matters

Healthy neighborhoods provide residents with access to parks, healthy food, clean air, safe streets, and health care and social services. Many of the neighborhoods where lowincome people and people of color live lack these healthpromoting ingredients, and these groups are more likely to suffer from obesity, asthma, diabetes, heart disease, and other chronic diseases.







#### Grow an equitable economy: Policies to promote healthy eating and active living for all

- Create dedicated funding streams like the Healthy Food Financing Initiative to support grocery stores and other fresh food markets in low-income underserved communities.
- Improve the quality and nutrition of school food (while ensuring good jobs from farm to cafeteria)
- Incorporate "Health in All Policies" to evaluate the impact of any policy on health equity and well-being
- Create healthy built environments where residents can walk to schools, buy groceries, and get to health care and jobs



Arizona's Tohono O'odham Nation Addresses Childhood Obesity with Healthy, Locally-Sourced School Lunches

On the Tohono O'odham nation in southwestern and central Arizona, unemployment is high and health is poor: half of adults have diabetes and 76 percent of middle-schoolers are overweight or obese. A new food enterprise, Desert Rain Food Services, is now working to reverse these trends and restore the tribe's food sovereignty by serving up healthier school food sourced from local farmers. In its first year, the program will provide 252,000 healthy school breakfasts and lunches to 700 school children, while creating 15 new jobs for local residents. Read more.

#### Learn more about these strategies:

· Healthy Food Access Portal

#### Additional data resources:

USDA Food Access Research Atlas







#### Political leadership:

### Minneapolis Mayor Betsy Hodges



Politics & Policy

# Hodges focuses on racial and economic equity in State of City speech

By Karen Boros I 04/24/14

Minneapolis Mayor Betsy Hodges focused on economic equity during her first State of the City address at the American Indian Center.

"While we are one great city, we are not a great city for everyone," said Hodges citing a Metropolitan Council study that equal opportunity in her city and St. Paul would lift 274,000 people out of poverty, add 124,000 jobs, and increase personal income by \$31.8 billion.

"Growth that includes all of us will propel us further than doing what we have always done," Hodges said. "Doing what we have always done will get us what we've always gotten. What we've gotten is growth that is thwarted by the biggest disparities in the country between white people and people of color."



MinnPost photo by Karen Boros Mayor Betsy Hodges

### Catalyzing policy action:

## Rhode Island Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion



Prompting policy strategies and cross-sector collaboration:

## New Orleans Economic Prosperity Strategy



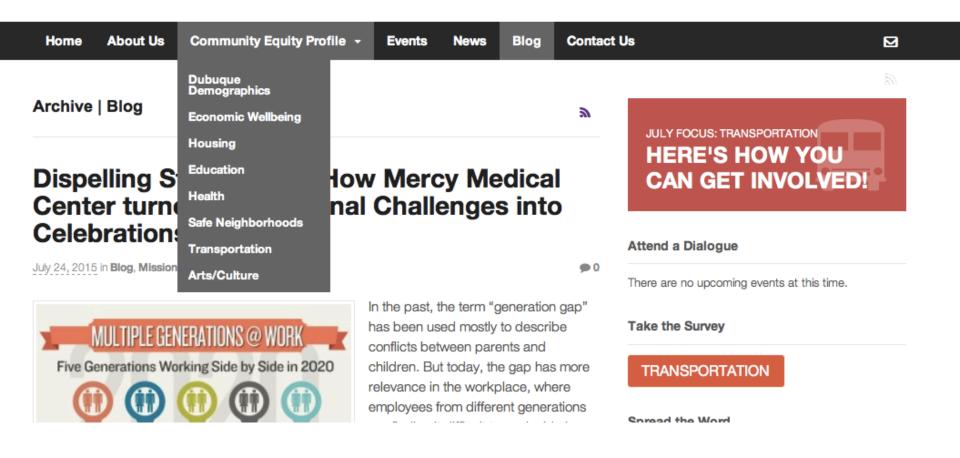
### Informing community dialogue, collaboration, and agenda-setting:

### Inclusive Dubuque

### INCLUSIVE dubuque

Connecting People • Strengthening Community





### Supporting advocacy:

## California Boys and Men of Color Alliance



### Powering data-driven journalism:

### National Journal Education Gaps Series

# EDUCATION GAPS POSE LOOMING CRISIS FOR U.S. ECONOMY

The fastest-growing segment of the workforce is also the least educated. That's a problem as employers struggle to fill high-skill jobs.

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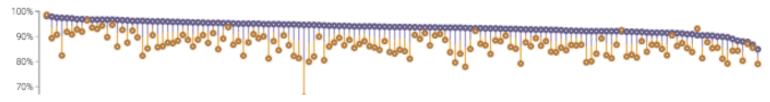
ewer working-age African-Americans than whites hold four-year college degrees in all but one of the nation's 150 largest metropolitan areas, according to a new Next America analysis of data from the massive National Equity Atlas.

Likewise, the share of working-age Hispanic adults holding four-year college degrees lags behind the percentage of whites, often by enormous margins, in all but one of those 150 communities, the analysis found.

In each case, the sole exception was in a community with a very small proportion of minority adults. African-Americans exceed whites in college completion only in Fayetteville, Arkansas, where less than 2 percent of the total population is black. Hispanics exceed whites in college completion only in Pittsburgh, where Hispanics represent just 1.3 percent of the population. In most cities with large African-American and Hispanic populations, adults from those groups trail working-age whites in college completion by at least a double-digit margin.

High school degree attainment for whites and African-Americans, by city

Switch to undergraduate

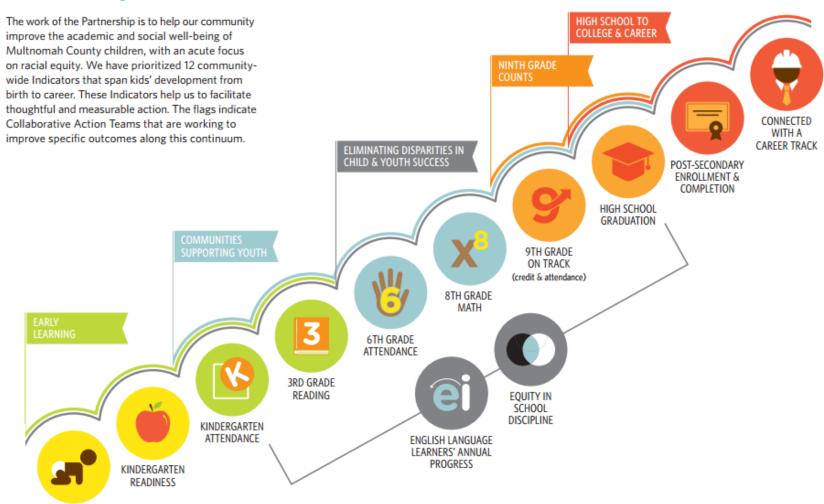


### Informing comprehensive initiatives:

## Multnomah County Cradle-to-Career Effort

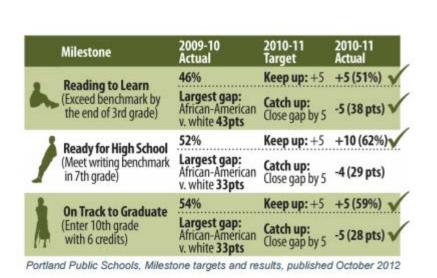
#### **Community-wide Indicators**

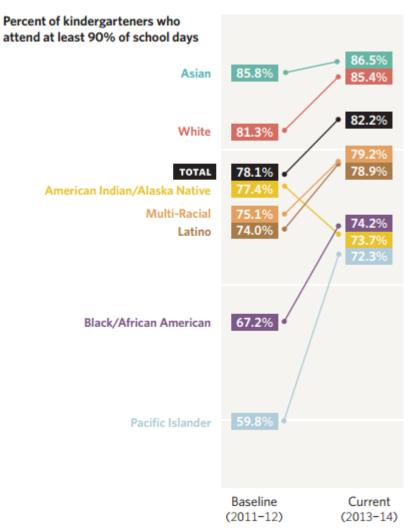
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