

Census 2020 hard-to-count

California's size, density and diversity historically have posed challenges to achieving an accurate Census count.

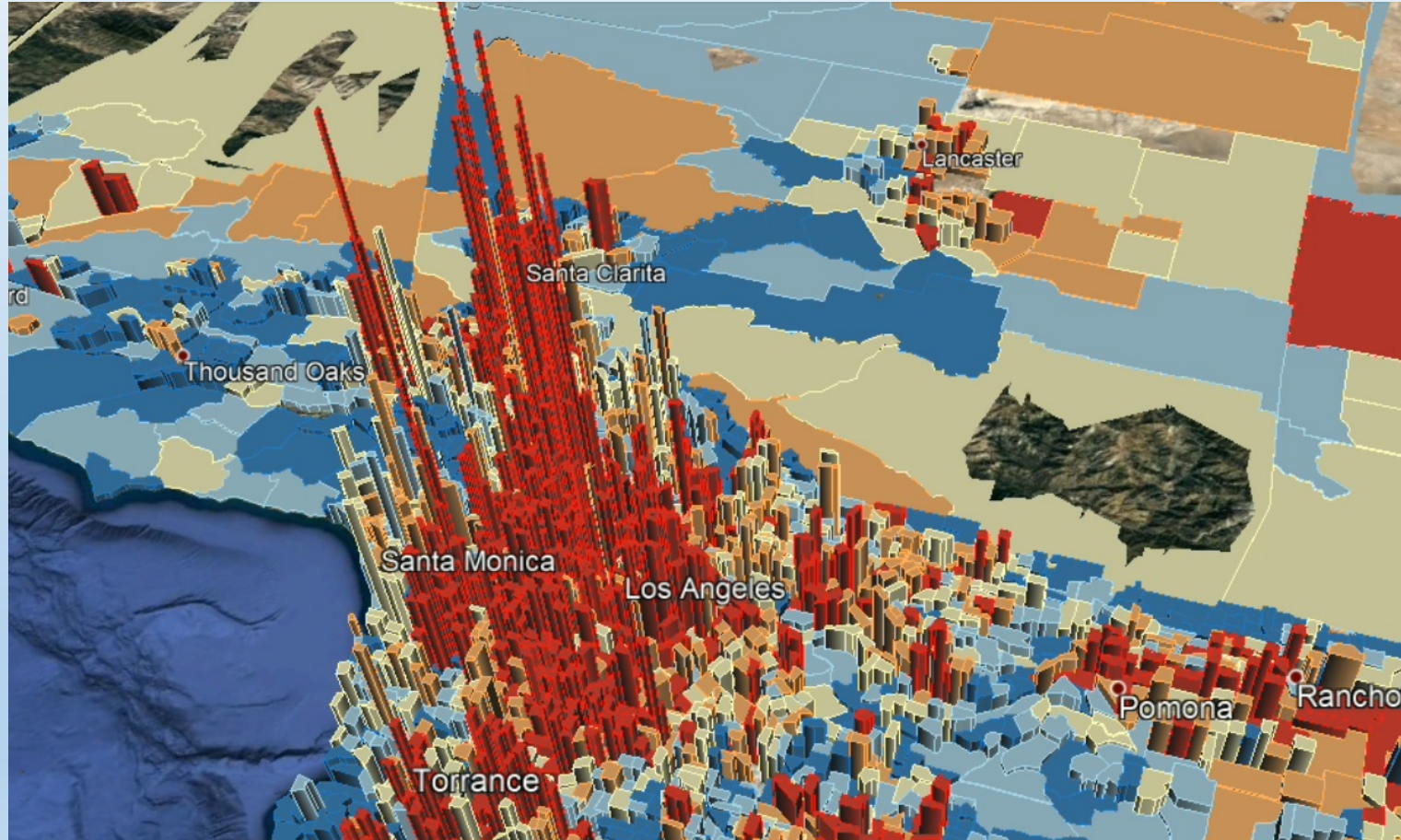
Identifying hard-to-count areas of California

- Low Response Score (U.S. Census Bureau)
- California Hard-to-Count Score (DOF Demographic Research Unit)
- Language Access Score (DOF Demographic Research Unit)
- 2010 Mail Response Rate
- Reasons often vary by area

Low Response Score

- Model created by the U.S. Census Bureau following the 2010 Census.
- Goal was to find mix of housing, demographic and socioeconomic variables that most closely predicted 2010 mail response rate.
- Based on American Community Survey.
- Recently released 2018 Planning Database included updated LRS
- CA tract LRS range from 0 to 45.2. Median of 23.6
- Nationwide tract LRS ranges from 0 to 49.1. Median of 20.3.

Low Response Score and population density



CA counties with highest population (LRS>28)

- Los Angeles County
- San Diego County
- San Bernardino County
- Orange County
- Riverside County
- Fresno County
- Alameda County
- Kern County
- Sacramento County
- Santa Clara County

CA counties compared to nation (LRS>28)

- Los Angeles County (1st)
- San Diego County (11th)
- San Bernardino County (12th)
- Orange County (15th)
- Riverside County (16th)
- Fresno County (21st)
- Alameda County (30th)
- Kern County (31st)
- Sacramento County (40th)
- Santa Clara County (41st)

California Hard-to-Count Score

More than a dozen variables correlated with potential challenges to enumeration in 2020 from American Community Survey and California Public Utilities Commission.

CA counties with highest pop. under CA-HTC

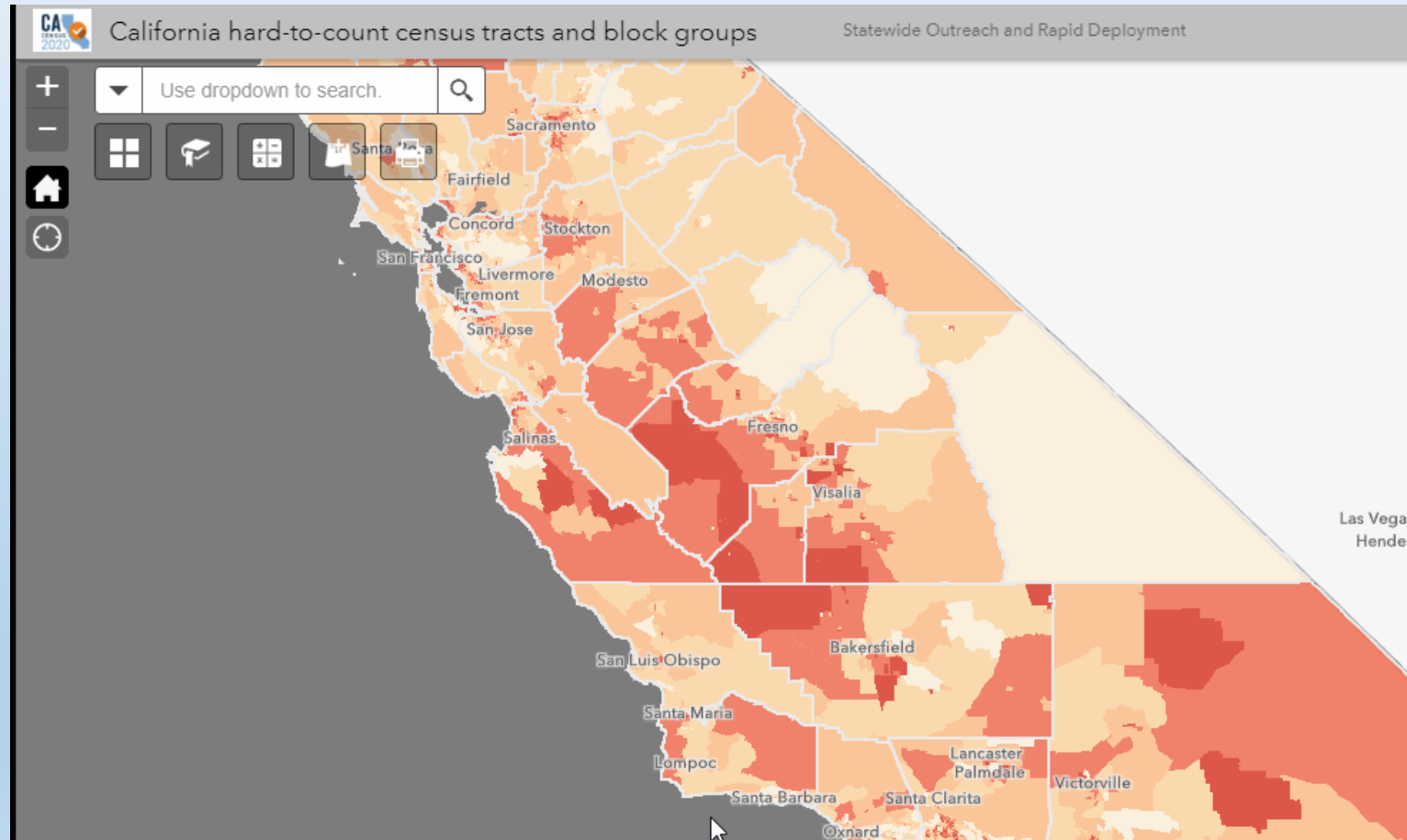
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Language access score

- Estimated percentage of a tract's 5-and-over population who speak English less than "very well."
- Number of non-English languages spoken

Interactive map of hard-to-count areas

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California counties

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County Maps: 2016 Planning Database Low Response Score (LRS) by Census Tract

- Alameda
- Alpine
- Amador
- Butte
- Calaveras
- Colusa
- Contra Costa
- Del Norte
- El Dorado
- Fresno
- Glenn
- Humboldt
- Imperial
- Kern
- Kings
- Lake
- Lassen
- Madera
- Marin
- Mariposa
- Mendocino