

### **Model-Based Early Estimates Update**

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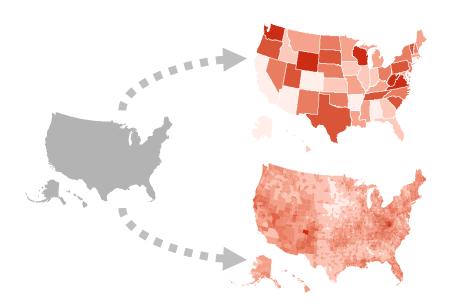
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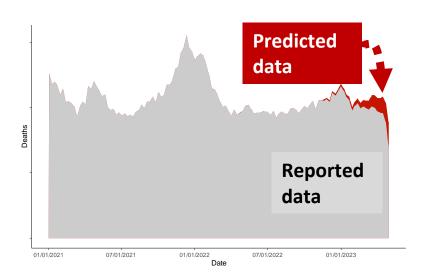
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### **Model-Based Early Estimates: Goals**

- Improve the timeliness and granularity of data
- Enable data to action





### **Model-Based Early Estimates: Timeline**

September 2023

January 2024

September 2024

# Implementation and Production

- Analytic tool for small domain estimation
- County-level estimates of deaths, births
- State-level estimates from the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)
- Analytic pipelines for other data systems
- Evaluation of methods for combining non-probability and probability data

# Ongoing Research and Development

- Continuous evaluation of estimates and methods
- Analytic support to data divisions and data users
- Research on new and emerging data science methods

#### Goal:

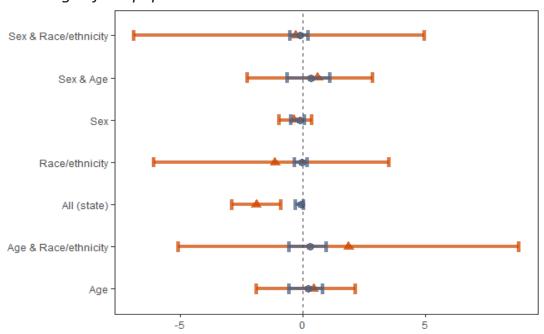
Production of state-level estimates from NHIS, by demographic group

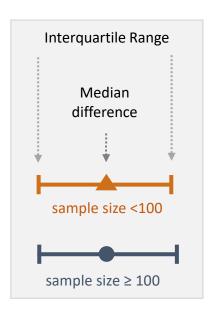
#### What we did:

- Implement small area estimation models
  - Similar to Census Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program
    - Area-level models
- Develop automated programs for estimation
- Evaluate estimates
- Develop data visualizations and dissemination products

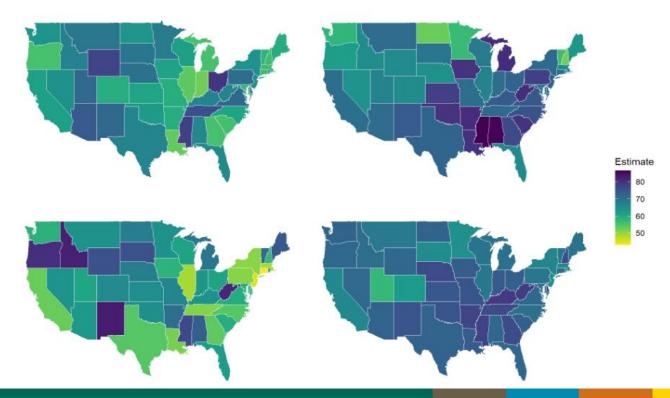
Median percentage point difference between direct estimate and SAE, by demographic stratification

Percentage of the population with 2 or more health conditions

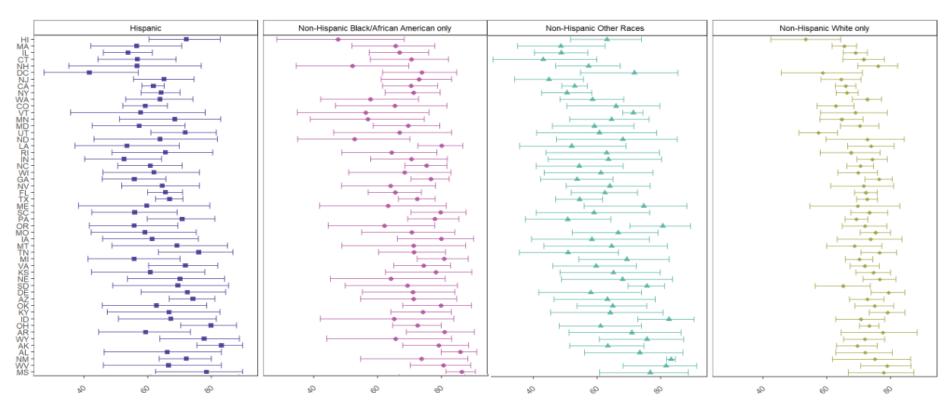




Estimated percentage of the population with 2 or more health conditions, by racial and ethnic group and state, 2021



Percentage of the population with 2 or more health conditions (and 95% CIs) by state and racial and ethnic group



#### Sample data visualization dashboards:

Estimates by age group

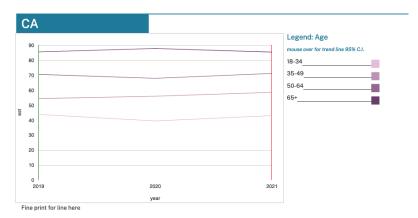
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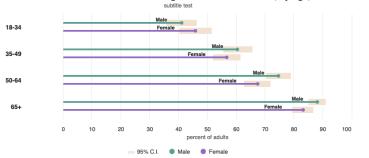


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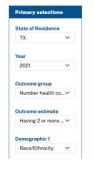


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Estimates by racial and ethnic group

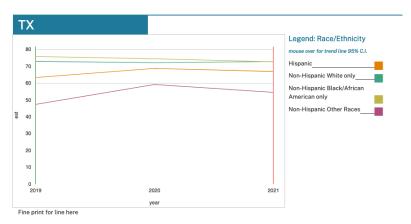
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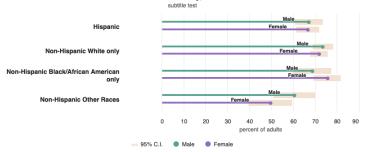


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#### **Model-Based Early Estimates: Next Steps**

- Documentation and dissemination products
  - Evaluation and testing
  - Further development of data visualization dashboards
- Expansion to other data systems
- Continue to develop implementation strategy
  - Guidance and technical assistance
  - Where should estimates be released?
    - Integrated into existing programs?
    - Separate 'experimental estimates' page?
  - How much uncertainty is too much?

# Questions?

For more information, contact CDC 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636) TTY: 1-888-232-6348 www.cdc.gov

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