

Community Disadvantage Index

- "Community disadvantage" is an index commonly used to summarize the general socio-economic conditions of an area. It is a combination of several measures gathered from the US Census and is generally considered to be more reliable than any single indicator used by itself.
- The CDI combines three weighted census tract measures: the percent of persons living below the federal poverty line, the percent of persons receiving public assistance, and the percent of families with minor children that are female-headed.
- CDI scores range from 0 to 10, where 10 indicates that the tracts are the most disadvantaged in the country and 0 indicates the least disadvantaged. Specifically, 9 indicates that the tract is more disadvantaged than 90% of other tracts in the country; 8 is more disadvantaged than 80% of tracts, etc.

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CDI	10	5	5

(Source: SMART Report/ Dr. Janet Lauritsen 2009)