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Title:

Measures matter for making meaning: Spatial segregation and perinatal outcomes

Abstract:

Segregation refers to the sorting or separation of people along socially constructed dimensions. Decades of research in sociology, demography, and epidemiology have highlighted the fundamental role of spatial racial and economic residential segregation in shaping population health. But how do we measure segregation and what does it mean about the production or reproduction of health-generating experiences? This presentation uses examples from perinatal epidemiology to explore segregation as health-protective ethnic enclaves, segregation as health-deleterious structural racism, and segregation in where we sleep (residential) compared to segregation in daily mobility (activity space).