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Examining and Addressing COVID-19 Racial Disparities in Detroit

Supplemental Appendices and Data

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This document contains supplemental data and information related to “[Examining and Addressing COVID-19 Racial Disparities in Detroit](#),” a Brookings Institution report released in March 2021.

Appendix A.1: Data Driven Detroit: Demographics and other Data about Detroit and the Tri-County Region

Data Driven Detroit compiled descriptive data from the APM Research Lab, U.S. Census American Community Survey, SBA Paycheck Protection Program Loan Level Data, City of Detroit Health Department, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Michigan Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives, Wayne County Treasurer’s Office, and Princeton Eviction Lab.

Focusing on the city of Detroit and Tri-County area, these data detailed COVID-19 cases and deaths, racial demographics, household income, people living in poverty, labor participation, health insurance, internet broadband access, housing burden issues, foreclosures and evictions, household composition, and single-parent households.

[Click here to download Appendix A.1 \(Excel spreadsheet\).](#)

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Appendix A.2: Detroit COVID-19 Impact Interview Questions

With consultation from New Detroit, we interviewed 13 key stakeholders who represent health, housing, education, employment, small business, food security, and public policy sectors. JFM Consulting led the stakeholder interviews and the Brookings team participated in the interview sessions, conducted transcriptions, and helped with coding and analysis.

Each participant was asked the same eight broad questions that allowed them to discuss the challenges and barriers to racial equity, while addressing what a long-term and inclusive recovery looks like for Detroit and the state of Michigan. The interviews gave an on the ground perspective of the impacts of COVID in Detroit. During the interviews, we also gathered insights into reactions to the most significant factors contributing to racial disparities and solicited input on policy recommendations.

[Click here to download Appendix A.2 \(Excel spreadsheet\).](#)

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Appendix A.3: Detroit Metro Area Communities Study (DMACS 2020)

This longitudinal panel survey conducted by the University of Michigan gathers data on the experiences and opinions of a representative sample of 1,200 Detroit residents. Survey data includes a range of topics pertinent to COVID19 including health and financial challenges, employment and health insurance changes, and views on race relations. Particularly relevant to interrogating racial disparities in Detroit, the survey includes census tract-level data.

We include data from Wave 10 of the survey, which were collected during spring/summer 2020.

The data were collected via an online survey, which respondents could access by computer, tablet, or smart phone or via interviewer-assistance by telephone. After data collection, the data were cleaned, coded, and analyzed by University of Michigan in close consultation and oversight from the Brookings team.

[Click here to download Appendix A.3 \(Excel spreadsheet\).](#)

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