



Applying the Urban Health Index to Shanghai, China

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Why Shanghai

- Largest city proper by population in the world
 - 24 million in total
 - 17 million in core district
 - $6,845/km^2$

CHINA

- Global financial center
 - GDP: US\$352.36 billion

Shanghai

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Examining the UHI for Shanghai

- Health determinants
 - Data source: 2000 Census Statistics
 - Small area unit: township (n=329)
 - Indicators
 - Economic, demographic, educational, and built environmental variables
 - Directions
 - make lower levels "worse" and higher levels "better"

Examining the UHI for Shanghai

- 10 indicators
 - Demographic
 - Non-agricultural population (%)
 - Economic
 - Employed population (%)
 - Professional and managerial job (%)
 - Education
 - Middle-school graduation (%)
 - High-school graduation (%)
 - Junior-college graduation (%)
 - Built environment
 - Household cooking using gas and electricity (%)
 - Household using tab water (%)
 - Household having its own bath heating facilities (%)
 - Household having its own lavatory (%)

• Standardize Indicators

$$I^{s} = \frac{I - \min^{*}(I)}{\max(I) - \min^{*}(I)}$$

Where $min^*(I)$ is the sample minimum minus small constant (0.1) to prevent zero values for I^s .

• Compute the Index using geometric mean of the standardized indicators

$$UHI = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} I_i^S\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

Shanghai UHI graph



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- 8 indicators
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- 6 indicators
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- 4 indicators
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Scaled Rank





Thank you! Questions?



