

Methods for Identifying Disadvantaged Communities

Method 1	Method 2	Method 3	Method 4	Method 5
CalEnviroScreen scores	Pollution Burden only	Population Characteristics only	Equal cutpoints	Low-Medium-High categories
Rank census tracts by each tract's CalEnviroScreen score (Pollution Burden score multiplied by its Population Characteristics score)	Rank census tracts based only on Pollution Burden scores	Rank census tracts based only on Population Characteristics scores	Rank only census tracts that are among highest scoring in both Pollution Burden and Population Characteristics	Rank only census tracts that have highest 50% of scores in both Pollution Burden and Population Characteristics
Identify "disadvantaged communities" as those in census tracts with top-scoring 15%, 20% or 25% of CalEnviroScreen scores	Identify "disadvantaged communities" as those in census tracts with top 15%, 20% or 25% Pollution Burden scores	Identify "disadvantaged communities" as those in census tracts with top 15%, 20% or 25% of Population Characteristics scores	Identify "disadvantaged communities" as those in census tracts that have the highest 15%, 20% or 25% of scores when pollution burden and population characteristics are weighted equally.	Identify "disadvantaged communities" as those in the top-scoring 25% of census tracts in both Pollution Burden and Population Characteristics; <i>and</i> in census tracts with the top 25% of Pollution Burden and top 50% of Population Characteristics scores; <i>and/or</i> in census tracts with the top 25% of Population Characteristics and top 50% of Pollution Burden scores.
Meets all SB 535 criteria	Meets two of four SB 535 criteria	Meets three of four SB 535 criteria	Meets all SB 535 criteria	Meets all SB 535 criteria