# Health impacts of air pollution in Fresno, California

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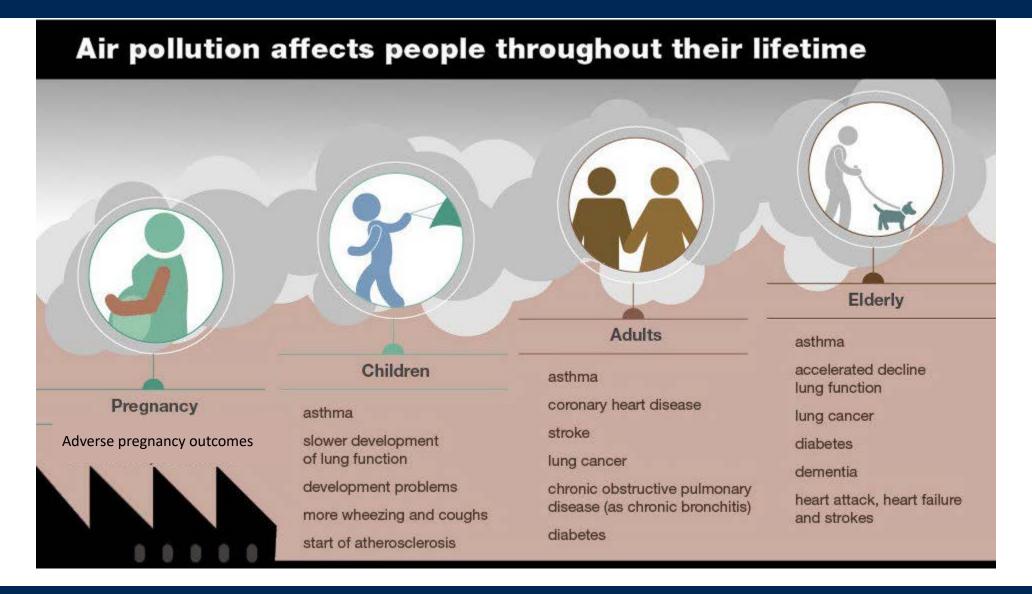


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#### Cities with the most pollution in the US, 2020 "State of the Air" report

#### Short-term particle pollution

- 1. Fresno-Madera-Hanford, California
- 2. Bakersfield, California
- 3. San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland, California
- 4. Fairbanks, Alaska
- 5. Yakima, Washington
- 6. Los Angeles-Long Beach, California
- 7. Missoula, Montana
- 8. Redding-Red Bluff, California
- 9. Salt Lake City-Provo-Orem, Utah
- 10. Phoenix-Mesa, Arizona

#### Year-round particle pollution

- 1. Bakersfield, California
- 2. Fresno-Madera-Hanford, California
- 3. Visalia, California
- 4. Los Angeles-Long Beach, California
- 5. San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland, California
- 6. Fairbanks, Alaska
- 7. Phoenix-Mesa, Arizona
- 8. El Centro, California
- 9. Pittsburgh-New Castle-Weirton, PA-OH-WV
- 10. Detroit-Warren-Ann Arbor, Michigan

#### Ozone pollution

- 1. Los Angeles-Long Beach, California
- 2. Visalia, California
- 3. Bakersfield, California
- Fresno-Madera-Hanford, California
- 5. Sacramento-Roseville, California
- 6. San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, California
- 7. Phoenix-Mesa, Arizona
- 8. San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland, California
- 9. Las Vegas-Henderson, Nevada
- 10. Denver-Aurora, Colorado





#### **Problem Statement**

 Fresno has higher rates of multiple health outcomes compared to the rest of the state

| Selected health outcomes                      | Fresno | CA  |
|---|--------|-----|
| Infant mortality (per 1000)                   | 5.9    | 3.9 |
| Preterm birth (%)                             | 10     | 8   |
| Childhood asthma (%)                          | 21     | 14  |
| Childhood asthma hospitalization (per 10,000) | 15.3   | 8.3 |
| Adults with heart disease (%)                 | 7      | 5.9 |

 Few studies have evaluated the impact of air pollution on health in Fresno, California



#### Aims

- 1. Assess the extent to which air pollution impacts the risk of common health outcomes across the lifespan in Fresno, CA.
- 2. Calculate the excess number of cases that are attributed to air pollution in the city
- 3. Explore residents' concerns, health outcomes, and needs that are relevant to air pollution in the region



## Methods

World Health Organization's general principles of health risk assessment of air pollution

Health impact assessment

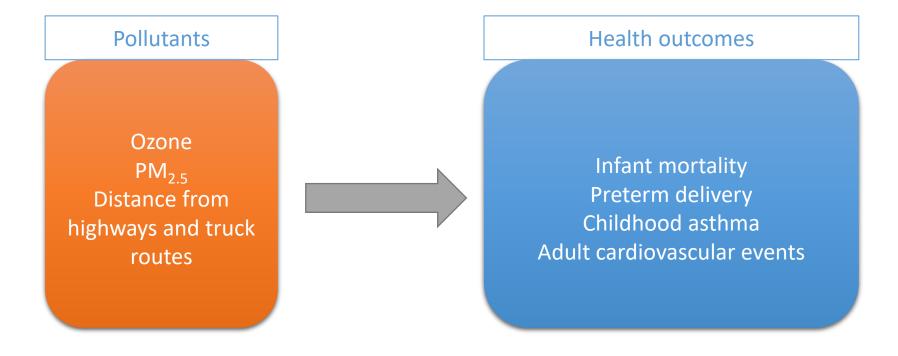
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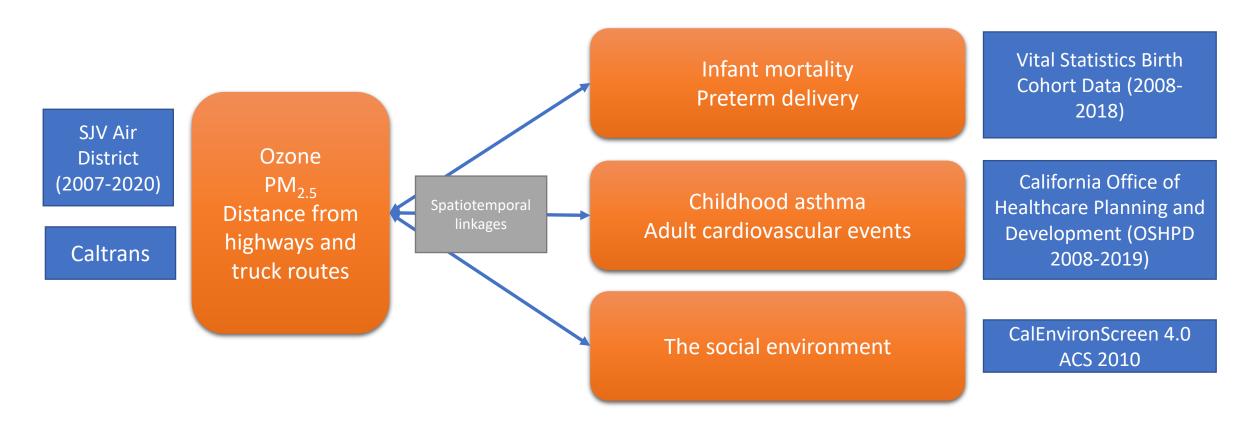
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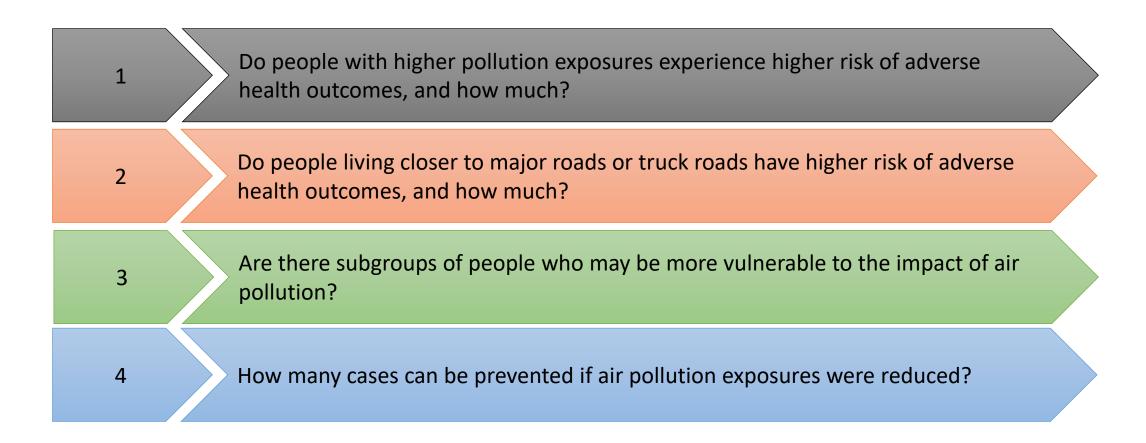
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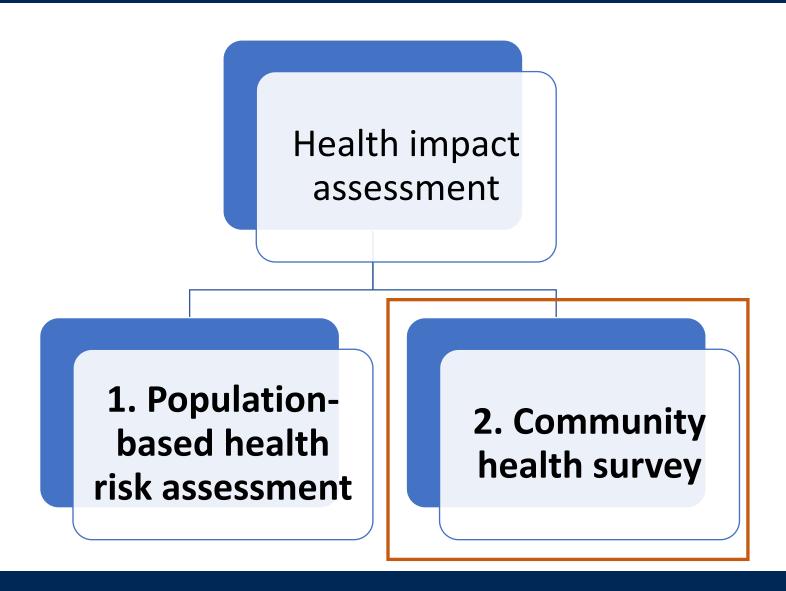
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Resulting linked dataset will answer:





## Methods





## 2. Community health survey

 Goal: to further understand residents' health experience relevant to air pollution exposures in the region



# 2. Community health survey

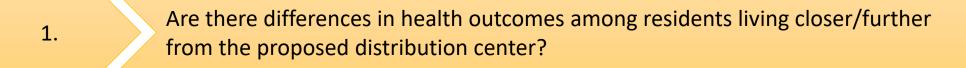
- Study sample: >1000
   Fresno residents
- The survey we will be administered by trained interviewers





## 2. Community health survey

#### Some questions that can be answered:



- 2. What environmental issues are residents most concerned about?
- How are residents' knowledge and perception about health risk related to air pollution? Where do they get their information from?
- What are the health needs among residents, particularly related to air pollution exposures?
- What are residents doing to protect themselves against pollution exposure?





## Summary

Health impact assessment

Provides populationbased estimates that are useful for health impact estimation, policy decisions, and community planning

1. Populationbased health risk assessment

2. Community health survey

further support policy decisions and intervention efforts



# Timeline

|  | 20 | 21            | 2022    |   |               |   |   |   |   |   | 2023 |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
|--|----|---------------|---------|---|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|------|---|---|---|---|---------------|---|---|---|---|
| Activities                                     | Q2 | Q3            | J       | F | М             | Α | М | ٦ | J | Α | S    | 0 | Ν | D | J | F             | М | Α | М | J |
| Finalize scope of work                         |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Assemble an interdisciplinary team             |    | $\Rightarrow$ |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Start weekly meetings with team                |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Survey design                                  |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| IRB and data requests                          |    |               | <b></b> |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Receipt of data                                |    |               | 1       |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Geocode birth certificate data                 |    |               |         |   | $\Rightarrow$ |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Health needs assessment survey *               |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   | × |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Data management and linkage (Vital statistics) |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| HRA 1 (adverse pregnancy outcomes)             |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   | X |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| Data management and linkage (OSHPD)            |    |               |         |   | _             | • | _ |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   |   |
| HRA 2 (childhood asthma)                       |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   | _ |      |   |   |   |   | $\Rightarrow$ | Χ |   |   |   |
| HRA 3 (cardiovascular events)                  |    |               |         |   |               |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |               |   |   |   | X |

