# Mapping Tutorial

**To get started, click on "Start Tutorial" or "Skip Tutorial".**

**"Start Tutorial" provides a guided tour and explanation of the processes utilized to review the data and interpretation of the analysis.**

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Columbus Public Health's Food Mapping initiative can provide a useful tool for identifying areas where access to healthy foods may be a concern. Just as important, it can help to target community efforts to increase access to healthy foods in these neighborhoods. For more information, contact Richard Hicks, Office of Health Planning, at (614) 645-6189.

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Columbus Public Health

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## INTRODUCTION

The Columbus Public Health Food Mapping initiative geographically shows areas of the city where it may be much more difficult to buy fresh, nutritious food compared to less nutritious food.

Knowing where these areas are found is important because people generally use the types of food sources closest to them. Living in areas where it's harder to buy healthy, nutritious food makes it more difficult for people to have healthy diets. Poor diets contribute to many serious health conditions – including overweight, obesity and diabetes. But knowing where these problem areas are can help to more effectively target work to reverse this situation.

The inter-active PDF map shows how areas of food "imbalance" were determined, where these areas are found, and the locations of many community initiatives being developed to address the problem. Click on the prompt below to learn more….

First time users, click here

Returning users - start mapping!

Layers & Legend

Highways

Franklin County

Zipcodes

Sources & Analysis

Grocery

Fast Food

Food Balance Ratio (FBR)

<1

1 - 2.49

>=2.5

Distance from nearest grocery store over distance to nearest fast food by Columbus census blocks.

Food Sources

Farmers Market

Community Gardens

Selected Corner Stores

Open/Close Zoom Tool

Introduction

What is Food Balance Ratio (FBR)?

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