

## **FHOP Publications - Data Analysis Methods/ Guidelines**

### **Title V 5-Year Needs Assessment Indicators: Databooks 2000 to 2011** [1]

The 2013 version of the set of Title V Indicator DataBooks has changed in a few important ways. The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the DataBooks and to introduce implications for using the DataBooks to inform local monitoring and planning activities. (October 2013)

### **Technical Guide for Using Title V 5-Year Needs Assessment Indicators: Databooks 1994-2005** [2]

This guide is an updated description of methods used to make DataBooks and how to interpret them. When first written in 2005, its purpose was to introduce DataBooks to local health jurisdictions and provide simple descriptions of how to interpret them. In this modest revision, we updated the example tables and figures to correspond with the 2005 data currently available, verified links, and made modest text edits. The monograph remains the best single place to learn about the DataBooks. (December 2007)

### **The Impact of Birth Certificate Data Quality in California On Birth Related Health Indicators in 2003** [3]

The California Center for Health Statistics (CHS) initiated an effort to improve the quality of information for the certificate of live births. (August 2006)

### **Do We Have a Linear Trend?** [4]

Monitoring trends in community health status is an important public health function. Statewide trends may differ from local trends. Monitoring trends also is of value in assessing the impact of public health interventions. It is important that program staff distinguish between significant differences in a number or rate from year to year, and significant trends over 5 or more years. However, few public health managers have the analytic expertise to determine whether a trend may be occurring and, if so, whether it is statistically significant. These guidelines are intended to help program staff and epidemiologists from local health jurisdictions make such determinations. (2005)

Linear Trend Explanations and Examples [5]

### **Guidelines on Race/Ethnicity Data Collection, Coding and Reporting for Year 2003** [6]

This document is intended to help institute compliance with the new national racial/ethnic data collection standards while also fulfilling California's need for consistent and more specific data given the unparalleled complexity of its population. (January 2003)

### **Guidelines for Statistical Analysis of Public Health Data with Attention to Small Numbers** [7]

These guidelines are intended to serve as an informal standard of practice for data analysts and program planners. (July 2003)

### **Unique Identifiers, Discussion, Recommendations, and Testing** [8]

An overview of criteria for selecting a unique identifier through a process that included a

literature review, convening a group of experts to participate in the Unique ID Subcommittee, a survey of county MCAH directors and state program directors on uses of client tracking systems and preferences on approaches, a confidentiality and ethical literature review and participation on various state committees also studying unique ID such as the school linked data project (CIDC) and the California Health Information for Policy Project (CHIPP).(February 1995)

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