Indices of Deprivation 2004 for England

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Structure of presentation

- ◆Introduction to Indices of Deprivation in the UK
- ◆Indices of Deprivation 2004 for England (ID 2004)
- ♦ Use of the 2001 Census in the ID 2004
 - *Geography
 - *Denominators
 - *Indicators
- ◆Questions and discussion

Introduction to Indices of Deprivation in the UK

What are Indices of Deprivation?

- ◆ Relative measure of social deprivation at small area level
- Multidimensional (i.e. not just restricted to income deprivation)
- Covers an entire country (e.g. England / Wales / Scotland / Northern Ireland)
- ◆ 'Snap shot' of situation at a particular point in time
- ◆ Can be combined to form 'Index of Multiple Deprivation'

Recent Indices of Deprivation

- ◆Index of Local Conditions, 1991
- ◆Index of Local Deprivation, 1998
- ◆Indices of Deprivation 2000 (ID2000)
- Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2000
- ◆Northern Ireland Measures of Multiple Deprivation 2001
- ◆Index of Deprivation for Scotland 2003
- ◆English Indices of Deprivation 2004 (ID2004)

Indices of Deprivation 2004 for England

ID 2004

- ◆ Commissioned by the Neighbourhood Renewal Unit (NRU) at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM)
- ◆Developed by the Social Disadvantage Research Centre (SDRC) at the University of Oxford

Objective

- ◆To create a relative measure of multiple deprivation at small area level
- ◆Which is up-to-date and updateable

Usage

- Targeting of resources
 - **★**Neighbourhood Renewal Fund
 - **★**Area Based Initiatives (ABIs)
- Good summary measure of neighbourhood level deprivation therefore used as ecological explanatory factor in many analyses

Model of Multiple Deprivation

- ◆ Deprivation is (like social exclusion) multi-dimensional.
- ◆ Multiple Deprivation can therefore be conceptualised as the combination of individual dimensions or domains of deprivation.
- ◆ The individual Dimensions or Domains must be identified and carefully defined.
- ◆ Indicators are selected for each domain which are the best possible direct measures of that dimension of deprivation.
- ◆ The indicators are combined to create an **overall relative measure** of that dimension of deprivation.
- ◆ Domains are combined to form an overall **Index of Multiple Deprivation** (statistical techniques used to control cancellation effects)

Domains of Deprivation in the ID 2004

- ◆ Income Deprivation Domain
- ◆ Employment Deprivation Domain
- Health Deprivation and Disability Domain
- Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain
- ◆ Barriers to Housing and Services Domain
- **♦** Crime Domain
- ◆ The Living Environment Deprivation Domain

Use of the 2001 Census in the ID 2004

Geography

English Geography (2001 Census)

England

9 Regions

354 Local Authority Districts

7932 Wards*

32,482 Super Output Areas (SOAs)**

165,665 Output Areas (OAs)

* 2001 Census 'Standard Table' Wards

** 'Lower Layer' SOAs

Census Output Area Geography

- ◆ 2001 Census OAs...
 - ...were built from clusters of adjacent unit postcodes
 - ...reflect characteristics of the actual Census data (tenure & dwelling type)
 - ...were therefore defined after data processing
 - ...were designed to have similar population size
 - ...and be as socially homogeneous as possible
 - ...avoid urban / rural mixes where possible
 - ...have approximately regular shapes
 - ...were constrained by obvious boundaries
 - ...were required to have a specified minimum population size

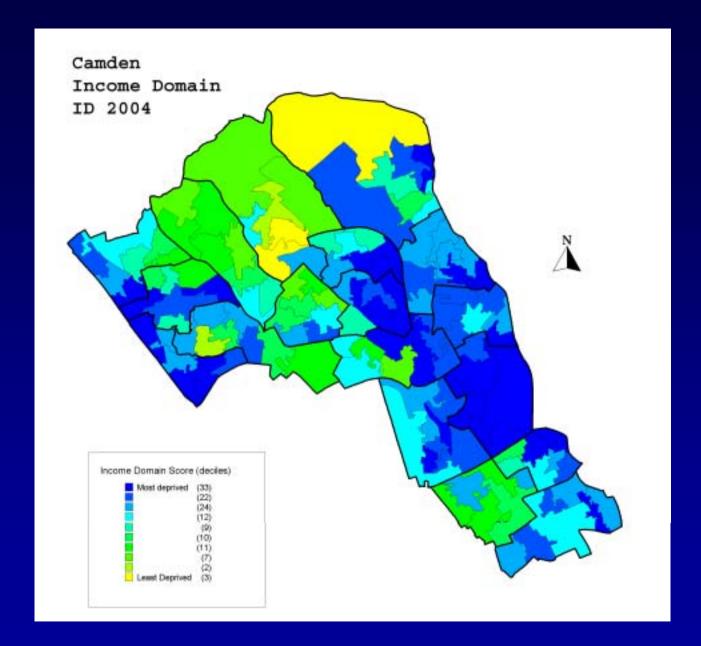
Census Super Output Area Geography

- ◆3 'Layers' of Super Output Area geography:
 - ★Lower Layer: min pop=1000; mean pop=1500

 Built from OAs (typically 5) & constrained by ST wards
 - ★Middle Layer: min pop=5000; mean pop=7200
 Built from SOAs & constrained by LAs
 - **★**Upper Layer: to be determined; max pop=25000

The Geography of the ID 2004

- Prior to ID 2004, all UK Indices used electoral wards problematic because of
 - ★ very large variation in size effectively hiding deprivation (range from 100 to 35,000 people)
 - *and constant ward boundary changes
- ◆ ID 2004 uses 'Lower Layer' Super Output Areas (SOAs) to overcome these shortcomings and enable better targeting of small areas (approx 1500 people each)



Denominators

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- ◆ Most indicators constructed as rates
 - ★e.g. rate of benefit receipt
 - **★**e.g. rate of entry into higher education
 - ★e.g. rate of mortality/morbidity
 - **★**e.g. rate of crime victimisation
- ◆Denominators need to estimate 'at-risk' population
- ◆Denominators need to be indicator-specific

Denominators

- ◆Most indicators based on data for 2001
- Most indicators required denominators based on resident population only – but minus prison population!
- ◆ Various different age/sex breakdown requirements
- ◆Estimates needed at SOA level for the whole of England

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- population-based denom

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Indicators

Types of data used

- ◆Primarily 'administrative data'
 - ★e.g. Benefits data (DWP)
 - ★e.g. Pupil attainment data (DfES)
 - ★e.g. Hospital Episode Statistics (DoH)
 - ★e.g. Recorded crime data (39 police forces)
- ◆But also...
 - ♦ Survey data
 - ♦ 2001 Census data

2001 Census-based indicators

- Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain
 - * 'Working age adults (aged 25-59) with no or low qualifications'
- ◆ Barriers to Housing and Services Domain
 - **★** 'Household overcrowding'
- Living Environment Deprivation Domain
 - * 'Houses without central heating'

To conclude...

- ◆ID 2004 is a key resource allocation mechanism
- ◆2001 Census utilised heavily
- ◆3 main areas of use:
 - **★**Geography
 - *Denominators
 - *Indicators

Thank you

Questions & Discussion