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CHAPTER 7

7 POPULATION AND SOCIOECONOMIC DATA

The sociodemographic data used in AOP, including aggregate information on the spatial distribution of the population and of their characteristics in terms of income per capita, race, sex and age, comes from the 2010 Census. This dataset can be downloaded in R with the `read_population()` function from the `{aopdata}` package. This function takes a `city` parameter, used to indicate the city whose data must be downloaded. To include the spatial information of each grid cell when downloading the data, the `geometry` parameter, which defaults to `FALSE`, must take the value `TRUE`.

In the example below, we show how to download the population and socioeconomic data of Fortaleza:

```
data_fortaleza <- aopdata::read_population(  
  city = "Fortaleza",  
  year = 2010,  
  geometry = TRUE,  
  showProgress = FALSE  
)
```

The output includes the Census reference year, columns identifying the grid cells and the municipality and socioeconomic data in multiple columns with encoded names:

```
names(data_fortaleza)  
  
[1] "year"      "id_hex"     "abbrev_muni" "name_muni"   "code_muni"  
[6] "P001"       "P002"       "P003"       "P004"       "P005"  
[11] "P006"       "P007"       "P010"       "P011"       "P012"  
[16] "P013"       "P014"       "P015"       "P016"       "R001"  
[21] "R002"       "R003"       "geometry"
```

Table 12 presents the data dictionary with the description of each column, as well as observations about some of the values. This description can also be found in the documentation of the function, running the command `? read_population` in an R session.

TABLE 12
Description of the columns in the population and socioeconomic dataset

Column	Description	Observation
year	Reference year	-
id_hex	Unique hexagon identifier	-
abbrev_muni	3-letter abbreviation of municipality name	-
name_muni	Municipality name	-
code_muni	7-digit municipality IBGE code	-
P001	Total number of people	-
P002	Number of white people	-
P003	Number of black people	-
P004	Number of indigenous people	-
P005	Number of people of yellow color	-
P006	Number of men	-
P007	Number of women	-
P010	Number of people from 0 to 5 years old	-
P011	Number of people from 6 to 14 years old	-
P012	Number of people from 15 to 18 years old	-
P013	Number of people aged 19 to 24 years old	-
P014	Number of people aged 25 to 39 years old	-
P015	Number of people aged 40 to 69 years old	-
P016	Number of people aged 70 years old and over	-
R001	Average income per capita	Values from 2010, in Brazilian Reais (BRL)
R002	Income quintile	Values range from 1 (poorest) to 5 (richest)
R003	Income decile	Values range from 1 (poorest) to 10 (richest)
geometry	Spatial geometry	-

Authors' elaboration.

The following sections show a few examples illustrating how to create spatial visualizations out of this dataset.

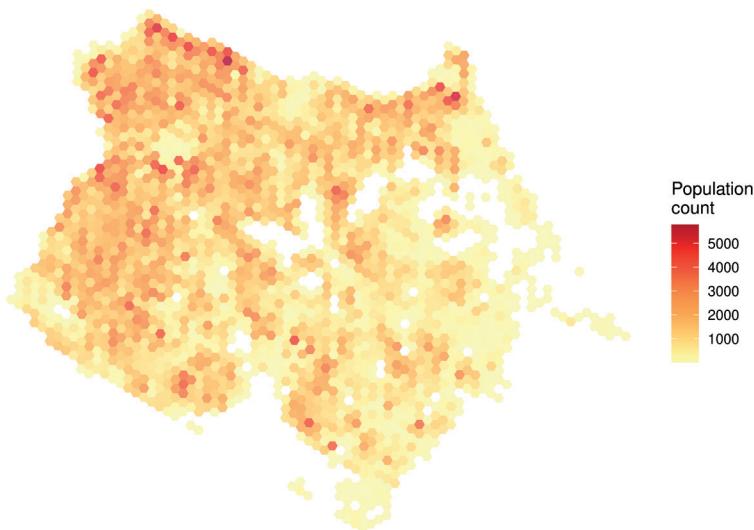
7.1 Population spatial distribution

In the code below, we load a couple data visualization packages and configure the map. With a single command, we can visualize the population spatial distribution in Fortaleza. The figure shows a choropleth map in which the color of each grid cell represents the number of people that reside there (variable P001).

```
library(patchwork)
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(subset(data_fortaleza, P001 > 0)) +
  geom_sf(aes(fill = P001), color = NA, alpha = 0.8) +
  scale_fill_distiller(palette = "YlOrRd", direction = 1) +
  labs(fill = "Population\ncount") +
  theme_void()
```

FIGURE 23
Population spatial distribution in Fortaleza



Source: Figure generated by the code snippet above.

7.2 Population spatial distribution by race

Besides reporting the total population count in each cell, the dataset also includes information on population count by race (variables P002 to P005), sex (variables P006 and P007) and age (variables P010 to P016). The code below illustrates how simple it is to calculate the proportion of black and white people in each hexagon and visualize this information on a map.

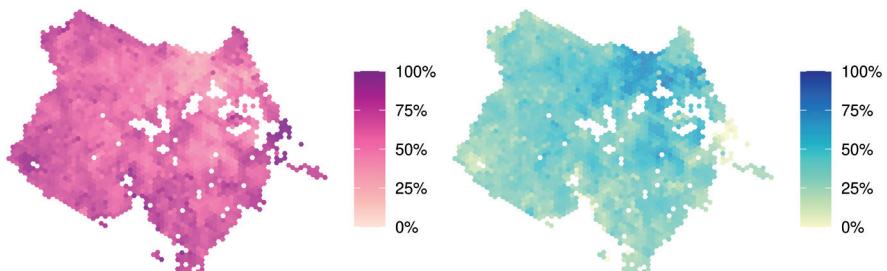
```
pop_black <- ggplot(subset(data_fortaleza, P001 > 0)) +  
  geom_sf(aes(fill = P003 / P001), color = NA, alpha = 0.8) +  
  scale_fill_distiller(  
    name = NULL,  
    palette = "RdPu",  
    direction = 1,  
    labels = scales::percent,  
    limits = c(0, 1)  
  ) +  
  labs(title = "Proportion of black people") +  
  theme_void()  
  
pop_white <- ggplot(subset(data_fortaleza, P001 > 0)) +  
  geom_sf(aes(fill = P002 / P001), color = NA, alpha = 0.8) +  
  scale_fill_distiller(  
    name = NULL,  
    palette = "YlGnBu",  
    direction = 1,  
    labels = scales::percent,  
    limits = c(0, 1)  
  ) +  
  labs(title = "Proportion of white people") +  
  theme_void()  
  
pop_black + pop_white
```

FIGURE 24

Proportion of black and white people in Fortaleza

Proportion of black people

Proportion of white people



Source: Figure generated by the code snippet above.

7.3 Income spatial distribution

Finally, the dataset also includes information on the average income per capita of each hexagon (R001) and their classification in terms of income quintile (R002) and decile (R003). Using this data, we can visualize the income spatial distribution in the city.

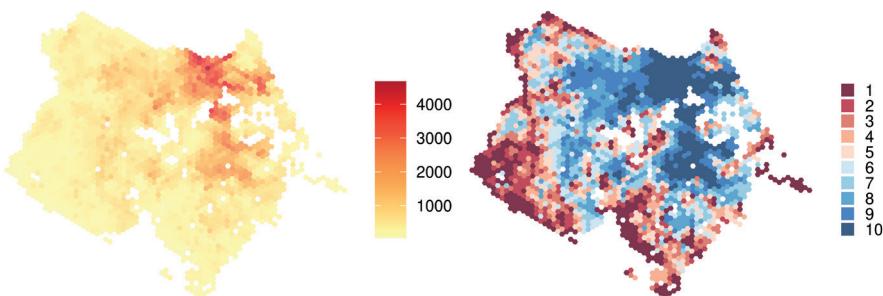
```
income <- ggplot(subset(data_fortaleza, P001 > 0)) +  
  geom_sf(aes(fill = R001), color = NA, alpha = 0.8) +  
  scale_fill_distiller(name = NULL, palette = "YlOrRd", direction = 1) +  
  labs(title = "Average income per capita (BRL)") +  
  theme_void()  
  
deciles <- ggplot(subset(data_fortaleza, !is.na(R002))) +  
  geom_sf(aes(fill = factor(R003)), color = NA, alpha = 0.8) +  
  scale_fill_brewer(name = NULL, palette = "RdBu") +  
  labs(title = "Income deciles") +  
  theme_void() +  
  theme(legend.key.size = unit(0.3, "cm"))  
  
income + deciles
```

FIGURE 25

Income spatial distribution in Fortaleza

Average income per capita (BRL)

Income deciles



Source: Figure generated by the code snippet above.

