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# COVID-19 IN COCHISE COUNTY: USING STATISTICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE ANALYSES TO IDENTIFY HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS

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# OUTLINE

- Cochise County COVID-19  $R_0$
- Descriptive analysis of COVID-19 risk factors in Cochise County

# WHAT IS $R_0$ ?

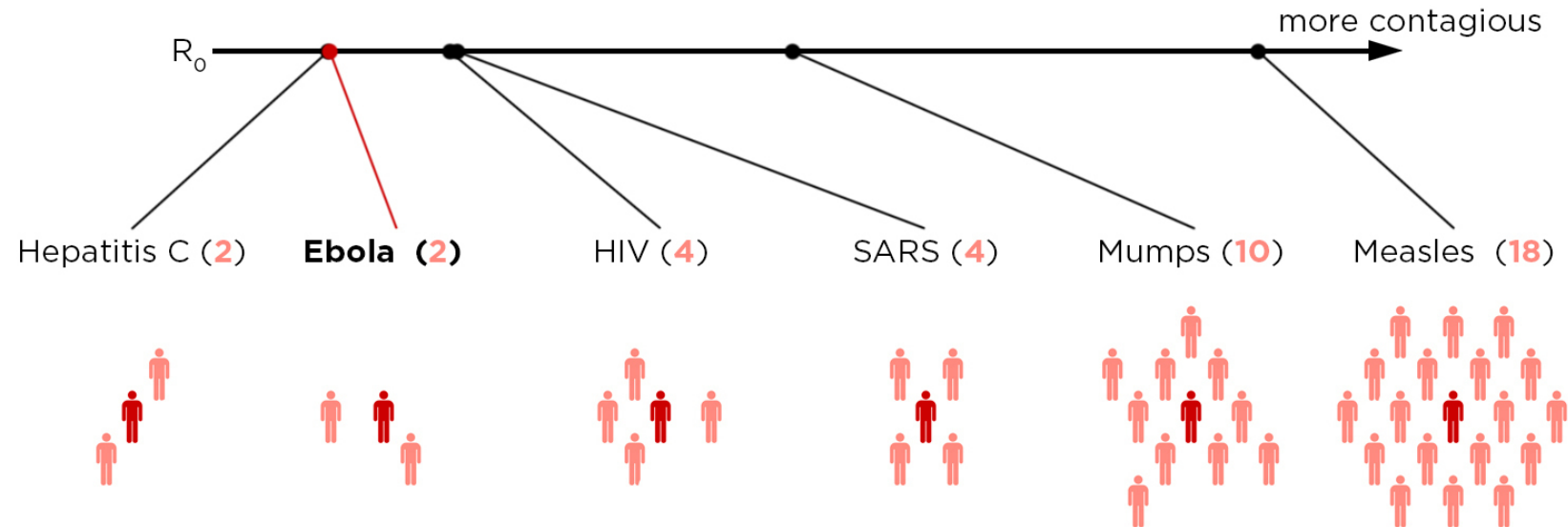
- Useful to identify COVID-19 transmission hot spots
- Limitations (Delamater et al., 2019)
  - Varies depending on:
    - Geographical location
    - Time
    - Social/behavioral trends
  - Assumes exposure only occurs within defined location

- Calculation (Pandit, 2020):

$$R_0 = \frac{\beta}{\mu}$$

$\beta$  = rate of infection  
 $\mu$  = rate of recovery

The number of **people** that **one sick person** will infect (on average) is called  $R_0$ . Here are the maximum  $R_0$  values for a few viruses.



Source: (Douceff, 2014)

Table 1: Mean R0 and median, min, and max daily R0 for COVID-19 in Cochise County AZ, stratified by year total through November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020, month, and event.

	Mean Ro (SD)	Median Ro	Min Ro	Max Ro
<b>Cochise County</b>				
<b>March 12<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 30<sup>th</sup></b>	1.04 (0.17)	1.01	0.47	2.00
<b>Month</b>				
<b>March</b>	1.15 (0.32)	1.00	1.00	2.00
<b>April</b>	1.00 (0.23)	1.00	0.71	1.86
<b>May</b>	1.11 (0.23)	1.08	0.75	2.00
<b>June</b>	1.05 (0.05)	1.05	0.96	1.14
<b>July</b>	0.98 (0.07)	0.98	0.85	1.17
<b>August</b>	0.97 (0.19)	0.98	0.47	1.74
<b>September</b>	1.02 (0.11)	1.01	0.79	1.27
<b>October</b>	1.05 (0.09)	1.04	0.90	1.34
<b>November</b>	1.05 (0.08)	1.05	0.91	1.27
<b>Event</b>				
<b>Pre-AZ Shutdown</b>	1.15 (0.32)	1.00	1.00	2.00
<b>AZ Shutdown</b>	1.03 (0.25)	1.00	0.71	2.00
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Wave (Post-AZ Shutdown)</b>	1.04 (0.11)	1.03	0.85	1.70
<b>Back-to-School</b>	1.00 (0.16)	1.00	0.47	1.74
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Wave (Fall)</b>	1.05 (0.09)	1.04	0.90	1.34

## R<sub>0</sub> RESULTS (GENERAL)

Table 2: Mean R0 and median, min, and max daily R0 for COVID-19 for the top ten-affected cities in Cochise County through November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

	Mean Ro (SD)	Median Ro	Min Ro	Max Ro
<i>Benson</i>	1.03 (0.27)	1.00	0.00	3.00
<i>Bisbee</i>	1.02 (0.29)	1.00	0.00	3.00
<i>Douglas</i>	1.04 (0.27)	1.00	0.00	3.00
<i>Fort Huachuca</i>	1.01 (0.29)	1.00	0.00	3.00
<i>Hereford</i>	1.03 (0.34)	1.00	0.00	3.50
<i>Huachuca City</i>	1.02 (0.41)	1.00	0.00	6.00
<i>Naco</i>	1.02 (0.23)	1.00	0.00	2.33
<i>Pirtleville</i>	1.01 (0.26)	1.00	0.00	2.00
<i>Sierra Vista</i>	1.14 (0.20)	1.09	1.00	2.20
<i>Willcox</i>	1.03 (0.25)	1.00	0.00	3.00

## R<sub>0</sub> RESULTS STRATIFIED BY CITY

# POSSIBLE IMPLEMENTATIONS



- If caught in a timely manner,  $R_0$  can indicate which cities need additional health messaging
- Can aid in investigating super-spreader events

# DESCRIPTIVE ANALYSIS PURPOSE

- Helps verify at-risk populations based on demographics, such as age or comorbidities (Wang et al., 2020)
- Gives an understanding of COVID-19 incidence

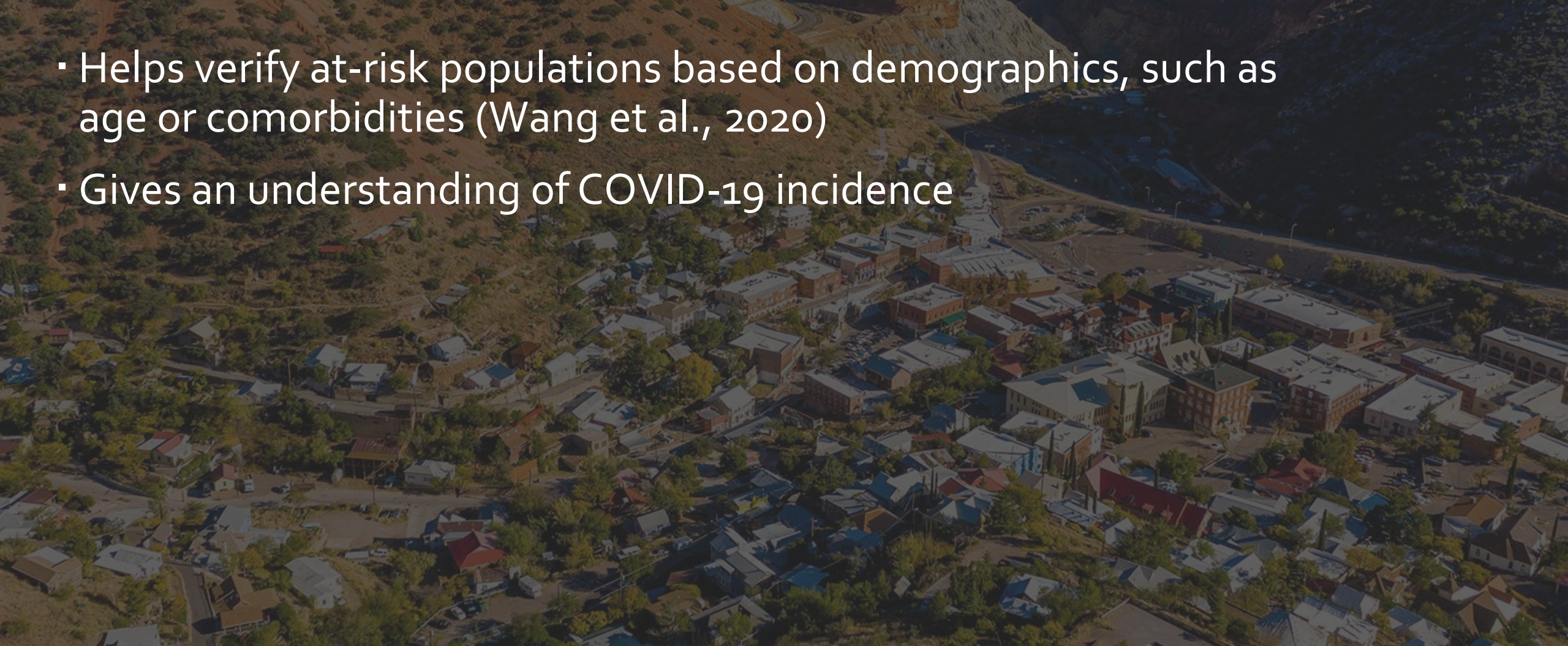



Table 3: Frequency and percentage of Cochise County residents diagnosed with COVID-19 between March 12<sup>th</sup> and November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 who report experiencing symptoms.

Experienced Symptoms	Number of Cases	% of total cases
Yes	863	31.28
No	1896	68.72

# SYMPTOMS

Table 4: Demographic summary of number and percentage of Cochise County residents diagnosed with COVID-19 between March – November 2020 who report experiencing symptoms, stratified by age.

<b>Age group (years)</b>	<b>Number of Cases experiencing COVID-19 symptoms</b>	<b>% of total cases in each age group</b>
<11	27	19.71
11 – 20	75	25.34
21 – 30	144	30.19
31 – 40	50	32.19
41 – 50	134	31.90
51 – 60	127	33.51
61 – 70	84	31.34
71 – 80	70	35.00
81 – 90	43	43.43
91 - 97	9	52.94



## AGE INFLUENCE ON SYMPTOMS

Table 5: Demographic summary of number and percentage of Cochise County residents diagnosed with COVID-19 between March – November 2020 who reported working in a high-risk occupation, stratified by age

Age group (years)	Number of Cases	% of total cases in age group
<11	4	2.92
11 – 20	23	7.77
21 – 30	42	8.81
31 – 40	47	10.09
41 – 50	48	11.43
51 – 60	26	6.86
61 – 70	16	5.97
71 – 80	21	10.50
81 – 90	15	15.15
91 - 97	3	17.65

## HIGH-RISK OCCUPATIONS

Table 6: Frequency and percentages of Cochise County residents who were both diagnosed with and reported experienced symptoms of COVID-19 between March 12<sup>th</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020, stratified by selected comorbidities.

	Number of COVID-19 Cases	% Experiencing COVID Symptoms	Pearson $\chi^2$ Statistic
<b>Immunocompromised</b>			
Yes	111	95.50	< 0.0001
No	2648	28.59	
<b>Diabetes</b>			
Yes	120	90.83	< 0.0001
No	2639	28.57	
<b>Hypertension</b>			
Yes	177	87.57	< 0.0001
No	2582	27.42	
<b>Allergies</b>			
Yes	190	94.21	< 0.0001
No	2569	23.23	
<b>History of Smoking</b>			
Yes	99	94.95	< 0.0001
No	2660	28.91	

## COMORBIDITIES AND SYMPTOMS

# SUMMARY

- Stratifying  $R_0$  by city and time can aid in identifying COVID-19 high-risk locations
- Less than half of interviewed Cochise County residents diagnosed with COVID-19 report experiencing symptoms
- Number of cases diagnosed with COVID-19 who report experiencing symptoms increases with age
- Low percentages of cases diagnosed with COVID-19 from each age group report working in high-risk occupations
- High percentages of cases diagnosed with COVID-19 who also have comorbid conditions report experiencing COVID-19 symptoms

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