

# Module 2: EDDE Basics

## Introduction to the Equitable Development Data Explorer (EDDE)

- The EDDE is an interactive, map-based data tool created by the Departments of City Planning (DCP) and Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) as a way to help New Yorkers understand challenges of housing and displacement in New York City around the lens of racial equity.
- The Tool can be found at <https://equitableexplorer.planninglabs.nyc/> or by going to the Department of City Planning's [Maps and Geography page](#) under the Data & Tools tab on their website.

## Navigating the Maps

- The EDDE is made up of two main map views – the **Community Data view** and the **Displacement Risk Map view**.
- Both of these maps provide key demographic, housing, and quality of life data at different geographic levels (community district, borough, and city). Data at each geographic level helps in identifying and defining a community's needs and characteristics.
- **Zoom**
  - You can manually zoom in and out by clicking on the plus (+) and minus (-) buttons on the top left of the map.
  - You can also zoom in and out by scrolling up and down using your mouse wheel if you're using a mouse **or** by pinching inwards and outwards using your trackpad if you're using a laptop.
- **Moving the Map**
  - You can move the map around by left-clicking on your mouse or trackpad and moving your mouse or finger around.
  - Reset to the original view by clicking the arrow button below the zoom buttons on the top left.
- **Changing Map View**
  - Next to the map controls, there are buttons to switch between the Community Data and Displacement Risk Map views.
  - On the Community Data view, there are buttons to switch between **three distinct geographic levels – Community District, Borough, and Citywide**. You'll see that the map changes the boundary lines at each level.

## Non-Map Pages

- From the top bar, You can reach the **About page** which describes what information is available from the tool's map layers, the ways that the tool can be used for land use

actions, and where you can find details on the methods and research used for creating the tool.

- The **Methods & Sources page**, provides more detail on the methods used by DCP and HPD to decide what data to include in both map layers. It includes:
  - where all of the data in the EDDE is gathered from,
  - how these city agencies define key data terms,
  - why certain data were combined to measure displacement, and
  - what data the city considers most reliable.
- The **Data Dictionary** provides the list of specific data that the City used to create the EDDE and the DRM. It defines the type of information that each data indicator provides and the source of the data. These indicators were selected based on requirements of Local Law 78 and input from community groups, advocates, and the Racial Impact Study Coalition.
- With the **Contact** button users can send a message to [EDDE@planning.nyc.gov](mailto:EDDE@planning.nyc.gov) with any questions or suggestions on making the EDDE better. We highly recommend any users of the EDDE to send in your comments as you dive into it to help make the tool more reflective of community users' needs.