## Describe county-level demographics:

- Visit the <u>United States Census Bureau websiteLinks to an</u> external site..
- Use the Geography filter in the left menu. Select your state and county. Click the SEARCH button.
- View the profile for your county. The link may be found under the county map.
- Identify your county and state. Briefly describe demographic data for your county, including total population, median income, percentage of residents with health insurance, poverty percentage, and one additional demographic. Compare the data to state averages and discuss your findings.

## Evaluate life expectancy data:

- Access the <u>NCHS Data Visualization Gallery siteLinks to an</u> external site..
- Select your state and county from the dropdown menus on the interactive map.
- Find the census tract with the highest life expectancy and the tract with the lowest life expectancy within your county.
  Compare these rates with the state and national averages.
- Identify and describe demographic factors in the selected county that may play a role in life expectancy.
- Explain the implications of this data for your future practice.

## Answer:

My county and state that I live in and will choose to practice in is Santa Cruz County, California. The total population of Santa Cruz County is 270,861 persons, whilst the total population of the state of California is 39,538,223 persons. The median household income in Santa Cruz County is \$93,933, whilst the median household income in the state of California is \$84,907. The percentage of residents with health care coverage in Santa Cruz County is 93.7%, whilst the