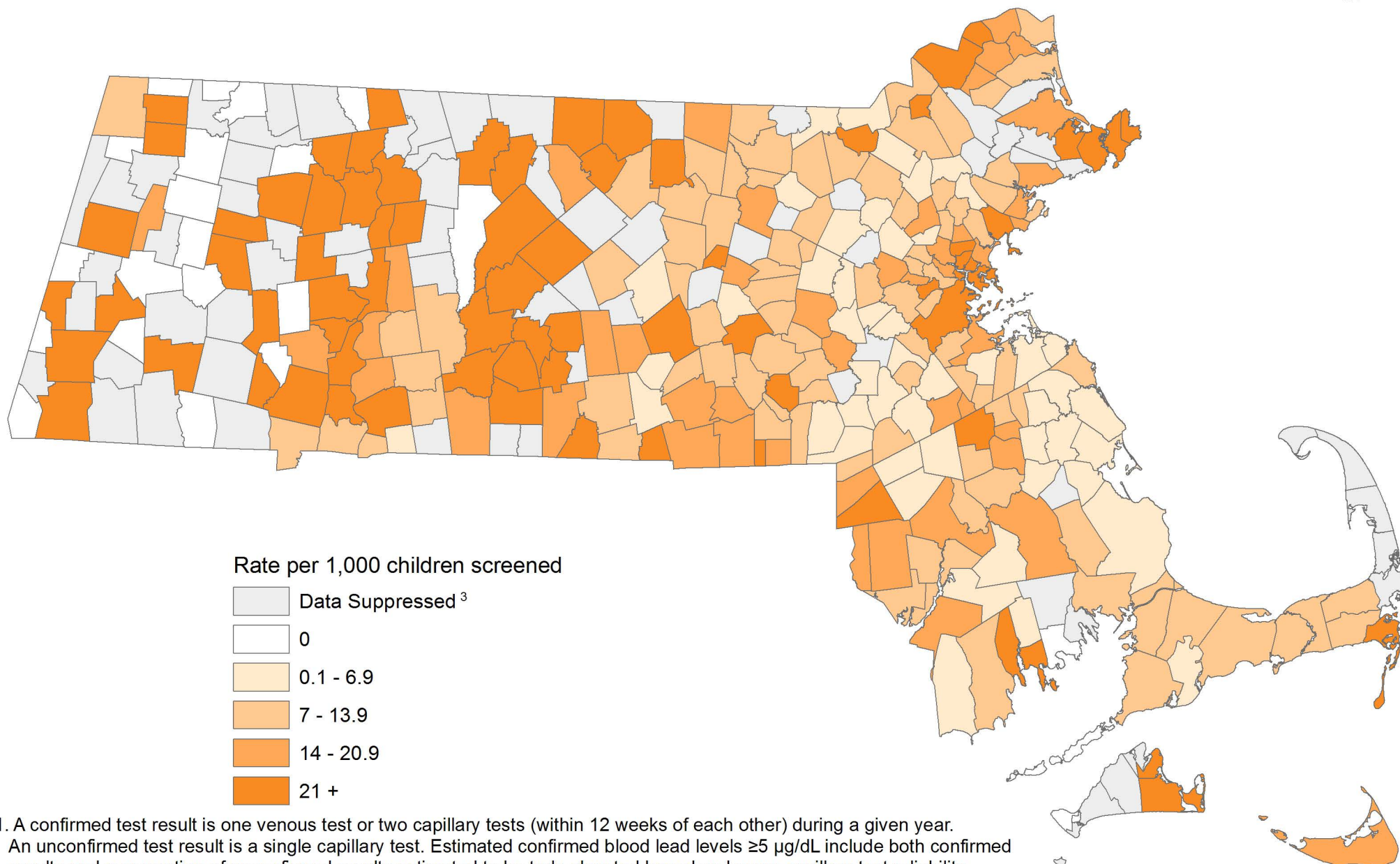


# Estimated Confirmed<sup>1</sup> Blood Lead Levels $\geq 5 \mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ <sup>2</sup> by Massachusetts Communities, 5 Year Prevalence (2013-2017), Age 9 to 47 Months



1. A confirmed test result is one venous test or two capillary tests (within 12 weeks of each other) during a given year. An unconfirmed test result is a single capillary test. Estimated confirmed blood lead levels  $\geq 5 \mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  include both confirmed results and a proportion of unconfirmed results estimated to be truly elevated based on known capillary test reliability.
2. Blood lead levels between 5- $<10 \mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  are elevated. Blood lead levels  $\geq 10 \mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  are poisoned.
3. Data is suppressed if the aggregated numerator count is between 1-5 and the aggregated denominator count is  $<1,200$ . These small numbers are suppressed to protect privacy.

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