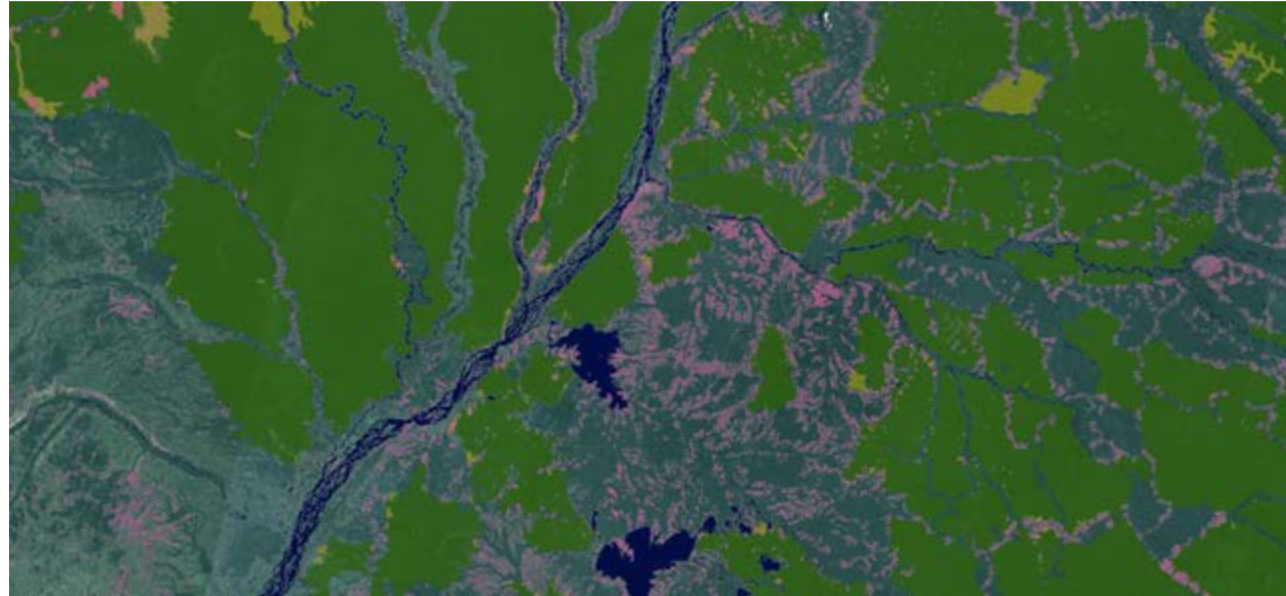




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Risk communication of zoonotic spillover

Initial lessons from a satellite-
based forecasting platform

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“Whatever the trajectory of the present outbreak over the coming months, the question of how to prevent future EVD outbreaks remains depressingly open.”

~Derek Gatherer
Journal of General Virology, May 2018

Project goals – a moonshot



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How are we approaching this problem?



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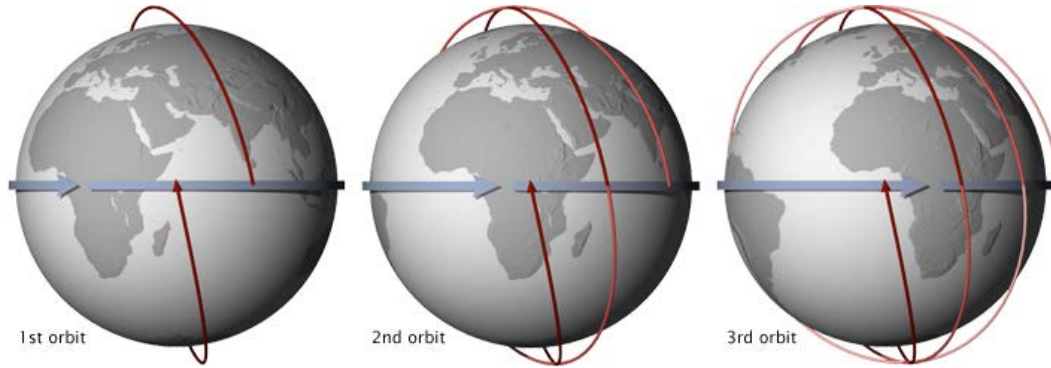
- Automated, real-time monitoring of major drivers of spillover
- Support existing surveillance systems that operate pre- and post-event
- Improve understanding of spillover phenomenon as it can be observed at various scales

Why remote sensing?



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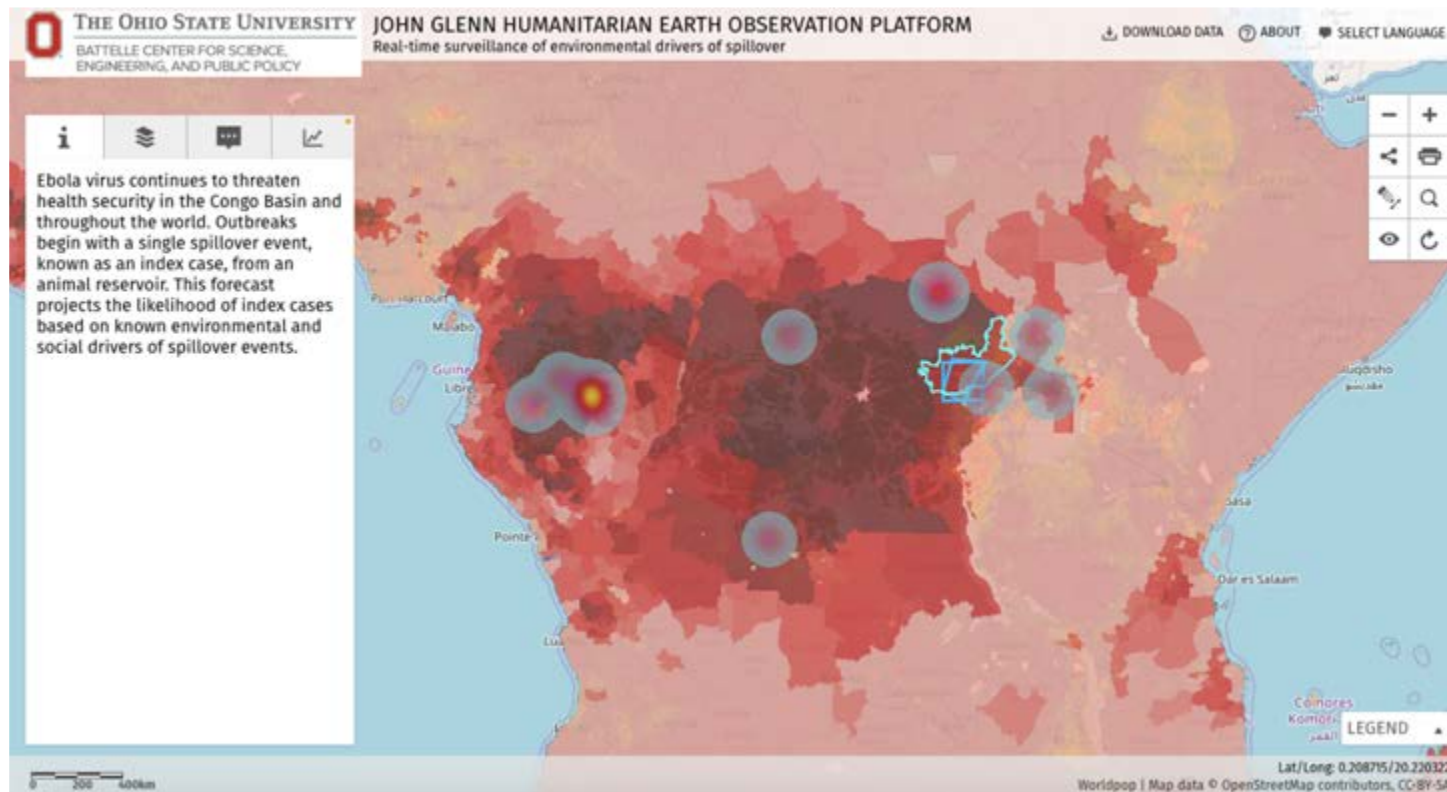


- Continuous coverage
- Low cost
- Parity across borders
- Possible to "tip and cue" between systems



Original goal

Generate user-friendly spillover forecasts that update in real time



Key takeaways from alpha testing



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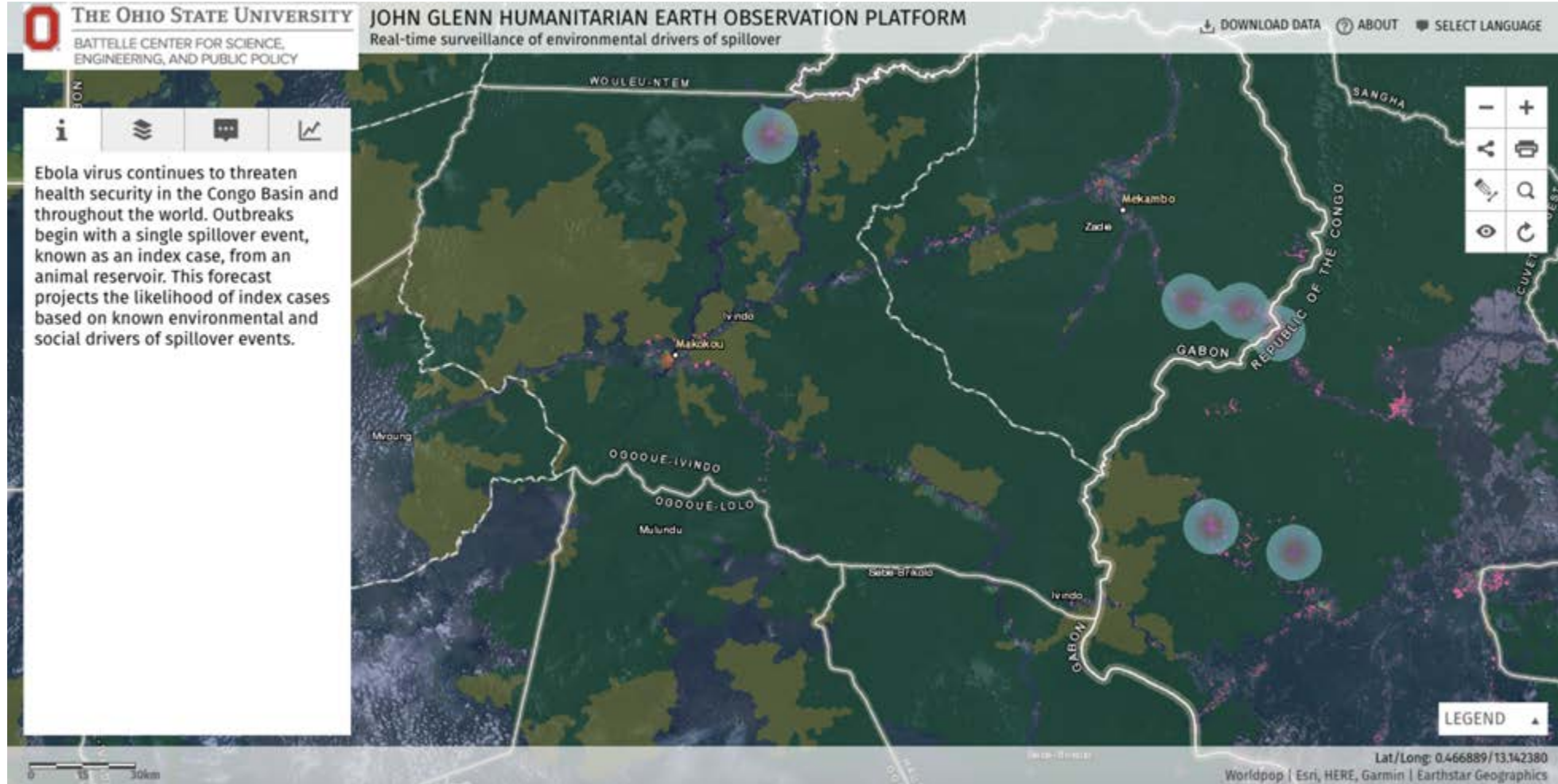
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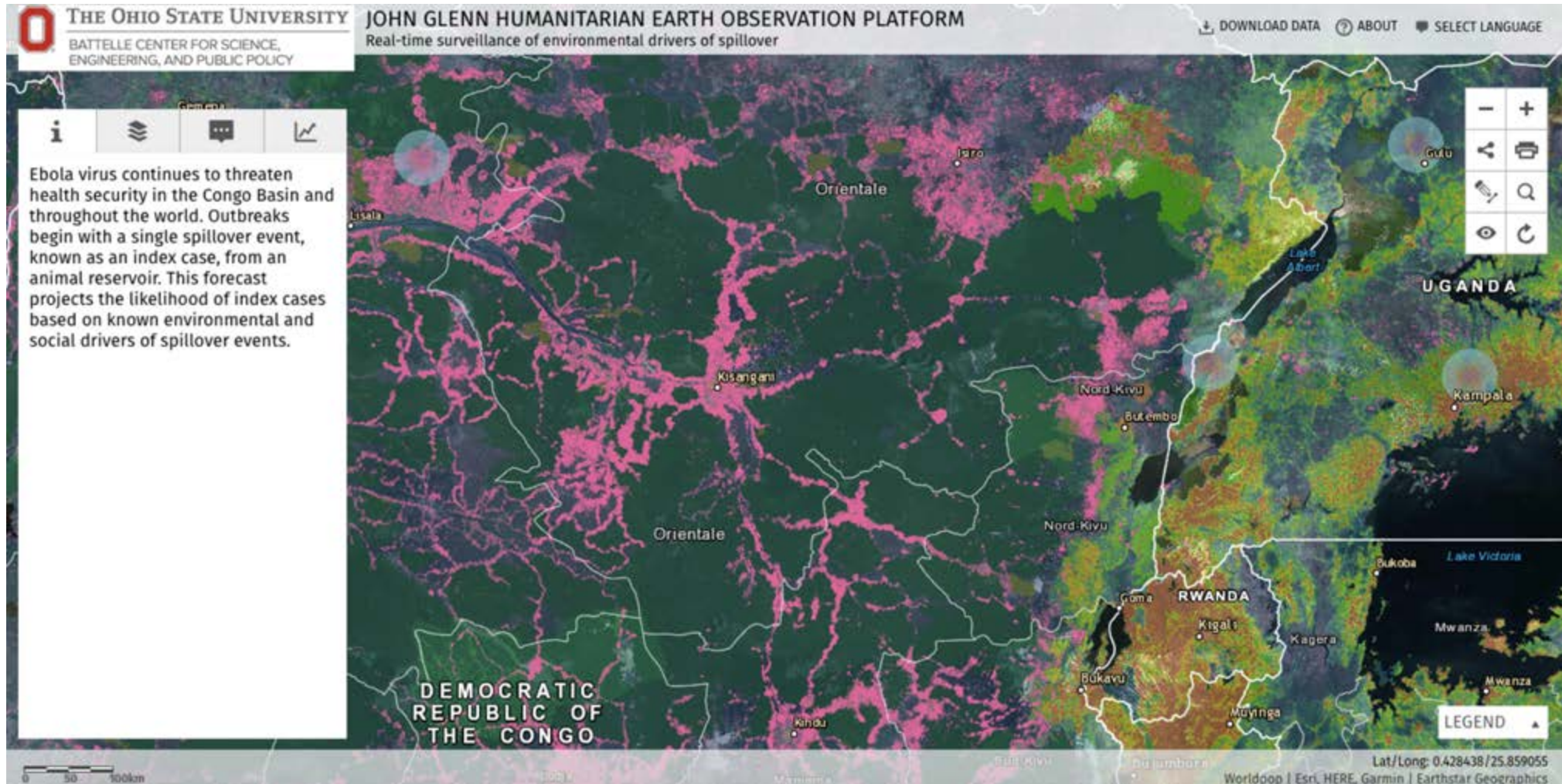
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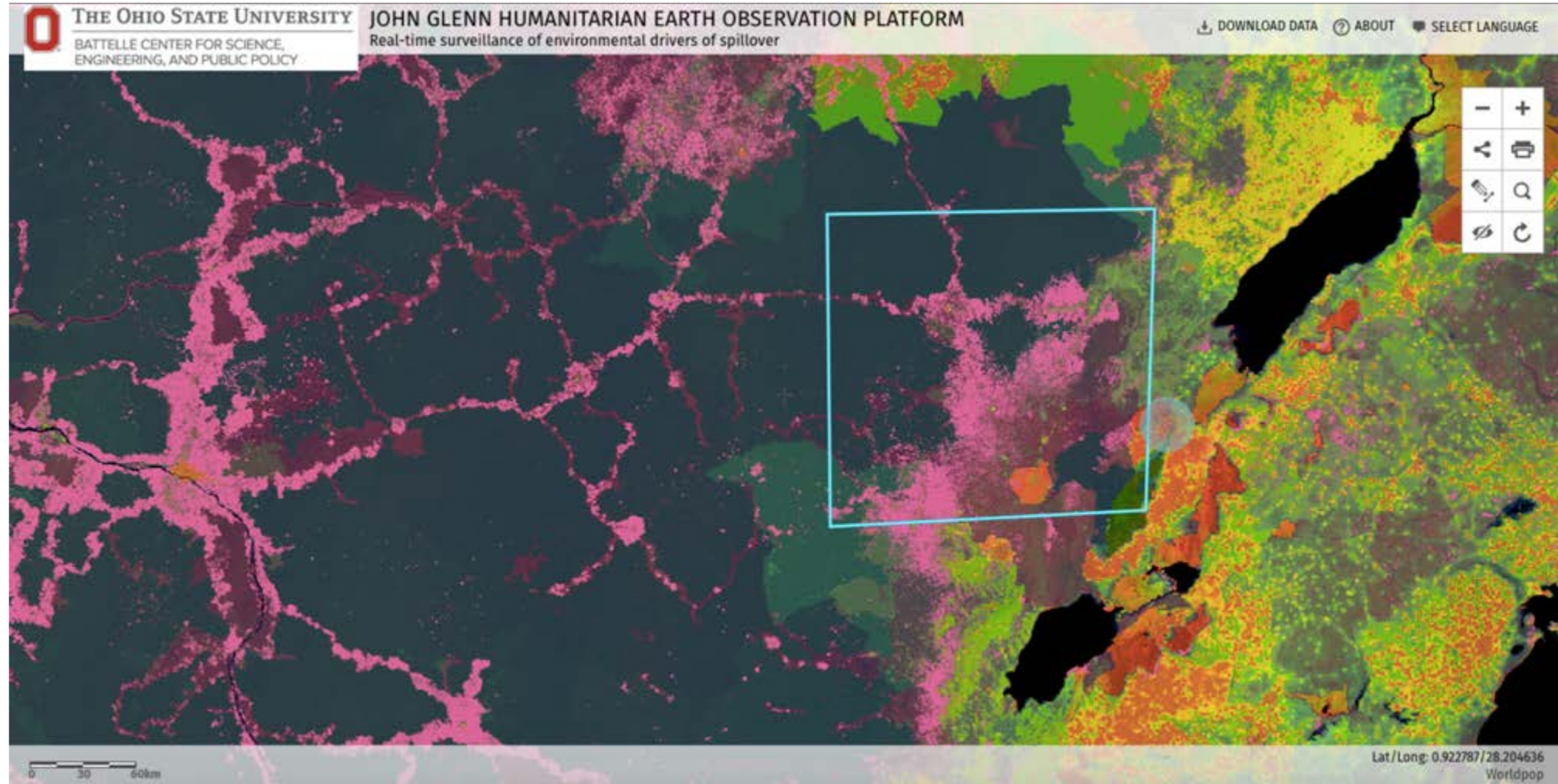
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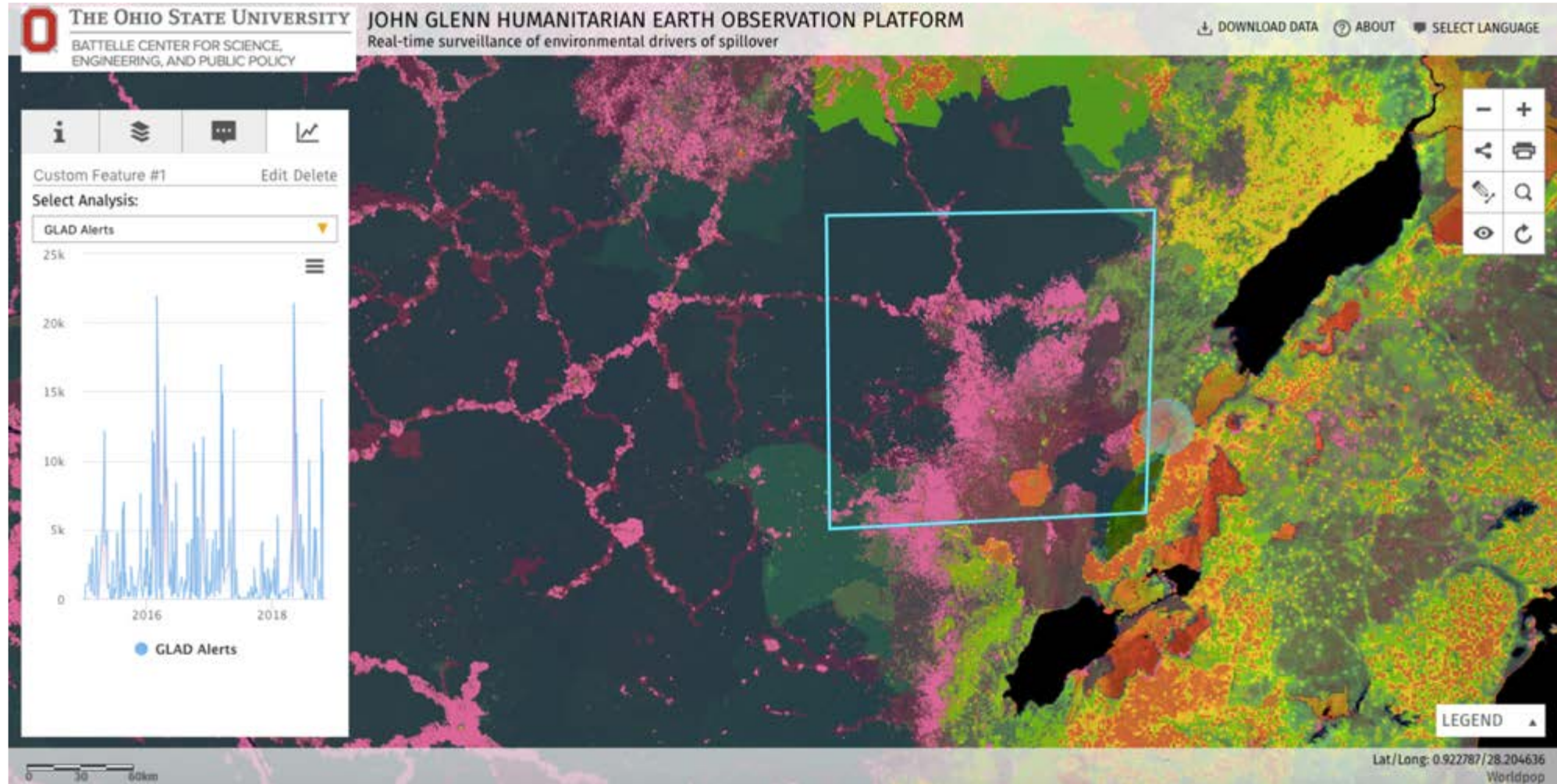


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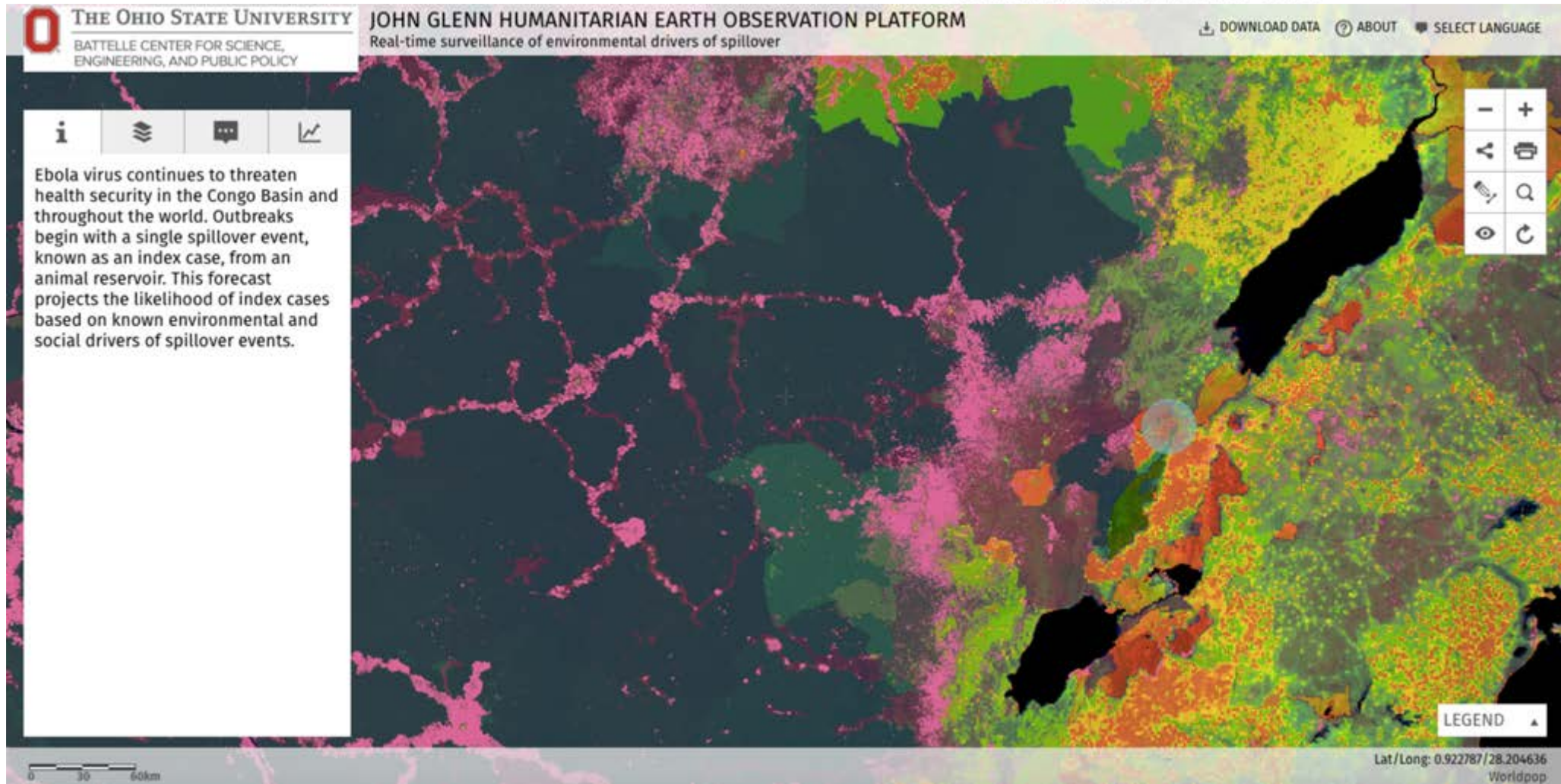
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“Tip-and-cue”: alerts provide areas of interest for closer examination



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Image 40h. Data: RapidEye/Planet, Digital Globe (Nextview)

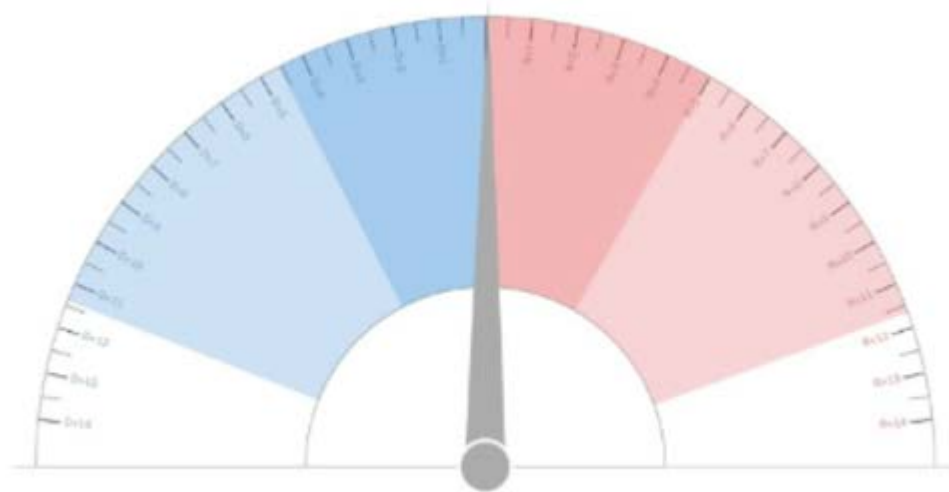
- High spatial resolution classification
- Example: 3-5m, 24-hour coverage
- Differentiate between agriculture, human migration, infrastructure change

Problems with a simple forecast



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New York Times election forecast, 2016

Transparency and empowerment



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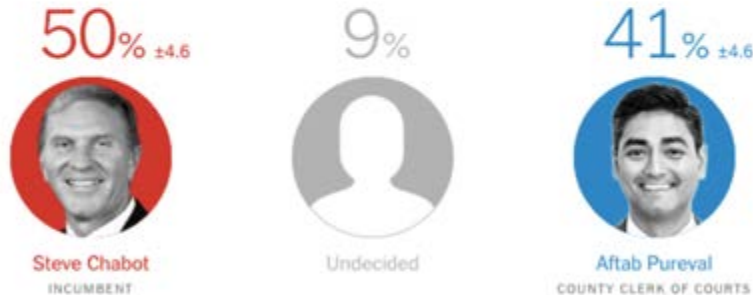
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We polled voters in Ohio's 1st Congressional District.

This poll was conducted from Sept. 27 to Oct. 1.

Can a longtime incumbent hold a gerrymandered district? We made **46,661** calls, and **503** people spoke to us.

Steve Chabot, the Republican candidate, leads our poll.



Our poll is a good result for Republicans. It's just one poll, though.

Transparency and empowerment



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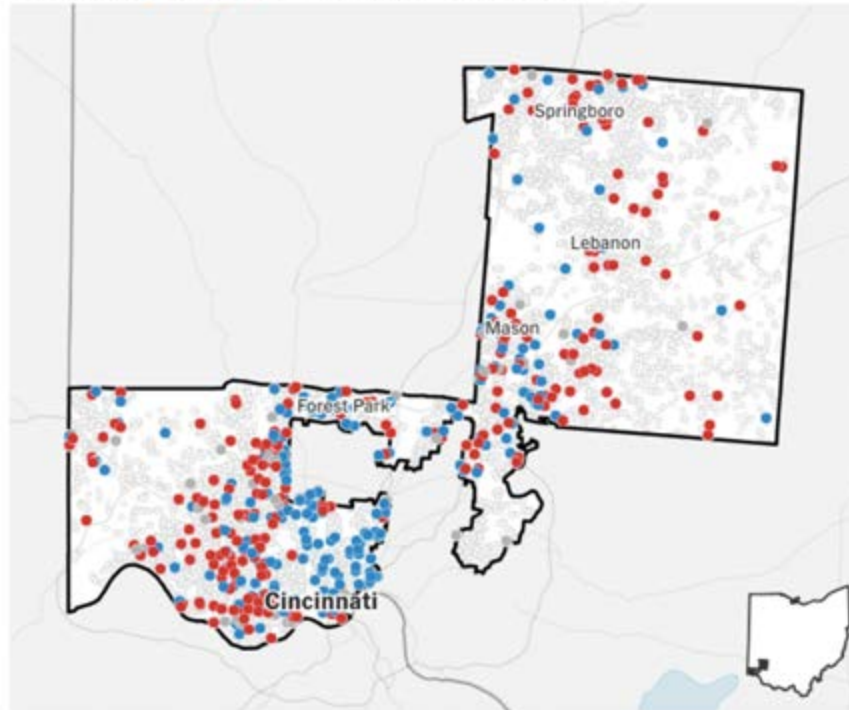
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Our poll is a good

Where we called:

Each dot shows one of the 46,661 calls we made.

Vote choice: ● Dem. ● Rep. ● Don't know ● Didn't answer



To preserve privacy, exact addresses have been concealed. The locations shown here are approximate.

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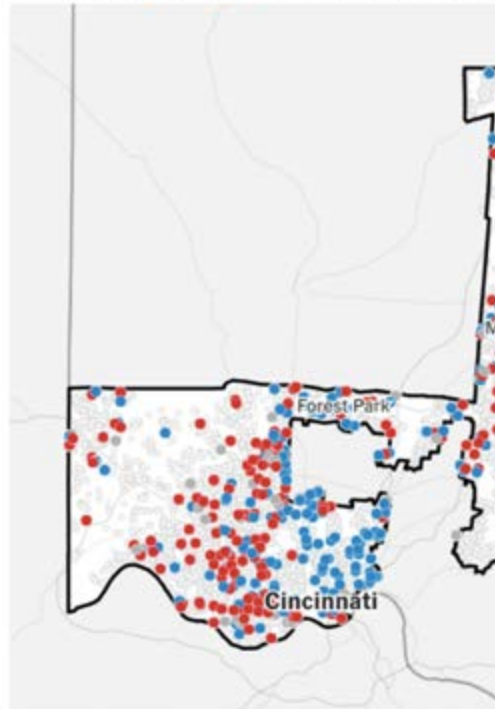


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People who respond to surveys are almost always too old, too white, too educated and too politically engaged to accurately represent everyone.

	CALLED	INTERVIEWED	SUCCESS RATE	OUR RESPONSES	GOAL
How successful we were in reaching different kinds of voters					
18 to 29	5,116	32	1 in 160	6%	10%
30 to 64	22,295	317	1 in 70	63%	59%
65 and older	7,022	154	1 in 46	31%	30%
Male	16,193	228	1 in 71	45%	47%
Female	18,255	275	1 in 66	55%	53%
White	24,928	360	1 in 69	72%	71%
Nonwhite	6,522	106	1 in 62	21%	20%
Cell	22,980	267	1 in 86	53%	—
Landline	11,468	236	1 in 49	47%	—

Based on administrative records. Some characteristics are missing or incorrect. Many voters are called multiple times.

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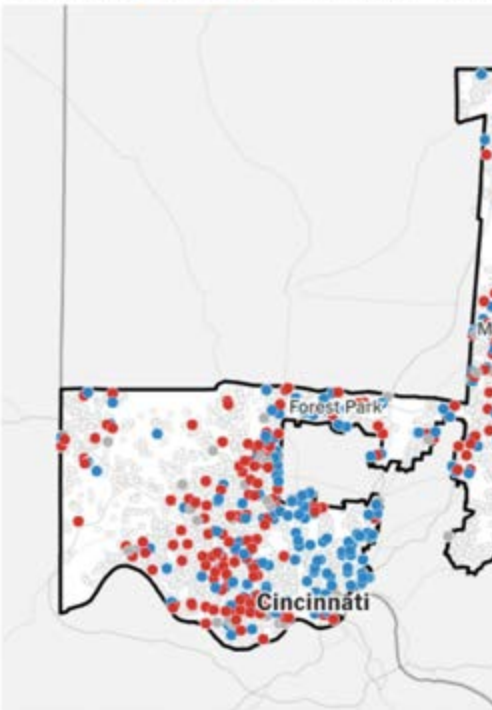


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What different types of voters said

Voters nationwide are deeply divided along demographic lines. Our poll suggests divisions too. But don't overinterpret these tables. Results among subgroups may not be representative or reliable. Be especially careful with groups with fewer than 100 respondents, shown here in stripes.

		DEM.	REP.	UND.
Gender	Female n = 275 / 53% of voters	47%	44%	9%
	Male 228 / 47%	34%	57%	9%
Age	18 to 29 n = 30 / 7% of voters	38%	53%	9%
	30 to 44 88 / 19%	48%	42%	10%
	45 to 64 231 / 43%	44%	49%	7%
	65 and older 154 / 31%	32%	56%	11%
Race	White n = 382 / 76% of voters	33%	58%	8%
	Black 77 / 15%	90%	13%	7%
	Hispanic 10 / 2%	26%	54%	20%
	Asian 6 / 1%	67%	—	33%
	Other 13 / 2%	33%	61%	6%

Next steps



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- **Technical goals:**
 - Incorporate hyperspectral (DESI) and animal migration (ICARUS) data from the ISS
- **User community goals:**
 - Beta testing - contact us to sign up!
 - Incorporate competitive, open model system



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Thank you! Questions?

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