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Could a case of anemia today be caused by chemicals and solvents used at a tannery 150 years ago? Can the modern landscape of a bustling city be resting on top of the ecological ruins of its predecessor. Public health professionals, legislators, city planners, environmental designers, and community based organizations are all becoming aware that the past never rests. Progress did not come without the price of environmental impact. It is the duty of today's GIS professional to determine a causal relationship between present problems and past usage. The City of Boston developed a methodology for imposing historical land use data layers with demographic information and public health data. The results of this comprehensive project are the subject of an article entitled "Mapping the Industrial Archeology of Boston." This article by Kris Kolodziej and a team of concerned and analytic professionals highlights this issue of the URISA *Journal*.