

Lab 1 – Biodiversity and Greenspace Survey Analysis

When looking at our survey results, we saw many patterns coming into light. The main one that we saw was related to the reason why people don't go into green spaces often. While multiple options could be selected, the majority of the people taking the survey said that they didn't go into greenspaces for safety reasons or for lack of upkeep. Having gone into the community and seen the greenspaces available for ourselves, these results weren't surprising and honestly were expected for the topic we were studying. These patterns, however, are significant because it helps us realize specifically what we can do to help the people in these areas.

The survey being conducted was designed to be easily accessible for the people of East Saint Louis. Many of the questions were sourced from previous ethnographic surveys which looked at park usage throughout Scotland, which could potentially cause confusion. Due to this, our research team adapted the questions for an American audience.

If another survey were to be conducted, we would spread the survey through further direct interactions with the community, thus building trust and relationships with those who our group seeks to serve. By doing this, we would be able to develop our questions further and create a better understanding of the context in which our survey exists in. This would likely produce more responses and increase the data pool we must observe.

[next questions]

The results in the survey have shifted my thoughts because some people took the survey but didn't do the explanation part. This makes me question is there something we are doing wrong or is there something we could do better at? When we asked the question about their age the majority of them put yes to being 18 and over. The next question I have based on what I saw in the results is did the people who took the interview understand what they were doing it for? Was the group clear enough with them about what the survey was for? The gaps and holes that were left were that the people who took the survey, most of them voted no with why they aren't satisfied with the greenspace available for recreational use in your community. I think if we did a multiple-choice answer method instead of having them put why exactly. We could have made multiple choices first then put other as the last option and they could put whatever.