

Walkability study in Slovenia Active2Public Transport Needs Assessment

Walking catchment areas around Public Transport Stations and Stops
Ljubljana, Bled, Celje, krško, Medvode.

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. Aim of the project

As part of the Active2Public Transport project (A2PT), the Slovenian Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy conducted a participatory study on walkability around five public transport hubs and stations, in Ljubljana, Medvode, Bled, Celje and Krško, within the Danube region of Slovenia. This project is in line with the policy brief Integrating Walking and Public Transport, which highlights the need and potential to considering walking as a key part of a public transport journey.

The aim of the study is to better understand how different elements and characteristics of the public space (i.e. footpath, traffic, greenery) influence walking experiences (i.e. safety, comfort, enjoyment) in a positive or negative way. The study also looks into how different types of pedestrians (i.e. age, gender, ability) and walk contexts (i.e. purpose, company, familiarity with the place) might result in different experiences of the same environment, based on specific needs and concerns. As a result, the study aims to identify which areas are considered more or less pedestrian-friendly for all and why. This can greatly guide and assist specific interventions to improve the walkability of areas related to negative walking experiences, while extending or promoting those related to positive ones, considering the needs of all pedestrians.

1.2. What we did

Members of the Danube Office were trained by Walk21 in the use of the Walkability App to conduct interviews and use it as an audit tool. More information about how to use the Walkability App can be found in Annex A.

Data was collected between 30/10/2024 and 04/04/2025, in five study areas: 1 – Ljubljana Station, 2 – Bled Station, 3 – Celje Station, 4 – Krško Station, and 5 – Medvode Station. Data were collected within 500m-radius catchment areas at each public transport hub or station, covering different types of streets and roads within each study area. Overall, a total of 506 interviewed participants shared 506 walking experiences related to 986 environmental determinants, amongst the five study areas.

1.3. What we found

Who walks, why and how?

From the **506 pedestrians** interviewed, most were adults (91.5%), followed by older adults (6.9%) and children (1.6%). In addition, 52.8% were women and 47.2% men. Regarding their ability, most participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (74.1%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (23.9%) and a few had severe or extreme difficulty (2%). Finally, most participants were very active pedestrians (53.9%) followed by active (44.8%) and a small proportion of inactive ones (1.2%).

Based on their **walk context**, 68.2% of participants were walking by choice while 31.8% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 61.7% participants walked for transport, while 38.3% for leisure. More participants were walking on their own (55.5%) compared to those walking with others (44.5%). Finally, most participants were familiar with the place (81.2%), while others were not (18.8%). See tables and graphs about this on page 12.









Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **506 walking experiences** collected, most were positive (46.8%), followed by very positive (17.8%), neutral (17.8%), negative (14.8%) and very negative (2.8%). Overall positive and very positive experiences (64.6%) outnumbered negative ad very negative ones (17.6%). When participants were asked to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (55.7%) with more comfortable and very comfortable experiences (64.2%) than uncomfortable and very uncomfortable ones (17.7%). Secondly, 34% of experiences were related to walking **enjoyment**, with more enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences (65.1%) than unenjoyable or very unenjoyable ones (17.4%). Finally, walking **safety** was the least frequent type of experience shared by participants (323.9%), with more very safe and safe experiences (70.2%) than unsafe and very unsafe ones (19%). See tables and graphs about this on page 13.

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **986 environmental determinants** that influenced **walking experiences** in this study, the most frequent was footpath, included in 24% of all observations, followed by people (15.4%), traffic (13.4%), environmental quality (10.7%) and greenery (10.1%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, almost all determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially greenery and inclusion. With the exception of weather protection, traffic and obstacles, which were related to more negative experiences. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were good footpath (20.9%), people (10.6%) and greenery (9.3%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related to traffic (5.6%), obstacles (2.1%) and bad crossings (1.9%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (21.3%), greenery (10.8%) and good crossings (8.9%), while most unsafe and very unsafe experiences were related to traffic (6%), bad crossings (4.8%) and bad footpath (3%). Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (22.1%), greenery (9%9 and environmental quality (8.7%%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to traffic (4.7%), poor weather protection (2.6%) and poor environmental quality (2.2%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were good footpath (18.2%), people (14.2%) and greenery (11.4%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to traffic (5.9%), obstacles (2.9%) and people (2.6%).

After identifying the main determinants that influenced their walking experiences, participants could include more information about **specific characteristic or subcategories of determinants**. In the case of footpath, participants praised the presence of wide pavements with good surface. The most relevant aspects of environmental quality were positive experience related to clean and quiet areas, but negative experiences related to air and noise pollution. Most experiences related to greenery praised the presence of parks, but also trees and isolated vegetation. Participants also praised the presence of street furniture, specially public seating and lighting. Regarding to crossings, most positive experiences were related to the presence of crossings at desirable locations and with good visibility, while participants raised concerns about crossing priority of pedestrians over traffic and lack of visibility in some cases. In the case of obstacles, the most common issue were vehicles blocking the pavement and crossing, whereas most negative experiences related to traffic identified high volume and speed, as well as bad driving behaviour. See tables and graphs about this on pages 14 to 17.









Do different people have different experiences for different reasons?

Generally, not all participants shared the same type of experience or identified the same determinants in the same place. For this reason, the overall main types of experiences and their most relevant determinants can be filtered and reanalysed by the type of pedestrian or their walk context.

Regarding the **walking experience**, this study did not find any major differences between **people** with different ages, gender, ability or activity. However, older adults shared more negative and very negative experiences (25.7%) than adults (17.3%), women shared slightly more negative and very negative experiences (19.1%) than men (15.9%), people with mild or moderate difficulty to move shared more negative and very negative experiences (20%) than people with no difficulties (17.6%).

However, the sample size of some categories of pedestrians in this study does not provide enough information to generalise outcomes, such as children (n=8), older adults (n=35), pedestrians with severe or extreme difficulty to walk (n=10) and inactive pedestrians (n=6).

Based on the **walk context**, people walking by choice, for leisure, with others and as visitors generally shared more positive and very positive experiences than negative and very negative ones. Similar small differences were present when looking at walking **safety**, **comfort** and **enjoyment**. Other differences can be seen in the way different pedestrians experience specific environmental determinants, with children, older adults and people with difficulty to move often sharing more negative experiences related to obstacles, traffic, bad footpath and crossings. See tables and graphs about this on pages 18 to 25.

Were there any differences between study areas?

This project included five study areas, which presented slightly different outcomes. Bled was the study area with more positive and very positive walking experiences (74.2%), followed by Medvode (73%), Krško (69%) and Celje (64%). On the other hand, Krško and Medvode were the study areas with fewer negative and very negative experiences (both 8%). In the case of Ljubljana, it presented a close share of slightly more positive and very positive experiences (43.8%) than negative and very negative ones (42.9%).

Similarly, most study areas differed in the main determinants related to walking experiences. Good footpath was the most frequent determinant related to positive experiences in all study areas except Bled (greenery). In the case of negative experiences, there were more differences in the most relevant determinants. In Ljubljana the main concern was traffic, while in Bled and Krško was the lack of people or negative social interactions, in Celje poor weather protection and in Medvode the presence of obstacles. Even within each study area, there were different parts considered more or less pedestrians friendly based on experiences shared by the volunteered participants and expert surveyors. See Section 3 for a more detailed analysis of each study area.

1.4. What we recommend

What to fix, improve and expand

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There were positive, neutral and negative experiences in all study areas, which implies that they present a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Overall, most experiences were related to either positive (46.8%) or very positive experiences (17.8%), mainly related to good footpath, people, greenery, environmental quality and good crossings. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable









and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted.

On the other hand, participants also shared a relevant amount of negative (14.8%) and very negative (2.8%) experiences, mainly related to traffic, obstacles, bad crossings, bad footpath and people. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. While all types of positive experiences (i.e. safe, comfortable, enjoyable) shared a similar list of most relevant determinants (i.e. good footpath, crossings, greenery, street furniture and environmental quality), the different types of negative experiences are related to different determinants. Unsafe experiences are mainly related to people, uncomfortable experiences to footpath, and unenjoyable experiences to poor environmental quality and obstacles.

Finally, places with neutral experiences (17.8%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as moderate traffic, minor obstacles and environmental quality may enable more positive and very positive experiences.

Consider the needs and concerns of specific target populations

All study areas seem to influence more negative and very negative experiences to older adults, women and people with difficulty to move and interact with the environment, especially with unsafe and uncomfortable experiences related to bad footpath and crossings, lack of street furniture and greenery, and misbehaviour of drivers and other people in the public space. There is a need to better understand the needs and concerns of these target population to provide adequate environments for all

Future studies and projects

In order to better compare how different types of pedestrians and walk contexts may result in different experiences of the same place, there is a need for bigger samples and more data including children, older adults, people with difficulty to move and interact with the environment and inactive pedestrians.









2. Overall analysis for all study areas

2.1. Location of study areas



Figure 1. Location of study areas.











2.2. Data collected Period 30/10/2024 - 04/04/2025 Timeframe 06:00-15:17 Interviews Participants 506 Experiences 506 Determinants 986

Table 1. Data collected in all study areas.

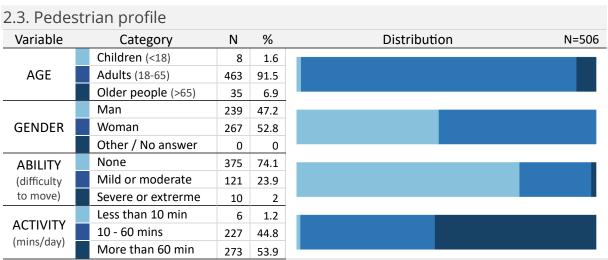


Table 2. Pedestrian profile from interviews, in all study areas.

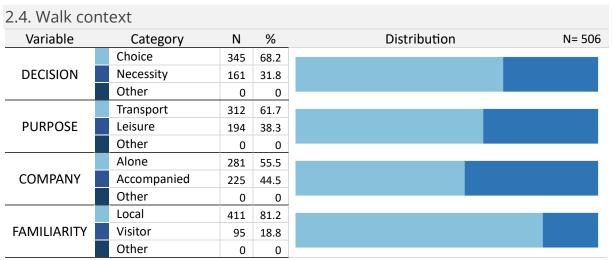


Table 3. Walk context from interviews, in all study areas.









2.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%	TOP-5 determinants related to experience			
Very positive	90	17.8	Negative	Positive		
Positive	237	46.8	Traffic	Footpath		
Neutral	90	17.8	Obstacles	People		
Negative	75	14.8	Crossing	Greenery		
Very negative	14	2.8	People	Environmental quality		
TOTAL	506	100	Footpath	Crossing		

Table 4. Walking experiences and top 5 determinants related to them, in all study areas.

SAFETY N %		TOP-5 determinant	ninants related to safety	
Very safe	28	23.1	Unsafe	Safe
Safe	57	47.1	Traffic	Footpath
Neutral	13	10.7	Crossing	Greenery
Unsafe	19	15.7	Footpath	Crossing
Very unsafe	4	3.3	Environmental quality	People
TOTAL	121	100	Weather protection	Traffic

Table 5. Safety and top 5 determinants, in all study areas.

COMFORT	N	%	TOP-5 determinants	s related t
ery comfortable	44	15.6	Uncomfortable	Con
mfortable	137	48.6	Traffic	Footpath
eutral	51	18.1	Weather protection	Greenery
comfortable	40	14.2	Environmental quality	Environm
y uncomfortable	10	3.5	Obstacles	Crossing
TAL	282	100	Footpath	People

Table 6. Comfort and top 5 determinants, in all study areas.

ENJOYMENT	N	%
Very enjoyable	43	25
Enjoyable	69	40.1
Neutral	30	17.4
Unenjoyable	25	14.5
Very unenjoyable	5	2.9
TOTAL	172	100

Table 7. Enjoyment and top 5 determinants, in all study areas.

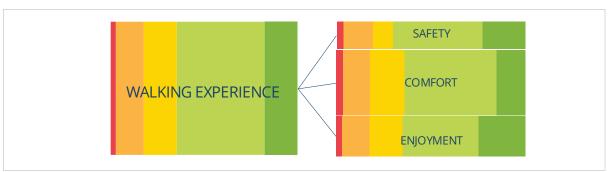


Figure 2. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in all study areas.











2.6. Most frequent determinants by experience % Distribution Experience Determinant n N=986 Footpath 66 6.7 49 5 Greenery 3.5 People 35 **Environmental quality** 26 2.6 Crossing 19 1.9 Very Furniture 11 1.1 Traffic 10 1 Positive Obstacles 6 0.6 4 Inclusion 0.4 Interest 2 0.2 Weather protection 0 0 0 0 Other Footpath 140 14.2 People 70 7.1 Crossing 51 5.2 **Environmental quality** 47 4.8 42 Greenery 4.3 Traffic 28 2.8 **Postive** Furniture 26 2.6 Obstacles 10 1 Inclusion 8 8.0 Weather protection 6 0.6 Interest 3 0.3 Other 0 0 Traffic 39 4 29 2.9 People Obstacles 18 1.8 **Environmental quality** 15 1.5 Footpath 13 1.3 Weather protection 9 0.9 Neutral Crossing 8 0.8 Greenery 6 0.6 Furniture 4 0.4 2 Interest 0.2 Other 2 0.2 0 Inclusion 0 Traffic 45 4.6 Obstacles 18 1.8 Crossing 16 1.6 Footpath 15 1.5 **Environmental quality** 15 1.5 People 14 1.4 Negative Weather protection 13 1.3 7 **Furniture** 0.7 Interest 3 0.3 Greenery 2 0.2 Inclusion 1 0.1 Other 1 0.1 10 Traffic 1 People 5 0.5 Weather protection 4 0.4 3 Footpath 0.3 Crossing 3 0.3 Very Obstacles 3 0.3 **Environmental quality** 3 0.3 negative Furniture 1 0.1 0 0 Greenery 0 0 Interest 0 0 Inclusion Other 0 0

Table 8. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in all study areas.











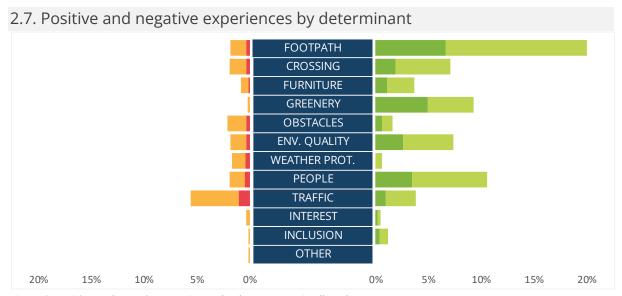


Figure 3. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in all study areas.

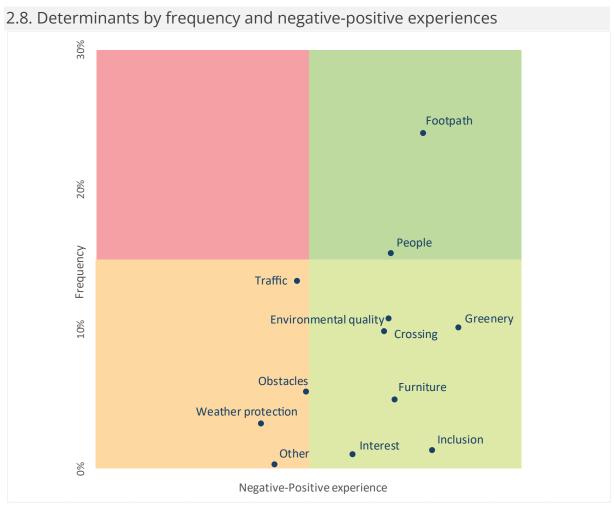


Figure 4. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in all study areas.



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2.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants FOOTPATH Width Surface Slope Presence Absence Other (n=69)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 50% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% CROSSING Location Priority Visibility Presence Absence Other (n=33)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% FURNITURE Lighting Seating Wayfinding Presence Absence Other (n=23)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% GREENERY Parks Trees **Plants** Presence Absence Other (n=42)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% OBSTACLES Infrastructure Business Vehicles Presence Absence Other (n=10)50% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% **ENV. QUALITY** Air Noise Cleanliness Presence Absence Other (n=40)50% 20% 30% 40%

Figure 5. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in all study areas











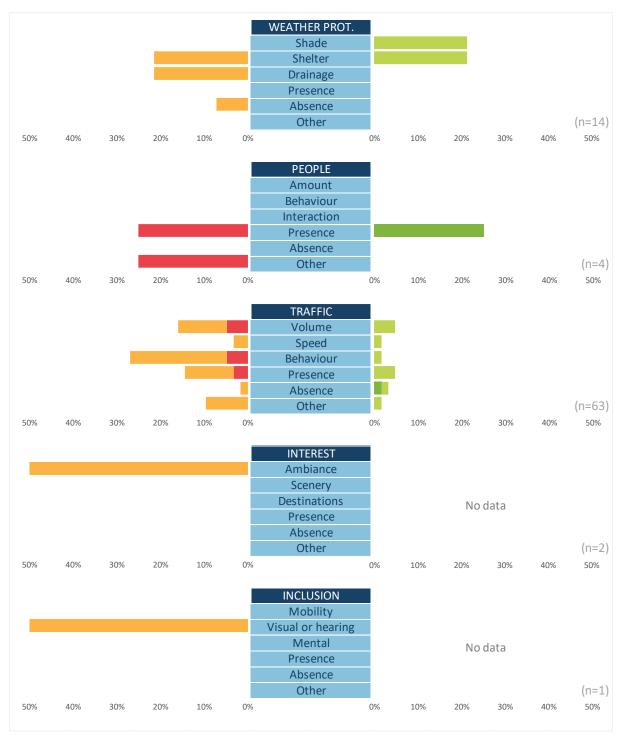


Figure 6. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in all study areas.









2.10. Experiences by type of pedestrians and walk context

W	WALKING EXPERIENCE			<u>(:)</u>	<u>(:)</u>			N	Distribution
	ALL PARTICIPANTS		2.8	14.8	17.8	46.8	17.8	506	
		Children	0	0	12.5	75	12.5	8	
	AGE	Adults	2.4	14.9	18.4	46.7	17.7	463	
щ		Seniors	8.6	17.1	11.4	42.9	20	35	
PEDESTRIAN PROFILE	GENDER	Men	2.9	13	22.2	45.6	16.3	239	
PR		Women	2.6	16.5	13.9	47.9	19.1	267	
¥.	ABILITY	None	2.7	14.9	16.5	48.8	17.1	375	
STR		Moderate	1.7	15.7	22.3	39.7	20.7	121	
		Severe	20	0	10	60	10	10	
_	ACTIVITY	< 10'	0	16.7	33.3	33.3	16.7	6	
		10' - 60'	4.8	19.4	24.7	43.2	7.9	227	
		+ 60′	1.1	11	11.7	50.2	26	273	
	DECISION	Choice	2.6	14.8	13.3	47.8	21.4	345	
_		Necessity	3.1	14.9	27.3	44.7	9.9	161	
Ä	PURPOSE	Transport	2.9	19.6	22.4	46.2	9	312	
O	- FORFOSE	Leisure	2.6	7.2	10.3	47.9	32	194	
WALK CONTEXT	COMPANY	Alone	4.3	18.9	22.8	42.3	11.7	281	
MAL	COIVITAINT	With others	0.9	9.8	11.6	52.4	25.3	225	
	FAMILIARITY	Local	3.2	15.8	19.7	48.9	12.4	411	
	IAWILIANIT	Visitor	1.1	10.5	9.5	37.9	41.1	95	

Table 9. Experiences by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

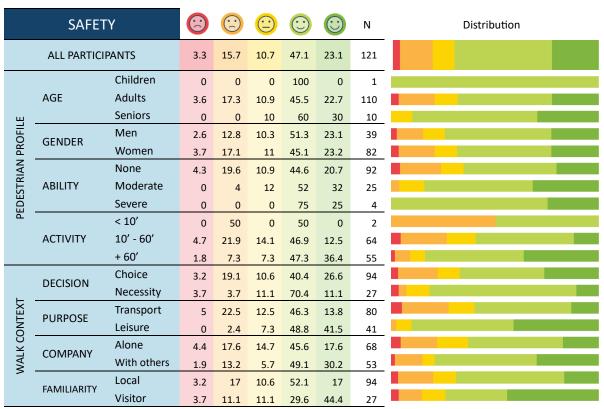


Table 10. Safety by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











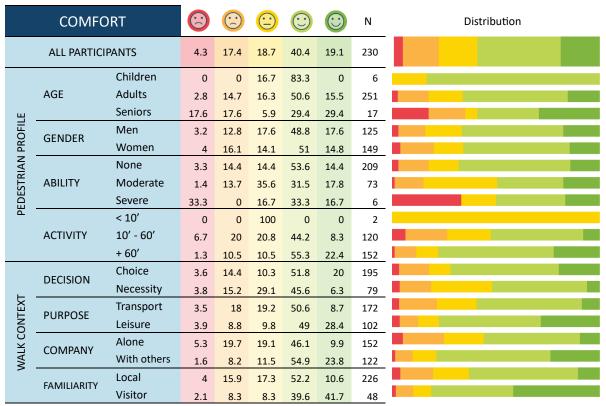


Table 11. Comfort by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

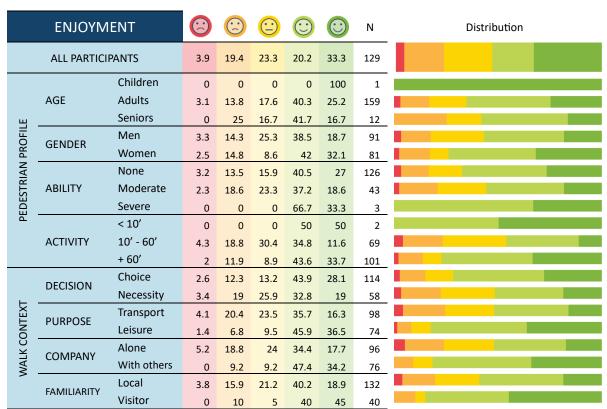


Table 12. Enjoyment by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas











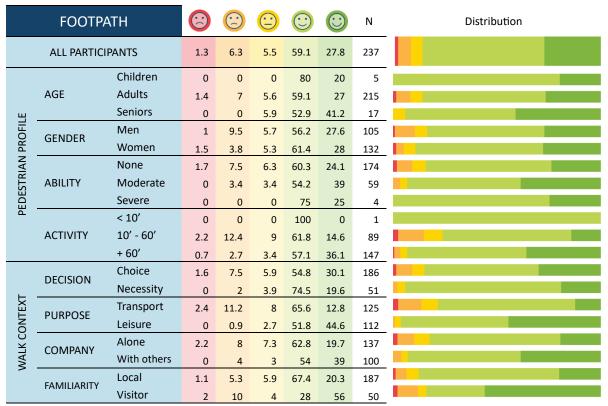


Table 13. Experiences related to footpath by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

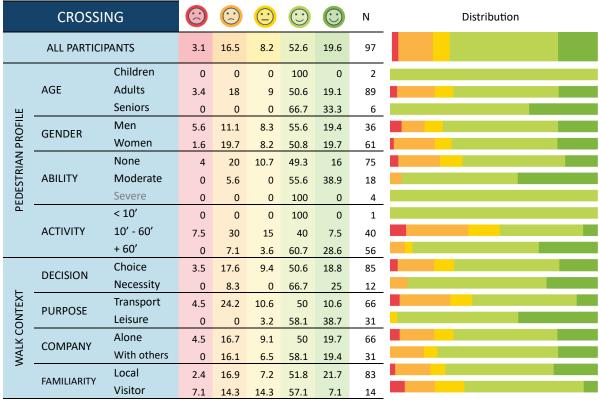


Table 14. Experiences related to crossing by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











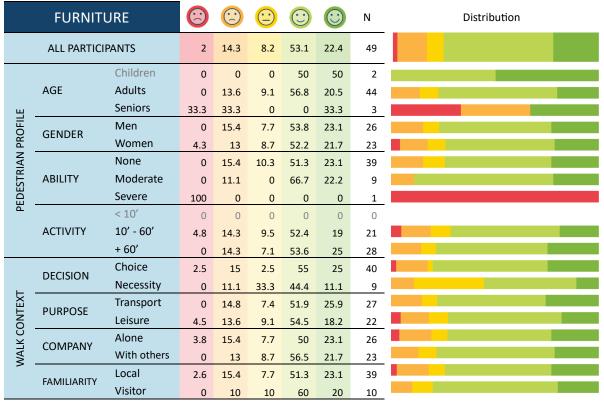


Table 15. Experiences related to furniture by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

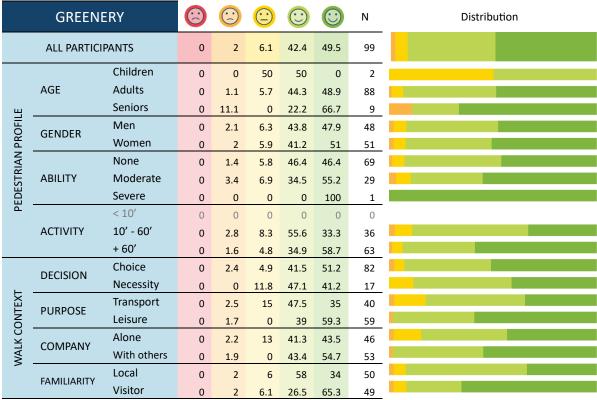


Table 16. Experiences related to greenery by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











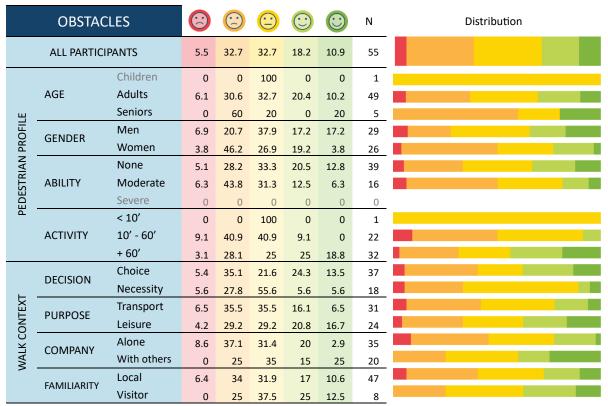


Table 17. Experiences related to obstacles by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

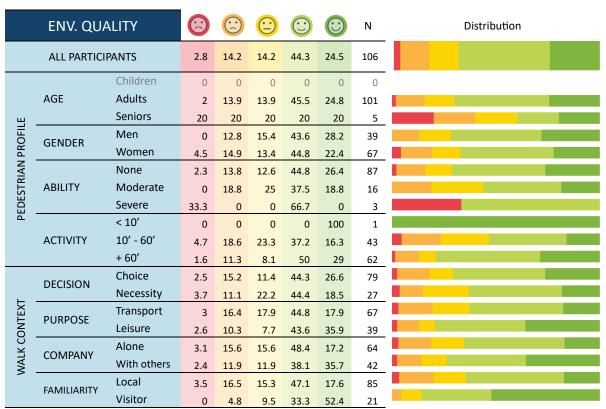


Table 18. Experiences related to environmental quality by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











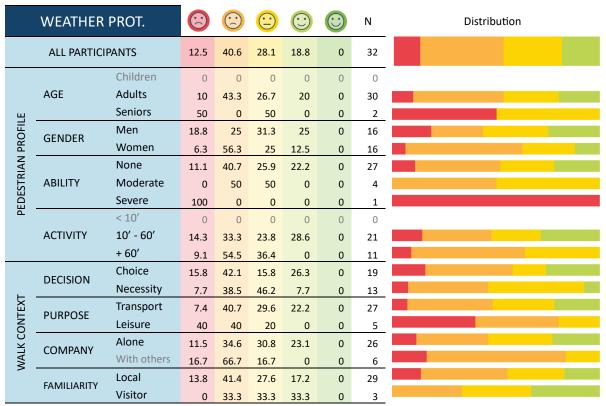


Table 19. Experiences related to weather protection by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

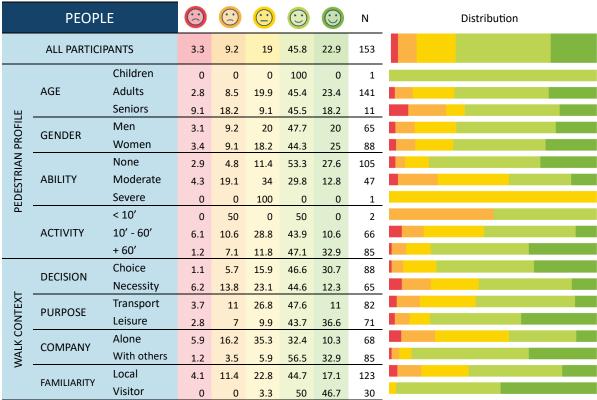


Table 20. Experiences related to people by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











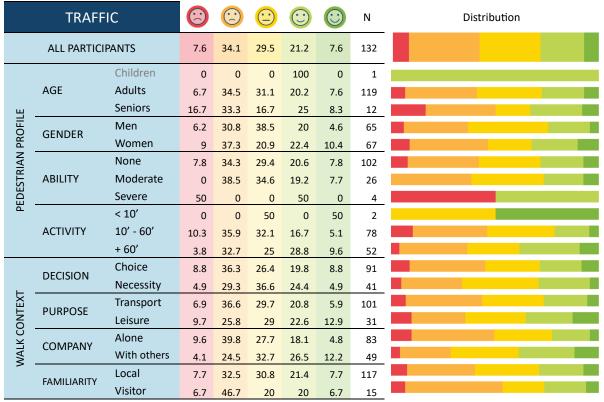


Table 21. Experiences related to traffic by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.

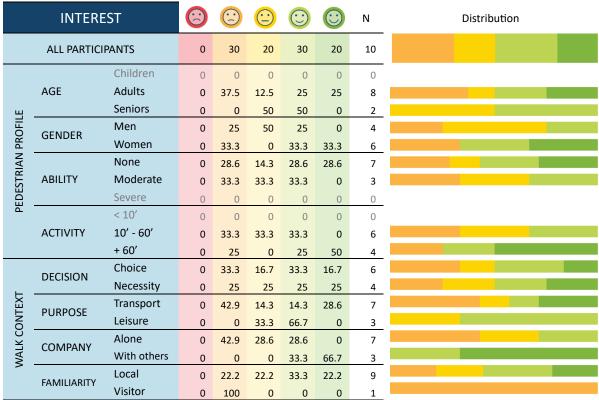


Table 22. Experiences related to interest by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.









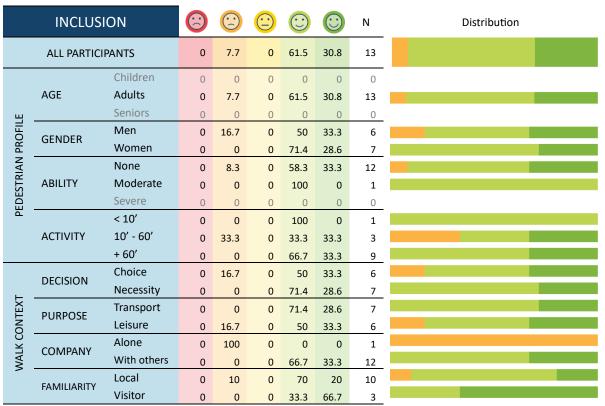


Table 23. Experiences related to inclusion by pedestrian profile and walk context, in all study areas.











3. Analysis of individual study areas

The five study areas presented slightly different shared of walking experiences and list of relevant determinants related to them. This section presents the same walkability outcomes previously explained for each individual study area.



Table 24. Walking experiences and relevant determinants in all study areas.









3.1. Ljubljana



Figure 7. Ljubljana. Source: Wikipedia.

Data was collected on 20/11/2024 at Ljubljana Station. A total of 105 interviewed participants shared 105 walking experiences related to 262 environmental determinants.

Who walks, why and how?

From the **105** pedestrians interviewed, most were adults (98.1%), followed by older adults (1.9%). In addition, 56.2% were women and 43.8% men. Regarding their ability, most participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (97.1%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (2.9%). Finally, most participants were active pedestrians (65.7%) followed by very active (33.4%) and a small proportion of inactive ones (1%).

Based on their walk context, 97.1% of participants were walking by choice while 2.9% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 88.6% participants walked for transport, while 11.4% for leisure. Most participants were walking on their own (68.6%) compared to those walking with others (31.4%). Finally, most participants were familiar with the place (75.2%), while others were not (24.8%).

Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **105 walking experiences**, most were positive (38.1%), followed by negative (38.1%), neutral (13.3%), very positive (5.7%) and very negative (4.8%). Overall, negative and very negative experiences (47%) outnumbered positive and very positive ones (38%). When participants were asked to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (58.1%), with slightly more









comfortable and very comfortable experiences (47.6%) than uncomfortable and very uncomfortable ones (39.3%). Secondly, 49.5% of experiences were related to **safety**, with more safe and very safe experiences (48.1%) than unsafe and very unsafe ones (40.4%). Finally, walking **enjoyment** was the least frequent type of experience shared by participants (30.5%), with slightly more enjoyable and very enjoyable (43.7%) than unenjoyable and very unenjoyable ones (40.7%).

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **262 environmental determinants** that influenced **walking experiences** in this study, the most frequent was footpath, included in 19.8% of all observations, followed by traffic (17.9%), crossings (16.8%), environmental quality (14.5%) and greenery (10.8%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, most determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially greenery and street furniture. With the exception of obstacles and traffic which were related to more negative experiences. Finally, crossings, weather protection and inclusion were related to as many positive as negative ones. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were good footpath (10.7%), greenery (9.6%) and environmental quality (9.6%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related to traffic (11.8%), bad crossings (6.8%) and bad footpath (6.4%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (12.8%), greenery (9.8%) and good crossings (8.3%), while most unsafe and very unsafe experiences were related to traffic (11.3%), bad crossings (9.8%) and bad footpath (6.1%). Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (13.4%), greenery (10.9%) and environmental quality (10.3%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to traffic (7.9%), bad footpath (6.1%) and bad crossings (6.1%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were greenery (12.3%), good footpath (7.9%) and environmental quality (7.9%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to traffic (12.4%), bad footpath (5.6%) and poor environmental quality (5.6%).

What to fix, improve and expand.

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There are positive, neutral and negative experiences all across the study area, which implies that it presents a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Positive (38.1%) and very positive (5.7%) experiences were mainly related to good footpath, greenery, environmental quality, good crossings and street furniture. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted. On the other hand, participants shared many negative (38.1%) and very negative (4.8%) experiences related to traffic, bad crossings, bad footpath, obstacles and poor environmental quality. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. Finally, places with neutral experiences (13.3%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as footpath, crossings and environmental quality may enable more positive and very positive experiences.







3.1.1. Location of study area and observations

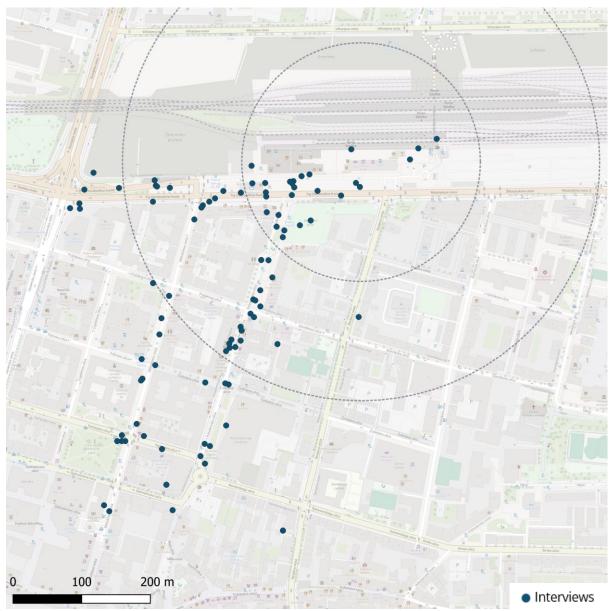


Figure 8. Observations from interviews and audits in Ljubljana.







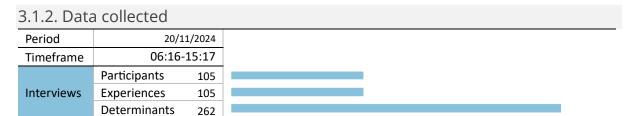


Table 25. Data collected in Ljubljana.

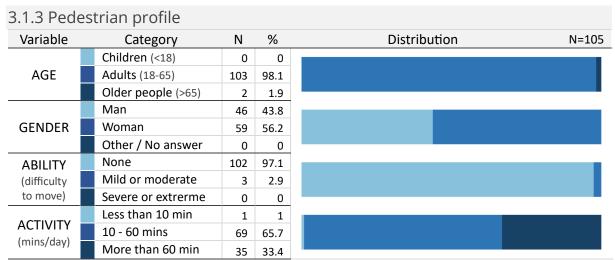


Table 26. Pedestrian profile in Ljubljana.

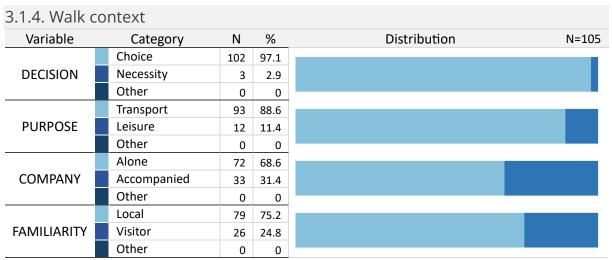


Table 27. Walk context in Ljubljana.











3.1.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%	TOP-5 determinants related to experience					
Very positive	6	5.7		Negative	Positive			
Positive	40	38.1		Traffic	Footpath			
Neutral	14	13.3		Crossing	Greenery			
Negative	40	38.1		Footpath	Environmental quality			
Very negative	5	4.8		Obstacles	Crossing			
TOTAL	105	100		Environmental quality	Furniture			

Table 28. Walking experiences and top 5 determinants related to them, in Ljubljana.

SAFETY N %			TOP-5 determinants related to safety		
Very safe	5	9.6	Unsafe	Safe	
Safe	20	38.5	Traffic	Footpath	
Neutral	6	11.5	Crossing	Greenery	
Unsafe	18	34.6	Footpath	Crossing	
Very unsafe	3	5.8	Weather protection	Environmental quality	
TOTAL	52	100	Obstacles	Furniture	

Table 29. Safety experiences and top 5 determinants, in Ljubljana.

COMFORT	N	%	TOP-5 determinants related to comfort					
Very comfortable	4	6.6		Uncomfortable	Comfortable			
Comfortable	25	41		Traffic	Footpath			
Neutral	8	13.1		Footpath	Greenery			
Uncomfortable	21	34.4		Crossing	Environmental quality			
Very uncomfortable	3	4.9		Obstacles	Crossing			
TOTAL	61	100		Environmental quality	Furniture			

Table 30. Comfort experiences and top 5 determinants, in Ljubljana.

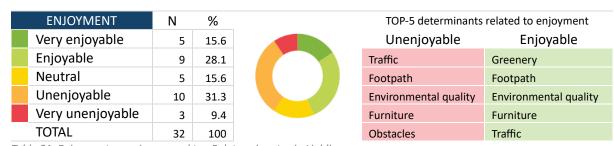


Table 31. Enjoyment experiences and top 5 determinants, in Ljubljana.



Figure 9. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in Ljubljana.











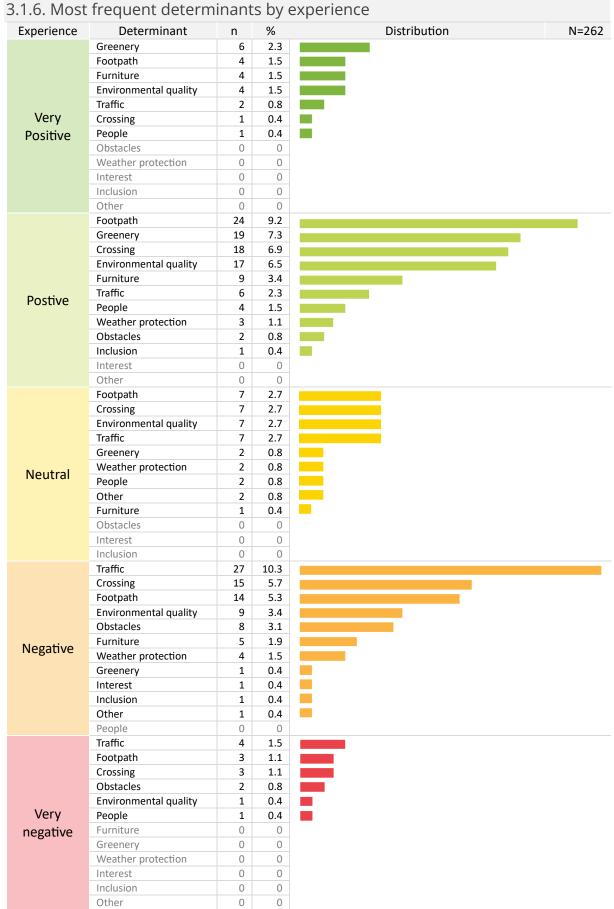


Table 32. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in Ljubljana.









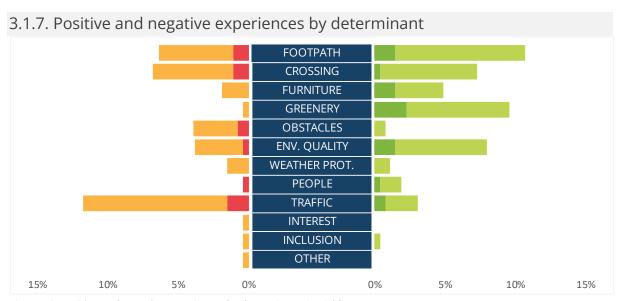


Figure 10. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in Ljubljana.

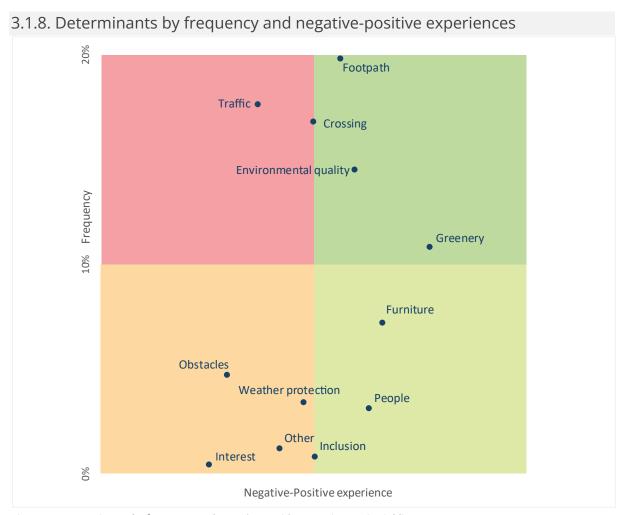


Figure 11. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in Ljubljana.









3.1.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants FOOTPATH Width Surface Slope Presence Absence Other (n=68)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 50% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% CROSSING Location Priority Visibility Presence Absence Other (n=33)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% FURNITURE Lighting Seating Wayfinding Presence Absence Other (n=23)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% GREENERY Parks Trees **Plants** Presence Absence Other (n=42)50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% OBSTACLES Infrastructure Business Vehicles Presence Absence Other (n=10)50% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% **ENV. QUALITY** Air Noise Cleanliness Presence Absence Other (n=40)50% 50% 10% 20% 30% 40%

Figure 12. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in Ljubljana.









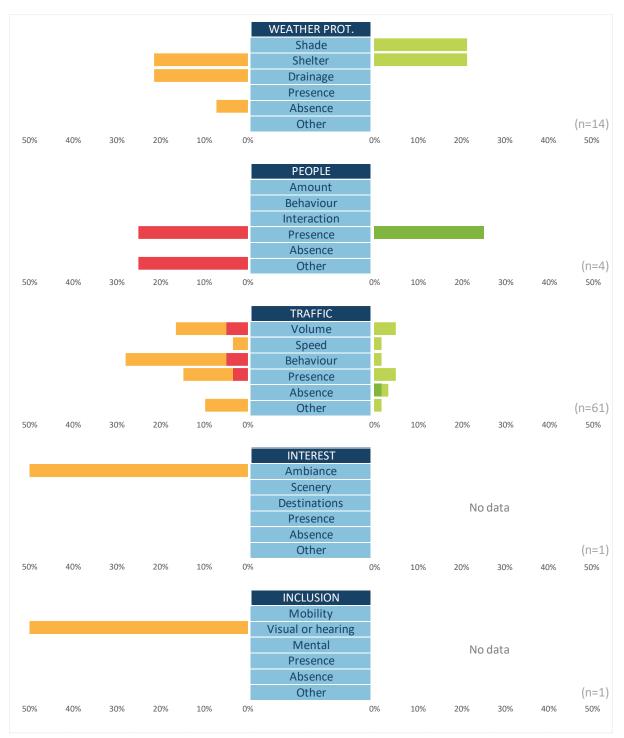


Figure 13. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in Ljubljana.







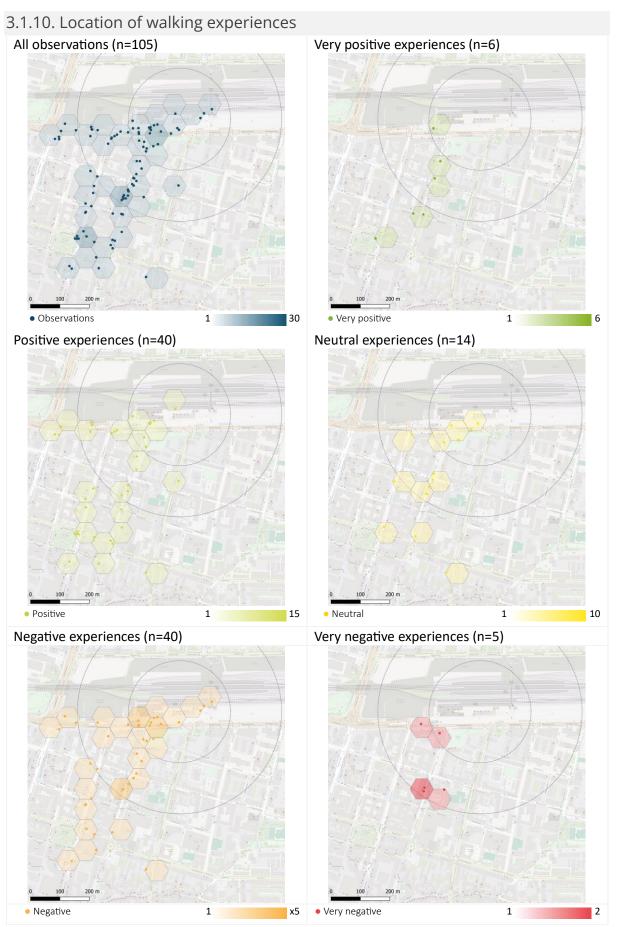


Figure 14. Location of observations and different experiences, in Ljubljana.









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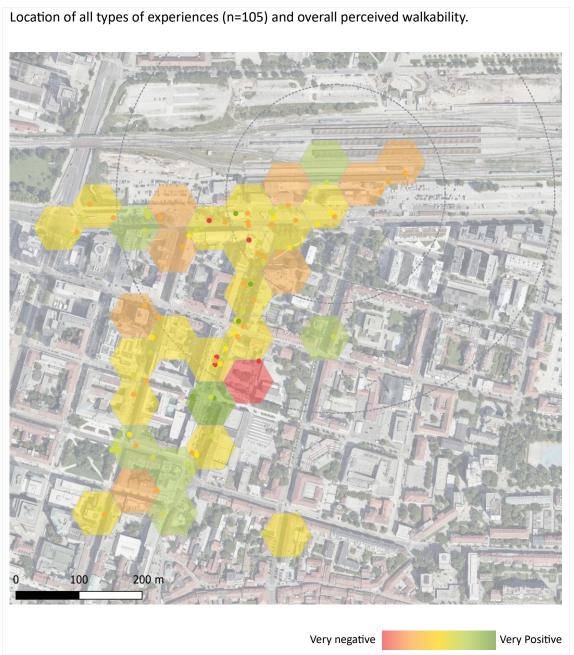


Figure 15. Location of all types of experiences and overall perceived walkability., in Ljubljana.









Ljubljana

3.1.11. Images and comments from participants

Very positive. Safe, comfortable and enjoyable Greenery

Woman, 28



Man, 36



Woman, 37



Woman, 36

Figure 16. Images from the study area with comments from participants, in Ljubljana.









3.2. Bled



Figure 17. Bled. Source: Wikipedia.

Data was collected between 30/10/2024 and 21/03/202 at Bled Station. A total of 101 interviewed participants shared 101 walking experiences related to 208 environmental determinants.

Who walks, why and how?

From the **101 pedestrians** interviewed, most were adults (84.2%), followed by older adults (14.9%) and children (1%). In addition, 52.5% were women and 47.5% men. Regarding their ability, more participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (53.5%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (42.5%) and a few had severe or extreme difficulty (4%). Finally, most participants were very active pedestrians (63.4%) followed by active (35.6%) and a small proportion of inactive ones (1%).

Based on their walk context, 76.2% of participants were walking by choice while 23.8% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 78.2% participants walked for leisure, while 21.8% for transport. Most participants were walking accompanied (58.4%) compared to those walking on their own (41.6%). Finally, most participants were visitors (53.5%), while others were familiar with the place (46.5%).

Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **101 walking experiences**, most were very positive (38.6%), followed by positive (35.6%), neutral (14.9%), negative (7.9%) and very negative (3%). Overall, positive and very positive experiences









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(74.2%) clearly outnumbered positive and very positive ones (10.9%). When participants were asked to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (46.5%), with many more comfortable and very comfortable experiences (80.9%) than uncomfortable and very uncomfortable ones (6.4%). Secondly, 45.6% of experiences were related to **enjoyment**, with many more enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences (67.4%) than enjoyable and very enjoyable ones (17.4%). Finally, walking **safety** was the least frequent type of experience shared by participants (20.8%), with safe (33.3%), very safe (57.1%) and no unsafe experiences.

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **152** environmental determinants that influenced walking experiences in this study, the most frequent was greenery, included in 25.6% of all observations, followed by footpath (24.9%), people (20.7%), environmental quality (9.2%) and traffic (7.3%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, most determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially greenery and inclusion. With the exception of obstacles and traffic, which were related to more negative experiences. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were greenery (24.6%), good footpath (23.5%) and people (13.9%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related to people (4.4%), traffic (3.4%) and obstacles (1.9%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (30.4%), greenery (28.3%) and people (15.2%). There were no unsafe experiences. Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (28.1%), greenery (26.1%) and people (16.7%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to people (2%), traffic (2%) and no street furniture (1%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were greenery (23.2%), good footpath (19%) and people (12.7%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to people (7.4%), traffic 5.3%) and obstacles (4.3%).

What to fix, improve and expand.

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There are positive, neutral and negative experiences all across the study area, which implies that it presents a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Positive (35.6%) and very positive (38.6%) experiences were mainly related greenery, good footpath, people, environmental quality and good crossings. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted. On the other hand, participants shared many negative (7.9%) and very negative (3%) experiences related to people, traffic, obstacles, poor street furniture and environmental quality. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. Finally, places with neutral experiences (14.9%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as footpath, minor obstacles and moderate traffic may enable more positive and very positive experiences.









3.2.1. Location of study area and observations

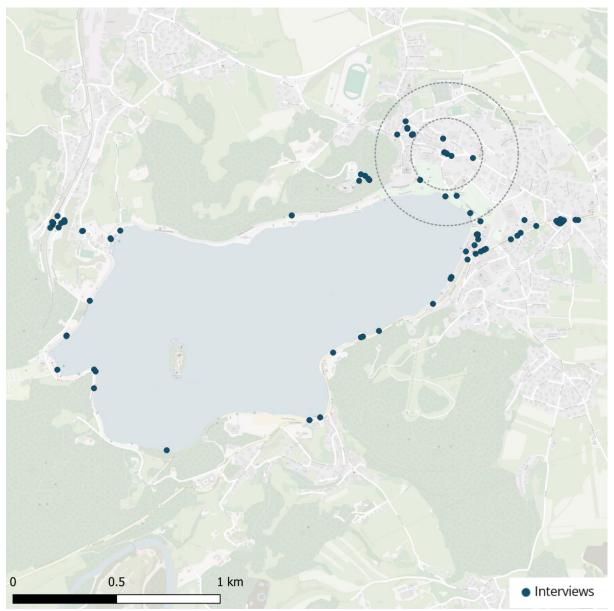


Figure 18. Observations from interviews and audits in Bled.







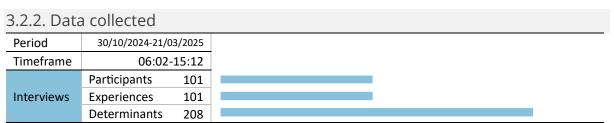


Table 33. Data collected in Bled.



Table 34. Pedestrian profile in Bled.

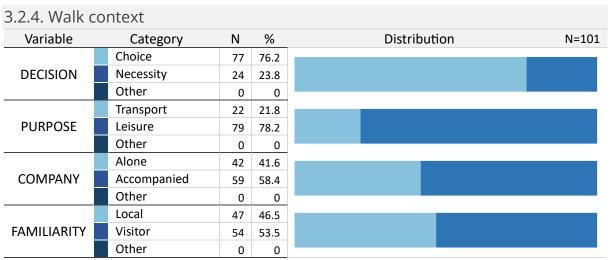


Table 35. Walk context in Bled.











3.2.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%
Very positive	39	38.6
Positive	36	35.6
Neutral	15	14.9
Negative	8	7.9
Very negative	3	3
TOTAL	101	100



TOP-5 determinants related to experience					
Negative	Positive				
People	Greenery				
Traffic	Footpath				
Obstacles	People				
Furniture	Environmental quality				
Environmental quality	Crossing				

Table 36. Walking experiences and top 5 determinants related to them, in Bled.

SAFETY	N	%
Very safe	12	57.1
Safe	7	33.3
Neutral	2	9.5
Unsafe	0	0
Very unsafe	0	0
TOTAL	21	100



TOP-5 determinants related to safety					
Unsafe	Safe				
-	Footpath				
-	Greenery				
-	People				
-	Environmental quality				
-	Traffic				

Table 37. Safety and top 5 determinants related to them, in Bled.

COMFORT	N	%
Very comfortable	18	38.3
Comfortable	20	42.6
Neutral	6	12.8
Uncomfortable	1	2.1
Very uncomfortable	2	4.3
TOTAL	47	100



TOP-5 determinants related to comfort					
Uncomfortable Comfortable					
People	Footpath				
Traffic	Greenery				
Furniture	People				
Environmental quality Environmental quality					
-	Inclusion				

Table 38. Comforts and top 5 determinants related to them, in Bled.

	ENJOYMENT	N	%
	Very enjoyable	18	39.1
	Enjoyable	13	28.3
	Neutral	7	15.2
	Unenjoyable	7	15.2
	Very unenjoyable	1	2.2
	TOTAL	46	100
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TOP-5 determinants related to enjoyment					
Unenjoyable Enjoyable					
People	Greenery				
Traffic	Footpath				
Obstacles	People				
Furniture Environmental quality					
Environmental quality Crossing					

Table 39. Enjoyment and top 5 determinants related to them, in Bled.



Figure 19. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in Bled.









3.2.6. Most frequent determinants by experience % Experience Determinant n Distribution N=208 15.9 Greenery 33 Footpath 29 13.9 15 People 7.2 **Environmental quality** 9 4.3 Crossing 2 1 Very Inclusion 2 Positive Furniture 1 0.5 Obstacles 0.5 1 Traffic 0.5 1 Weather protection 0 0 0 Interest 0 Other 0 0 Footpath 20 9.6 Greenery 18 8.7 People 14 6.7 6 **Environmental quality** 2.9 Crossing 4 1.9 Furniture 2 1 Postive Traffic 1 0.5 Interest 1 0.5 Inclusion 1 0.5 Obstacles 0 0 Weather protection 0 0 0 Other 0 6 Traffic 2.9 5 2.4 People Obstacles 4 1.9 3 Footpath 1.4 Greenery 2 **Environmental quality** 2 Neutral Weather protection 1 0.5 Interest 1 0.5 0 Crossing 0 0 0 Furniture 0 Inclusion 0 Other 0 0 People 7 3.4 Traffic 6 2.9 Obstacles 3 1.4 0.5 **Furniture** 1 **Environmental quality** 1 0.5 0 Footpath 0 Negative Crossing 0 0 0 0 Greenery 0 0 Weather protection Interest 0 0 Inclusion 0 0 0 0 Other 2 People 1 Furniture 1 0.5 Obstacles 1 0.5 **Environmental quality** 1 0.5 Traffic 0.5 1 Very Footpath 0 0 Crossing 0 0 negative 0 Greenery 0 0 0 Weather protection 0 0 Interest 0 0 Inclusion Other 0 0

Table 40. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in Bled.







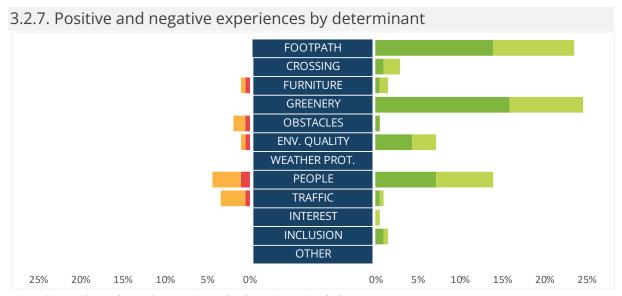


Figure 20. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in Bled.

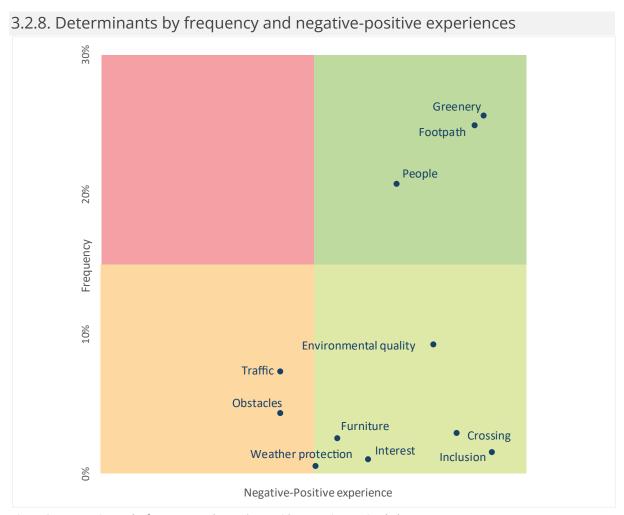


Figure 21. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in Bled.









3.2.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants

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Figure 22. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in Bled.

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Figure 23. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in Bled.







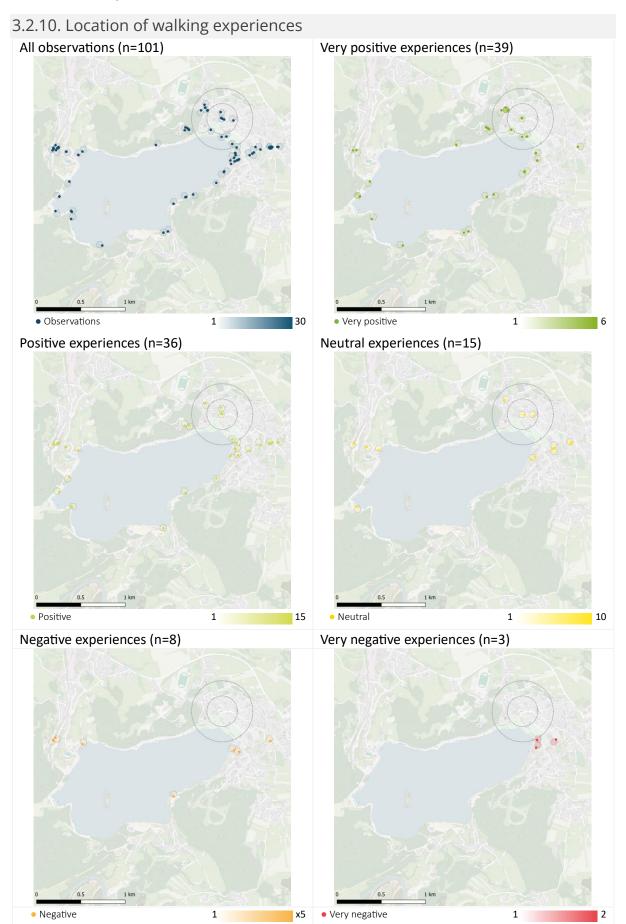


Figure 24. Location of observations and different experiences, in Bled.







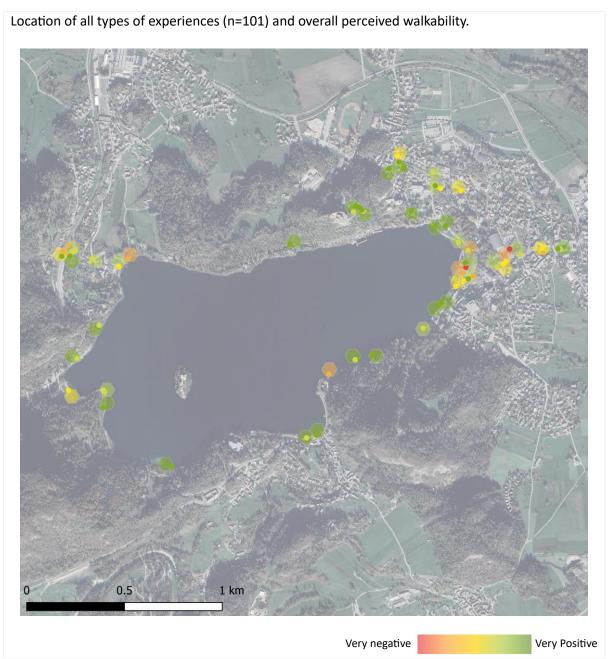


Figure 25. Location of all types of experiences and overall perceived walkability, in Bled.









3.2.11. Images and comments from participants

Very positive. Safe and comfortable Good footpath, clean, people and no traffic

Woman, 32



Woman, 53, mild difficulty to walk

Positive. Comfortable Good footpath, people and interest

Man, 18

Very negative. Uncomfortable People

Woman, 71, moderate difficulty to walk

Figure 26. Images from the study area with comments from participants, in Bled.







Celje

3.3. Celje



Figure 27. Celje. Source: Wikipedia.

Data was collected between 22/11/2024 and 04/04/2025 at Celje Station. A total of 100 interviewed participants shared 100 walking experiences related to 183 environmental determinants.

Who walks, why and how?

From the **100 pedestrians** interviewed, most were adults (97%), followed by older adults (3%). In addition, 53% were women and 47% men. Regarding their ability, most participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (75%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (24%) and a few had severe or extreme difficulty (1%). Finally, most participants were very active pedestrians (61%) followed by very active ones (39%).

Based on their **walk context**, 51% of participants were walking by choice while 49% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 68% participants walked for transport, while 32% for leisure. Most participants were walking on their own (52%) compared to those walking with others (48%). Finally, most participants were familiar with the place (95%), while others were not (5%).

Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **100 walking experiences** collected, most were positive (51%), followed by neutral (19%), very positive (13%), negative (13%) and very negative (4%). Overall, negative and very negative experiences (47%) outnumbered positive and very positive ones (38%). When participants were asked to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (61%), with more comfortable and very comfortable experiences (57.4%) than uncomfortable and very uncomfortable ones (21.4%). Secondly, 42% of experiences were related to **enjoyment**, with many more enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences (73.8%) than unenjoyable ones (9.5%). Finally, walking **safety** was the











least frequent type of experience shared by participants (8%), with safe (87.5%), very safe (12.5%) and no unsafe experiences.

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **183 environmental determinants** that influenced **walking experiences** in this study, the most frequent was footpath, included in 24.6% of all observations, followed by people (23%), traffic (14.1%), weather protection (9.8%) and environmental quality (9.2%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, most determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially greenery and crossings. With the exception of weather protection and traffic which were related to more negative experiences. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were good footpath (23.5%), people (15.9%) and environmental quality (7.6%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related to weather protection (7.1%), traffic (5.4%) and people (1.6%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (27.8%), people (27.8%) and no or low traffic (16.7%. there were no unsafe experiences. Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (22.8%), people (11.4%) and environmental quality (8.7%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to bad weather protection (10.5%), traffic (7%) and people (2.6%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were good footpath (22.8%), people (21.5%) and street furniture (7.6%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to traffic (2.5%), obstacles (1.3%) and poor weather protection (1.3%).

What to fix, improve and expand.

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There are positive, neutral and negative experiences all across the study area, which implies that it presents a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Positive (51%) and very positive (13%) experiences were mainly related to good footpath, people, good environmental quality, inclusion and street furniture. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted. On the other hand, participants shared negative (13%) and very negative (4%) experiences related to bad weather protection, traffic, people, obstacles and poor environmental quality. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. Finally, places with neutral experiences (19%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as people, traffic and obstacles may enable more positive and very positive experiences.









3.3.1. Location of study area and observations

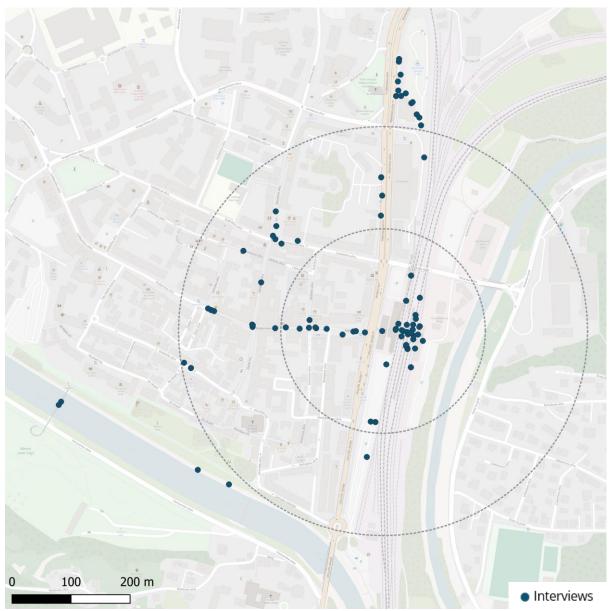


Figure 28. Observations from interviews and audits in Celje.











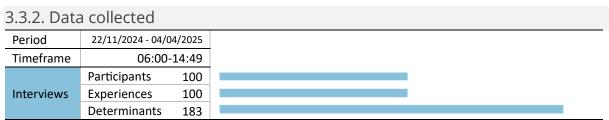


Table 41. Data collected in Celje.

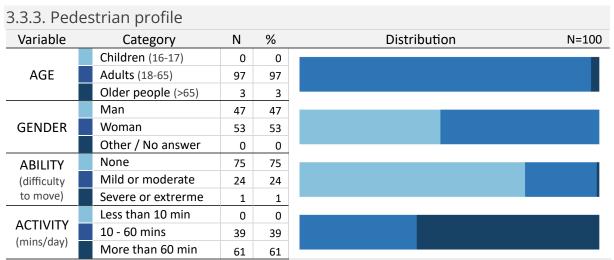


Table 42. Pedestrian profile in Celje.

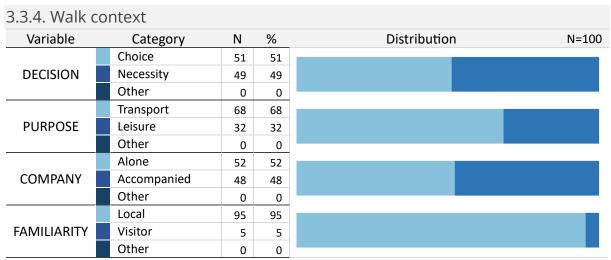


Table 43. Walk context in Celje.









3.3.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%	TOP-5 determinants	related to experience
Very positive	13	13	Negative	Positive
Positive	51	51	Weather protection	Footpath
Neutral	19	19	Traffic	People
Negative	13	13	People	Environmental quality
Very negative	4	4	Obstacles	Inclusion
TOTAL	100	100	Environmental quality	Furniture

Table 44. Walking experiences and top 5 determinants related to them, in Celje.

SAFETY	N	%	TOP-5 determinar	nts related to safety
Very safe	1	12.5	Unsafe	Safe
Safe	7	87.5	-	Footpath
Neutral	0	0	-	People
Unsafe	0	0	-	Traffic
Very unsafe	0	0	-	Environmental quality
TOTAL	8	100	-	Crossing

Table 45. Safety and top 5 determinants related to them, in Celje.

COMFORT	N	%	TOP-5 determinan	ts related to comfort
Very comfortable	7	11.5	Uncomfortable	Comfortable
Comfortable	28	45.9	Weather protection	Footpath
Neutral	13	21.3	Traffic	People
Uncomfortable	9	14.8	People	Environmental quality
Very uncomfortable	4	6.6	Environmental quality	Traffic
TOTAL	61	100	Obstacles	Greenery

Table 46. Comforts and top 5 determinants related to them, in Celje.

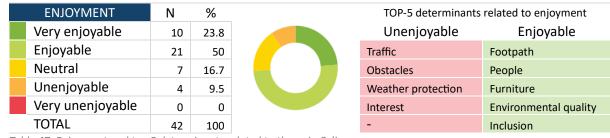


Table 47. Enjoyment and top 5 determinants related to them, in Celje.

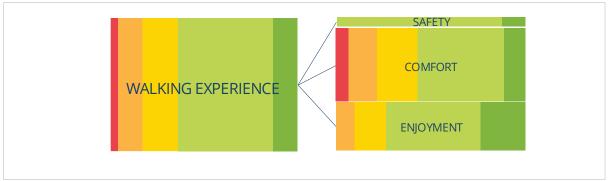


Figure 29. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in Celje.











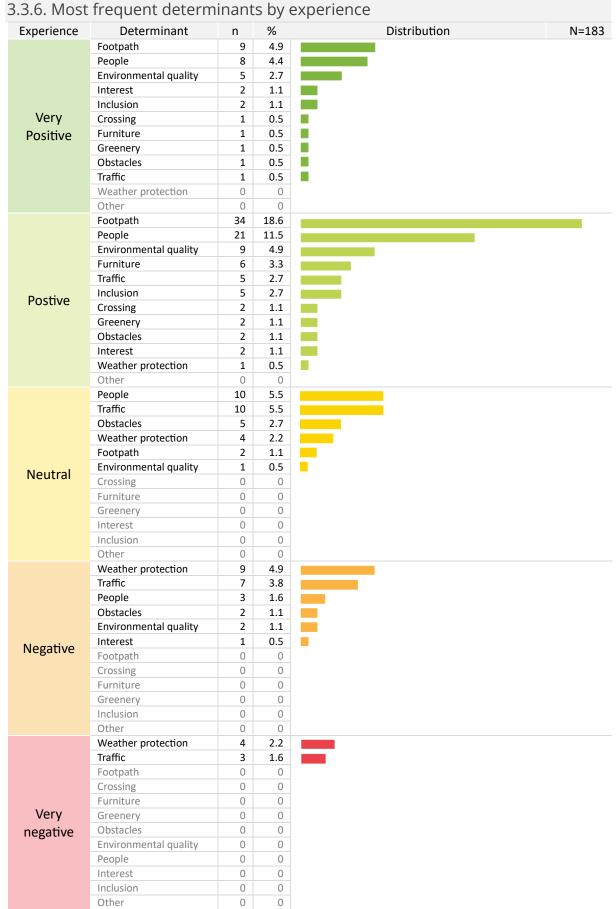


Table 48. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in Celje.









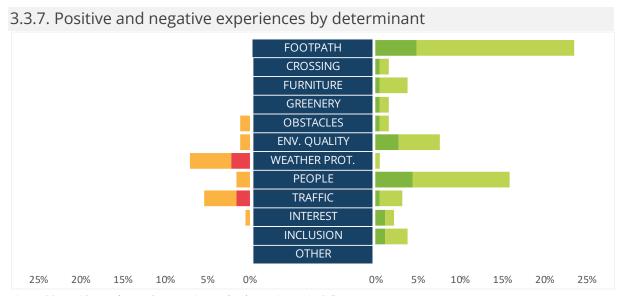


Figure 30. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in Celje.

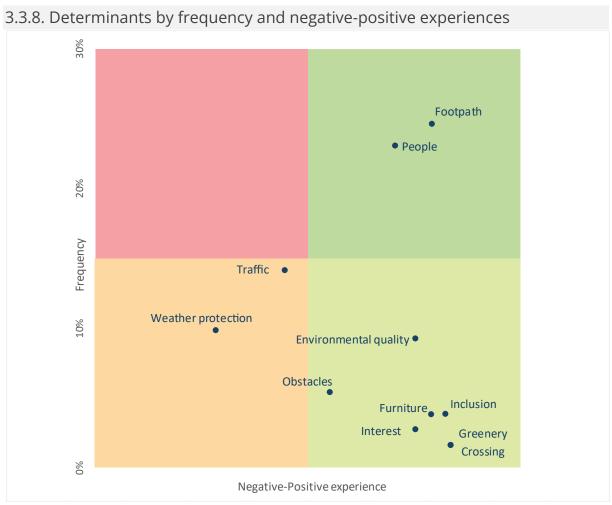


Figure 31. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in Celje.











3.3.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants

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Figure 32. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in Celje.

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Figure 33. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in Celje.









Figure 34. Location of observations and different experiences, in Celje.









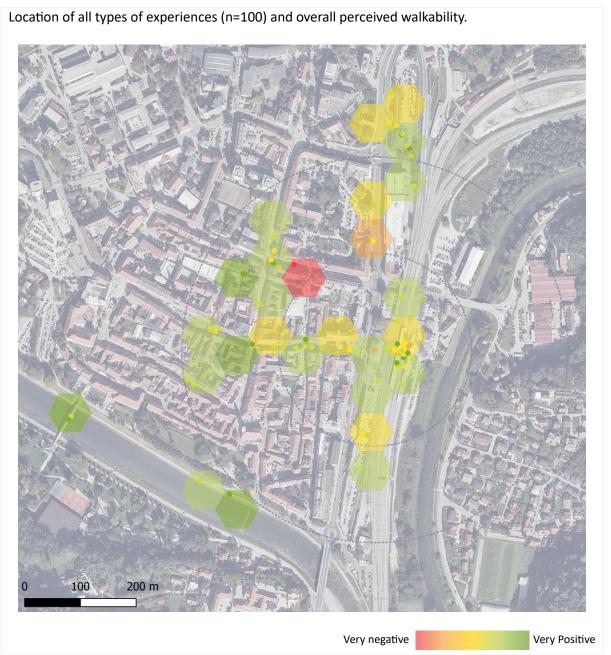


Figure 35. Location of all types of experiences and overall perceived walkability, in Celje.









3.3.11. Images and comments from participants

Very positive. Comfortable and enjoyable "Good footpath, crossing and clean

Woman, 32



Negative. Uncomfortable

People, traffic and no weather protection

Woman, 48

Positive. Comfortable and enjoyable Greenery and inclusive



Man, 34

Very negative. Uncomfortable Traffic and no protection from weather



Man, 31

Figure 36. Images from the study area with comments from participants, in Celje.













Figure 37. Krško. Source: Wikipedia.

Data was collected between 05/1012024 and 01/04/2025 at Krško Station. A total of 100 interviewed participants shared 100 walking experiences related to 151 environmental determinants.

Who walks, why and how?

From the **100** pedestrians interviewed, most were adults (88%), followed by children (7%) and older adults (5%). In addition, 54% were women and 46% men. Regarding their ability, most participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (80%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (17%) and a few had severe or extreme difficulty (3%). Finally, most participants were very active pedestrians (59%), followed by active (37%) and a small proportion of inactive ones (4%).

Based on their **walk context**, 53% of participants were walking by choice while 47% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 65% participants walked for transport, while 35% for leisure. Most participants were walking on their own (53%) compared to those walking with others (47%). Finally, most participants were familiar with the place (91%), while others were not (9%).

Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **100 walking experiences**, most were positive (54%), followed by neutral (23%), very positive (15%), negative (8%) and no very negative experiences. Overall, negative and very negative experiences (47%) outnumbered positive and very positive ones (38%). When participants were asked









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to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (50%), with many more comfortable and very comfortable experiences (66%) than uncomfortable ones (8%). Secondly, 26% of experiences were related to **enjoyment**, with many more enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences (61.5%) than unenjoyable ones (11.5%). Finally, walking **safety** was the least frequent type of experience shared by participants (19%), with many more safe and very safe experiences (94.8%) than unsafe ones (5.3%).

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **151 environmental determinants** that influenced **walking experiences** in this study, the most frequent was footpath, included in 24.6% of all observations, followed by people (18.6%), crossings (14.6%), traffic (13.9%) and environmental quality (8.6%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, most determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially furniture and crossings. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were good footpath (23.2%), good crossings (13.2%) and people (12.6%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related to people (2%), traffic (2%) and bad footpath (0.7%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (27.6%), good crossings (24.1%) and people (17.2%), while most unsafe and very unsafe experiences were related to people (3.4%). Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (23.4%), good crossings (13.4%) and environmental quality (10%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to people (2.2%), bad footpath (1.1%) and bad crossings (1.1%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were people (27%), good footpath (27%), good crossings (18.9%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to traffic (5.4%) and lack of interest (2.7%).

What to fix, improve and expand.

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There are positive, neutral and negative experiences all across the study area, which implies that it presents a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Positive (54%) and very positive (15%) experiences were mainly related to good footpath, crossings, people, no or low traffic and good environmental quality. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted. On the other hand, participants shared some negative experiences (8%) related to bad people, traffic, bad footpath, crossings and lack of interest. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. Finally, places with neutral experiences (23%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as minor obstacles, traffic and people may enable more positive and very positive experiences.







3.4.1. Location of study area and observations

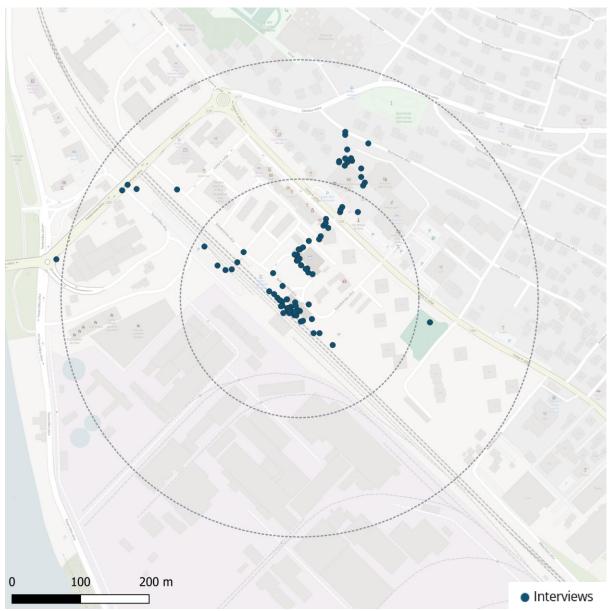


Figure 38. Observations from interviews and audits in Krško.









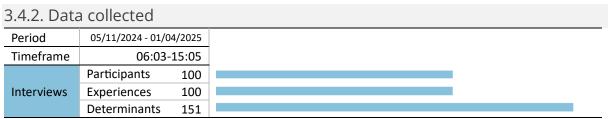


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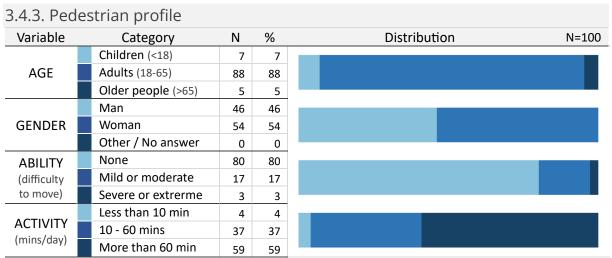


Table 50. Pedestrian profile in Krško.

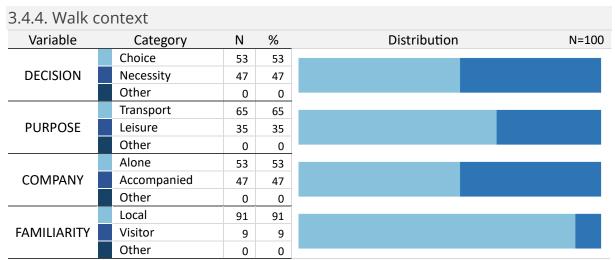


Table 51. Walk context in Krško.





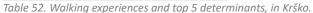






3.4.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%	
Very positive	15	15	
Positive	54	54	
Neutral	23	23	
Negative	8	8	
Very negative	0	0	
TOTAL	100	100	



TOP-5 determinants related to experience				
Negative	Positive			
People	Footpath			
Traffic	Crossing			
Footpath	People			
Crossing	Traffic			
Interest	Environmental quality			

SAFETY	N	%	TOP-5 determinants related to safety		
Very safe	4	21.1		Unsafe	Safe
Safe	14	73.7		People	Footpath
Neutral	0	0		-	Crossing
Unsafe	1	5.3		-	People
Very unsafe	0	0		-	Traffic
TOTAL	19	100		-	Obstacles

Table 53. Safety and top 5 determinants, in Krško.

COMFORT	N	%
Very comfortable	7	14
Comfortable	26	52
Neutral	13	26
Uncomfortable	4	8
Very uncomfortable	0	0
TOTAL	50	100

Table 54. Comforts and top 5 determinants, in Krško.

TOP-5 determinants related to comfort					
Uncomfortable	Comfortable				
People	Footpath				
Footpath	Crossing				
Crossing	Environmental quality				
Traffic	Furniture				
-	Traffic				

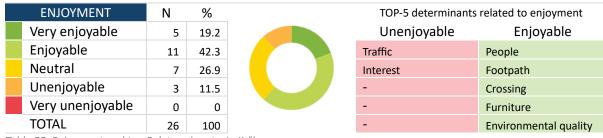


Table 55. Enjoyment and top 5 determinants, in Krško.



Figure 39. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in Krško.







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3.4.6. Most frequent determinants by experience % Distribution N=151 Experience Determinant n Footpath 10 6.6 7 4.6 Crossing 6 People 4 **Environmental quality** 5 3.3 Traffic 5 3.3 Very Furniture 4 2.6 Positive Greenery 1 0.7 Obstacles 0.7 1 Weather protection 0 0 Interest 0 0 0 Inclusion 0 0 0 Other Footpath 25 16.6 Crossing 13 8.6 People 13 8.6 9 Traffic 6 7 **Environmental quality** 4.6 Furniture 5 3.3 **Postive** Obstacles 5 3.3 Inclusion 1 0.7 Greenery 0 0 Weather protection 0 0 0 Interest 0 Other 0 0 6 Obstacles 4 6 4 People Traffic 4 2.6 Furniture 2 1.3 Greenery 2 1.3 Footpath 1 0.7 Neutral Crossing 1 0.7 **Environmental quality** 1 0.7 Weather protection 0.7 1 0.7 Interest 1 Inclusion 0 0 Other 0 0 People 3 2 Traffic 3 2 Footpath 1 0.7 Crossing 1 0.7 Interest 1 0.7 0 Furniture 0 Negative 0 0 Greenery 0 0 Obstacles Environmental quality 0 0 Weather protection 0 0 Inclusion 0 0 0 0 Other 0 0 Footpath Crossing 0 0 0 0 Furniture Greenery 0 0 Obstacles 0 0 Very Environmental quality 0 0 Weather protection 0 0 negative 0 People 0 Traffic 0 0 0 0 Interest Inclusion 0 0 Other 0 0

Table 56. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in Krško.







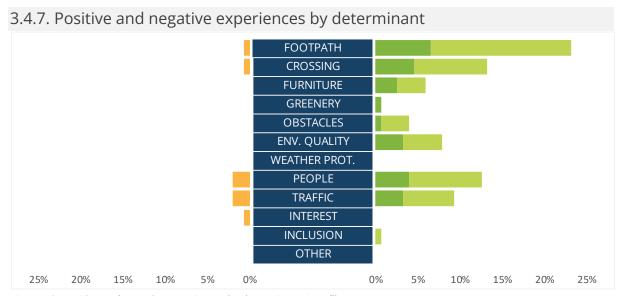


Figure 40. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in Krško.

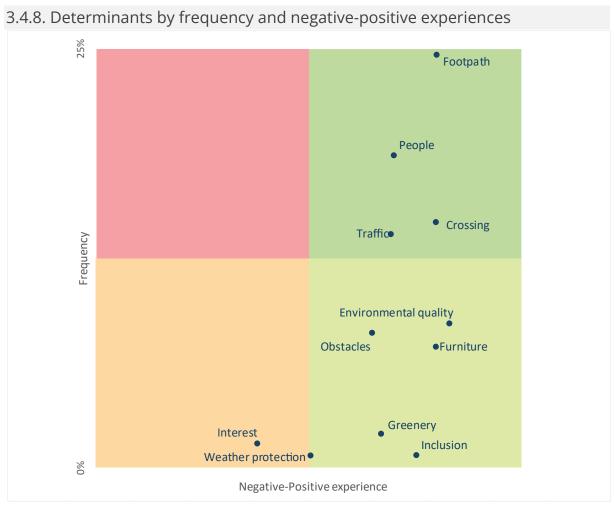


Figure 41. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in Krško.









3.4.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants

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Figure 42. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in Krško.

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Figure 43. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in Krško.







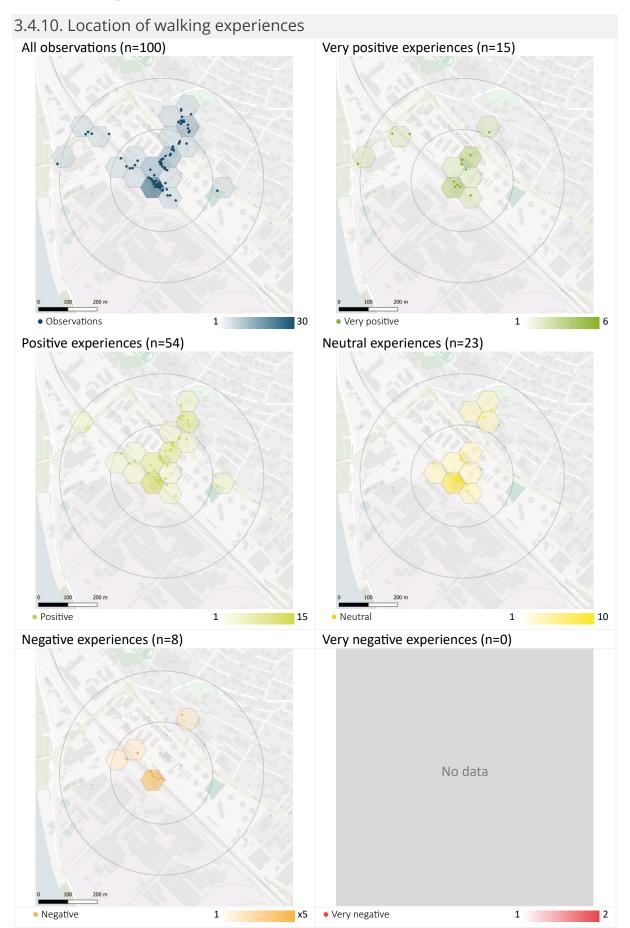


Figure 44. Location of observations and different experiences, in Krško.







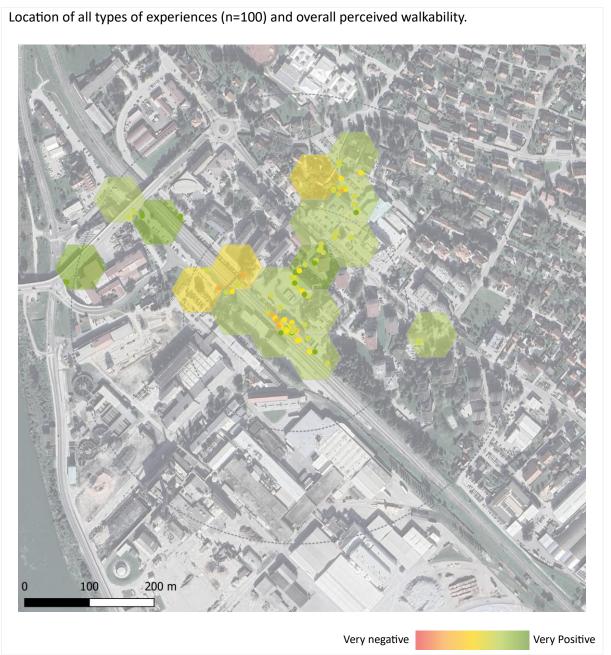


Figure 45. Location of all types of experiences and overall perceived walkability, in Krško.





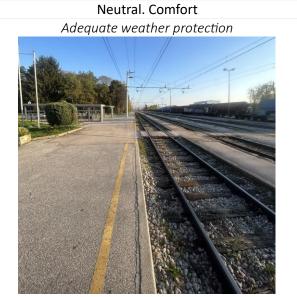




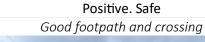
3.4.11. Images and comments from participants

Very positive. Safe Good footpath

Woman, 42, mild difficulty to walk

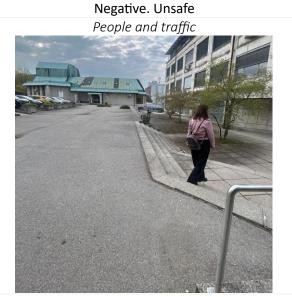


Woman, 31





Man, 55, mild difficulty to walk



Man, 53

Figure 46. Images from the study area with comments from participants, in Krško.









Medvode

3.5. Medvode



Figure 47. Medvode. Source: Wikipedia.

Data was collected between 08/11/2024 and 27/03/2025 at Medvode Station. A total of 100 interviewed participants shared 100 walking experiences related to 182 environmental determinants.

Who walks, why and how?

From the **100** pedestrians interviewed, most were adults (90%), followed by older adults (10%). In addition, 52% were men and 48% women. Regarding their ability, most participants did not have any difficulty to move or interact with the environment (64%), while some had mild or moderate difficulty (34%) and a few had severe or extreme difficulty (2%). Finally, most participants were very active pedestrians (54%) followed by active ones (46%).

Based on their walk context, 62% of participants were walking by choice while 38% did it out of necessity. With regards to the walk purpose, 64% participants walked for transport, while 36% for leisure. Most participants were walking on their own (62%) compared to those walking with others (38%). Finally, almost all participants were familiar with the place (99%), while others were not (1%).

Which were the main walking experiences?

From the **100 walking experiences** collected, most were positive (56%), followed by neutral (19%), very positive (17%), negative (6%) and very negative (2%). Overall, positive and very positive experiences (73%) clearly outnumbered negative and very negative ones (8%). When participants were asked to highlight one or more types of experiences, most referred to walking **comfort** (63%), with









many more comfortable and very comfortable experiences (73%) than uncomfortable and very uncomfortable ones (9.5%). Secondly, 26% of experiences were related to **enjoyment**, with many more enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences (76.9%) than unenjoyable and very unenjoyable ones (7.6%). Finally, walking **safety** was the least frequent type of experience shared by participants (21%), with more safe and very safe (71.5%) than unsafe ones (4.8%).

What influenced walking experiences?

From the **182 environmental determinants** that influenced **walking experiences** in this study, the most frequent was footpath, included in 28% of all observations, followed by people (17.5%), traffic (13.1%), crossings (12.1%) and environmental quality (10.3%). Participants related these determinants, and the other ones included in the study, to both **positive and negative experiences**. Overall, most determinants were related to more positive experiences, especially greenery and crossings. With the exception of obstacles and traffic, which were related as many positive as negative ones. The most relevant determinants related to positive and very positive experiences were good footpath (28%), people (12.6%) and good crossings (12.1%), while most negative and very negative experiences were related obstacles (2.7%), traffic (2.2%) and poor environmental quality (2.1%).

Regarding **safety**, the most relevant determinants influencing safe and very safe experiences were good footpath (31%), good crossings (9.5%) and people (9.5%), while most unsafe and very unsafe experiences were related to poor environmental quality, people and traffic (all with 2.4%). Similarly for **comfort**, the most relevant determinants influencing comfortable and very comfortable experiences were good footpath (28%), good crossings (14%) and people (8.8%), while most uncomfortable and very uncomfortable experiences were related to obstacles (3.5%), poor environmental quality (2.7%) and traffic (2.7%). Finally for **enjoyment**, the most relevant determinants related to enjoyable and very enjoyable experiences were good footpath (27.5%), people (17.6%) and good crossings (9.8%), while most unenjoyable and very unenjoyable experiences were related to obstacles, poor environmental quality and traffic (all with 2%).

What to fix, improve and expand.

Different walking experiences by participants helped identify areas with better and worse walkability and their main reasons. There are positive, neutral and negative experiences all across the study area, which implies that it presents a mix of good, adequate and bad walkability, often related to common determinants. Positive (56%) and very positive (17%) experiences were mainly related to good footpath, people, good crossings, greenery and good environmental quality. These were the determinants that most people praised when sharing safe, comfortable and enjoyable experiences. Areas with this type of positive experiences and quality should be expanded and promoted. On the other hand, participants shared some negative (6%) and very negative (2%) experiences related to obstacles, traffic, poor environmental quality, people and no street furniture. In order to reduce future negative experiences, these issues should be prioritised and fixed, replicating or implementing similar quality elements from the areas with more positive experiences. Finally, places with neutral experiences (19%) can be considered "just adequate" environments. While they do not present a priority to fix, small improvements in their most common determinants, such as traffic, people and environmental quality may enable more positive and very positive experiences.









3.5.1. Location of study area and observations

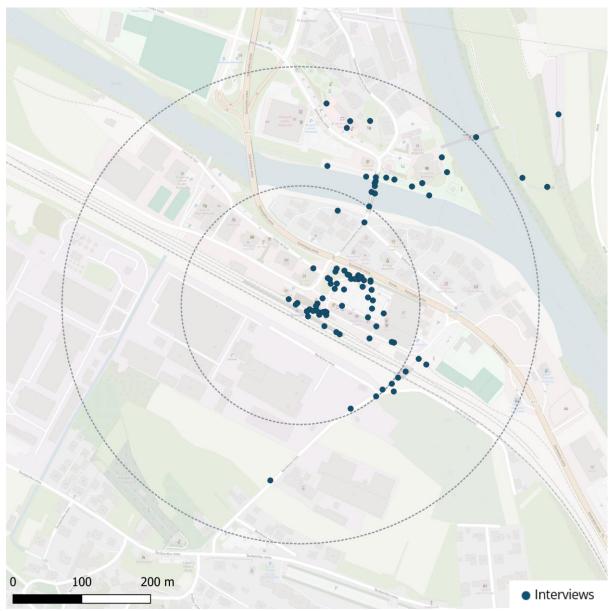


Figure 48. Observations from interviews and audits in Medvode.









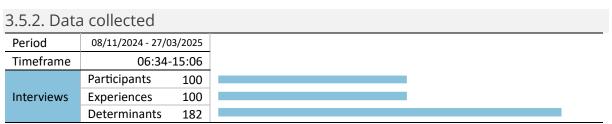


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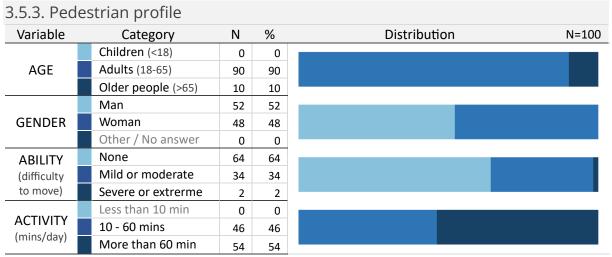


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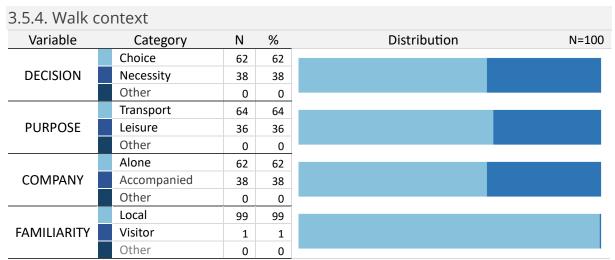


Table 59. Walk context in Medvode.









2.5.5. Walking experiences

EXPERIENCE	N	%	TOP-5 determinants	related to experience
Very positive	17	17	Negative	Positive
Positive	56	56	Obstacles	Footpath
Neutral	19	19	Traffic	People
Negative	6	6	Environmental quality	Crossing
Very negative	2	2	People	Greenery
TOTAL	100	100	Furniture	Environmental quality

Table 60. Walking experiences and top 5 determinants related to them, in Medvode.

SAFETY	N	%	TOP-5 determinar	its related to safety
Very safe	6	28.6	Unsafe	Safe
Safe	9	42.9	Environmental quality	Footpath
Neutral	5	23.8	People	Crossing
Unsafe	0	0	Traffic	People
Very unsafe	1	4.8	-	Traffic
TOTAL	21	100	-	Greenery

Table 61. Safety and top 5 determinants related to them, in Medvode.

COMFORT	N	%	TOP-5 de	eterminants related to comfort
Very comfortable	8	12.7	Uncomfoi	rtable Comfortable
Comfortable	38	60.3	Obstacles	Footpath
Neutral	11	17.5	Environmenta	al quality Crossing
Uncomfortable	5	7.9	Traffic	People
Very uncomfortable	1	1.6	People	Environmental quality
TOTAL	63	100	Furniture	Greenery

Table 62. Comforts and top 5 determinants related to them, in Medvode.

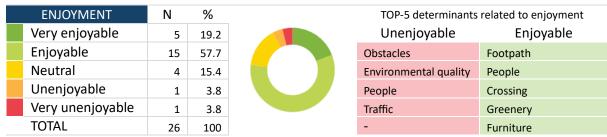


Table 63. Enjoyment and top 5 determinants related to them, in Medvode.

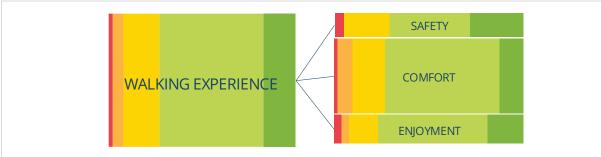


Figure 49. Share of positive and negative experiences and most frequent types, in Medvode.











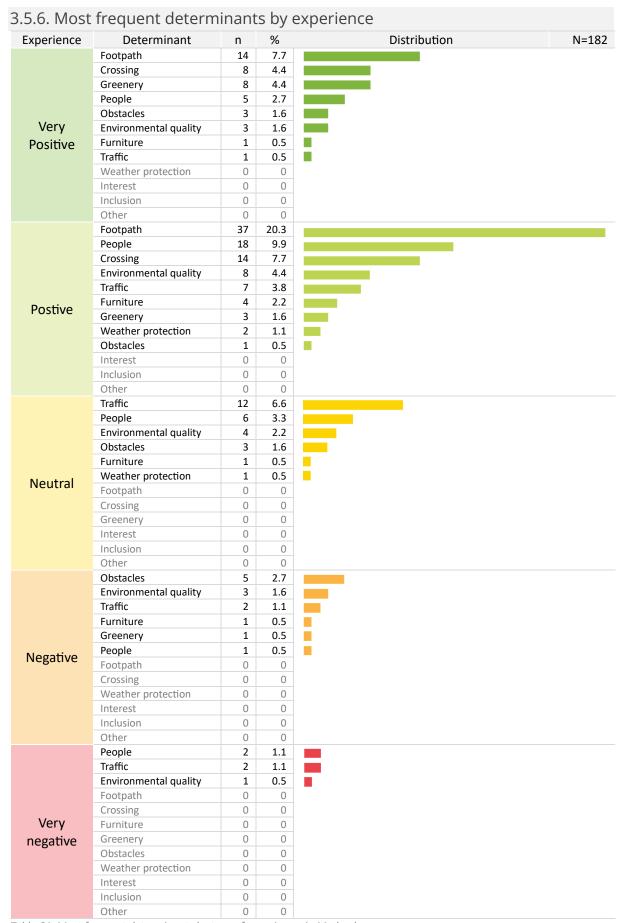


Table 64. Most frequent determinants by type of experience, in Medvode.









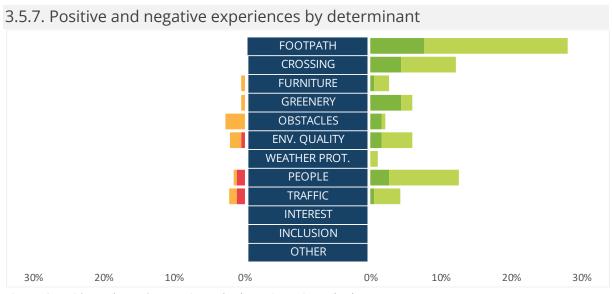


Figure 50. Positive and negative experiences by determinant, in Medvode.

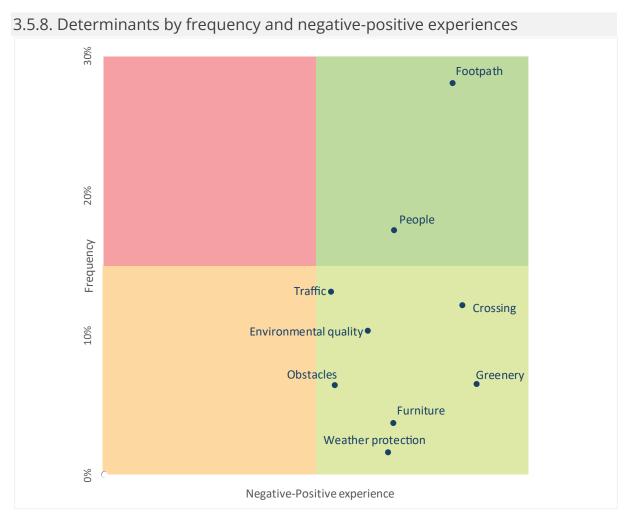


Figure 51. Determinants by frequency and negative-positive experiences, in Medvode.











3.5.9. Positive and negative experiences by subcategory of determinants

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Figure 52. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of footpath, crossing, furniture, greenery and obstacles, in Medvode.

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Figure 53. Positive and negative experiences related to subcategories of weather protection, people, traffic, interest and inclusion, in Medvode.







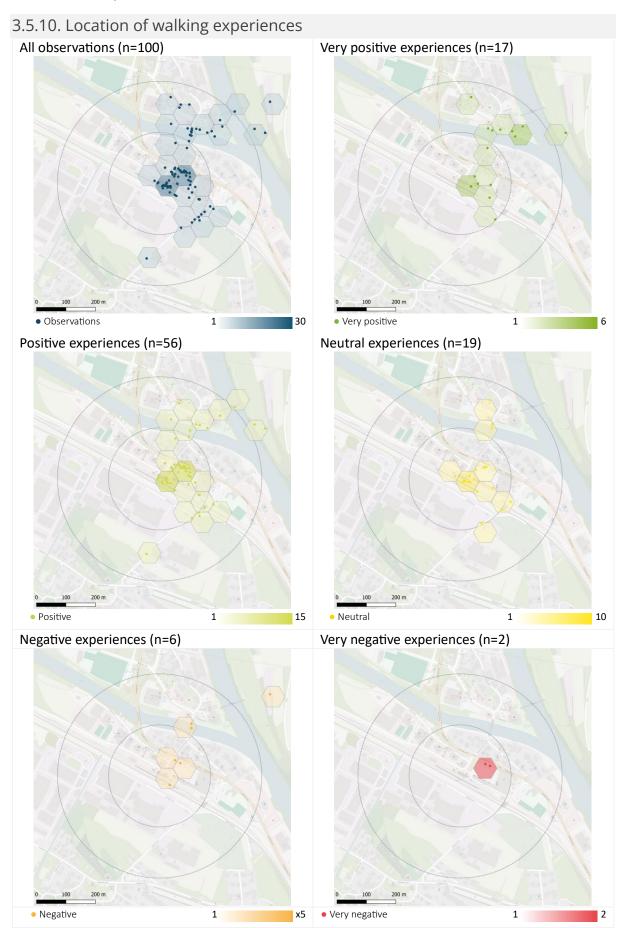


Figure 54. Location of observations and different experiences, in Medvode







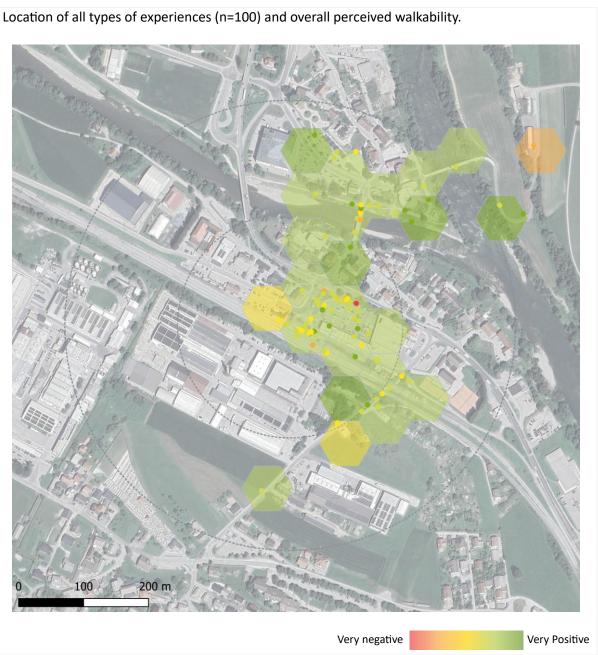


Figure 55. Location of all types of experiences and overall perceived walkability, in Medvode.









3.5.11. Images and comments from participants



Woman, 18

Figure 56. Images from the study area with comments from participants, in Medvode.



Annex A: App use and Glossary

1. PEDESTRIAN PROFILE

Information about the people under study.

1.1. AGE The length of time that a person has lived¹. Ask the participant: "How old are you?" and add the value accordingly.



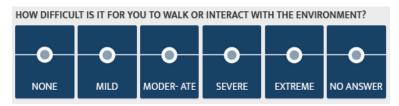
1.2. GENDER The collective attributes or traits associated with a particular sex, or determined as a result of one's sex. The state of being male or female as expressed by social or cultural distinctions and differences².

Ask the participant: "What is your gender?" and select the icon accordingly.



1.3. ABILITY Based on the difficulty to walk or interact with the environment: Having difficulty means increased effort, discomfort or pain, slowness, and changes in the way you do the activity³.

Ask the participant: "Do you have any difficulty walking or interacting with the environment?" Tell them to choose from the scale: None / Mild / Moderate / Severe / Extreme, and select the icon accordingly.



¹ Oxford English Dictionary (www.oed.com).

² Oxford English Dictionary, Psychology and Sociology (www.oed.com).

³ Measuring Health and Disability: Manual for WHO Disability Assessment Schedule.



1.4. ACTIVITY The amount of time, in minutes, that a person normally walks a day.

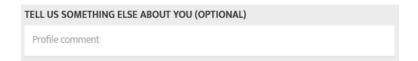
Ask the participant: "How many minutes do you normally walk on a typical day? and select the icon accordingly.

"Typical day" means a day when the participant is engaged in their usual activities.



1.5. OTHER (Optional) Any other relevant information about the participant

Ask the participant any other relevant question related to your project (e.g. socioeconomic status, education, etc.) *and include it as an open comment in the textbox.*



2. WALK CONTEXT

Information about the walk under study

2.1. DECISION Indicates whether participants walk by choice or out of necessity. Ask the participant: "Are you walking by choice or out of necessity?" and select the icon accordingly.

"By **choice**" means that walking is the preferred option, even if there were other alternatives. "Out of **necessity**" means that walking is the only (feasible or affordable) option. Also known as "captive pedestrians", due to personal or service constraints.



2.2. PURPOSE Indicates whether participants walk for transport or leisure.

Ask the participant: "Are you walking as a means of transport or as a leisure activity?" and select the icon accordingly.



"Transport" means that the main purpose of the walk is to access or reach a certain destination (within a specific time), such as commute to work or school on foot.

"Leisure activity" means that the main aim of walking is not to reach a certain destination, but to walk in itself, such as doing restorative or moderate physical activity through walking, socialising while walking, walking the dog or walking sightseeing.



2.3. COMPANY Indicates the number of other pedestrians walking with the participant. Ask the participant: "Are you walking alone or with others?" and select the icon accordingly. "Alone" means that the participant walks or use the public space on their own.

"With others" means that the participant walks accompanied with others, including carrying babies or walking dogs.



2.4. FAMILIARITY Indicates the close acquaintance or knowledge of the participant with the place.

Ask the participant: "Are you a local or visitor? Or "Are you familiar with this place?"" and select the icon accordingly.

"Local" means that the participant is familiar with the place.

"Visitors" means that the participant is not familiar with the place. They have never (or hardly ever) been in the place.



2.5. OTHER (Optional) Any other relevant information about the walk context

Ask the participant any other relevant question about the walk related to your project (e.g. need to carry heavy or bulky loads) *and include it as an open comment in the textbox.*



3. WALK EXPERIENCE

Information about the participant's experience while walking at the place under study.

3.1. WALKING EXPERIENCE Indicates the rate of positive-negative intensity of the walking experience from the participant.

Ask the participant: "How is your walking experience in this place?" and select the icon based on the Likert scale: Very negative / Negative / Neutral / Positive / Very positive.



3.2. TYPE OF EXPERIENCE Participants can specify the most relevant type of walking experience by selecting one (or more) predefined categories: safety, comfort and enjoyment. Participants can also identify "other" types of experiences.

Ask the participant: "Is your (positive/negative) experience related to safety, comfort, enjoyment or other type of experience?" and select the icon(s) accordingly. If the participant identifies "other" experiences, add them as comments.



Experience related to "safety" means exposure or protection to risk, danger or injury. Primarily from traffic, crime or other hazards while walking, such as falls, extreme weather or pollution.

Experience related to "comfort" means ease or effort required to walk to certain destinations or use and interact with elements of the public space as a pedestrian.

Experience related to "enjoyment" means presence or absence of satisfaction, pleasure or content while walking and interacting with the elements and characteristics of the public space as a pedestrian.

"Other" experiences might include accessibility, attractiveness, vibrancy, etc.



4. ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINANTS

Information about the elements and characteristics of the place under study that influenced walking experiences to participants.

4.1. MAIN DETERMINANTS Elements and characteristic of the place under study that influenced the participant's walking experience.

Ask the participant: *'What (elements and characteristics of this place) influenced your experience? and select the icon(s) accordingly.*

FOOTPATH	Public space exclusively dedicated to pedestrians
CROSSING	Specific part of the road where pedestrians have the right of way to cross
FURNITURE	Public equipment provided to support pedestrians in the street
GREENERY	Vegetation in public space
OBSTACLES	The presence (or absence) of physical barriers on the footpath or
ODSTACLES	crossings, which hinder, discourage or make it impossible to walk
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	The presence or absence of pollution in public space
WEATHER PROTECTION	Equipment provided to mitigate adverse weather conditions in public space
PEOPLE	The presence (or absence) of other people in public space and the way they interact and behave
TRAFFIC	The presence (or absence) of traffic in public space and the way the behave
INTEREST	The presence (or absence) of interesting things to access, see or experience in public space
INCLUSION	The design and composition of public space so that it can be accessed, understood and used by all types of pedestrians, regardless their age, gender, ability or other personal characteristics and circumstances

4.2. DETERMINANTS - **SUBCATEGORIES** (Optional) Further information about main determinants can be subdivided into different subcategories, if the participant identifies some specific characteristics, elements or typologies of a main determinant that are relevant for their walking experience.

Ask the participant: *'What about the (main determinant) influence your experience? and select the options accordingly.*

FOOTPATH	Subcategory	Description
	WIDTH	The extent of the footpath from side to side
0	SURFACE	The uppermost part of the footpath
(i)	SLOPE	The steepness of the footpath
	PRESENCE	Presence of continuous footpath
	ABSENCE	Lack of continuous footpath
	OTHER	E.g. Design, maintenance, etc.



CROSSING	Subcategory	Description
	LOCATION	The designated place for pedestrians to cross the road
70 (IN	PRIORITY	The priority given to pedestrians on waiting and crossing time (compared to traffic)
11/11	VISIBILITY	The ability to see and be seen by traffic
	PRESENCE	Presence of designated crossing
	ABSENCE	Lack of designated crossing
	OTHER	E.g. Raised crossings, pedestrian island, etc.

FURNITURE	Subcategory	Description
	LIGHTING	The provision of lighting in public space
	SEATING	The provision of seats in public space
	WAYFINDING	The provision of information to navigate through public space and reach destinations
T	PRESENCE	Presence of street furniture
	ABSENCE	Absence of street furniture
	OTHER	E.g. Public fountain, public toilets, bins, etc.

GREENERY	Subcategory	Description
	PARKS	Public green spaces
	TREES	Trees in public spaces outside parks and gardens
	PLANTS	Isolated or ground level plants in public space
	PRESENCE	Presence of vegetation
	ABSENCE	Lack of vegetation
	OTHER	E.g. Vertical gardens, roof gardens, etc.

OBSTACLES	Subcategory	Description
	MISPLACED EQUIPMENT	Street furniture or infrastructure blocking the footpath
\wedge	BUSINESS ACTIVITIES	Business and commerce equipment placed on the footpath
	PARKED VEHICLES	Parked vehicles blocking the footpath or crossings
	PRESENCE	Presence of obstacles
	ABSENCE	Lack of obstacles
	OTHER	E.g. Bulky waste, building protrusions, etc.



ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	Subcategory	Description
	AIR QUALITY	The level of air pollution in public space
	NOISE QUALITY	The level of noise pollution in public space
. /	CLEANLINESS	The state or quality of being clean or well kept
	PRESENCE	Presence of pollution
* ***	ABSENCE	Lack of pollution
	OTHER	E.g. Bad odour, construction dust, etc.

WEATHER PROTECTION	Subcategory	Description
	SHADE	Public equipment to block sunlight and heat
	SHELTER	Public equipment to provide shield from precipitation and wind
	DRAINAGE	Infrastructure for dispersing rain water in public space
J	PRESENCE	Presence of protection from weather
	ABSENCE	Lack of protection from weather
	OTHER	E.g. Misting systems, air conditioner, etc.

PEOPLE	Subcategory	Description
	AMOUNT	The amount of other people in public space
	BEHAVIOUR	The way other people act in public space
党党党	INTERACTION	Social exchange between people in public space (including visual contact)
	PRESENCE	Presence of people in public space
	ABSENCE	Lack of people in public pace

TRAFFIC	Subcategory	Description
	VOLUME	The amount of traffic in public space
	SPEED	The distance traffic moves per unit of time, often in km/h or mph
	DRIVING BEHAVIOUR	The way drivers interact with other road users and obey traffic laws
	PRESENCE	Presence of traffic
	ABSENCE	Lack of traffic
	OTHER	E.g. E-scooters, etc.



INTEREST	Subcategory	Description
	AMBIENCE	Socioeconomic and cultural activities in public space
	SCENERY	Visual aesthetic of the public space and views
	DESTINATIONS	Places that pedestrians want to visit
	PRESENCE	Presence of interest
	ABSENCE	Lack of interest
	OTHER	E.g. Live street music, street art, etc.

INCLUSION	Subcategory	Description
	MOBILITY AID	Equipment to provide support to pedestrians with reduced or assisted mobility
	VISUAL & HEARING AID	Equipment to provide support to pedestrians with visual or hearing impairment
	MENTAL AID	Equipment to provide support to pedestrians with mental disorders
	PRESENCE	Presence of supporting aids
	ABSENCE	Lack of suporting aids