

## Local Neighbourhoods What Difference Do They Make?

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**Urbanisation and public health** 

- Urbanisation
  - Lifestyle changes
  - Increasing rate of western diseases
- Insufficient physical activity
  - Risk factor for 10% of noncommunicable diseases
  - Mortality risk factor



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# Individual behaviour change

- Costly
- Inefficient
- Not lasting
- Health inequality

#### **Environmental changes**

- Opportunities for active travel
- Address (high-risk) populations





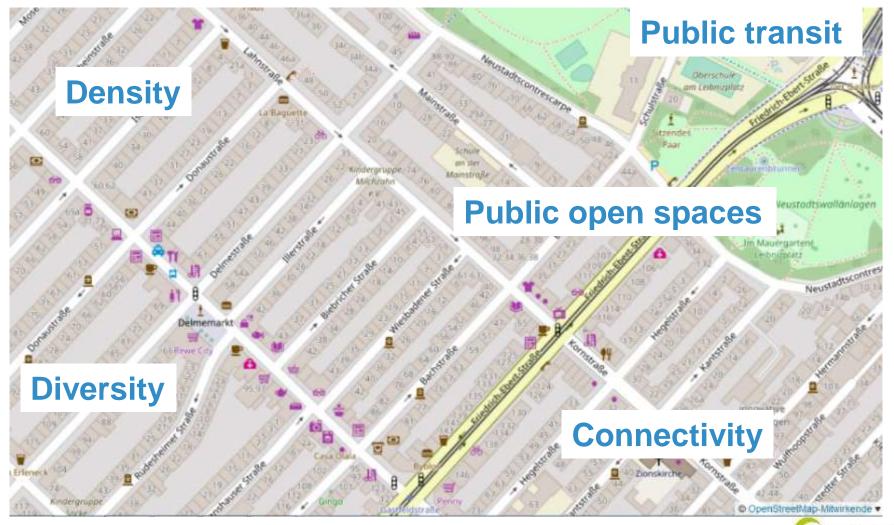






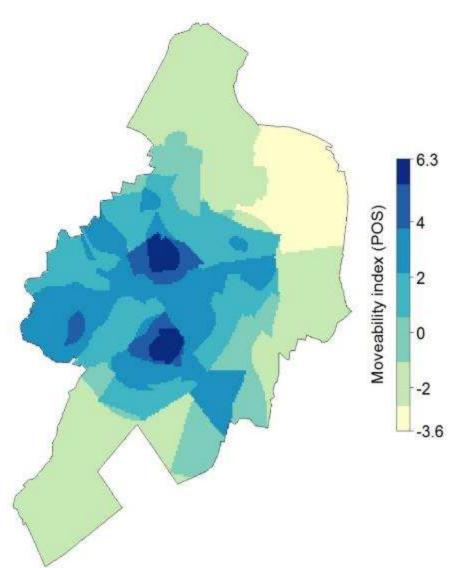


#### From walkability to moveability









#### **Moveability index**

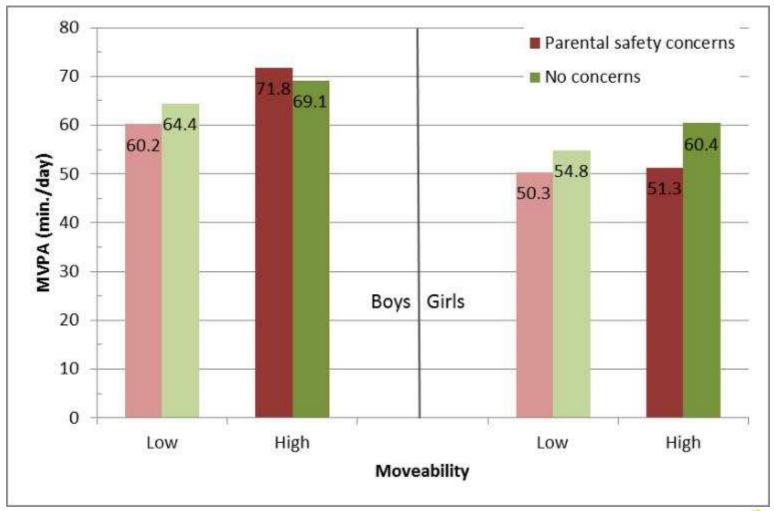
- Quantifies opportunities for physical activity in the urban environment
- Compared to physical activity in children







#### Impact of urban moveability



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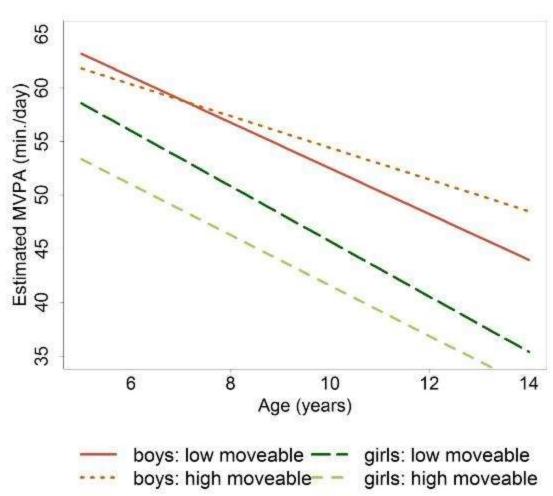
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#### Transition from childhood to adolescence

- Physical activity declines
- Less reduction in more moveable areas
  - Boys
    - Availability of public open spaces
  - Girls
    - Street connectivity
    - Land use mix



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#### **Urban environments shape our behaviour**

- Moveability
  - Physical activity
  - Gender differences
- Extension
  - Social cohesion
  - Cultural participation
- Liveability of urban environment



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