

On the definition of "suburban"

Dear Survey Participant,

This survey involves research conducted by **[Authors]** to determine how urban ecology experts perceive suburban environments. Your insights are valuable in helping us understand how individuals define and view suburban areas. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Risks, Benefits, and Confidentiality

Participation in this study offers no direct benefits. There are no foreseeable risks related to your involvement in this study. Results will be used for research purposes only. No personally identifiable information will be collected in this survey. Data will be stored on a password protected computer with randomized identifiers for each participant.

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If you have questions at any time about the study or its procedures, you may contact the study's principal investigator, **[Author]**. This research has been approved by the Pittsburg State University's Institutional Review Board (IRB Approval #AS24-20). For additional information regarding participation in this research, please contact the Pittsburg State University's Institutional Review Board (irb@pittstate.edu).

Instructions: This survey includes 8 questions and will take you approximately 5-10 minutes to complete. Please answer all questions fully and to the best of your ability. Completing the survey indicates your consent. Participation is entirely voluntary and you may withdraw from the survey at any time without penalty. Withdrawing or not participating in the survey will not result in any negative consequences.

Thank you for your time. Sincerely,
[Authors]

☐ I consent to taking the survey

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Q1 Which is your country of residence?

▼ Afghanistan (1) ... Zimbabwe (1357)

Q2 Which is the country of your birth?

▼ Afghanistan (1) ... Zimbabwe (1357)

Q3 How would you define "suburban" in 2-3 sentences?

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Q4 In one phrase, how would you describe “suburban” specifically thinking about the geographic location of a site?

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Q5 In one phrase, how would you describe “suburban” specifically thinking about the economic wealth of a site?

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Q6 In one phrase, how would you describe “suburban” specifically thinking about the urbanization level (i.e., built cover intensity) of a site?

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Q7 Which of the images below best describes what "suburban" means to you? [Select one option]



- ☐ A (1)
- ☐ B (2)
- ☐ C (3)
- ☐ D (4)
- ☐ E (5)
- ☐ F (6)
- ☐ G (7)
- ☐ H (8)
- ☐ None (9)

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Q8 I grant **[Authors]** the use of the responses below in any academic products that they consider appropriate.

☐ Agree (1)

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