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SUMMER IN THE CITY

A research into the relation between Rotterdam's South socially deprived neighbourhoods and the Jurban heat island

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Urban design can reduce exposure to high air temperature and adapt and mitigate to the urban heat island.

How is the urban heat island related to social deprivation, why is this in the city of Rotterdam an issue and how urban design can mitigate and adapt to these effects?

Theoretical framework

Statistical analyses

Observations and micro interviews

Neighbourhood analyses

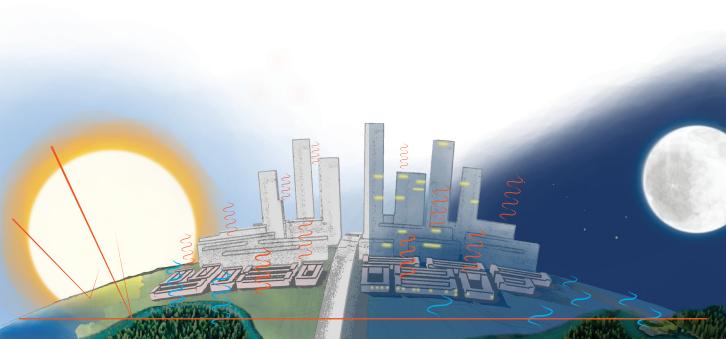
Design interventions

Appendix

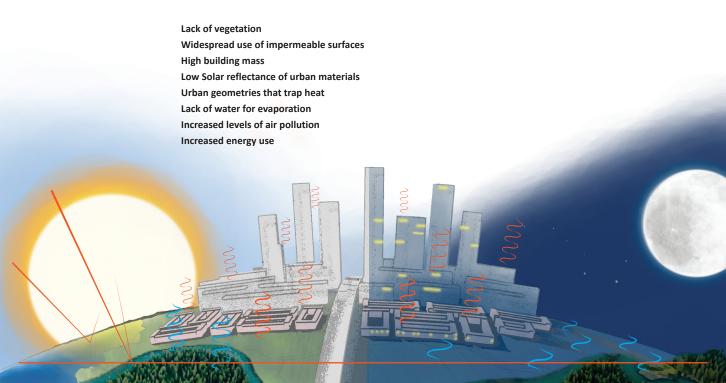
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Urban heat island

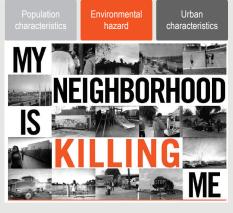
Net radiation + Anthropogenic Heat = Convection + Evapotranspiration + Heat storage

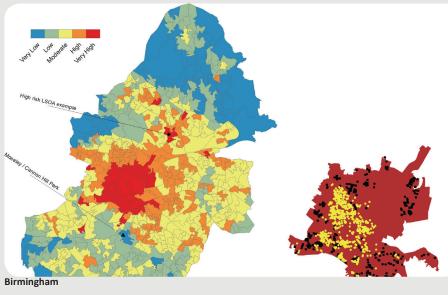


Characteristics contributing to the urban heat island



Environmental justice: disproportionate exposure to an environmental hazard

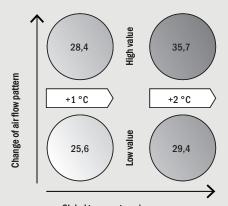




The urban heat island is often the most intense in neighbourhoods with urban characteristics of little to no vegetation, a high population density, high building mass, lack of shade and bad building quality.

Socially deprived neighborhoods share such characteristics and people, due to their social-economic and health status, are more vulnerable to effects of urban heat island and more exposed to high air temperature.

Climate change



Global temperature rise increase of number of summer days

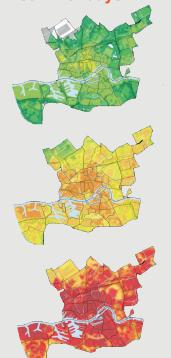
Dutch context



mean deviation of annual income



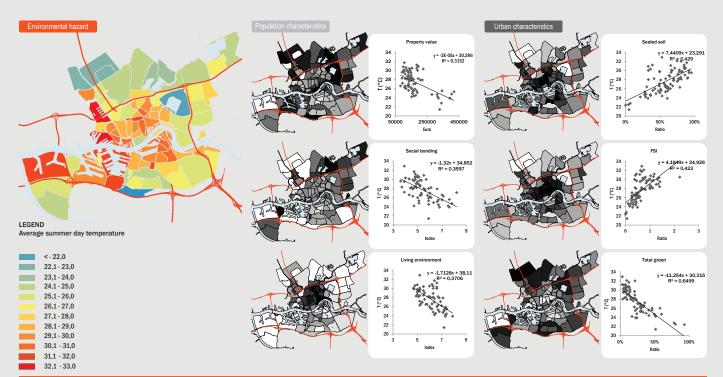
Expected increase of hot summer days



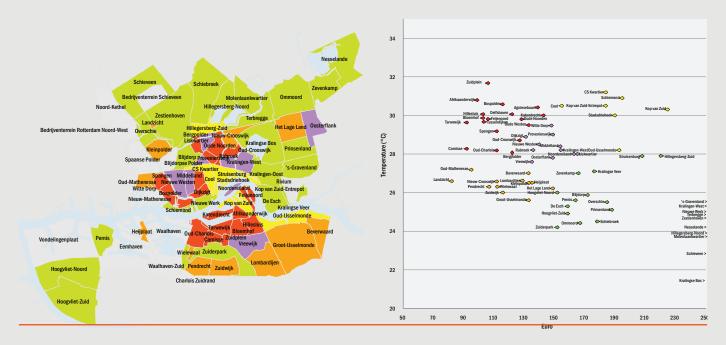
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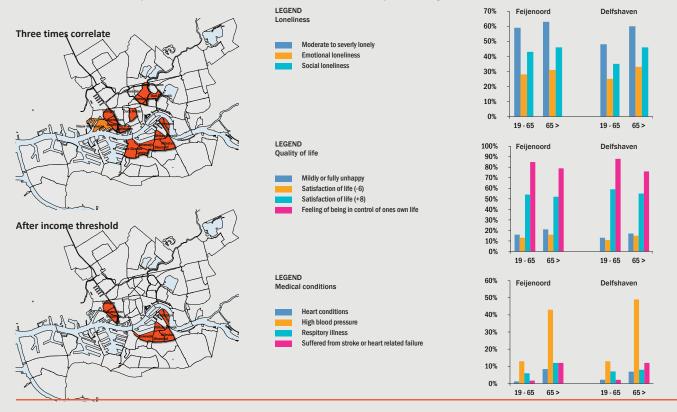
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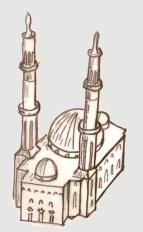


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Observations & micro interviews



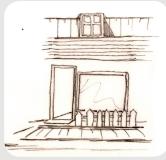


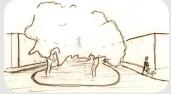


Micro interview retired Dutch man in the Roggestraat Tarwewijk:

- Life is good here in Tarwewijk.
- The postal code 3081 has a bad reputation.
- It gets quit hot in the summer, when I have the grand kids I let them sleep on the east side.
- A few weeks ago they rolled up a cannabis plantation.



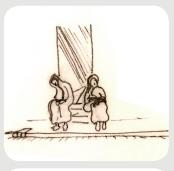




Municipality Rotterdam: 'Elderly don't open the windows as they think the air draught makes them ill. Neither do they easily open the door as they are afraid they will be robbed'.



Observations & micro interviews



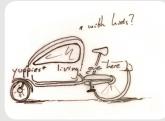


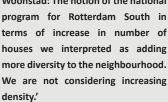
Micro interview with Moroccan women (40+), lives in a maisonette apartment in Tarwewijk:

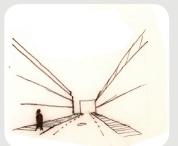
 It gets really warm in my apartment, however the ground flour is much cooler. Micro interview with Dutch-Hindustan

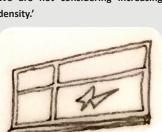
Woman (40+), lives in a apartment in Tarwewijk:

- During the summer it gets really warm or stuffy in the neighbourhood and my house.
- I keep the windows closed for the mosquito or drug addicted burglars.
- There has been some renovation of Woonstad: The notion of the national the inner-walls but it only helps for program for Rotterdam South in sound.









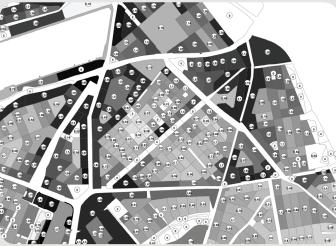




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Neighbourhood's analyses: ground and floor space

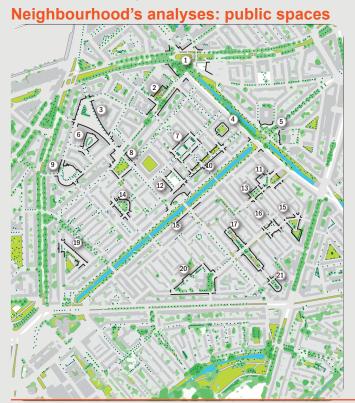


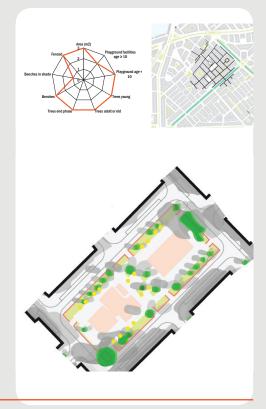


Neighbourhood's analyses: sun study and green structure









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Neighbourhood's analyses: policy documents

High burglar percentage

Small and bad insulated houses

Lack of green; no small parks or green with quality

Youth hang out at squares with nuisance

Need for more diversity of houses

Critical mass in housing and services for a diverse target audience.

Real quiet residential areas for more diversity to attract different groups.

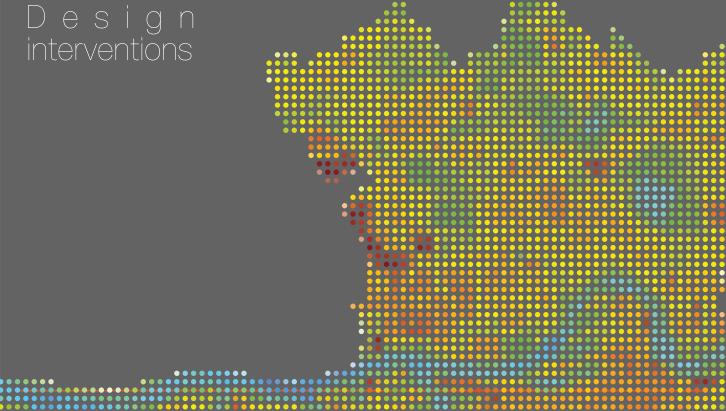
Insufficient transport capacity

High percentage of paved surfaces and lack of green

Need for open water but not sufficient

interventions

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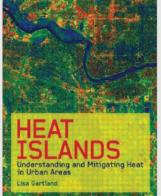


Improving the quantity and quality of vegetation in the public spaces and private space and the network.

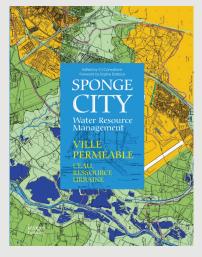
Adding water bodies.

Five main sources for design principles



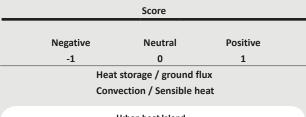




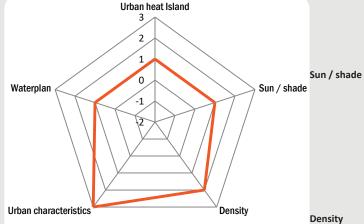




Valuation of design principles

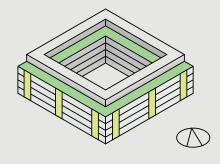


Water capacity
Water transport



Urban form Housing mix Parking

Courtyard building block





Solar blinds (Huijbers & Dobbelsteen, 2012).



A pergola (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 121).

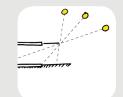


Eyes on the street (Polman, 2009; Teeuw & TU Delft Faculteit Bouwkunde SMART Architecture, 2010, p. 87).



A green facade provides and water storage on roof (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 123).

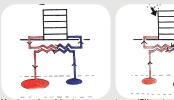




The principle of a loggia (Huijbers & Dobbelsteen, 2012, p. 84; Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 118).

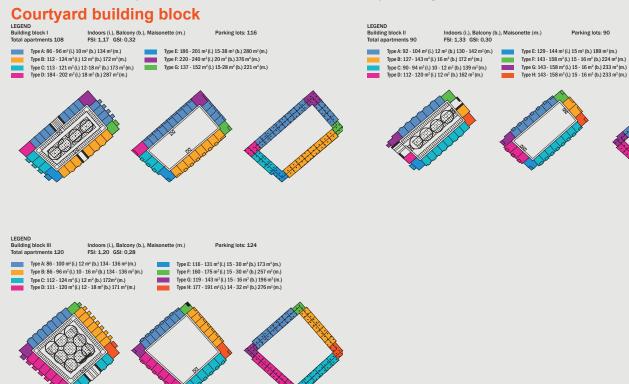


Roofs with intensive green (Gartland, 2008; Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 162).

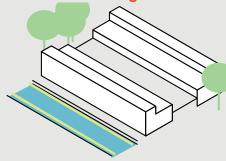


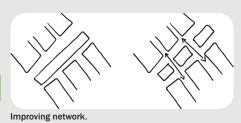
Heat and cold storage system (Climate Proof Cities consortium, 2014).

Courtyard building block LEGEND Terraced housing building block Grass roof in combintaion with water and PV Parking lot 2,30 m by 4,50 m Tree 9 m diameter Tree 12 m diameter



Terraced housing block







Large trees (Lenzholzer, 2013).



A mixture of bigger and smaller plants (Lenzholzer, 2013, pp. 134, 165).



Parking solution in where the parking garage is part of a Water body (Meyer, 2012). terraced building block.





The effectively of the water body increases with vegetationy (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 169).

Terraced housing block

LEGEND Courtyard building block

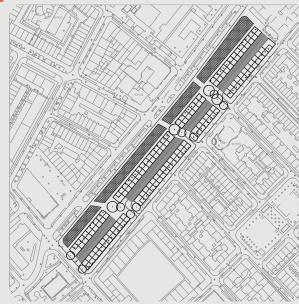
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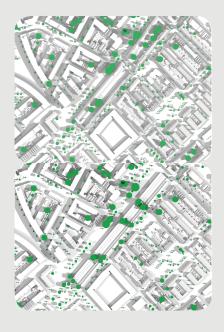
Grass

Grass roof in combintaion with water and PV Parking lot 2,30 m by 4,50 m

Tree 16 m diameter

Elevator and staircase





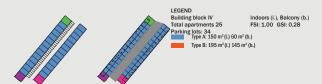
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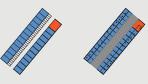












Greening private and public space



Een geveltuin aanleggen in vier stappen

Aandachtspunten voor u begint:

- Het tuintje mag niet breder zijn dan 45 centimeter;
- Na aanleg dient minimaal 1,50 meter trottoir vrij te blijven voor gebruikers;
- Een geveltuin legt u aan tegen de gevel van de woning, niet tegen een voortuin of in een winkelstraat.
- Gebruik de tegels die u verwijderd heeft als rand of bewaar ze;
- Houd goten en ontluchtingsroosters in de gevel vrij.
 Als u een grotere gevellutin of bloembak wilt realisteren, neem dan even contact op met één van de wijktoezichthouders via telefoonnummer 14 010. Deze neemt dan de spelregels met u door aan de hand van een afstrakenliistie dat beide rustriien
- Dezelfde regels gelden voor het plaatsen van een smalle bloembak op het trottoir tegen de gevel.









Greening private space





Ground covering (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 165).



Small trees (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 130).











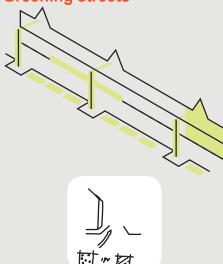




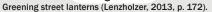
Trees



Greening streets









A green facade (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 123).



Replacing the paved surfaces of parking spaces in the Conscious community (Teeuw & TU Delft Faculteit public space with semi paved tiles (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. Bouwkunde SMART Architecture, 2010). 179, ICI Consultants, 2015, p. 154).





An interpretation of build shade elements (Lenzholzer, 2013, p. 140).

Greening streets: Violierstraat





Greening streets: Kamperfoeliestraat





Greening private and public space: green network





Greening public squares







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Greening public squares





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Shading public squares





Research conclusions

Rotterdam socially deprived neighbourhoods are disproportionately exposed to the urban heat island as they lack the means to escape from high air temperature both in the private and the public space.

Urban design can mitigate and adapt to the urban heat island and at the same time improve upon broader social issues, water and meet ambitions of growth.

Recommendations for further research

Research design with a broader relation of urban form and micro-climate.

Severity of high air temperature for people.

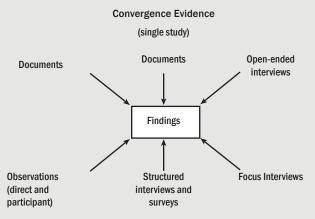
Higher resolution data of the nocturnal urban heat island phenomenon.

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Questions and discussion



Methodology

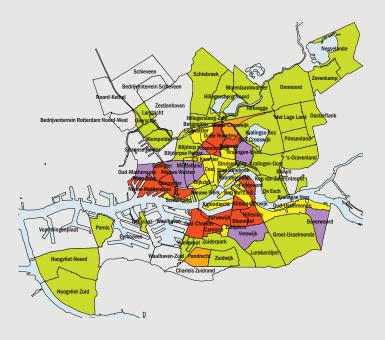


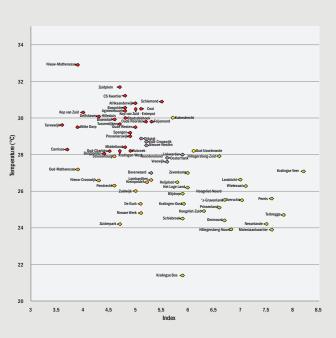
Non-convergence Evidence

(separate substudies)

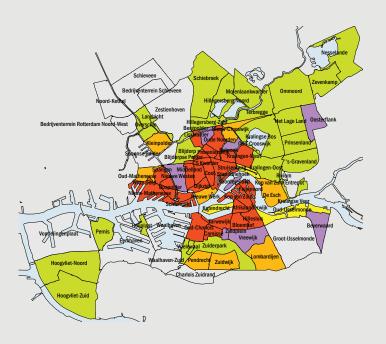
Site visits	Findings	Conclusions
Survey	Findings	Conclusions
Documents analysis	Findings	Conclusions

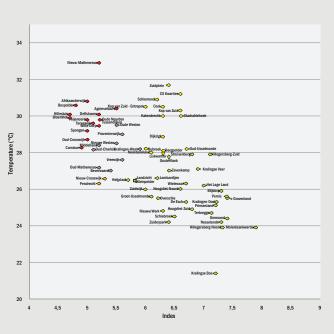
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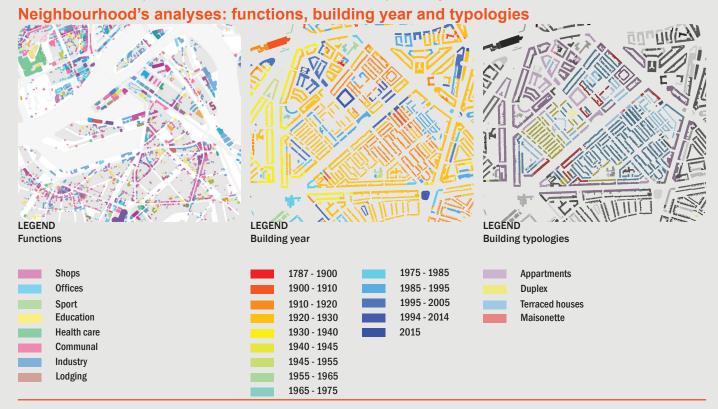




Social bonding







Education

Population characteristics

Age

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The elderly and young are more vulnerable due to physical fragility because of young age or elderly often from diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, respiratory conditions and diabetes	Are more likely to live in warmer neighbourhoods with a greater exposure to heat stress.	Education is linked to socioeconomic status. Lower education limited the ability to understand or access warning or recovery information.	Physical fragile, particular those with renal & cardiovascular conditions and diabetes. (Cutter, Boruff, &	Physical fragile, particular those with renal & cardiovascular conditions and diabetes W, 2003; Schauser et al., 2010, p. 33)
			(Cutter, Boruff, &)	W, 2003; Schauser et al., 2010, p. 33)
Environmental Hazards				

Pollution Temperature

Environmental pollution is defined as the undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our air,

Ethnicity

High temperature is considered hazards as it negatively influence thermic comfort resulting in misbalancing the thermal body management system also known as heat stress. Effects of heat stress our reduced concentration, learning capacity, labour productivity and sleep problems. Certain groups within a population are more vulnerable (see population characteristics).

Health

Income

land and water.

Vegetation

Population characteristics

(Lenzholzer, 2013; Sharma, 2009)

Urban characteristics

Density

High density in terms of dense building construction positively correlates with urban heat island.	Vegetation positively relates to the evaporation of energy into the air and provides shade.	Correlation between daytime land surface temperature and land use / land cover.	Physical factors as building quality, canyon like configuration, high building mass, impervious cover or structures that hinder ventilation all correlates to the intensity of the urban heat island.
			(EEA, 2012b; Gartland, 2008; Roth, Oke, & Emery, 1989)

Land use / Land cover

Urban fabric

Indicator	Applies to		Score		source
		Negative -1	Neutral 0	Positive 1	
Heat storage / ground flux	Heat storage or ground flux depends on the heat capacity of materials and is the biggest factor for the nocturnal urban heat island.	Increases the amount of impervious surfaces or mass that collects energy from the sun re-emitted during the evening or reduces the amount of evapotranspiration.	-	Reduces the amount of impervious surfaces or mass that collects energy from the sun re-emitted during the evening / or evapotranspiration.	(Gartland, 2008; FD van der Hoeven & Wandl, 2015)
Convection / Sensible heat	Convection is sensible heat where energy is transferred from a solid surface to a liquid or gas and as such heats the air.		-		(Gartland, 2008; FD van der Hoeven & Wandl, 2015).
Evapotranspiration / Latent heat	Evapotranspiration is the latent heat and the combination of energy transmitted away from the Earth's by water vapour and by plants.	Decreases the amount of greenery and shallow water available for evapotranspiration.	-	Increases the amount of greenery and shallow water for evapotranspiration.	(Gartland, 2008; FD van der Hoeven & Wandl, 2015).

Sun / shade	Direct radiation by the sun a strong influence on the experience of heat by the human body.	More exposure to direct sun light due to lack of shade.	-	Less exposure to direct sun light due to shade.	(Gartland, 2008; Havenith, 2005).
Density	Density of urban fabric in terms of FSI and GSI are beneficial as it provides critical mass in terms of inhabitants for services and the need for more dwelling because of expected growth.	Density decreases	-	Density increases	(Tillie, 2012;
Urban form	Urban form, defined by Taleghani, that is beneficial for providing thermal comfort at reference point.	Singular	Linear	Courtyard	(Taleghani, 2014)
Housing mix	The housing mix is perceived as problematic as its to homogeneous with houses of bad quality in terms of isolation, maintenance and size.				(Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord, 2014;
Parking	Reducing the parking pressure on the streets, as these are often narrow, as this is perceived as nuisance by the residents.	The parking pressure increases due to reasons of increased population density without providing sufficient parking places.		New parking solutions that reduce parking pressure on the street.	(Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord, 2014)

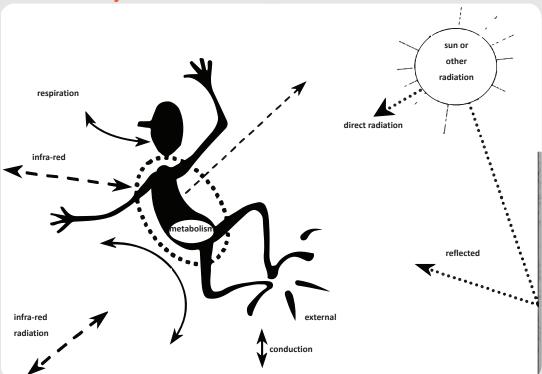
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Public squares	The quality of public spaces in terms of greenery, playgrounds and benches.	The quality of a public space declines caused by	The quality of a public increases as one of the	(Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord, 2014)
		reduction in one of the	indicators increases and	
		indicators as described in	or new public spaces are introduced.	
Water storage capacity	The capacity of a neighbourhood to temporal store water as a cause of heavy rainfall.	The amount of water capacity reduces.	The amount of water capacity increases.	
Water transport	Transport capacity to water bodies like 'singels'.	The transport capacity to water bodies decreases.	The transport capacity to water bodies increases.	

Casualties during heat wave of 2003

Location	Additional causalities	Increase (%)
England and Wales	2091	17
France	14802	60
Germany	1410	-
Italy	3134	15
The Netherlands	1400-2200	-
Portugal	1854	40
Spain	4151	11
Switserland	975	7

Heat and the human body



Unconscious

Body temperature above 40 ° C

Heat stroke

Effect	Symptoms	Mechanism
Nuisance	Irritable, lethargic, reduced alert, sleep disturbance, headache,	Change of psychological
	dizziness, concentration problems, anxiety, muscle pain	functioning and social interaction
		with others
Sleep disturbance	Loss of concentration , tired, listless, irritable	Decrease in sleep quality that results insufficient recovery
Edema	Non painful swelling of ankles in which a well can be pushed	Withdrawal of fluid from the
		bloodstream by dilating
		blood vessels
		Blockage of sweat glands
Rash	Itchy blisters and redness	Blockage of sweat glands
Heat exhaustion, heat syncope,	General: dry mouth, tired, dizziness , headache	Moisture loss through transpiration and
heat exhaustion	Skin: red , sweating	dilation of blood vessels
	Body temperature to 40 ° C	
Heat Cramps / muscle Cramps	Skin warm and dry	Extreme loss of fluid and salts through sweating at
		effort
	General : confused, drowsy ,	Skin warm and dry

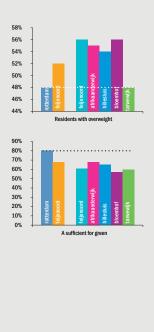
Extreme loss of fluid and

salts by perspiration

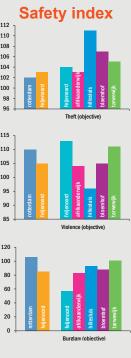
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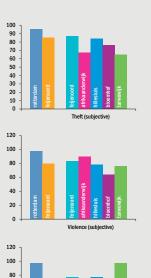








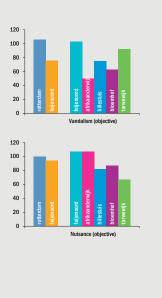


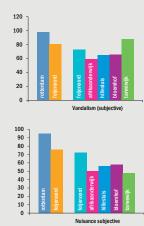


Burglary (subjective)

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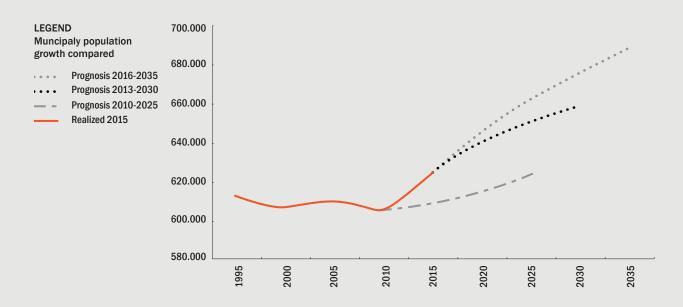


Income threshold

							parent		
			single	couple			family		average
2013				no		2		2	
				children	1 child	children	1 child	children	
Lowerin	come thre	shold	10.100	13.900	16.900	19.000	13.500	15.000	14.800
'not	much	but							
adequate'-threshold			10.600	14.500	17.700	19.900	14.100	16.000	15.500

Neighbourhoods	Temperature	Income
Afrikaanderwijk	30,8	13000
Feijenoord	29,8	13100
Hillesluis	30,1	13300
Tussendijken	29,7	13400
Spangen	29,2	13600
Bloemhof	29,9	14100
Oud Crooswijk	28,7	14300
Bospolder	30,6	14600
Tarwewijk	29,6	14900
Oude Noorden	29,8	16100
Delfshaven	30,1	16400
Oude Westen	29,5	16800
Oud Charlois	28,2	17300
Agniesebuurt	30,4	17700
Carnisse	28,3	18100
Nieuw Mathenesse	32,9	

Population growth



Main points

Policy documents Scale

Topic

Policy document

Housing	Rotterdam South	National program Rotterdam South		(programmabureau NPRZ, 2015)
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Source

Population Rotterdam Chart of the city • Population of Rotterdam is growing with 40.000 more in 2025 according to the (Stadsontwikkeling prognosis 2015-2035 then a previous prognosis of 2010-2015. Rotterdam, 2015) varied Afrikaanderwijk Area plan city district • Streets have high percentage of pavement. (Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord • Afrikaanderwijk needs improvement of its shopping street.

Feijenoord, 2014) • Improvement of the facades Parking pressure is high. varied Bloemhof Area plan city district • High burglar percentage. (Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord · Small and bad insulated houses. Feijenoord, 2014)

• Lack of green; no small parks or green with quality. • Youth hang out at squares with nuisance. • Diversity of houses.

Topic	Scale	Policy document	Main points	Source
varied	Hillesluis	Area plan city district Feijenoord	 Transition neighbourhood: people don't stay long. Homogenous type of housing. Create room for meeting, playing and relaxing. More diverse houses. Improvements public space and facade of the boulevard. 	(Gebiedscomissie Feijenoord, 2014)
Water	City district Feijenoord	Waterplan 2013	Afrikaanderwijk, Bloemhof and Hillesluis do not meet the requirements for the norm for water nuisance.	(Gemeente Rotterdam, Waterschap Hollandse Delta, Hoogheemraadschap van Schieland en de Krimperenerwaard, & Hoogheemraadschap van Delfland, 2013)

Main points

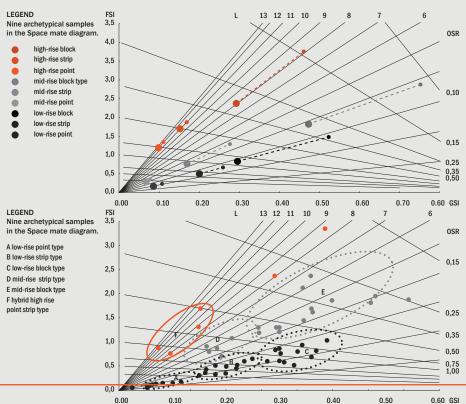
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Topic

Water	Afrikaanderwijk, Tarwewijk, Hillesluis and Bloemhof	Waterplan Feijenoord and Charlois	With a high percentage of paved surfaces, lack of green and insufficient transport capacity there is a need for open water to give the water system a quantitative and qualitative new impulse. However due to a high density, a higher ground surface and limited capacity in its surrounding water system there is a need for innovative solutions.	(Gemeentewerken, 2010)
Density and greenery	Rotterdam	Rotterdammers maken stad verdichten + vergroenen = duurzame stad	 Higher density stimulates walking and cycling. Higher improves employment as the demand for services increase. Higher density intensifies the use of greenery. 	(Tillie, 2012)

Source

Space matrix



LEGEND Mean radiant T (°C) at reference point

Singular E-W

Singular N-S
Linear E-W
Linear N-S
Courtyard

