

Greek culture project

Eliska Jegrova and Martin Sehnoutka

January 17, 2018

Assignment 3

Take interviews of 10-15 local residents of Patras (both Greeks and internationals, Erasmus students included) and ask them to identify geographic areas of the city that they like/ dislike, visit regularly, feel are important, feel safe/unsafe etc. Let them propose changes and plan the future image of the city.

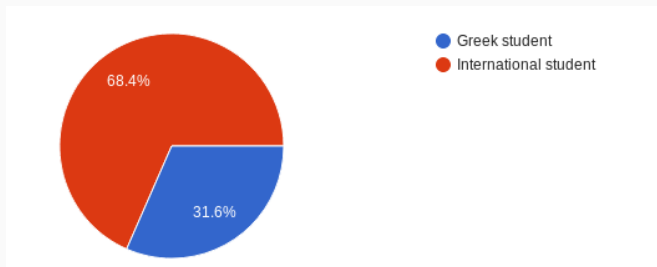
Realization

Following 6 places were chosen for my questionnaire. For each of these places few questions were prepared.

- The university
- Center of the town
- The port
- St Andrew's church
- Panachaiko (hiking)
- Rio

Results

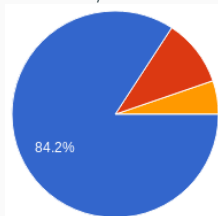
Respondents



- 19 people responded
- about 1/3 were Greek.

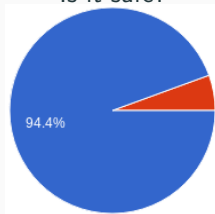
The university

Like/dislike



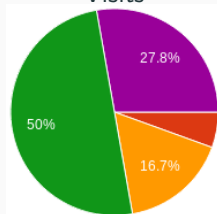
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



- Yes
- No

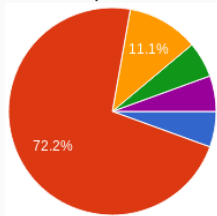
Visits



- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

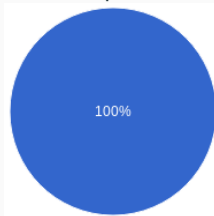
The university

Transportation



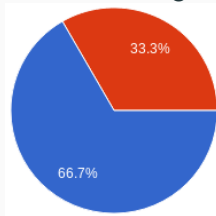
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



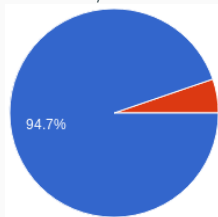
- Yes
- No

- Why is it not a safe place?
 - The buildings are very old and Patra is famous for her earthquakes. I don't feel safe at all
- What changes do you have in mind?
 - repair buildings or build new ones - 39% of people mentioned this
 - clean environment, especially inscriptions on walls - 17% of people mentioned this
 - less dogs
- comments about this place:
 - I like that all departments are in one campus.
 - I like especially the canteen

It is a very important place for students, they usually get there by the means of public transport. Students like this place, but they would appreciate repaired buildings and cleaner environment.

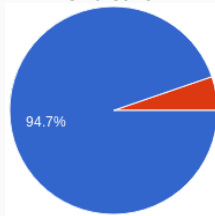
Center of the town

Like/dislike



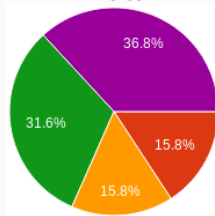
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



- Yes
- No

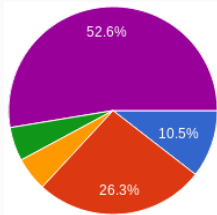
Visits



- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

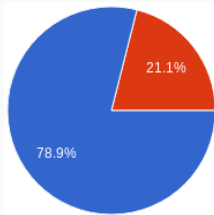
Center of the town

Transportation



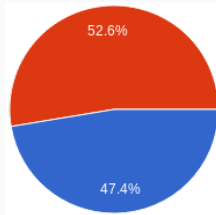
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



- Yes
- No

Center of the town

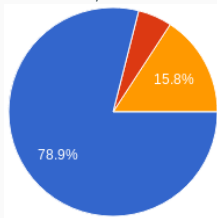
- Why is it not a safe place?
 - too crowded and crazy drivers
- What changes do you have in mind?
 - To make it cleaner, add trash cans - 39% of people mentioned this
 - better transportation - 17% of people mentioned this
 - They should renovate old buildings - 11% of people mentioned this
- comments about this place:
 - Nice cafés

Center of the town

Students like the city center and they usually get there by foot or public transport. A lot of people would like the place to be cleaner with more trash cans.

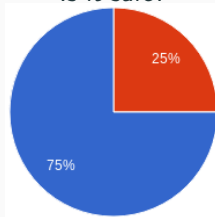
The port

Like/dislike



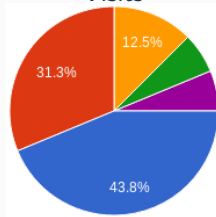
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



- Yes
- No

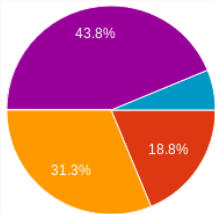
Visits



- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

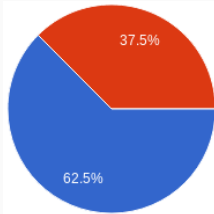
The port

Transportation



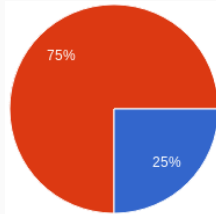
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot
- Taxi

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



- Yes
- No

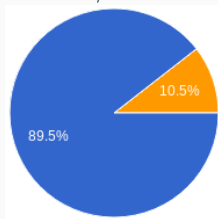
- Why is it not a safe place?
 - Its far from the center and I think that people don't go there a lot
 - The immigrants are many and it makes me feel not safe especially the night
 - It's not crowded
- What changes do you have in mind?
 - More lights and better bars
 - More police forces
 - Traffic speed
 - Less rubbish

The port

Students like this place, but they feel less safe here as opposed to the previous places. They usually get there by foot or with car/taxi. Majority of people feel no need for a change.

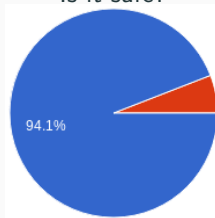
St Andrew's church

Like/dislike



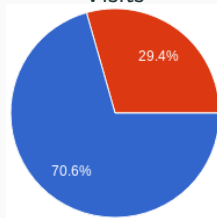
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



- Yes
- No

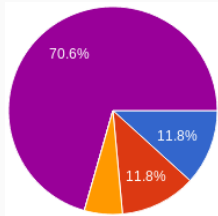
Visits



- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

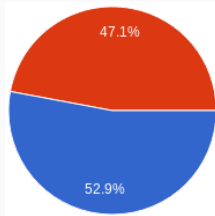
St Andrew's church

Transportation



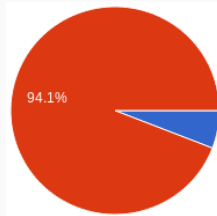
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



- Yes
- No

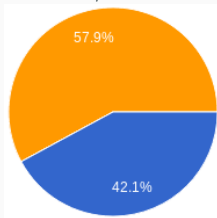
St Andrew's church

- Why is it not a safe place?
 - During the night, the area gets a bit dangerous due to lack of lights.
- What changes do you have in mind?
 - put more street lights
- comments about this place:
 - It's a symbol of the city. And one of the largest churches. Beautiful place, sometimes they hold concerts or other events.
 - It is a beautiful church, it makes me feel calm and in peace.

All the students who have visited the church likes it and feels comfortable here. The surrounding area of the church could use more lights.

Panachaiko (hiking)

Like/dislike



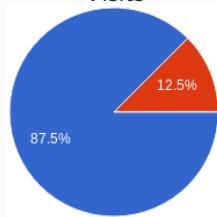
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



- Yes
- No

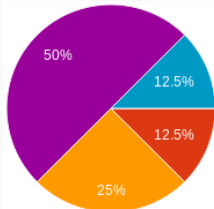
Visits



- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

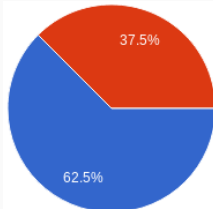
Panachaiko (hiking)

Transportation



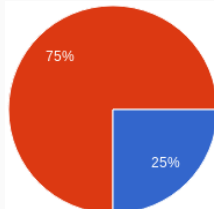
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot
- Bus or car for the first part, then by foot

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



- Yes
- No

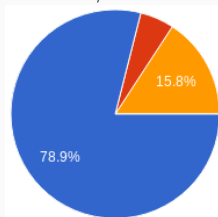
Panachaiko (hiking)

- What changes do you have in mind?
 - I wish there was a bus to get you to a hiking trail.
 - tourist marking

Many people did not visit this place at all, this is probably because of the difficulty of the trip to the top of Panachaiko. The best way to get there is to use bus or taxi to get higher and walk the rest.

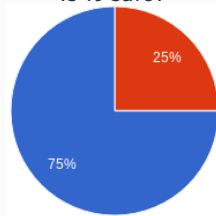
Personally I think there is an unused potential for mountain hiking in Greece.

Like/dislike



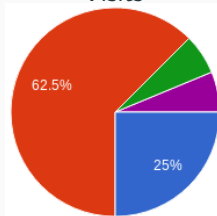
- like
- dislike
- did not visit

Is it safe?



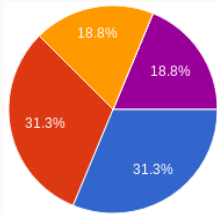
- Yes
- No

Visits



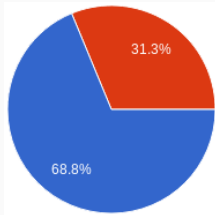
- I was there once.
- I visit this place every month.
- I visit this place every week.
- I visit this place few days in a week.
- I visit this place daily.

Transportation



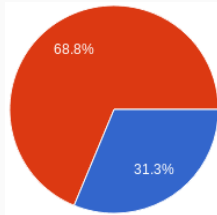
- train
- bus
- car
- bike
- by foot

Is it important?



- Yes
- No

Need for change?



- Yes
- No

- Why is it not a safe place?
 - Streets are too narrow without any sidewalk and full of cars - 22% of people mentioned this
- What changes do you have in mind?
 - build sidewalks - 17% of people mentioned this
 - more public transportation - 11% of people mentioned this
 - cleaner streets

Compared to the other places it is not as popular. It is accessible by train and bus, but there could be more frequent connections. What students don't like is that streets are narrow and without sidewalks so it is dangerous to walk there.

Conclusion

It seems that students generally like to live in Patras, but they would appreciate cleaner environment, repaired buildings and better public transport.

Thank you for your attention!