



Identifying Equitable Solutions for the Parking Problem in Munich's Dreimühlenviertel with an Integrated Travel Behavior and Parking Study

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Munich Dreimühlenviertel – A Dense City Quarter





- Wilhelminian Quarter:
 - 4- to 5-storey residential buildings
 - Many restaurants & bars
- 6,300 residents in 0.4 km²
- 1,700 parking permits
- No parking lots/garages
- Big share of public space used for on-street parking (1,200 parking spaces)

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Project goals:

- Conversion of (some) public on-street parking spaces to improve the quality of stay, adjust to climate change and create space for more sustainable forms of transportation
- Consideration of the interests and wishes of all residents
- Our assignment:
 - Identify the mobility needs of residents
 - Evaluate different measures to ensure that no residents are worse off with fewer on-street parking spaces



Measures to Reduce Demand for On-Street Parking



- Reduction in car ownership of residents:
 - Understanding the mobility needs of car owners
 - Offer better transportation options so that car owners become less car-dependent
- Provision of off-street parking:
 - Requirements of car owners for a parking garage
- Revised parking management:
 - Ban on long-term parking
 - Ban on parking of motorhomes & camper vans
 - Restrictions for vehicles without a parking permit
 - Price increase for parking permit

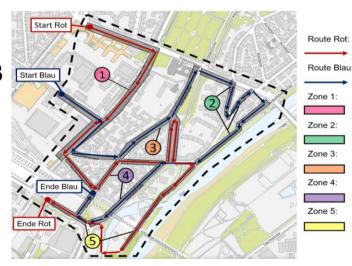


Methodology of the Parking Study



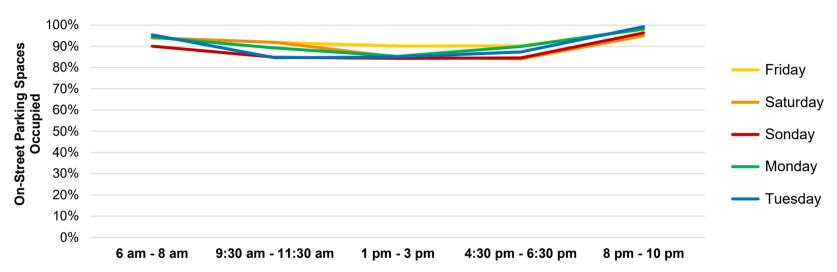


- 600 of the 1200 on-street parking spaces were examined
- Total of 26 data collection runs:
 - One on July 11, 2023
 - Five per day from July 21, 2023 to July 25, 2023
- Students with iPads by foot (2 hours per run)
- Data collected for each parking space:
 - Occupancy
 - Vehicle type
 - Parking permit
 - Parts of license plate



There are already More Cars than Parking Spaces



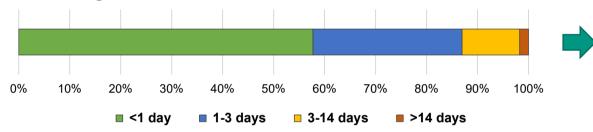


- Minimum occupancy rate: 84%
- Average occupancy rate: 91%
- Including illegally parked cars occupancy rate >100% every night

Long-Term Parkers and Motorhomes take up 5-7% of Parking Spaces

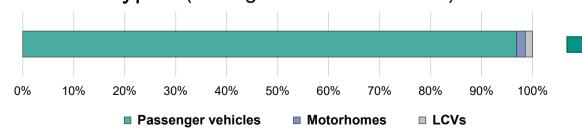


Parking duration:



Only few vehicles were parked for over 2 weeks, but these took up **5%** of parking spaces

Vehicle types (average data collection run):



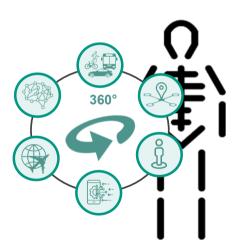
On average motorhomes took up **2**% of parking spaces

Methodology of the Travel Behavior Study





The Travel Skeleton Survey



Get more info:



Survey approach:

- Ask for travel behavior in a pseudo-longitudinal way (behavior in a 'typical week')
- Use reduced response burden to ask for other aspects



Usual everyday mobility patterns:

Activities, frequencies, means of transportation used, ...



Usual long-distance travel:

Day trips and overnight trips



Psychographic characteristics:

Attitudes, norms, motives (e.g., regarding car use)





Online survey (August 2023 – November 2023)



- Recruitment: Posters, Workshops, Instagram, Neighborhood's website
- <u>Sample</u>:
 - 161 respondents (~3% of all residents)
 - Too few young and old people
 - Too many people with high education



What are Requirements for a Parking Garage?



- On average car owners report having to search for a free on-street parking space for 18 minutes in the evening/at night
- Car owners would be willing to walk for up to 6 minutes from their home to a parking garage on average
- 15% of car owners would only be interested in renting a parking space in a parking garage, if it had an electric charging point

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High Potential for a Reduction in Car Ownership



■ 66% of households own a car

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- Walking and cycling are the most frequently used means of transportation, even among most car owners
- Only 44% of respondents use their car at least once a week
- Many use their car mainly for day trips and overnight trips
- 63% of car owners have thought about getting rid of (one of) their car(s)
- High potential for a reduction in car ownership
- ➡ What needs to happen for this potential to be realized?

Methodology of the Resident Workshop





- Identification of car owners who seemed the most car-independent based on travel behavior study
- Invitation to workshop

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In-depth discussion about their mobility needs and how the transportation options in the neighborhood would need to change/improve for them to get rid of their car

Main takeaways from the resident workshop



- All participants occasionally need a car (mainly for day and overnight trips)
- All have a customer account for carsharing, but only one uses it regularly
- 3 of the 5 non-users would consider getting rid of their car if carsharing was more attractive
- Reasons for non-use of carsharing:
 - Carsharing stations too far away

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- Free-floating carsharing vehicles rarely available and search for parking space upon return
- Various providers → Several different customer accounts and apps needed

Conclusion

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- Mixed method approach enables evaluation of many possible measures to reduce demand for on-street parking
- Residents are happy that their needs were enquired and that they can influence the evolution of their neighborhood
- Presentation of study results in the Dreimühlenviertel was met with great interest by residents and city administration and led to fruitful discussion

Thank you for your attention!



