

MY LIVING ENVIRONMENT -SURVEY, FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

WHAT IS CURB?

CURB is a research project of the Institute for Urban and Regional Research within the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW). The focus of the project is on the spatial effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, with a particular focus on living environments and urbanization. The project is financed by the Austrian Science Fund FWF.

For further details see: <https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/curb>

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE RESEARCH?

This is a research survey by the Austrian Academy of Sciences that aims to understand how the quality of living in and around Vienna has changed since the COVID-19 pandemic. For further information please take a look at our website: <https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/curb>

WHY HAVE I BEEN CONTACTED?

In order to reach a representative sample of the population, we have invited a random sample of 16,000 adults to participate in the survey. These 16,000 adults were randomly selected out of the people who live permanently within the city of Vienna or Mödling district in Lower Austria (Bezirk Mödling). The selection was limited to the age group of 20 to 69 years.

HOW DID YOU RECEIVE MY ADDRESS?

For the scientific survey of the CURB research project a representative sample of 16,000 20- to 69-year-old persons with permanent residence in the city of Vienna or Mödling district (Lower Austria) were ordered from the Central register of residents (Zentrales Melderegister).

The random selection of address data was conducted in strict compliance with data protection regulations for the purpose of scientific research (§2d para 2 FOG). The address data will only be used for sending the postal invite to the survey of the CURB research project.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO FILL OUT THE SURVEY?

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. The answering duration may vary from people to people and depends to an extent on the number of mapped places in the corresponding mapping tasks.

HOW LONG IS THE SURVEY OPEN FOR PARTICIPATION?

The survey will be open until 11.6.2023. If you have received the invitation letter, we request you to participate in the survey until then.

WHY AM I ASKED TO MAP MY RESIDENTIAL LOCATION?

We are asking you to show on the map where you live to understand in what kind of environment you live in. This information is also needed to assess if the results of the survey are representative in the area where you live in. It is enough if you show on the map the approximate area where you live in, not the exact location. For this reason, it is not possible to identify individual respondents or households based on the mapped residential location.

DO I GET SOMETHING FOR TAKING THE QUESTIONNAIRE?

All survey participants can participate in the drawing of 50 times 30€ and 5 times 100€ gift vouchers. The vouchers can be used in all Spar, Interspar, and Eurospar shops. To participate, you only need to leave your e-mail address at the end of the survey for your chance to be drawn.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN THE PRIZE DRAW?

To participate in the prize draw you have to leave your e-mail address at the end of the survey. The e-mail address will only be used to contact you if you won a price and will be deleted afterwards. The winners will be contacted personally via e-mail. The names of the winners or the e-mail addresses will not be published anywhere.

The drawing of the winners will happen in the two weeks after the survey is closed for participation (11.6.2023).

IF I LEAVE MY E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR THE PRIZE DRAW, WILL I BE IDENTIFIED FROM MY ANSWERS?

No, the e-mail addresses and the other answers are not interconnected.

WHAT HAPPENS TO MY E-MAIL ADDRESS IF I LEAVE IT FOR THE PRIZE DRAW?

The e-mail address will only be used for determining and contacting the winner. The contacting of the winners involves the delivering of the prizes to the winners. After the prizes are delivered via e-mail, the addresses are deleted.

WHAT HAPPENS TO MY ANSWERS?

The answers are saved at the Institute for Urban and Regional Research. The answers to the open questions will not be shared outside of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and will not be published in any way. For further information please see the GDPR Document (German only).

HOW IS MY DATA PROTECTED?

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The answers of the survey are not connected with any personal data and it is not possible to identify individual respondents from their answers. The survey tool (Maptionnaire) only uses an id for a set

of answers provided by a participant. Through that randomly generated id we cannot process the person behind the data.

If you want to know more about the data protection of Maptionnaire itself, please take a look at: <https://maptionnaire.com/respondent-privacy>

The data for the scientific research is without exceptions and completely anonymized. The CURB research project follows the Austrian and European GDPR guidelines.

HOW CAN I LEARN ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE STUDY?

To learn more about the study and it's results you can inform yourself on the project website <https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/curb> or can take a look at the academic publications by the institute (<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/publications/full-publication-record>).

I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS, WHO CAN I CONTACT?

If you have more questions, don't hesitate to write us an e-mail at fwf.curb@oeaw.ac.at.