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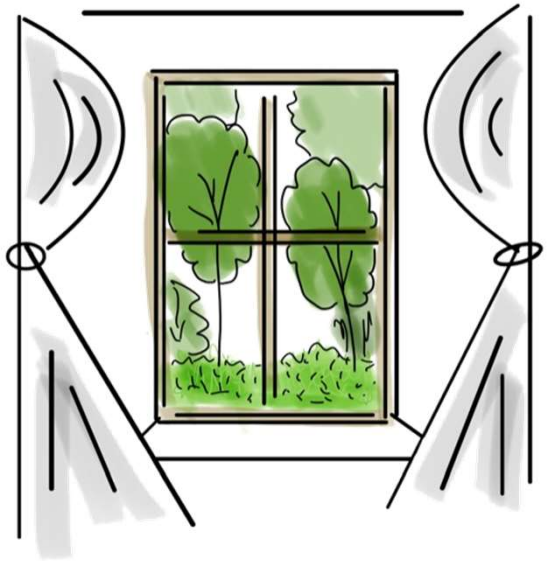

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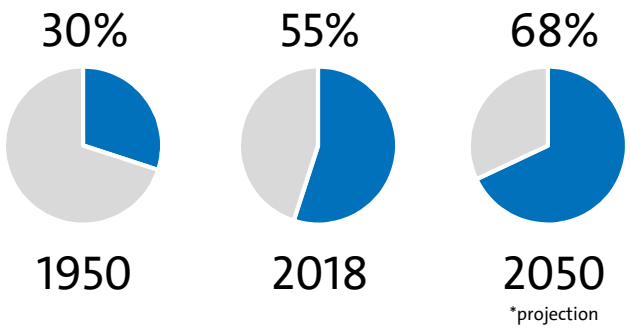
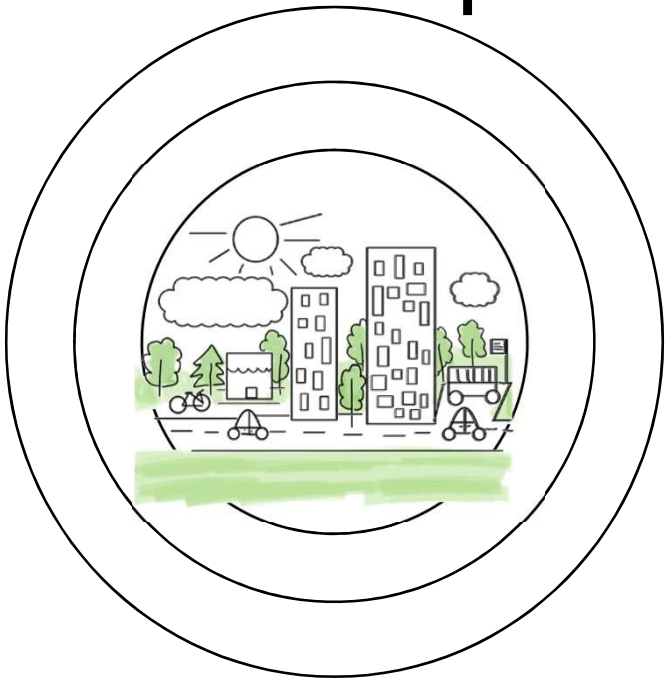
The ‘equigenic’ potential of greenery in compact cities. Green window views and residential satisfaction across social class.

Compact cities: developing via ‘in-fill’ redevelopment

World’s population residing in urban areas
(United Nations 2019)





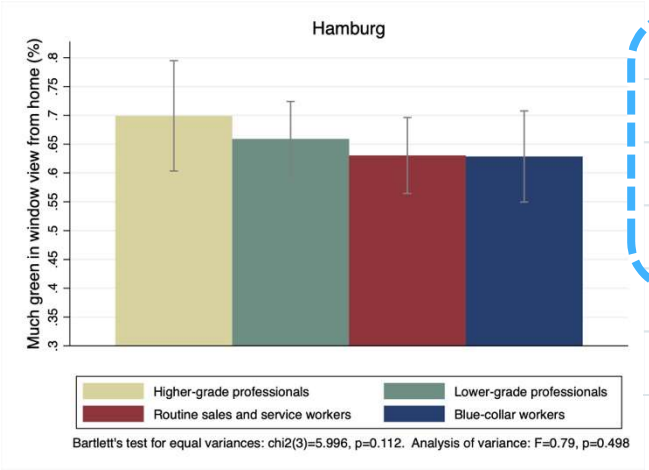
Data

- primary survey in Hamburg and Cologne
  Sep 2020/ Feb 2021; CATI with random digit dialing
- approx. 900 respondents per city
- minimum response rate: 7.5 %
- ½ with and ½ without thoughts of moving away
- at least 18 years old and living in their current apartment for at least 12 months
- design weights applied to correct for oversampling and selection probability in household

Why Hamburg and Cologne?

(Quelle: Tröger A., Klack M., Pätzold A., Wendler D., Möller C. „Das sind Deutschlands grünste Städte“)

Green window view



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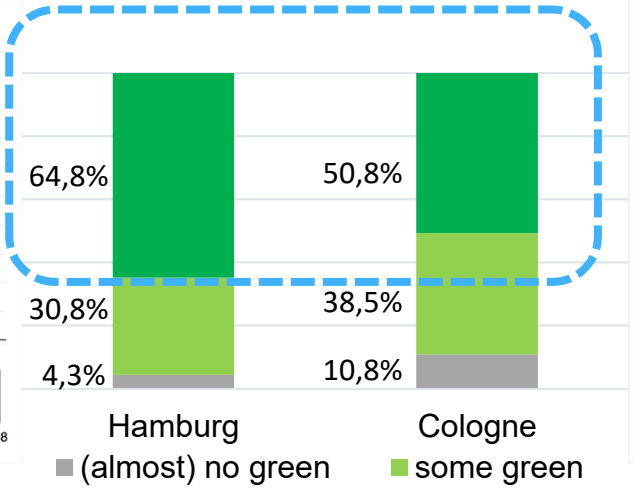
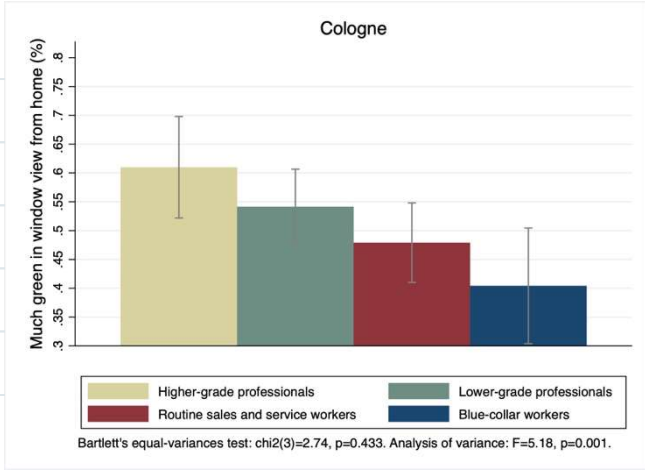


N = 1838; Cramér's V = 0.179, $p < 0.01$; estimates design-weighted.



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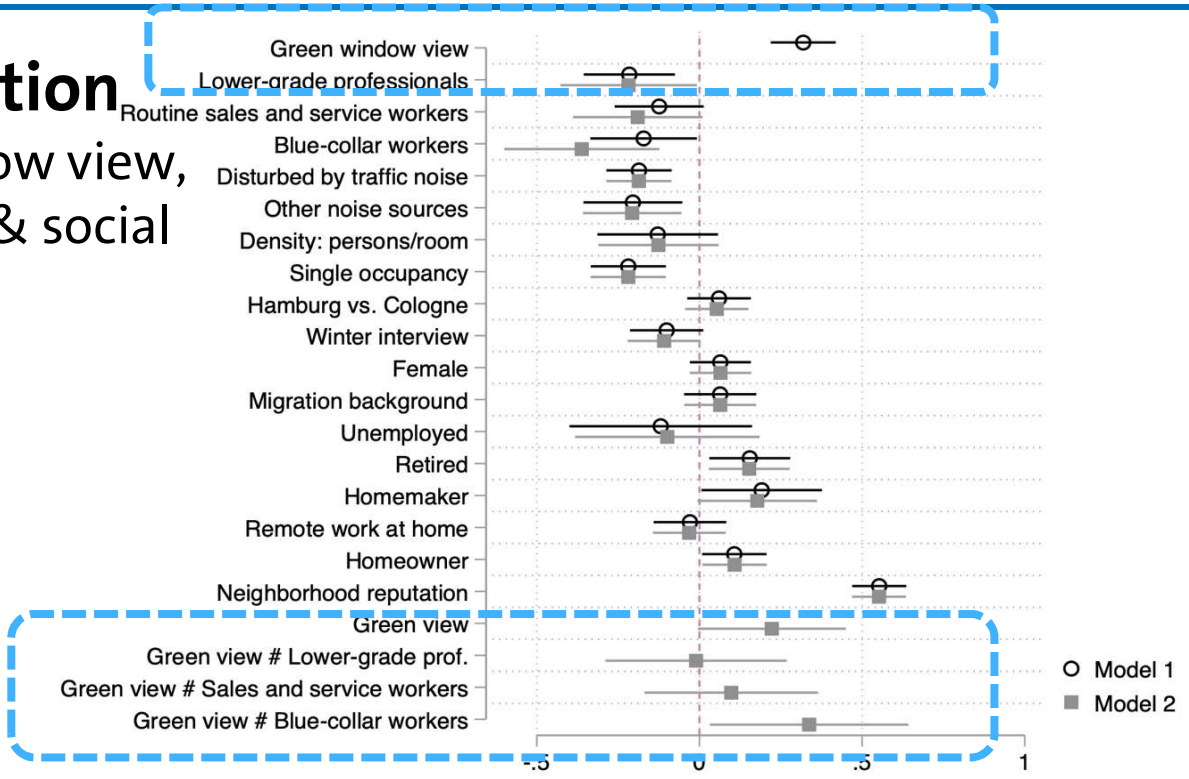
Residential satisfaction

regressed on green window view, environmental stressors & social classes

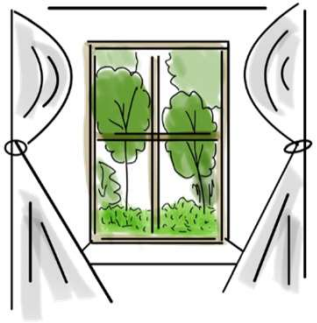
Notes: N = 1838. Whiskers indicate confidence intervals with $p < 0.05$. Residential satisfaction ln-transformed; estimates design-weighted; robust standard errors.



Discussion

- The greener the city, the more equally are green window views distributed across social classes.
- For blue-collar workers, green window views are significantly more strongly associated with higher levels of residential satisfaction than for upper-class citizens.

→ In contemporary compact cities, very high levels of urban greenery must be reached to render social class as irrelevant for citizens' immediate greenery exposure.



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Residential satisfaction, in Hamburg and Cologne

regressed on green window views, environmental stressors, and social class

Notes:
Hamburg (N = 924), Cologne (N = 914);
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Residential satisfaction ln-transformed;
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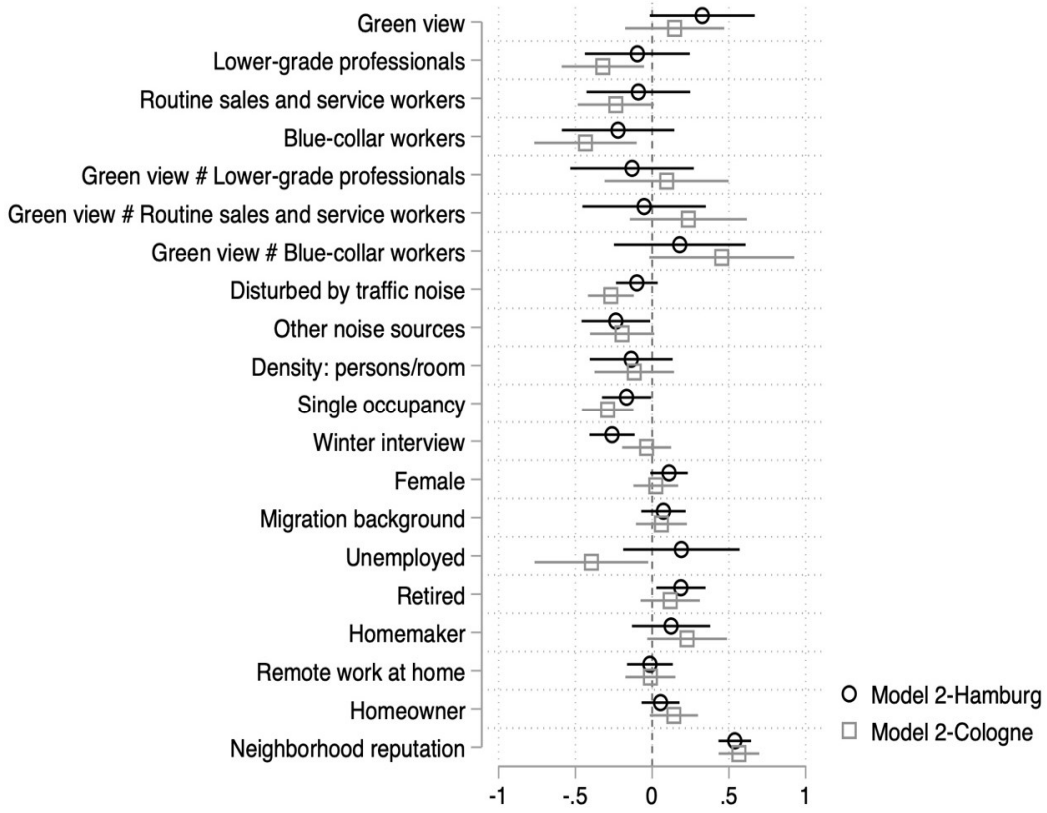

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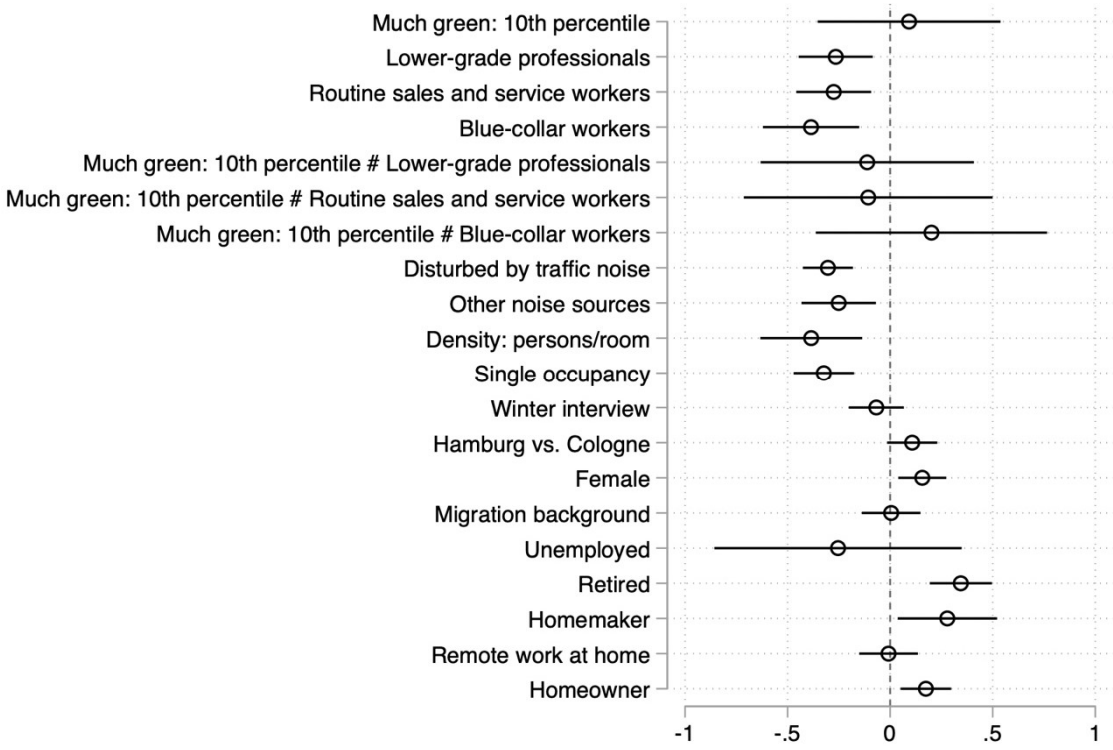
Residential satisfaction

regressed on having a lot green around one's home, environmental stressors, and social class



Notes:
N = 1332;
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Urban sprawl vs. ‘in-fill’ redevelopment of ‘compact’ cities

Urban sprawl in Switzerland
Source: Pixabay.com

4700 plants will adorn flak bunker in Hamburg. *Source*: Hamburger Abendblatt, 22.02.2020. Photo: Planning office