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Engaging the Public Through Online Platforms

# Online Flood Surveys



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### Using an Online Platform for Flood Surveys

#### Structure

- Engagement
- Images
- Education
- Comments
- Data Upload
- Geospatial Data
- Skip Logic

#### Analytics

- Metadata
- Demographics
- Correlations
- Statistics

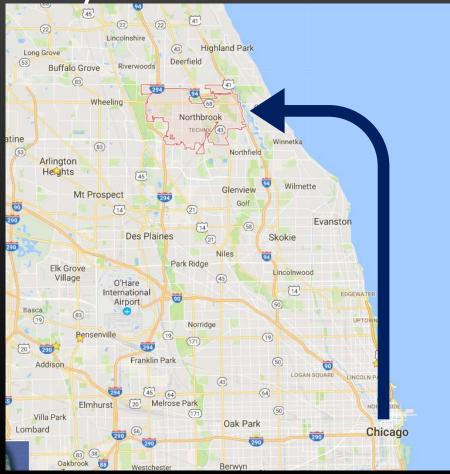
#### Distribution

- Accessibility
- Distribution
   Channels
- Cost Effectiveness



Online Survey Case Study

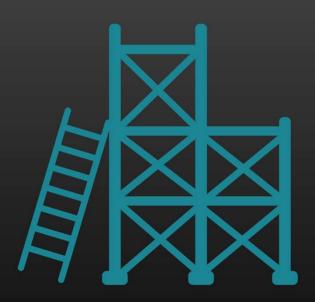






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### Interactive Heat Maps



# Geospatial Results and GIS



# Diagrams





# Demonstrative Images



Do you have a storm sump pump in your building?

Yes

O No



# Education – Getting on the Same Page





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### Comments and Opinions

74%

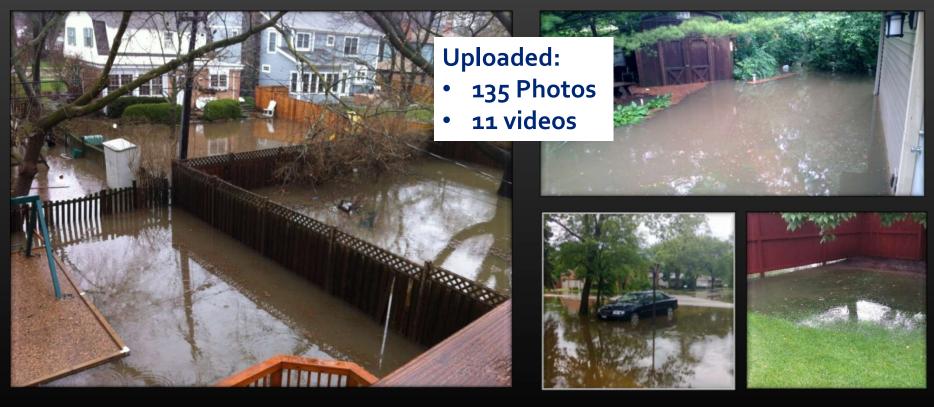
"When there is heavy rain, the storm sewers get backed up quite frequently.... The storm sewers in our neighborhood, or where the sewers drain to, are inadequate."

"...the Village could provide **community education to teach people** strategies
to safely disperse storm water runoff,
without flooding neighbors' yards and
their own homes."

"Why? Nothing will be done."



# Data Upload Option





# Skip Logic

#### Legend:

(Forced Response) This question is not optional

(Branch to Page 14) Skip Logic

- Only One Selection Possible
- ☐ Multiple Selections Possible

Fill in the Blank Question

. First and Last Name						
otional)						
. House Number (Forced Response)						
. Street Name						
. What is your relationship to this property? (Forced Response)						
Residential Owner						
Residential Renter						
Commercial Renter (Branch to Page 7)						
Commercial Owner (Branch to Page 7)						
Commercial Employee (Branch to Page 7)						
Public Property Manager (Branch to Page 7)						
Other (Branch to Page 7)						

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Fill in the Blank Question

# Flood Survey **Analytics**

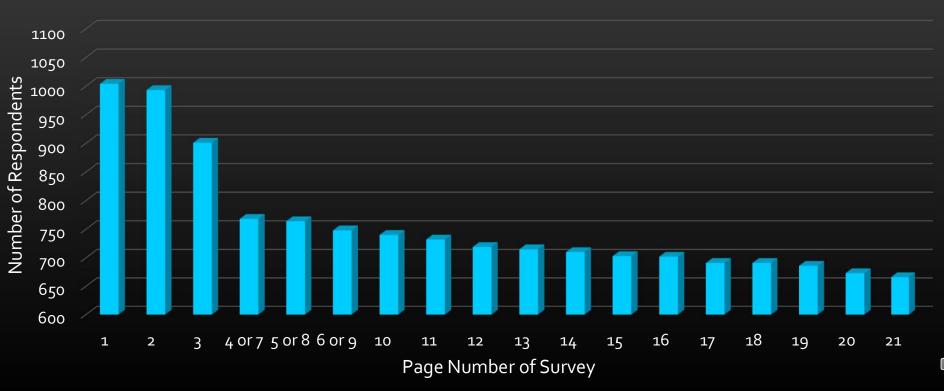
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### Public Survey Design-Completion Rate Analysis

#### Survey Drop Off By Page Number





### Eliminate Required Response for Address?

#### Pros

- Potential for lower drop out rate
- Simplified ethical disclosure

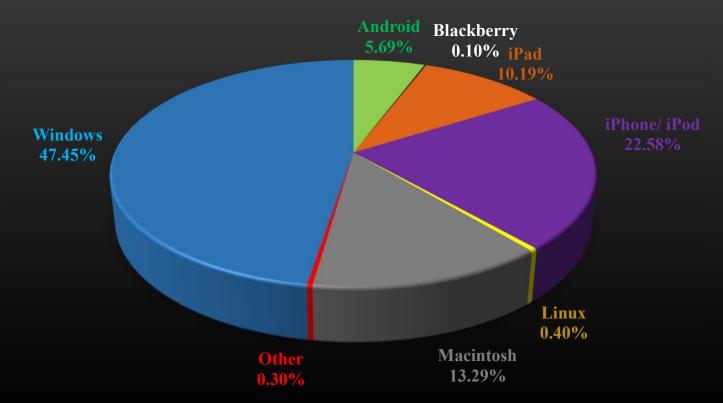
#### Cons

- No geospatial data for analysis
- Difficulty determining duplicates resulting in errors
- Ethical concerns if participants are identified using other methods



# Public Survey Design-Access By Device

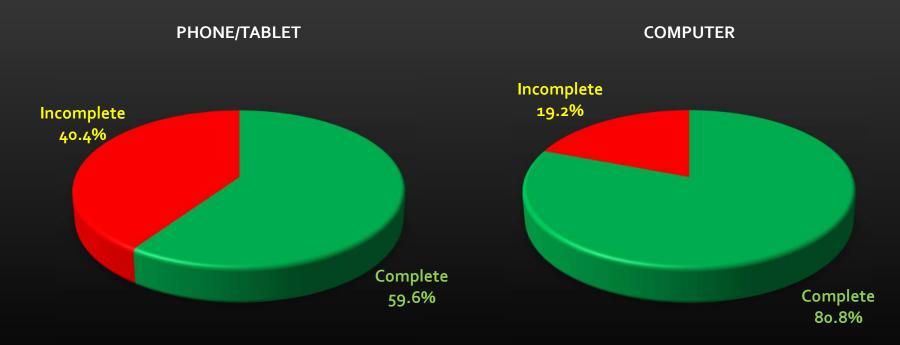
Type of Device





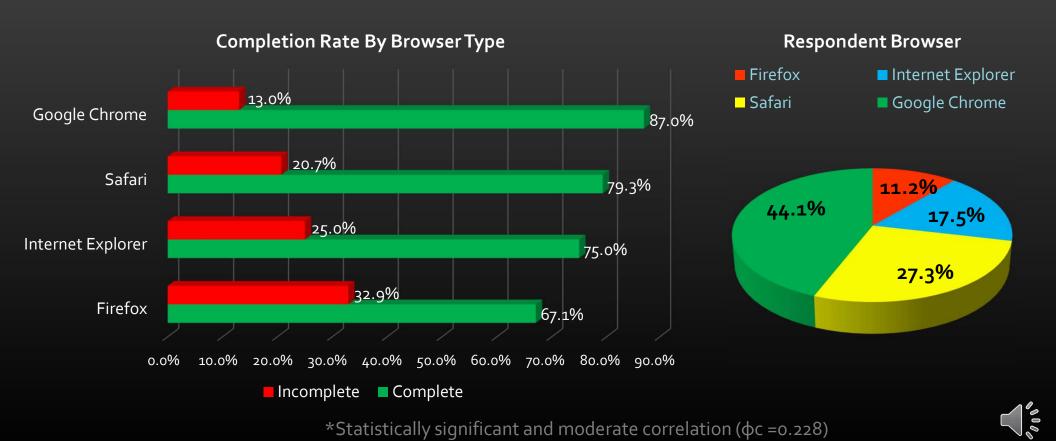
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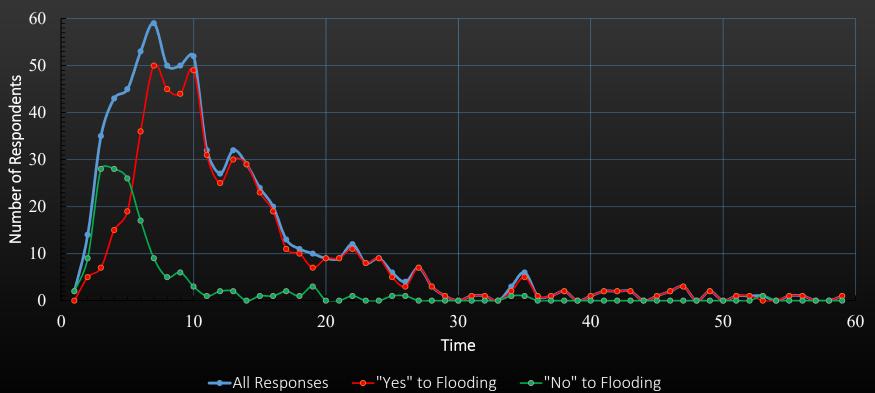


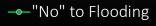
### Public Survey Design-Computer Browser



# Public Survey Design-Time

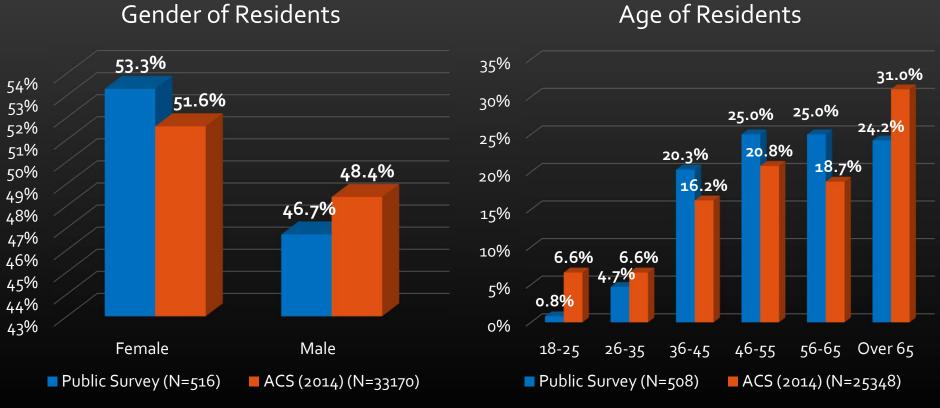








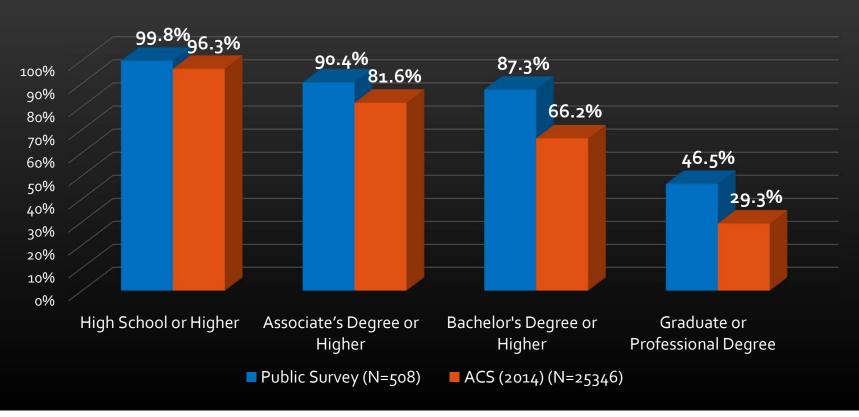
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#### **Educational Attainment of Residents**



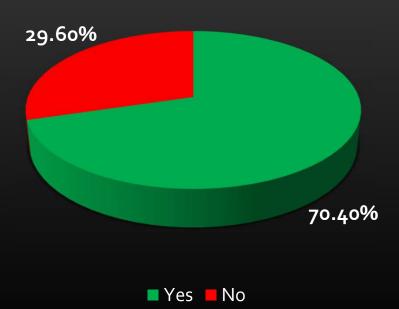


### Public Survey Statistical Analysis

[Q16] How much would you be willing to invest in order to reduce future instances from occurring? (Unable Excluded)

	occurring? (Unable Exclude						
	Yes	N=					
\$0	36.2%	146					
Up to \$1,000	31.0%	125					
Up to \$2,500	16.1%	65					
Up to \$5,000	9.9%	40					
Up to \$10,000	6.7%	27					

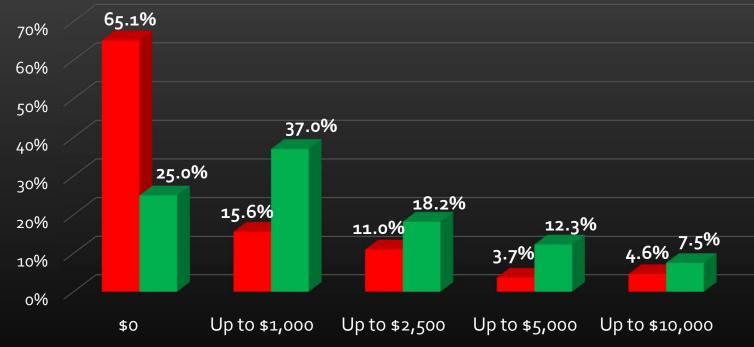
[GreenYN] Are you interested in green infrastructure? (N=713)





### Public Survey Statistical Analysis

Comparison of a respondent's interest in *Green Infrastructure* and a respondent's *Willingness to Invest* in flood mitigation



[Q16] How much would you be willing to invest in order to reduce future instances from occuring? Interested in Green Infrastructure?

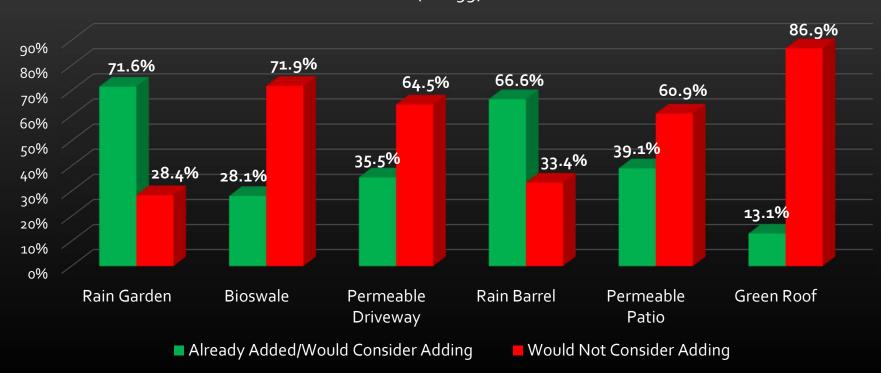
■ No (N=109) ■ Yes (N=292)

\*Statistically significant and strong correlation ( $\phi c = 0.376$ )



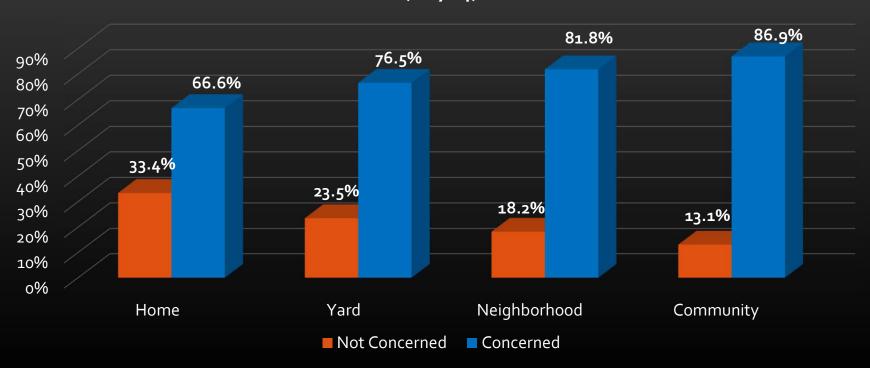
### Public Survey Statistics

### Residential Green Infrastructure Preferences (N=299)



### Value of Qualitative Questions

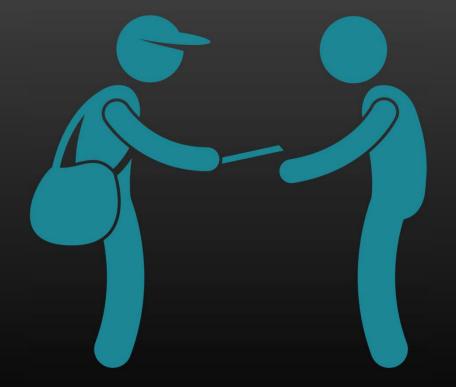
# How Concerned Are You About Flooding In... (N=704)





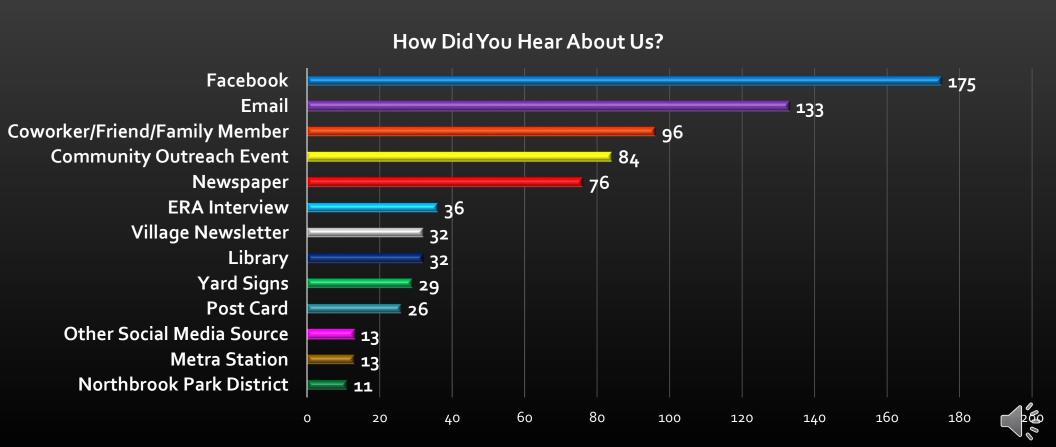
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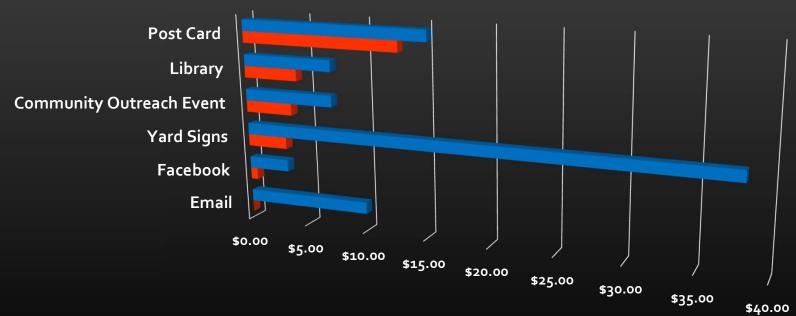


### Public Survey Outreach



# Public Survey Outreach

Cost Per Response For Different Approaches



	Email	Facebook	Yard Signs	Community Outreach Event	Library	Post Card
■ Highest Cost	\$10.00	\$3.33	\$38.16	\$7.37	\$7.37	\$15.27
Lowest Cost	\$0.00	\$0.56	\$3.29	\$3.90	\$4.46	\$12.96



#### Outreach Method Biases

[Q33] How did you hear about this survey?

		Community Outreach Event	Coworker/ Friend/ Family Member	Email	Facebook	Library	Newspaper	Post Card	Yard Sign	Other	N=
[Gender] Gender	Male	7.8%	9.8%	13.6%	14.6%	3.1%	12.2%	4.1%	2.0%	32.9%	295
	Female	5.8%	9.7%	16.7%	29.7%	4.8%	8.2%	2.7%	1.2%	21.2%	330

Demographics Bias No Demographics Bias



### Survey Software

#### FluidSurveys

- Powerful survey software with options for complex and interactive questions
- Heat Mapping options

#### **IBM SPSS Statistics**

- Statistics analytical software
- Gamma and Chi-squared tests for statistical significance
- Linear and logistic regressions for policy drafting

**FluidSurveys** 





#### Pro's and Con's

#### Pros

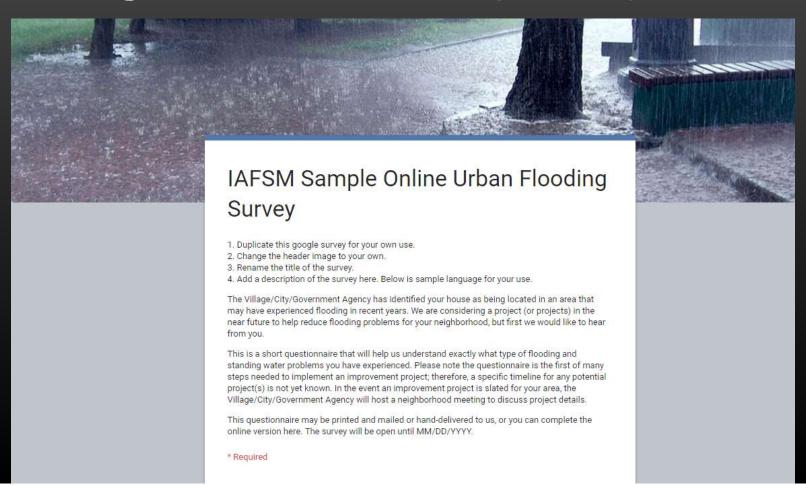
- Survey is a click away
- Easily distributed online
- Use of interactive components
- Data Export
- Immediate feedback compiling
- Flexible and Editable
- Large scale distribution

#### Cons

- Access discrimination Internet required
- Age discrimination upper age range
- Easily distracted online
- Potential to have duplicated responses



### Free Google Online Form - http://bit.ly/IAFSM



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