



CIVITAS indicators

Bike-reserved paths connectivity index – Version 3 (TRA_BK_CN3)

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Connectivity of bike network

Improving the connectivity of bike-reserved paths network

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Key indicator

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CONTEXT AND RELEVANCE

To be developed.

This indicator provides a measure of the connectivity of the network of bike reserved paths. It is a relevant indicator when the policy action is aimed at increasing the number of origin-destination pairs within a specific area of the city for which a bike route entirely on reserved paths exists. A successful action is reflected in a HIGHER value of the indicator.

DESCRIPTION

This indicator is an index obtained as ratio between the **number of origin-destination pairs within the experiment area for which a bike route entirely on reserved paths exists** and the total number of origin-destination pairs within the experiment area. The indicator is **dimensionless**.

METHOD OF CALCULATION AND INPUTS

The indicator should be computed exogenously, by applying the method described and then coded in the supporting tool.

Method

Calculation of the index based on the map of bike reserved paths

Significance: 1.00



INPUTS

The following information is needed to compute the indicator:

- a) A map of the experiment area
- b) A map of the bike reserved paths in the experiment area

The experiment would result in a modification of the map of bike reserved paths in the experiment area (additional sections).

METHOD OF CALCULATION

The indicator should be computed exogenously according to the following steps:

- Definition of 250-metre-sided cells covering the entire territory of the experiment area.
- Quantification of the total number of origin-destination pairs between the 250-metre-sided cells in the experiment area. This number can be easily calculated from the total number of cells defined in the first step (see equations below).
- Quantification, for each cell, of the number of other cells that can be reached using bike travelling entirely on bike reserved paths. This number can be obtained overlapping the map of bike reserved paths on the map of the experiment area.
- **Estimation of the index** by computing the ratio between the number of cells quantified in the third step and the total number of origin-destination pairs quantified in the second step.

EQUATIONS

In the number of 250-metre-sided cells covering the territory of the experiment area is N, the total number of origin-destination pairs between these cells is:

$$TotOD = 2 * \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} k$$

For instance, if N = 7, the number of origin-destination pairs is 2 * (1+2+3+4+5+6) = 42

The equation computing the index (last step of the method of calculation) is the following:

$$BkConnIndex = \frac{\sum_{c} {}^{c}ResBkPDest}{TotOD}$$

Where:

 $^{c}ResBkPDest$ = number of other cells that can be reached using bike travelling entirely on bike reserved paths from cell c

TotOD= Total number of origin-destination pairs between cells

ALTERNATIVE INDICATORS

To be drafted