

# COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS SURVEY DASHBOARD

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# AGENDA

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(LIVE DEMO + Q&A)



THE  
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**BACKGROUND**

# THE “WHY”

- In 2021, Cincinnati leveraged a national vendor to conduct its first ever community survey, reaching over 1,408 respondents that were demographically representative of the city population with a precision of at least +/-2.6%
- Survey results included ratings for services provided, community priorities, and measures to assist the administration with identifying key opportunities
- Dashboard provided by vendor was not suitable for sharing with community via CincyInsights portal
- **OPDA desired creation of a series of dashboards using Tableau that would provide a clear narrative in an intuitive format to be used by both the community and City departments and published on CincyInsights**

## City of Cincinnati, Ohio Resident Survey

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# VENDOR DASHBOARD

01

**CITY PERFORMANCE**

Find out how citizens rated services

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**WHO RESPONDED**

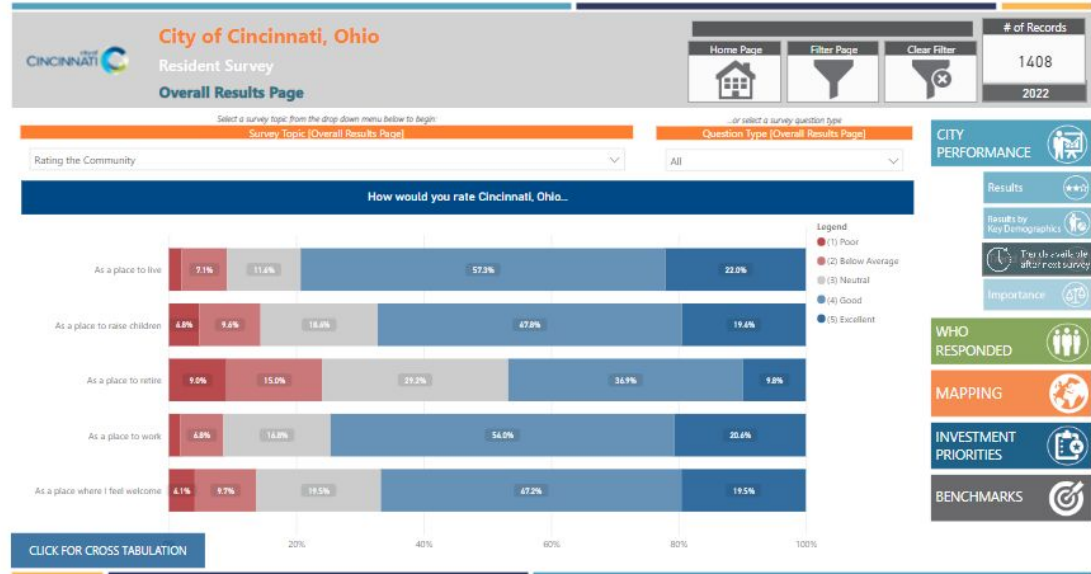
Access your demographic questions here

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**MAPPING**

Access city maps showing overall results

## City of Cincinnati, Ohio Resident Survey



# THE GOALS

- **Clear** narrative
- **Intuitive** format
- **Usable and understandable** by both the community and City departments
  - The community: Residents, workers, stakeholders, journalists, etc.
  - City departments: OPDA, City Manager's Office, CPD, Finance, HR, etc.
  - As much granularity as possible without enabling inappropriate conclusions to be drawn

# THE PROCESS

# 1. EXPLORING THE DATA

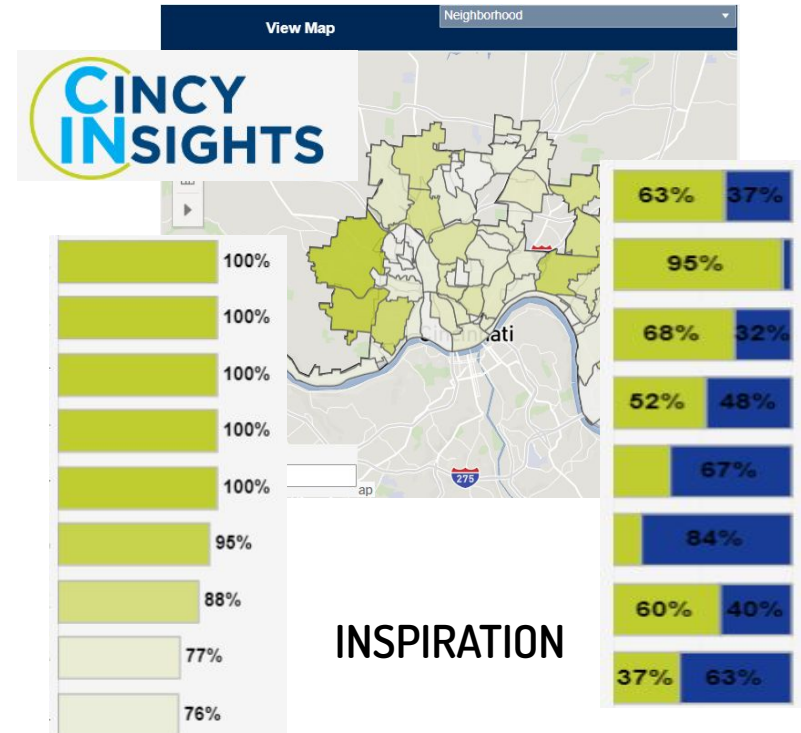
- **Observations:** Survey respondents
- **Columns:** Survey questions
  - Separated by topic
  - Measured by
    - **Satisfaction:** Did the respondent say they were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the service?
    - **Importance:** Did the respondent list the service as one of their top choices for the City to emphasize over the next 2 years?

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# 2. DESIGNING THE DASHBOARD

- What **should** be included vs. what **should not** be?
- What is the **narrative** that the City wanted to send?
- How should users **interact** with the dashboard?
- How simple vs. how complex?
- **Desktop** and **mobile** views



# 3. TRANSFORMING THE DATA

- **Aggregated** the various combinations of demographics in the survey (race, gender, neighborhood, etc.)
- **Calculated** importance and satisfaction ratings after crossing respondents with questions

```
169 importance <- crossing(respondents, questions)
170
171 importance$count.1st <- 0
172 importance$count.2nd <- 0
173 importance$count.3rd <- 0
174 importance$count.4th <- 0
175
176 for(i in 1:nrow(importance)) {
177
178   question.name <- str_trim(importance$topics[i])
179   race <- importance$race[i]
180   gender <- importance$gender[i]
181   age <- importance$age[i]
182   neighborhood <- importance$neighborhood[i]
183   income <- importance$income[i]
184   years.resident <- importance$years.resident[i]
185   residence.type <- importance$residence.type[i]
186
187   for(j in 1:length(questions.importance))
188   {
189     col.name <- questions.importance[j]
190     txt <- paste("survey$", col.name, "", sep = "")
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WRITE R  
SCRIPT

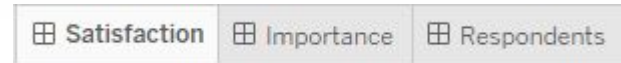
RUN R SCRIPT TO  
TRANSFORM  
DATASET

VALIDATE  
TRANSFORMED  
DATASET

LOAD  
DATASET  
INTO  
TABLEAU

# 4. BUILDING THE DASHBOARD

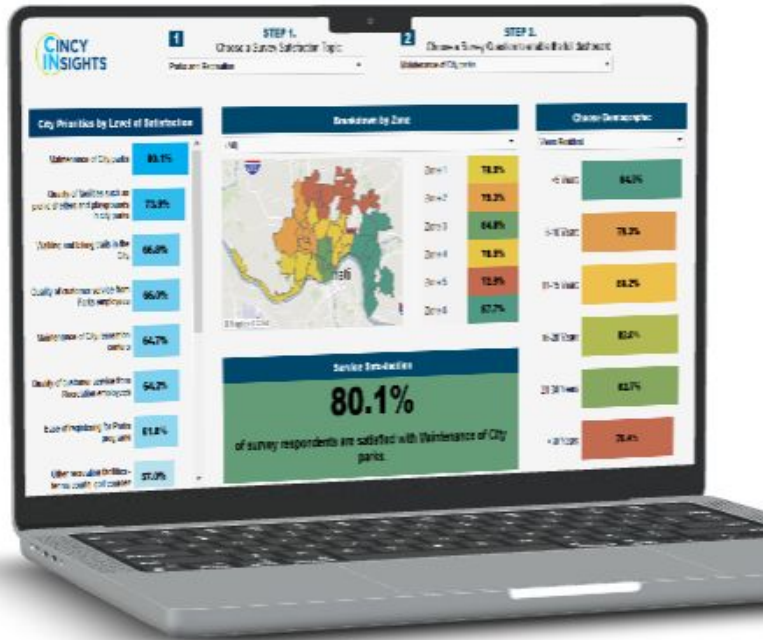
- **Respondents** tab
- **Satisfaction** tab
- **Importance** tab
- Becoming more proficient in Tableau
- Iterating through feedback



A sunburst graphic with multiple rays emanating from the center, set against a solid blue background. The rays are a lighter shade of blue and are arranged in a circular pattern.

THE END PRODUCT

# LIVE DEMO + Q&A



# THE IMPACT

# THE FUTURE

- Dashboard will go through usability testing before going live
- Model for potential future surveys, enabling trends to be analyzed and allowing insights for allocation of resources
- Documentation of work

## SEARCH BY TOPIC



# FELLOWSHIP TAKEAWAYS

- Learned or became more proficient in:
  - Tableau - dashboarding, connecting to data, publishing, etc.
  - Data cleaning and transformation
  - R scripting
  - Oracle and SQL
  - Microsoft Power BI
  - Tyler Data & Insights
- How city government is organized and conducted
- Work life in the public sector
- Optimizing performance across departments
- The human insights from our work



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