

# Mapping Reassurance Using Survey Data

*Spatially Enabling ENCAMS*

*Local Environmental Quality Survey  
and West Midlands Police Feeling the  
Difference Survey Using COSMOS*



# Safer & Cleaner

*“All effort in reducing crime is wasted if people do not  
**Feel the Difference”***

How do we best understand  
Problem?

- Need to fill knowledge Gaps
- Enable Targeted Service provision

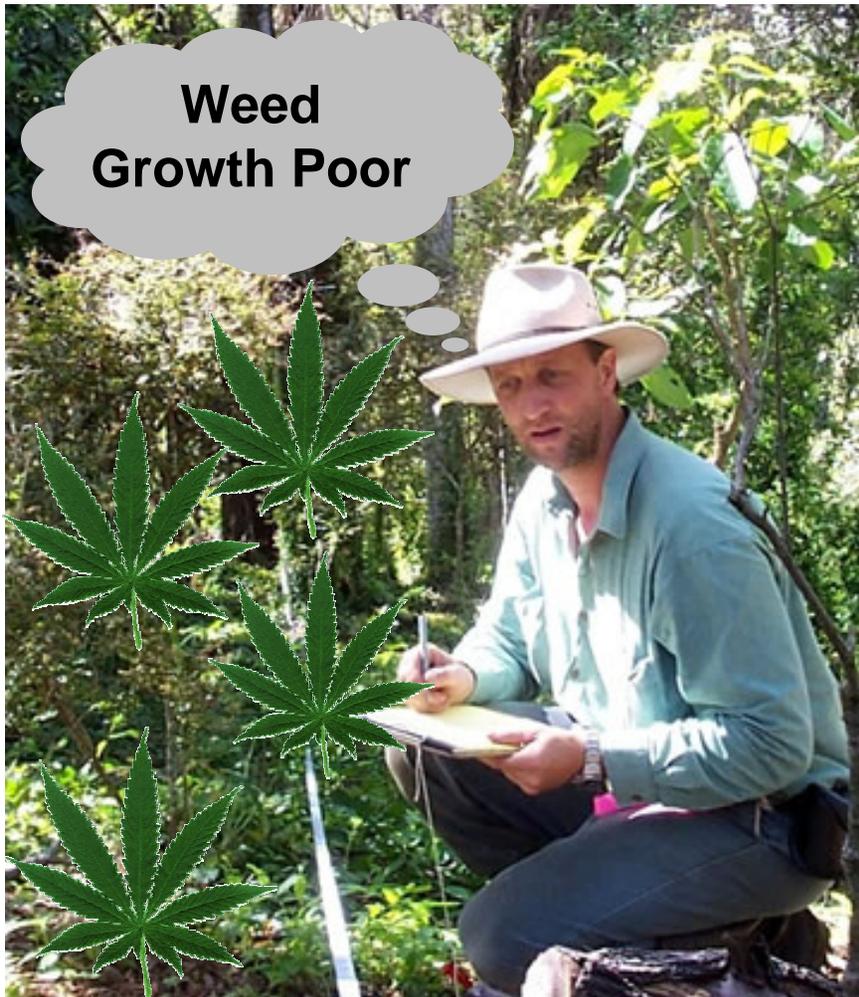


# Cleaner....

- Citywide Survey of Environmental Quality by ENCAMS for BCSP
- Approached COSMOS to spatially enable survey results
- Thematically map Local Environmental Quality Survey for Birmingham



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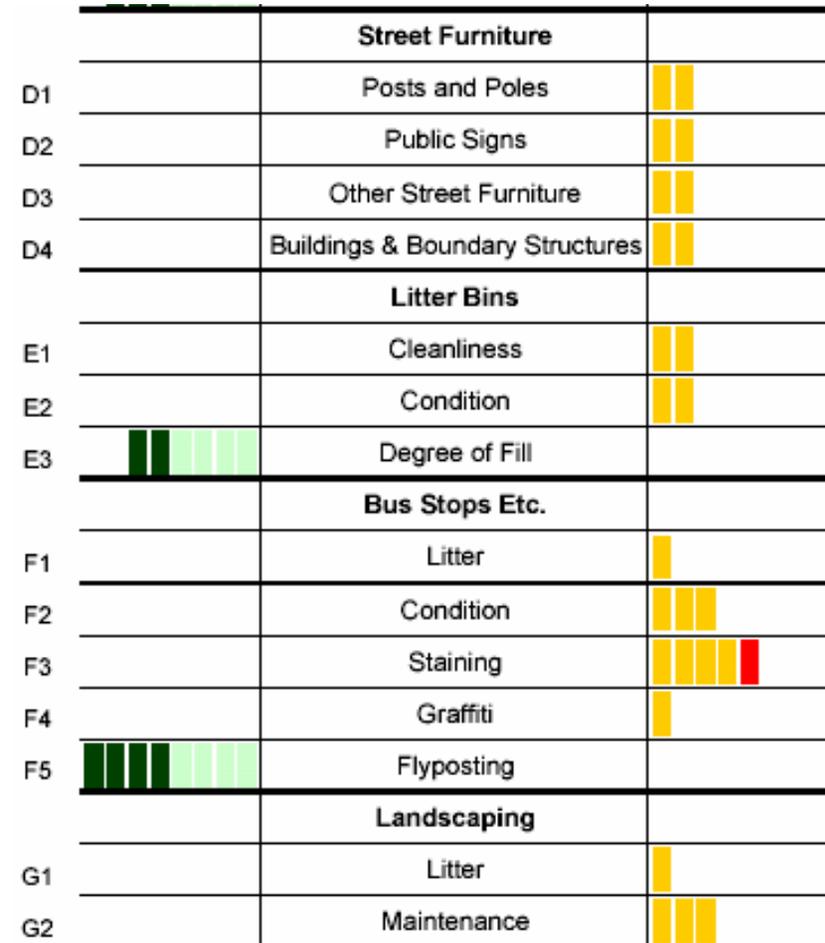
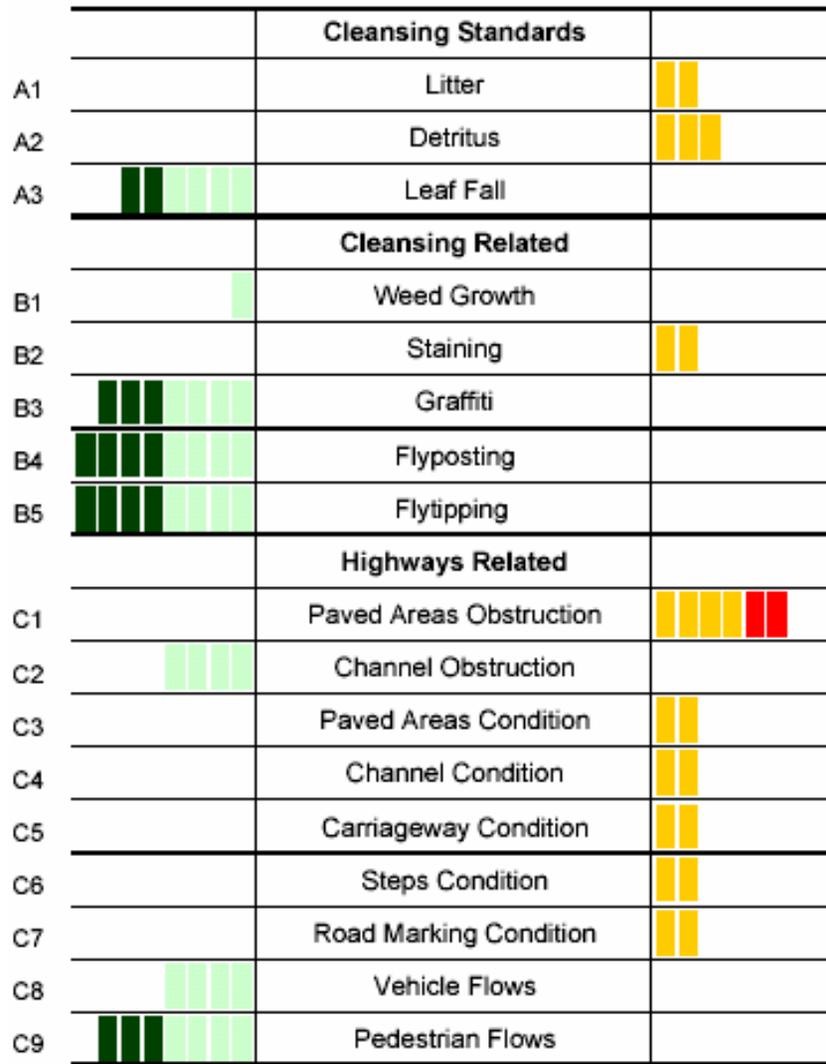


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- 50m Transects
- 12 Land Use Classes
- 30 Transects per Landuse by District
- Measure 250+ variables
- Grouped to 31 Indicators
- Given an SQL Score (-8 to +8)

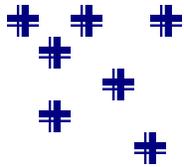
# Gauge Charts

## Environmental Indices All Areas City Wide



# How do we Map Quality for Small Areas?

Transects



Landuse Mapped

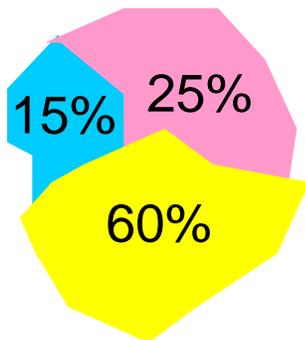


District Landuse Quality Calculated



Industrial = **-5**  
Open Space = **+3**  
Watersides = **+5**

Target Area  
Landuse %



Interpolated Score

25% Industrial = **-5**  
15% Watersides = **+3**  
60% Open Space = **+5**

**SCORE = +2.2**

- Transects are geocoded
- Land Use is mapped
- Aggregated results by Land Use for a District
- Extrapolate using Land Use as a predictor of Quality
- Ward made up of
  - 25% Industrial
  - 15% Watersides
  - 60% Open Space
- Calculate Quality Score District Score and Landuse of Target Area

[Define Area](#) < [Choose Output](#) < [Environmental Quality](#)

## Mapping Landuse



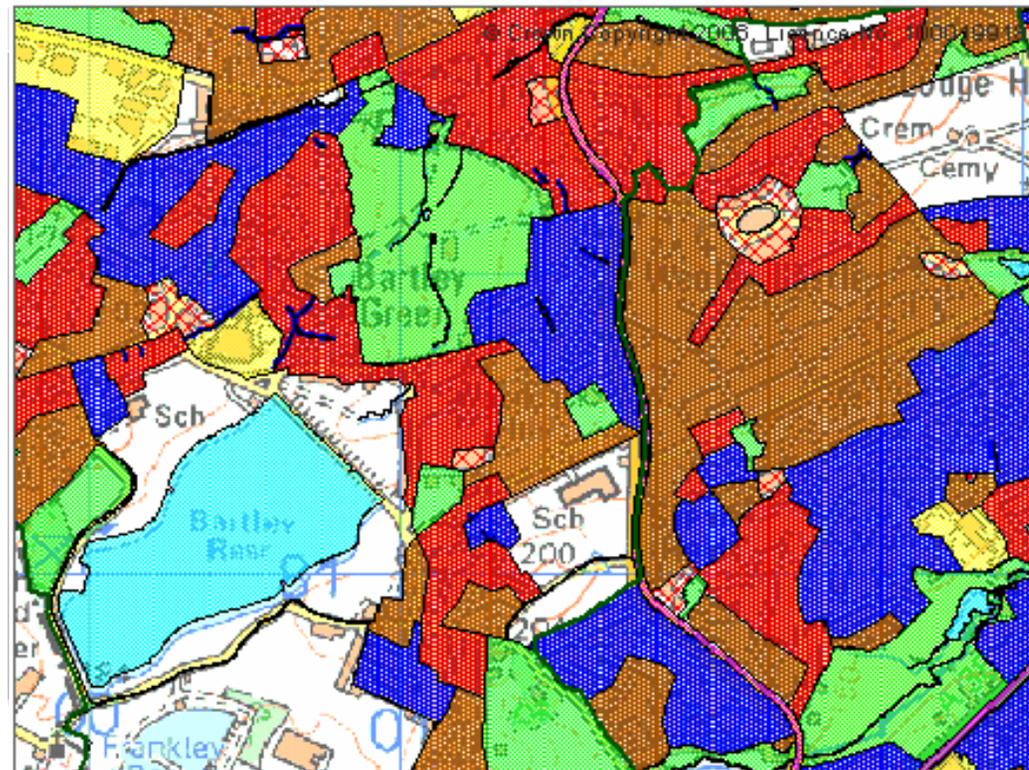
### Environmental Quality

Report Area

Edgbaston Birmingham District

#### EnCams Land Use Key

- High Density Housing
- Industry/ Warehousing/ Retail Sheds
- Low Density Private Housing
- Low Density Social Housing
- Main Roads
- No Data
- Other Housing
- Public Open Space
- Secondary Retail and Commercial
- Transport Infrastructure



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- SQI Key
- Poor
  - Unsatisfactory
  - Satisfactory
  - Good

- Pan
- Zoom In
- Zoom Out
- Info
- Gauge

#### Dialogs

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## Environmental Quality

Report Area

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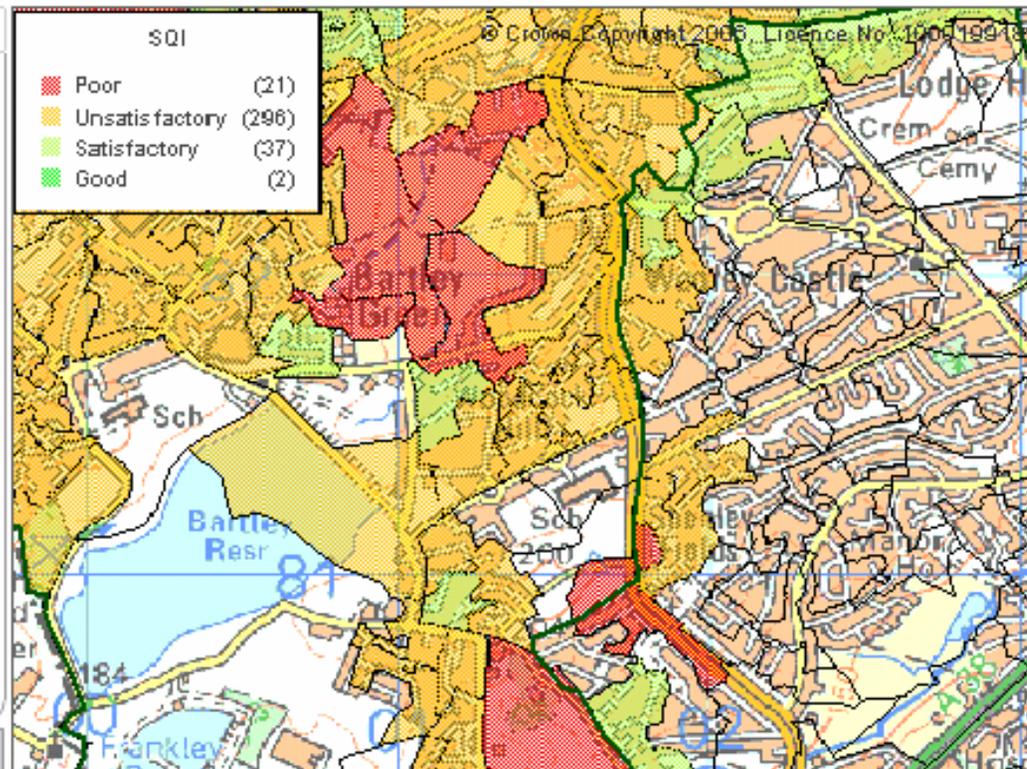
Selection

Areas:

Indicators (All)

- Litter
- Detritus
- Graffiti
- Flytipping
- Flyposting
- Staining
- Weed Growth
- Bin Condition
- Bin Degree of Fill
- Leaf fall

[District Table >](#) [Update View >](#)



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**We can help  
improve the  
environment...**

**What about  
feeling safer?**

# Feel Safer....

- Force-wide household survey of perceptions of safety.
  - (Over 20K in Birmingham alone)
- Spatially enable survey results
- Flexible geographic reporting and thematic mapping at neighbourhood level.
- Link perception to crime hotspots and environmental quality at the neighbourhood level.



# Measuring Perception



**Perception.....**

...Half Full?

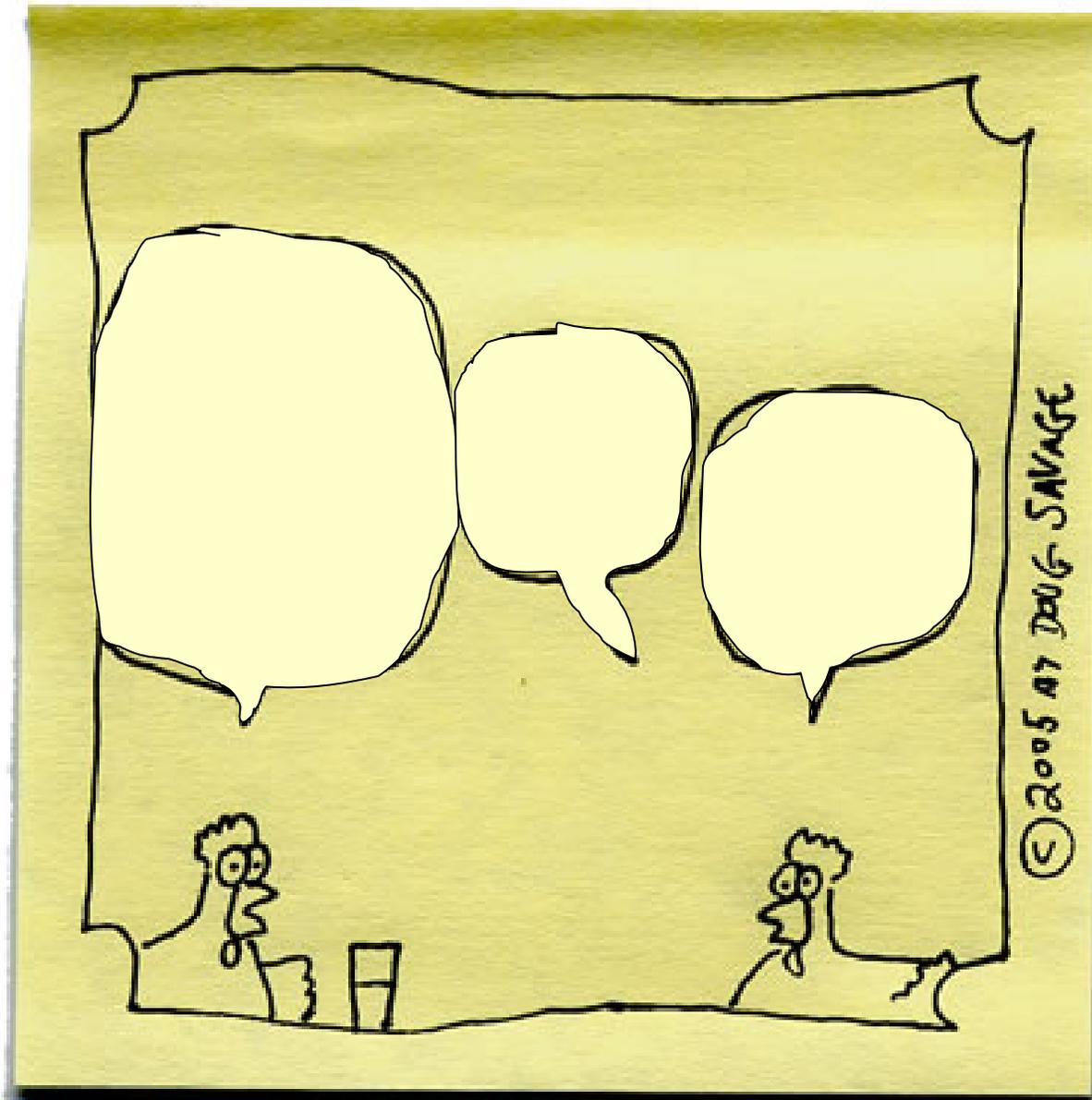
...Half Empty?

**Analyst .....**

..250ml water

# Savage Chickens

by Doug Savage



Thresholds of perception differ!

*The Hall Green Effect!*

*The British 'Wisteria Lane Effect'*

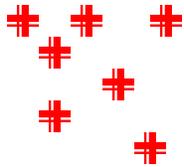
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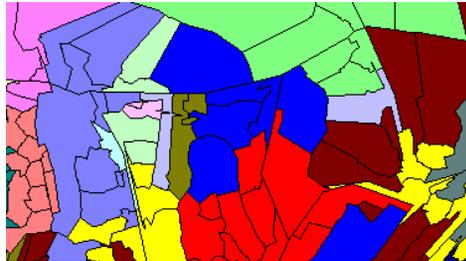
- Household Survey
- Post coded Results
- Over 40K Surveys in West Midlands to date
- Measures:
  - Perceptions of Crime
  - Quality of Service
  - Community Cohesion
- ACORN
  - Postcode Classification

# How do we Map Perception for Small Areas?

Survey Results

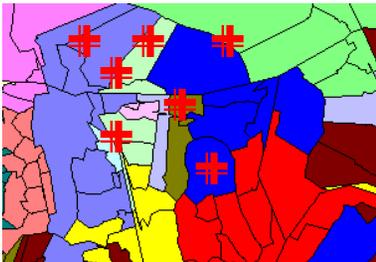


ACORN by Postcode



- Survey results are geocoded and Matched to an ACORN Type
- Aggregated results by ACORN Type

ACORN Results Calculated



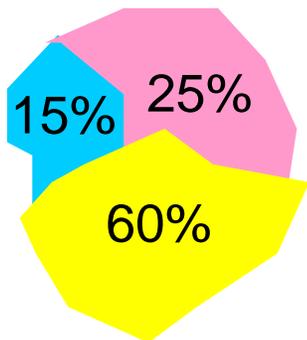
Type 1 = 85% Feel Safe  
 Type 2 = 76% Feel Safe  
 Type 3 = 58% Feel Safe  
 (...57 Types)

- Extrapolate using ACORN as a predictor of survey response
- Ward made up of
  - 25% ACORN Type 1
  - 15% ACORN Type 2
  - 60% ACORN Type 3

Target Area

ACORN %

Interpolated Score by %Popn

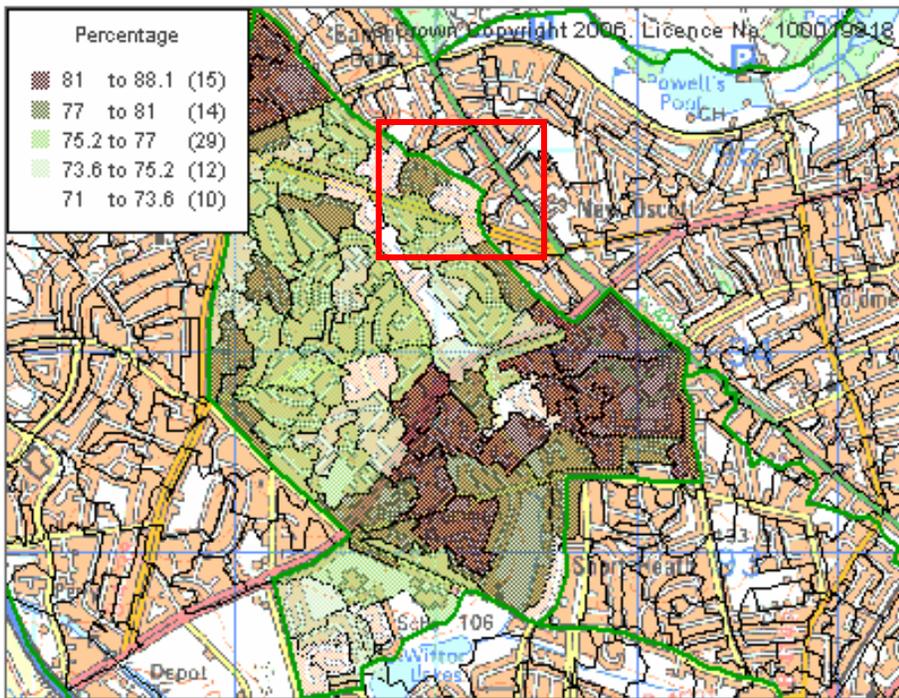


25% Type 1 } Overall  
 15% Type 2 } 67.4%  
 60% Type 3 } Feel Safe

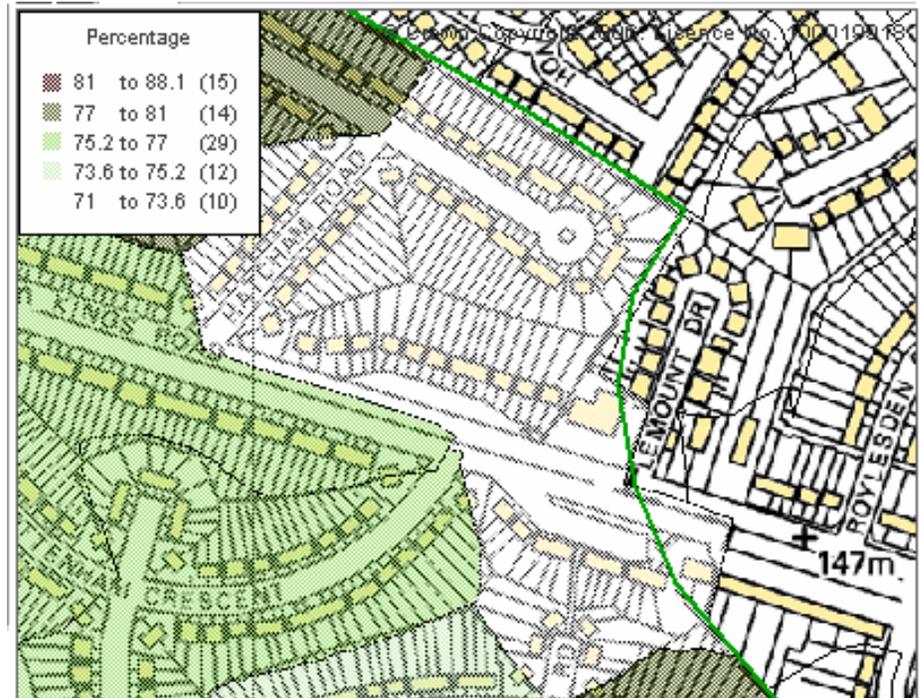
- Calculate Safety based on make up of ACORN Type in the Area

# Examples of COSMOS Outputs

Table			
Report Area	BIRMINGHAM Local Authority District		
Report Date	-		
Title	Survey - Feeling the Difference Aged 18 24, Aged 65 or over by 10a. Safe in the dark (All)		
Category	Aged 18 24 p/c	Aged 65 or over p/c	TOTAL
Safe in dark	65.38	42.81	51.56
Unsafe in dark	24.96	36.78	32.19
Other	2.46	10.78	7.56
Neither	7.20	9.63	8.69



Survey - Feeling the Difference  
Agree live harmoniously  
by Census Output Area

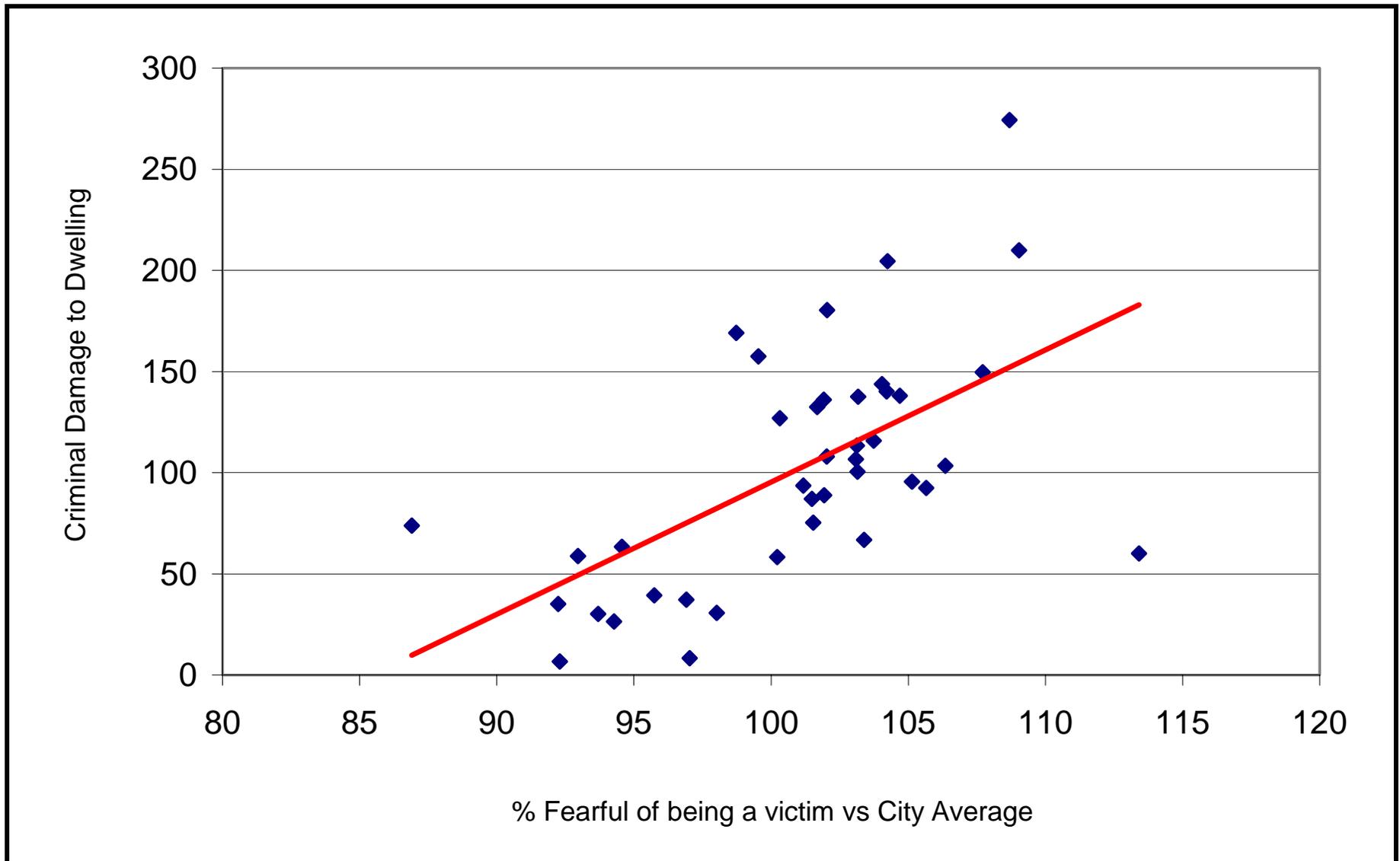


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# Practical Usage

- Performance Management of Reassurance Objectives
    - Local Area Agreement
    - Crime & Disorder Strategy
    - Local Delivery Action Plans
  - Neighbourhood Level Analysis
    - Strategic Assessment
    - Problem Profiles
    - Control Plans
  - Identifying Signals of Fear
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- MANAGE  
RESOURCES  
& RISK

# Fearful Vs Criminal Damage to Dwelling



# Identifying Fear Signals

## Pearsons Correlation: For all Wards in Birmingham

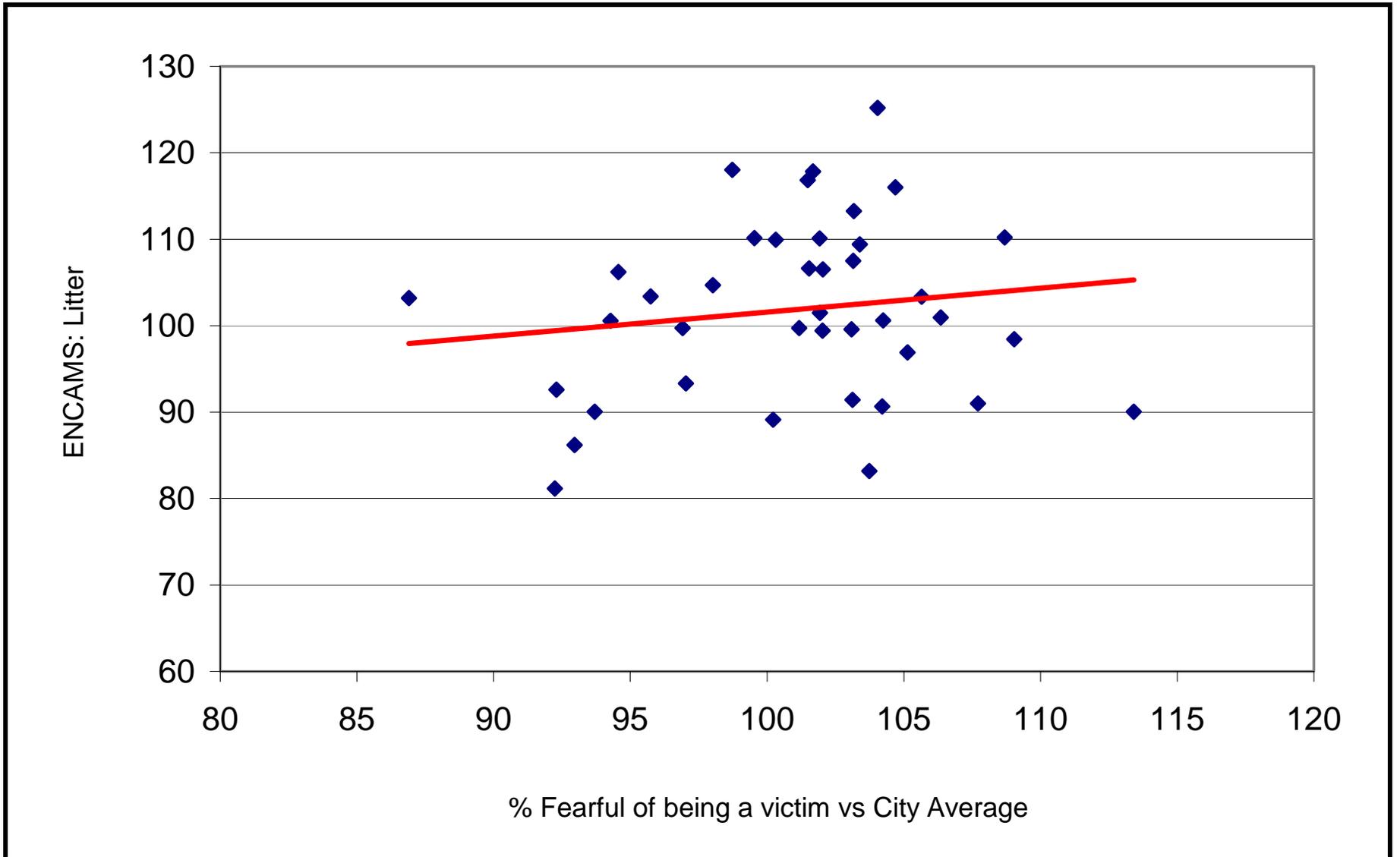
(N=40)

		Incident	Incident	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal	Signal
		Composite Index	Rowdy Nuisance Behaviour	Criminal Damage not Dwelling	Criminal Damage to Dwelling	Clean Index	Noise Nuisance	Abandoned Vehicles	Detritus	Litter	% List Vandalism & Graffiti	% List Drugs as Problem	% List Teens as Problem
Fear	% Not Safe O/S Day	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+0	+99	-95	+99	-0
Fear	% Not Safe O/S Night	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+99	+0	+99	-0	+99	+0
Fear	%Fearful of Victim	+0	+0	+0	+99	+0	-0	+99	+0	+0	+99	+0	+99

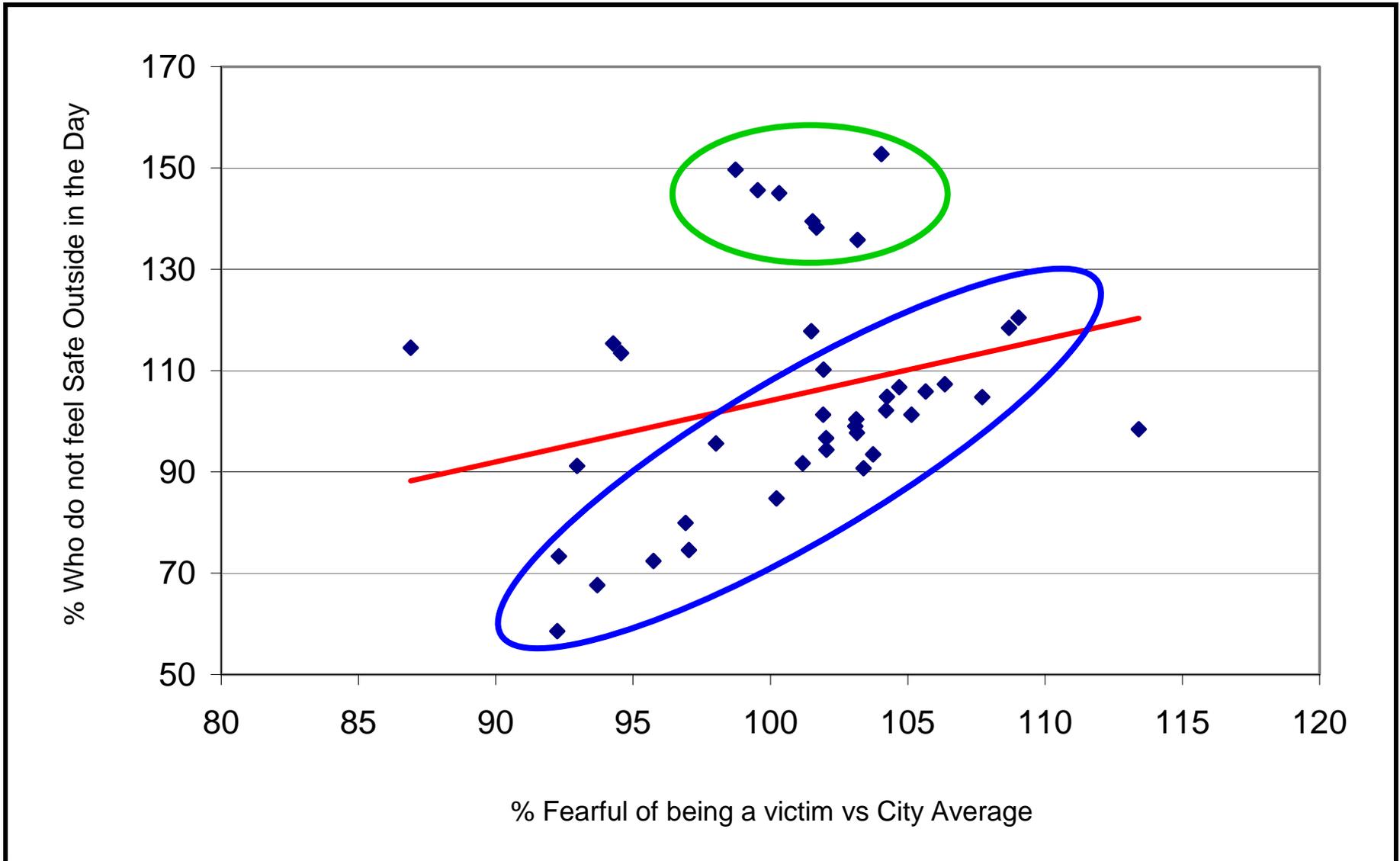
# Identifying Fear Signals

- Links with % fearful of becoming a victim
  - Correlates with
    - Criminal damage to dwelling
    - Abandoned vehicles
    - Graffiti as problem in neighbourhood
    - Teenagers as problem in neighbourhood
    - Not feel safe Outside after dark
  - Does Not Correlate with
    - Criminal damage non dwelling
    - Rowdy Nuisance Behaviour
    - Litter/Detritus
    - Noise Nuisance
    - Composite Index of Priority

# Fearful Vs Litter



# What is Fear! - Fearful Vs Not feel Safe



# Results – Perception Key Performance indicators

Question	2004/05 (Waves 1-4)	Waves 8-11 (2006)	Change
How safe or do you feel when outside in your neighbourhood during the day? (% Safe)	89.4%	94.0%	+4.6%
How safe do you feel when outside in your neighbourhood after dark? (% Safe)	55.2%	61.0%	+5.8%
To what extent do you agree that your neighbourhood is a place where people from different backgrounds and communities can live together harmoniously? (% Agree)	81.3%	92.0%	+10.7%

# Next Steps

- Environmental Survey
  - Survey Top Up with Hand-Held Mobile Devices
  - Complete citywide survey every 6 months
  - Mapping change & progress
- Public Reassurance
  - **MYNEIGHBOURHOOD.info** (Interactive Public Access Web site)
  - Neighbourhood based crime mapping
  - On-line survey/polls (compare results with your neighbourhood)
  - Neighbourhood Toolkit



Have your say ↘



Spotlight  
on your area



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## MyNeighbourhood

My Neighbourhood provides the West Midlands with a web mapping application using the latest crime figures provided by West Midlands Police.



My Neighbourhood provides an accurate visual demonstration of the current state of crime.



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# Mapping Environmental Quality

*Spatially Enabling ENCAMS  
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Using COSMOS*

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