

# Review of: "Designing for Social Sustainability: How Urban Environments Influence Crime"

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Very good and extensive literature review on the possible connections between climate and crime. Though, it could be stated more clearly why a correlation between a rise in temperature and crime rates is expected or what could be the reasons for this correlation.

Please consider also the following list of comments:

- moderate spell check is required
- heat island effect [HIE] – the first time, this abbreviation is used without explanation
- **Introduction** (end of second paragraph): „As these contribute to reducing climate change, safety perception will improve, and crime statistics will reduce.” This is an assumption and should be expressed accordingly.
- **Urban Heat Island Studies:** This section provides a very limited review of urban heat island studies. The relevance of the listed studies to the scope of the paper is not clear.
- **Analysis of Midland: Vegetation Cover, Population and Crime Statistics:** Why is the year 2020 included in figure 4? At the end of section “Method Design”, it is stated that monthly crime statistics were taken only from January 2007 to December 2019.