

Social Housing in Vienna



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- Methodology
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- 3 Possible Research Questions:

1. Real Estate Question

How does the location of social housing affect urban development and housing prices?

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2. Planning Question

With which problems or social improvements is social housing associated?

3. Timely Question

What are the public goals, mechanisms, and possible effects of the trajectory from social to market-based housing?

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Methodology

(Depends on question chosen)

- Document social housing in Vienna
- Interview tenants of social housing, city planners, and real estate agents.
- Conduct environmental evaluations of neighborhoods
- Gauge public perceptions of social housing through interviews
- Compare the average price of private housing near and away from social housing

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Interview Tenants of Subsidized Housing

- Proximity to work and child care?
- Sense of safety
- Personal and others' perceptions of social housing
- Length of residence in social housing

Interview City Planners

- How is the location of social housing chosen?
- Do most Viennese support social housing?
- How does the current location of social housing affect your zoning and development decisions?

Interview Real Estate Agents

- What are common perceptions of social housing?
- Is it more difficult to sell houses which are closer to social housing?
- Do you find that housing prices are affected by a house's proximity to social housing?

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Concerns

- Difficult to find and interview tenants of social housing.
- Language Barriers
- Difficulties obtaining records of social housing locations
- Difficulties obtaining data for housing prices near and away from social housing

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Conclusions

- My research question decision will be based on:
 - Data availability
 - Relevance and timeliness in Vienna
 - Which question might insight most interest in real estate agents and planners