Safety Survey: An Analysis of Student's Knowledge and Utilization of CMU SafeWalk and Escort Services

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### Research Question

• What portions of CMU students know about and/or utilize safe walk and escort services and how could we increase both knowledge and utilization of these services?

## Survey

- Demographics
- Use of SafeWalk/Escort services
  - Frequency of use
  - Reason for lack of use
  - Comfort walking alone after dark
  - Usefulness of websites

## Survey

- Knowledge of how to use SafeWalk/Escort
  - Hours of operation and how to access services
  - Confidence in knowledge
  - Can you be dropped off at your current home?
- What might make you more likely to use SafeWalk/Escort Services?

## Sampling

- Simple random sample from C-Book
- Email has ~20% response rate
- 11,371 total students at CMU
- 95% confidence interval
- 5% margin of error
- Needed 372 responses
- Need to email 1860 students

## Survey Set-Up

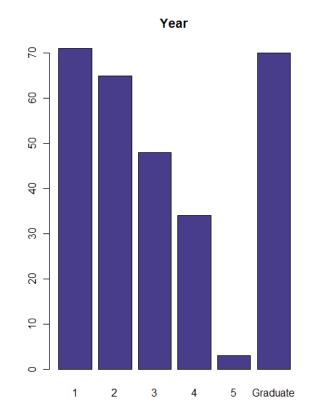
- Used SurveyGizmo
- Manually entered questionnaire
- Re-coded response values
- Generated a random list of two numbers: page number and location on page
- Divvied up work between group members to go through C-Book and type names
- Generated more numbers since 1860 units was not reached due to too large of a bound on location on page
- Created an Andrew Mailman list to generate mass email

#### Issues

- Ability to respond to entire group
- Frustration with receiving multiple emails
- Had to delete and recreate the list each time we needed to send an email
- Added a clause to allow respondents to remove themselves from the list

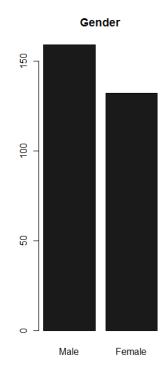
### Response Rate

- 294 responses
- 176 Abandoned
- 54 Partial
- 1352 made no attempt
- Senioritis a factor?



## Demographics - Gender

- CMU Ratio 3/2
- Our Ratio ~ 7/6



# Demographics - School

**Actual Values** 

CIT: 25.83%

Tepper: 12.32%

SCS: 11.96%

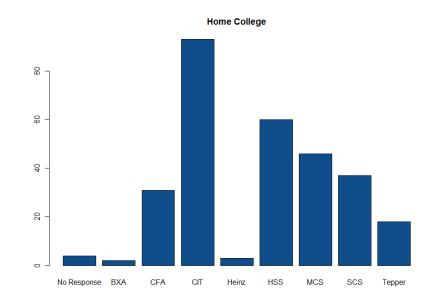
H&SS: 11.92%

CFA: 10.76%

Heinz: 10.41%

MCS: 8.83%

BXA: 3.84%



#### **Data Collection Timeline**

- Survey sent out on March 26
- Reminders sent on March 30,
   April 3 & April 7
- Data collection cut off ~April
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"Dear student,

If you have filled out the survey already, thank you very much if you have not had to opportunity to

fill it out yet, please take 5 - 10 minutes to do so. Please click on the following link to go to the survey:

http://www.surveygizmo.com/s/263516/m1dmt

We are a team of undergraduates working on a survey project for a class. Our survey is about CMU SafeWalk and Escort Services, and we need your input to make our project a success.

You have been randomly selected to fill out our survey. Your identity will remain anonymous.

We appreciate your help, Jaclyn, Ivan, Katherine, and Evan"

## Data Analysis

- Most importantly we plan to analyze what portion of the CMU population knows about and/or utilizes the SafeWalk and Escort services
- Observe demographic correlation
- Use data to increase both knowledge and utilization of services