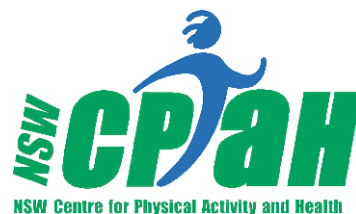




# Neighbourhood Environment Walkability Survey



## Purpose

NEWS (Neighbourhood Environment Walkability Survey) is a research audit tool developed for a pilot study which evaluated self-report measures of neighbourhood environment variables hypothesised to be important contributors to physical activity.

## Method

Self-report measures of neighbourhood environmental characteristics were collected.

Self-report measures of physical activity and weight status were also collected using different tools.

## Brief description

NEWS (the Neighbourhood Environment Walkability Survey) was developed by researchers in the United States of America. It assesses the following neighbourhood environment characteristics:

- Residential density
- Land use mix diversity/Access to services
- Street connectivity

- Walking/cycling facilities such as footpaths and cycle paths
- Neighbourhood surroundings/Aesthetics
- Traffic safety
- Crime safety.

## Locating the instrument

NEWS instrument can be downloaded from:  
<http://www.cpah.health.usyd.edu.au/pdfs/NEWS.pdf>

NEWS scoring procedures can be downloaded from:  
<http://www.cpah.health.usyd.edu.au/pdfs/NEWSscoring.pdf>

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## Related References and Links

### Active Living Research website precise

<http://www.activelivingresearch.org/index.php/NEWS/367>

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