

30 km/h speed limits

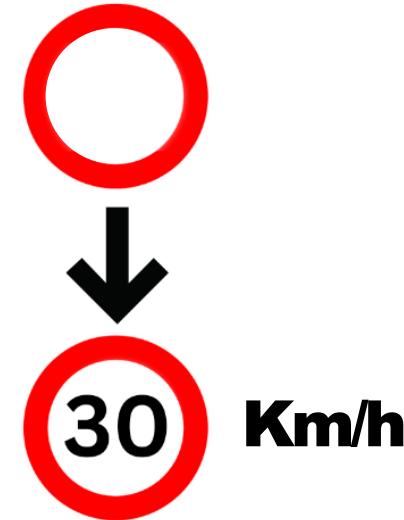
the effect on neighbourhood traffic safety perceptions



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REDUCING TRAFFIC SPEED IN NEIGHBOURHOODS



ITS NOT NEW!



Chapter Five - 20mph speed limits: A meta-narrative evidence synthesis of the public health evidence

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“Clear impacts on reduced injuries, less evidence is available on wider health impacts such as changes in active travel, play, and air quality.”



How do decision-makers justify the implementation of 30km/h interventions in the Netherlands? An analysis of 47 traffic order documents

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“Safety was the most common justification for 30 km/h.

Few documents emphasized other public health benefits.”

AGGRESSIVE DRIVING

SPEEDING

COLLISIONS

PERCEIVED TRAFFIC SAFETY

BICYCLE PATH SAFETY

SIDEWALK SAFETY

TRAFFIC ODOR / NOISE
ANNOYANCE

RETROSPECTIVE STUDY: UNRAVEL WITH EXISTING DATA

What is the impact
changing speed limits from
50km/h to 30 km/h on
residents' perceptions of
traffic safety in Rotterdam,
The Netherlands?



Two administrative surveys
(N=4,968 and 5,146)



ROTTERDAM ≠ UTRECHT

Exposure to changed speed limits

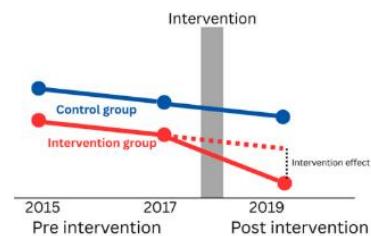
Street proximity in network distance



Street density in Euclidian buffer



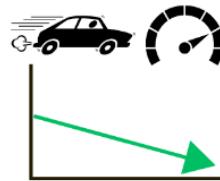
Difference-in-Differences analysis



Main findings after 30km/h implementation on 56 streets

Perceived speeding and aggressive driving

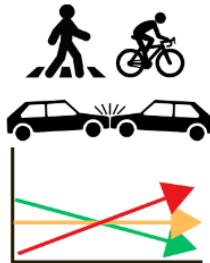
Reduced



2017-2018

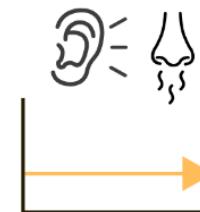
Perceived sidewalk and bicycle path safety, perceived collisions

Inconclusive



Perceived traffic noise and odor annoyance

Little change



NATURAL EXPERIMENT: UNRAVEL WITH NEW DATA

Rotterdam and Amsterdam



Thirty km/h speed limits for better public health: Study protocol of a natural experiment in Rotterdam, the Netherlands

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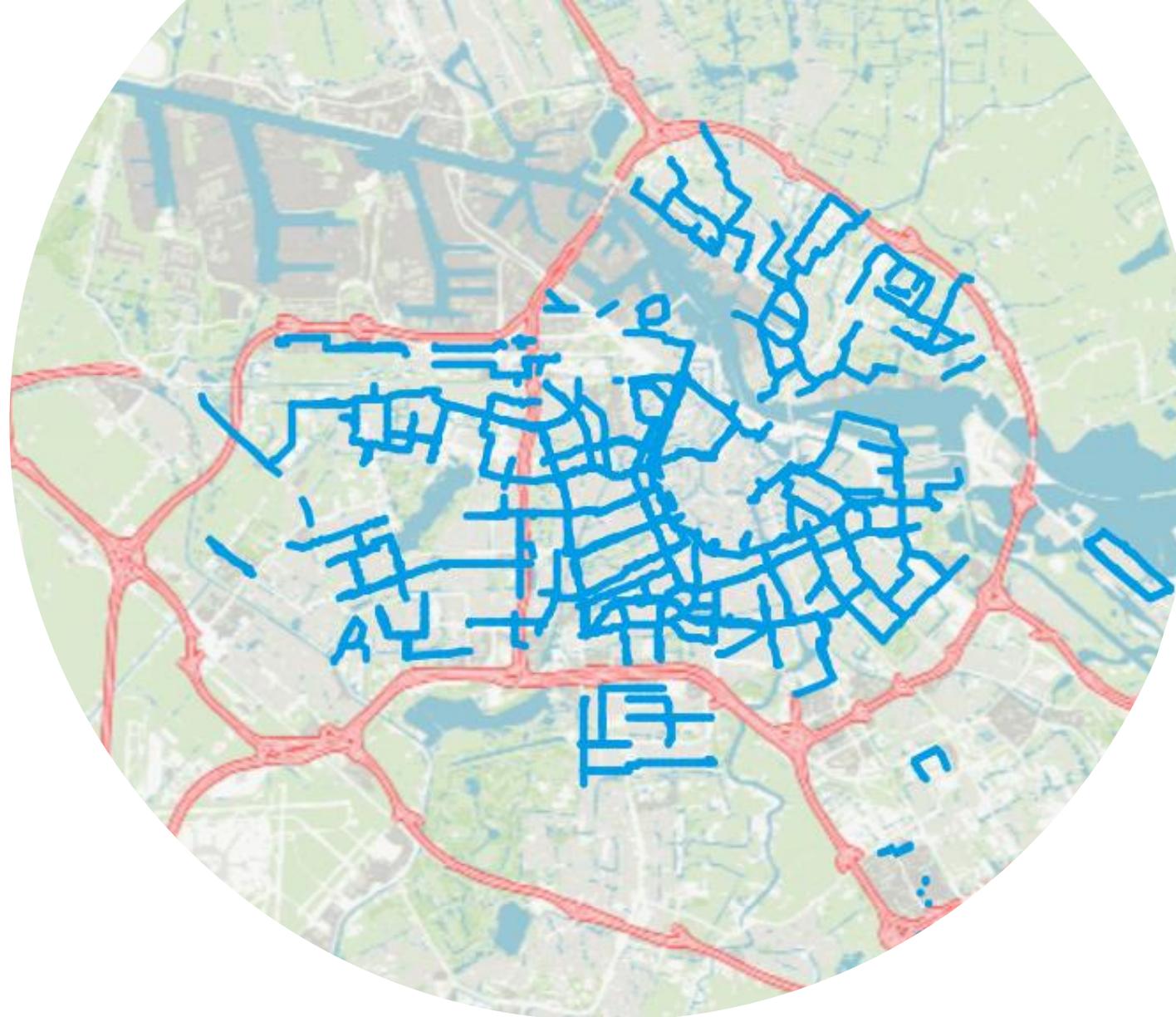
Rotterdam

- Sept 2023 - May 2024
- Size: 7 streets
- Where: Central areas
- With physical calming measures to improve adherence



Amsterdam

- One night! Dec 8th 2023
- 270 km road surface
- 80% of all 50km/h streets
- Sign-based
- Enforcement after 6 months
- Large campaign



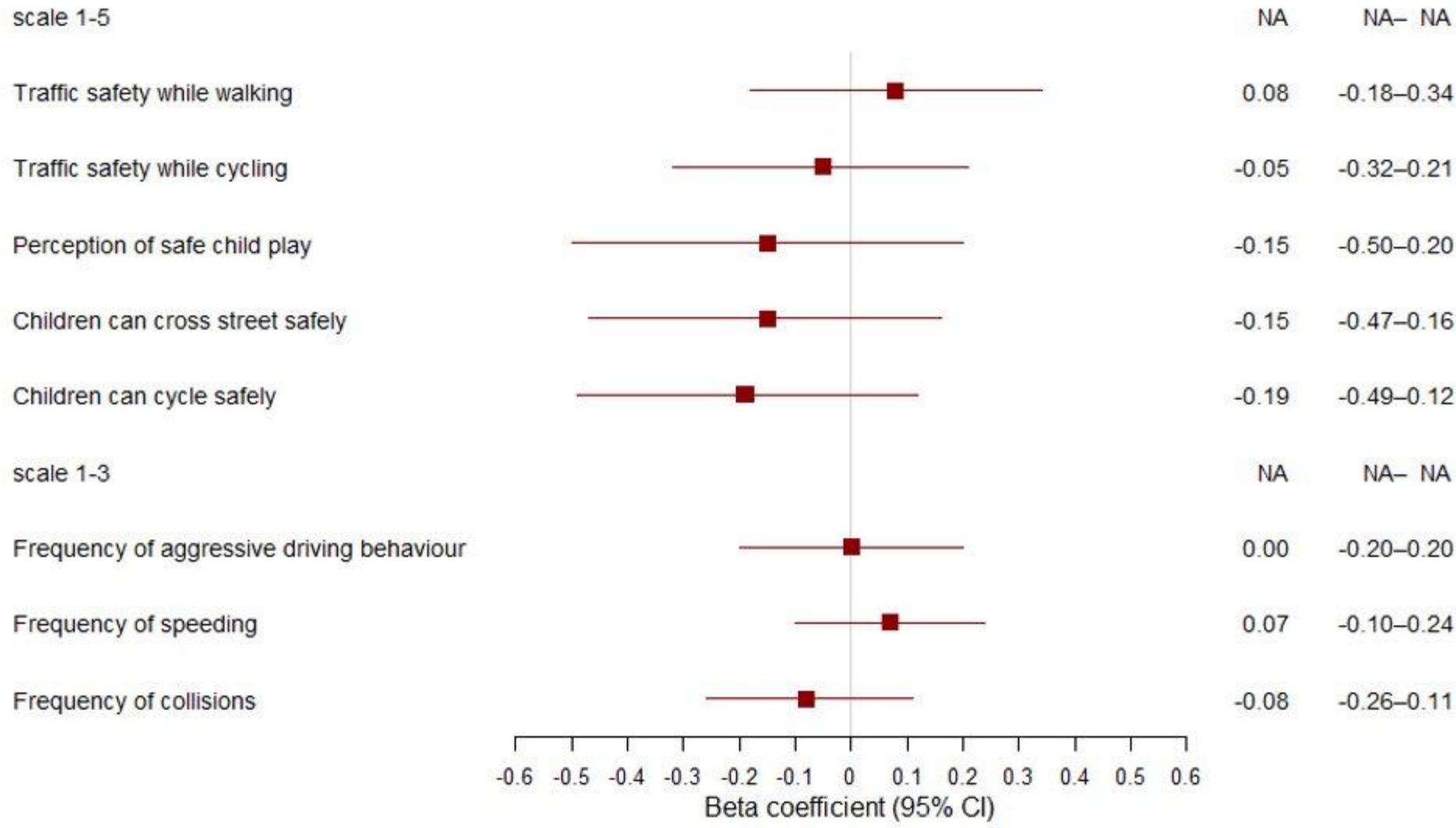
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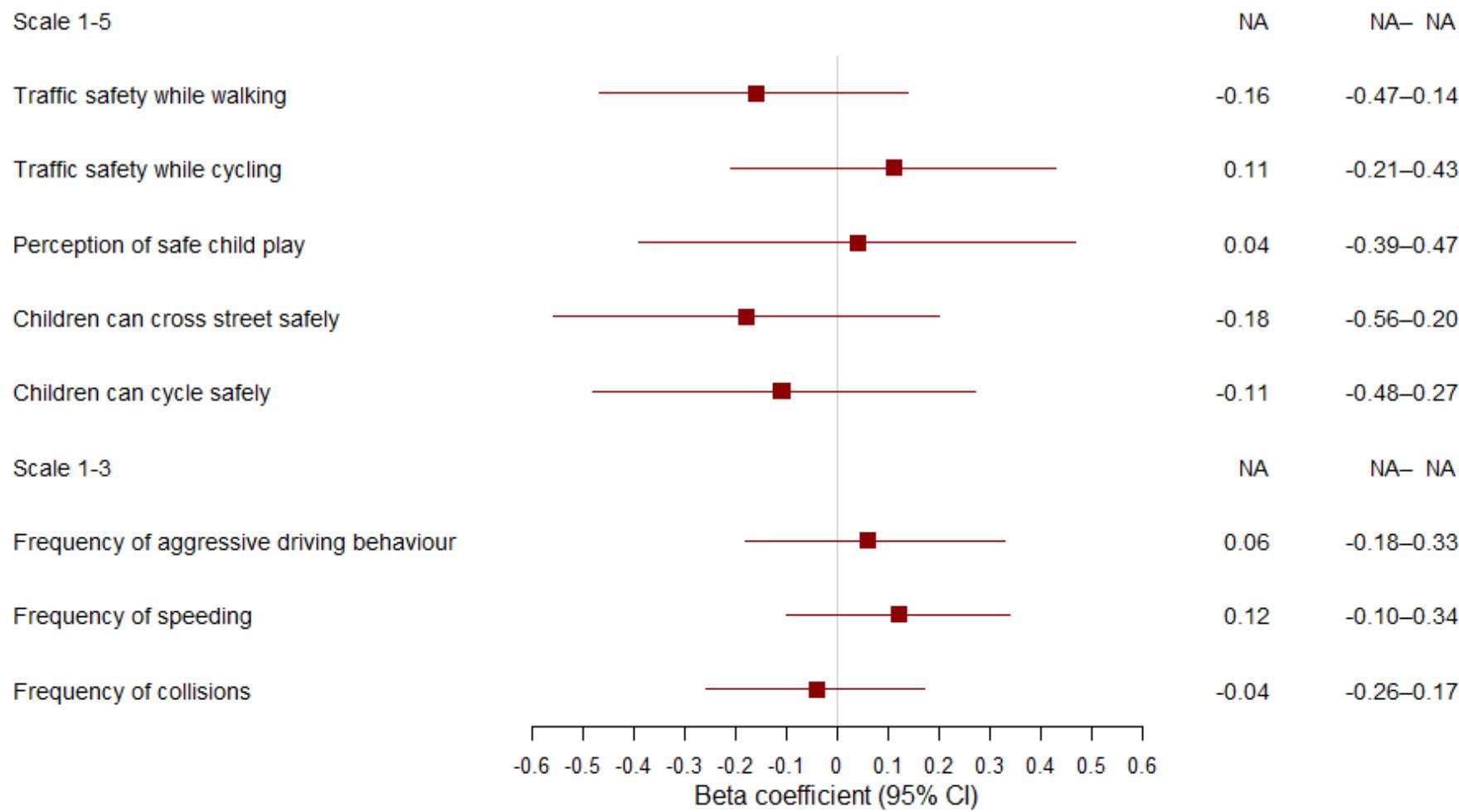
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Rotterdam



Amsterdam



NO CONSISTENT PATTERNS

One year follow-up

Highly educated sample

City-wide vs selected streets

STAY CONNECTED



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