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Best Practices for Cross Governmental and Interdisciplinary Collaboration to Advance Heat Governance

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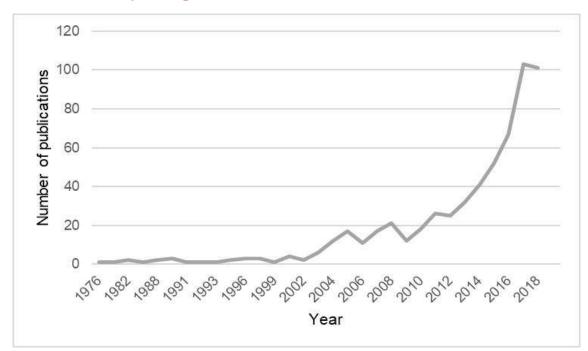
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Planning for extreme heat: A review Ladd Keith, Sara Meerow, & Tess Wagner Rapid growth in heat research

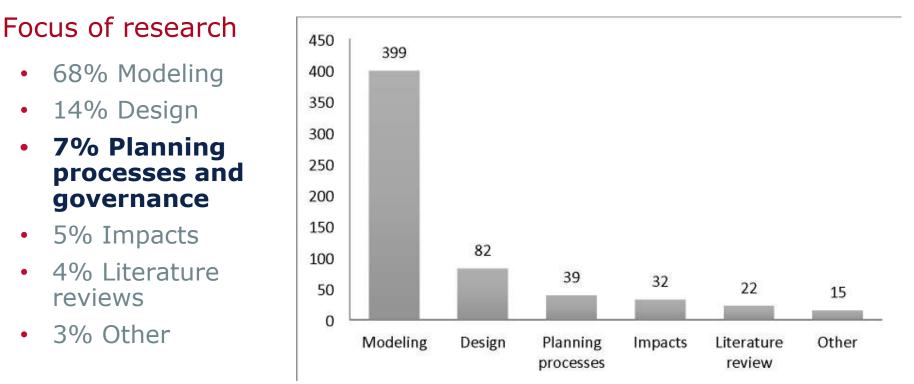


Number of all publications on extreme heat planning in the Scopus database, by year





Planning for extreme heat: A review



Full paper at tinyurl.com/extremeheatplanning

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Planning for extreme heat: A national survey of U.S. planners Sara Meerow & Ladd Keith

Research questions

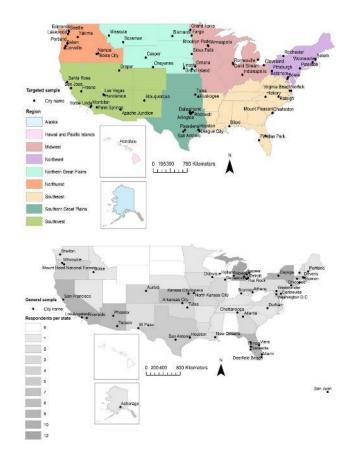
What is the state of extreme heat planning in communities across the U.S.?

- Risk perceptions and impacts
- Information sources and needs
- Heat management and mitigation strategies and effectiveness
- Barriers to advancing heat planning

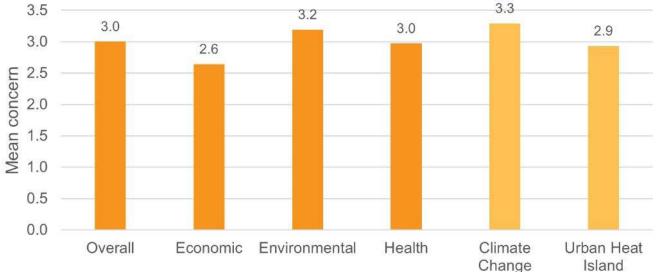
Survey methods

- Random sample: city size and region (n=69)
- Convenience sample: professional networks (n=98)





Concern for heat impacts & heat contributors



Average concern for environmental, public health, and economic impacts of extreme heat

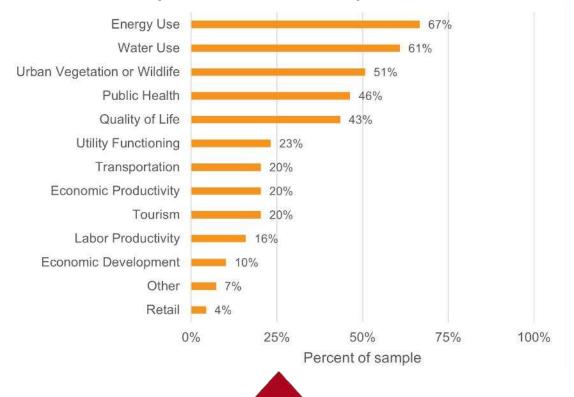
Concern for extreme heat caused by climate change and the urban

heat island effect

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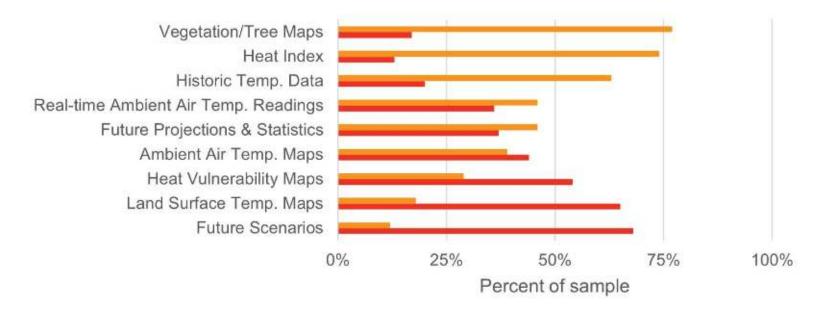


Reported heat impacts



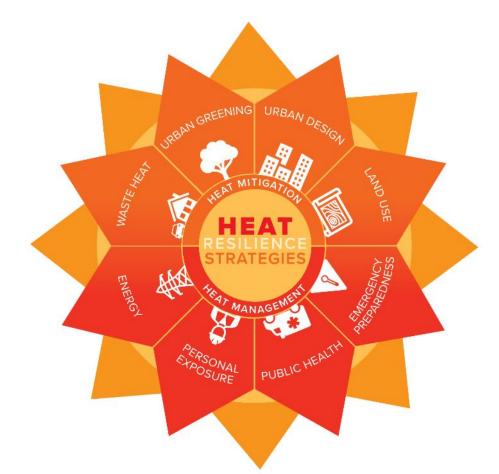
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Heat information sources

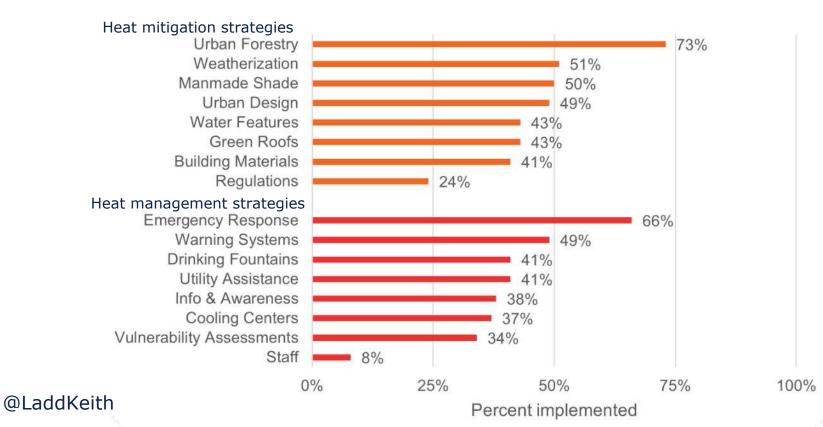


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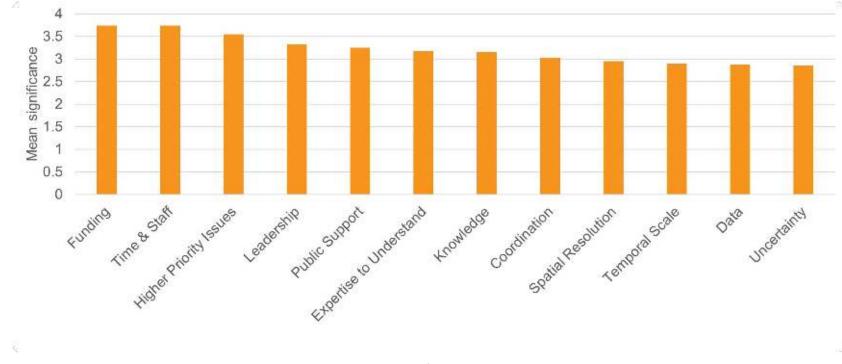




Heat strategies



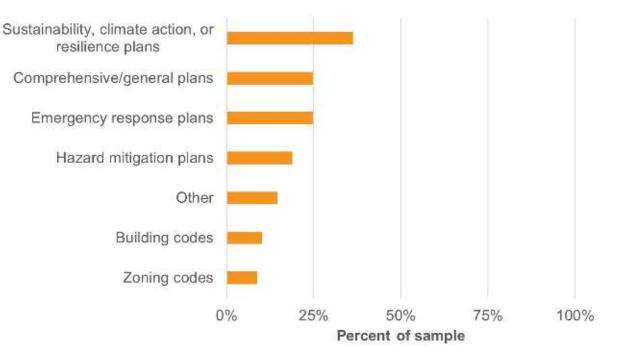
Barriers to heat planning



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Plans that address heat

- 65% addressed in some plan
- 36% a sustainability, climate action, or resilience plan
- 19% in hazard mitigation plan



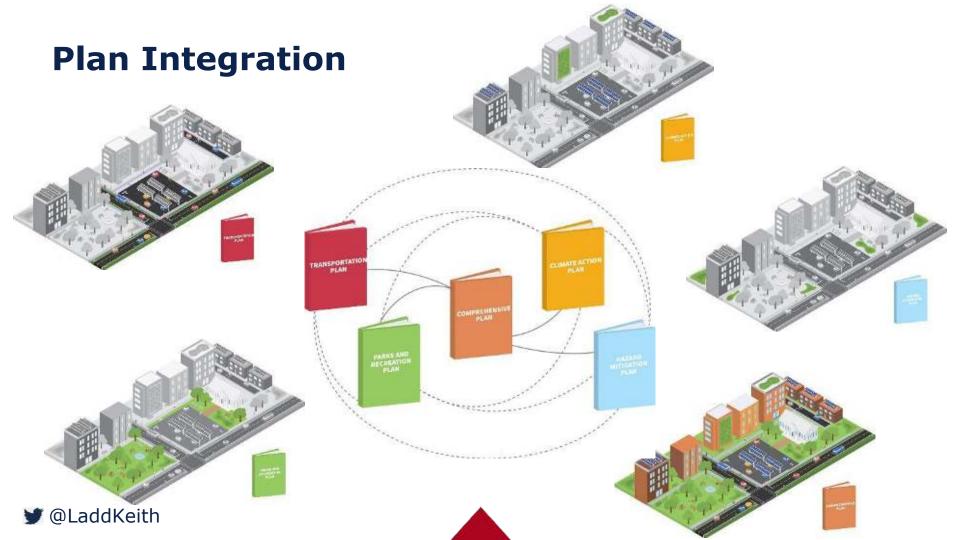


Conclusions

- Most planners are already concerned about extreme heat
- Over 80% planners said their community was impacted by heat
- Majority of planners reported addressing heat in some plan, but using development regulations yet
- Many communities implementing both heat mitigation and management strategies
- Few communities reported providing utility assistance or conducting vulnerability assessments
- Forthcoming in the Journal of the American Planning Association, preprint of paper at <u>tinyurl.com/heatplansurvey</u>

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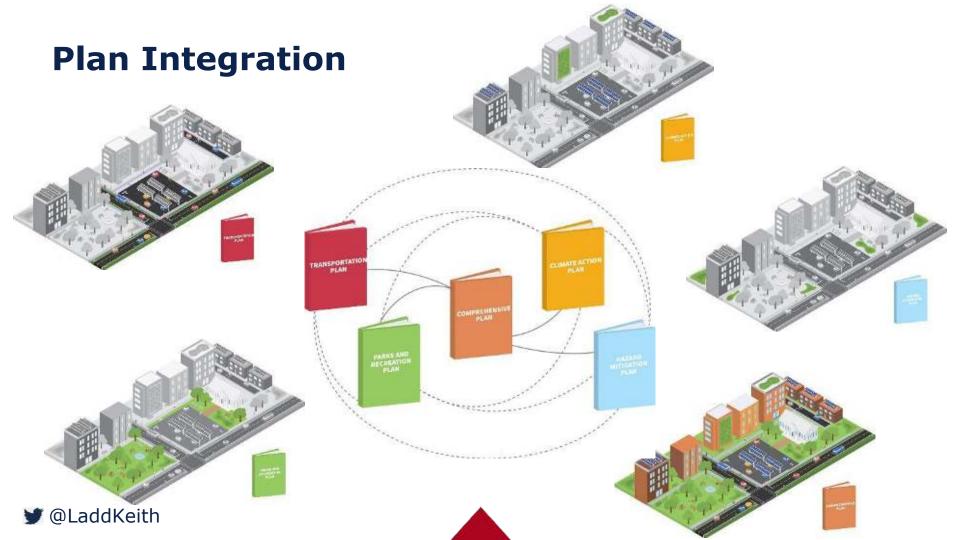




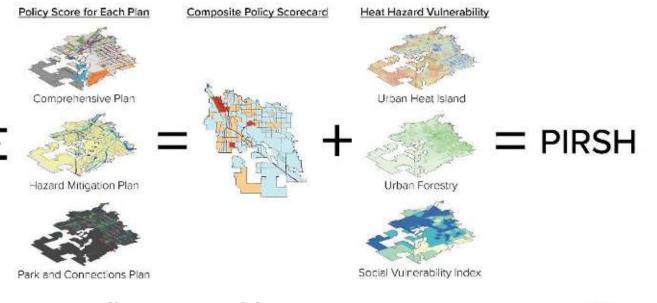


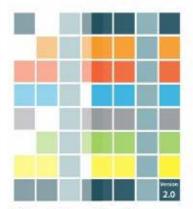






Plan Integration for Resilience Scorecard for Heat (PIRSH) Ladd Keith, Sara Meerow, Philip Berke, & Joseph DeAngelis





Plan Integration for Resilience Scorecard GUIDEBOOK

Spatially evaluating networks of plans to reduce hazard vulnerability

PIRSH Pilot Communities: Baltimore, Boston, Fort Lauderdale, Houston, Seattle



mitigationguide.org/





Deploy heat officers, policies and metrics Ladd Keith, Sara Meerow, David M. Hondula, & James C. Arnott

Heat governance: "The actors, strategies, processes, and institutions that guide decision-making for mitigating and managing heat as a hazard."

Six guiding principles for researchers and decision-makers

- Advance heat equity
- Mitigate heat
- Manage heat
- Develop metrics
- Coordinate initiatives
- Build heat institutions

Available at go.nature.com/2ZZ9STt

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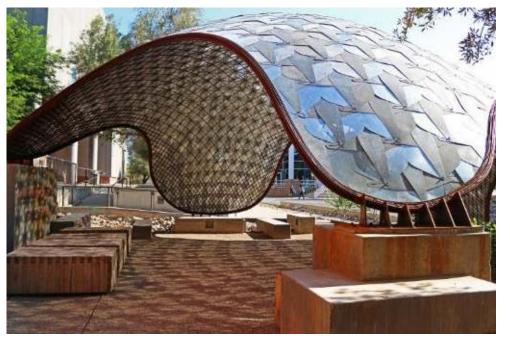
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In June, residents in Portland, Oregon, fill a cooling centre to escape record-breaking temperatures.

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Thank You



Shade structure at The University of Arizona's College of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture (AZ Daily Wildcat, Ian Green)

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