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More likely to displace crime behavior. Less likely to displace or will take longer to do so. Examples of this would include violence used during robbery, or by drug dealers to collect payments or to deter other drug dealers from operating in their turf zones. The presence of crime opportunities also determines when and where displacement occurs. For many of the reasons already discussed, displacement is more likely where there are other suitable crime targets. Responses that occur adjacent to areas that have unprotected crime targets are more likely to experience some level of displacement compared to those that do not. Being aware of other crime opportunities near your response area allows you to anticipate the possibility of crime movement. Why Displacement May Not Occur Some criminality theories suggest that displacement inevitably occurs because crime behavior is the product of societal forces outside the individual, which instill criminal predispositions, or drives, within offenders. Because of the assumed need for offenders to "purge" their criminal tendencies or sustain certain income levels from criminal enterprises, this view contends that blocking crime opportunities through situational alterations inevitably compels offenders to seek out other crime opportunities. Yet, this displacement assumption fails to recognize the important role that opportunity and temptation play in crime. Offenders displace their criminal behavior only when the risks and effort of committing new crimes are worth the reward. In other words, opportunities to commit crime are not evenly distributed across time and place. Another aspect to consider is that when crime opportunities are closed down, committing other crimes is not the only way offenders can meet their needs. Blocking crime opportunities can make satisfying individual needs through legitimate activities more appealing. Consider the following examples. It is unlikely a casual shoplifter would travel to a distant supermarket when newly introduced security makes it impossible for him to steal the odd item at his local market. It is also unlikely that commuters would seek another, less convenient route to work if it became impossible for them to exceed the speed limit on their current route. It is also implausible that travelers who casually take hotel items would expend the effort to seek out hotels that did not secure their alarm clocks, wall pictures, or closet hangers. Finally, when a store well known for selling alcohol to underage drinkers is shut down or otherwise brought into compliance, it is doubtful underage drinkers will simply go down the road to the next vendor because most vendors do not distribute to minors and the youth may not know which other ones do. Put simply, very easy opportunities encourage crime and taking them out reduces the amount of crime committed. Offenders are less likely to commit crimes in unfamiliar locations or that involve unfamiliar tactics and targets. This means less crime, at least in the near term. Some offenders have a limited amount of time to commit crime. Illicit markets such as street drug and prostitution are often informally governed by competing offenders, which discourages displacement of outsiders into protected turf zones. These crime features also explain why diffusion of benefits occurs. Two processes relate to diffusion: Thus, diffusion is likely to occur in places near response areas. Displacement Often Does Not Occur and Diffusion is Likely In one of the earliest evaluations of problem-oriented policing in Newport News, Virginia, there were claims of displacement after the closure of a street corner marijuana market. Closer inspection revealed that displacement did not occur given that the other drug market where displacement was suspected sold heroin, not marijuana, none of the former marijuana dealers were observed at the heroin market, and the heroin market was a much smaller operation. Researchers learned that many of the women were not committed to the trade and did it only because it was an easy way to make money. When the risks and effort of continuing prostitution were elevated due to the intervention, many of the women gave up the trade altogether. Displacement may occur more readily when a response is too narrow in scope, is applied randomly without careful analysis of the problem, or is based on an inaccurate understanding of the problem. Yet, even in these cases, crime or nuisance behavior that is displaced may not be total, and the overall effect may be inconsequential relative to the gains achieved by the response. A well-researched problem-oriented policing project should identify the likelihood of displacement during the

analysis phase and should account for it in the formulation of the response. You should determine whether displacement or diffusion of benefits occurs during the assessment phase. It is important to assess the extent to which displacement or diffusion happens because the successes your project achieves can either be undermined by displacement or amplified by diffusion. How to do this is presented in a following section of this guide. Questions you need to answer are: Was there any displacement? If so, what was the extent of the displacement? What was the extent of the harm produced by the displacement? Did the program have any positive effects in areas other than the response area e. If so, to what extent? Not assessing for diffusion could result in a conclusion of only marginal gains when a response achieved only this much ; whereas inspecting and observing the possibility of diffusion could lead to more favorable conclusions of effectiveness. Managing Displacement The best scenario at the conclusion of any problem-oriented policing project is the occurrence of diffusion of benefits rather than displacement, but clearly this is not always the case. Even if displacement occurs, your project can still benefit the community if the displacement is managed properly. To effectively manage displacement, you need to gain an in-depth understanding of your displacement potential and plan for the analysis of displacement and diffusion effects within your project. Making Displacement Work for You Knowing the different forms of displacement such as benign and malign allow you to orient your problem-solving efforts toward minimizing the impact of any displacement effects should they occur. This can mean taking steps to reduce the harm of displaced behavior, tailoring responses to protect vulnerable populations in the community, or shifting the impact of problem behavior where it has fewer consequences. For instance, displacing a disorderly day labor site to an organized facility away from affected businesses and residential areas could alleviate the loitering, traffic congestion, and public disorder that previously existed. These vulnerable populations are impacted by crime more than other community groups as they are less able to protect themselves from victimization and recuperate from or recover losses, and, because of this, generally have a higher fear of crime. Of course, it is best to reduce the problem without any resultant displacement. Even so, the variability to which crime problems impact different members in the community may be worthwhile to consider. Shifting the Impact of Crime Another way the presence of displacement would fail to washout response effects is when victimization or the impact of crime and problem behavior is dispersed from concentrated places or people. Research shows that crime tends to disproportionately concentrate in time, place, and among victims. This is because the problem behavior will be less concentrated and as such, will result in less harm for the community. Again, any displacement is undesirable, but recognizing the benefit of crime dispersion could be useful. Cautionary Note For two reasons you should use caution when applying these ideas in practice. First, much of the knowledge regarding the nature of displacement is based on theoretical propositions that remain untested. Although they do stem from firm theoretical foundations regarding crime that have supportive research findings, there is little empirical evidence that displacement will behave the way the propositions specify e. Because of this they should be used as a guide to your approach to manage displacement not as hard and fast rules. Therefore, your primary goal should be to reduce crime and problem behavior outright without any displacement. Assessments of reduced harm should be used as a way to evaluate the impact of your efforts and to inform subsequent cycles of the problem-solving process. This means that theoretical propositions should be interpreted as proposing that it is more probable than not that a certain event will occur given various circumstances. For example, in the case of theoretical propositions regarding displacement, the theories hold that if displacement occurs, it will most likely occur in areas familiar to the offender, which will tend to be close to the original offending site. The failure of this to occur in any single instance does not negate the theory. Understanding Your Local Displacement Potential There are several things you should consider during the formulation of your POP project as it relates to displacement and diffusion. This guide contains only a general description of displacement and diffusion. Because displacement and diffusion take various forms as they relate to different problems and locations, you need to combine the basic concepts of displacement and diffusion with a more specific understanding of the problem your project will address. A thorough analysis of your local problem will help you more accurately predict the likelihood of displacement or diffusion and accommodate it in your response strategy. Analyzing Offenders To assess the possibility of displacement and diffusion effects, it is important to understand the characteristics

of the offenders your response will involve. Generally, you need to know how offenders benefit from the problem behavior and whether they are opportunistic or driven by stronger motivations. Knowing about handlers helps you better assess the likelihood that offenders will displace their problem behavior to other times and places in addition to helping you identify potential responses to the problem. In regards to offenders, some of the questions you need to ask and answer include: How are they rewarded for engaging in the problem behavior at that time and place? How dependent are they on the problem behavior? Does it provide economic sustenance for them or others in the community? Do they have the resources to travel to new locations? Are they familiar with other places to engage in similar behaviors? Do they have the skills or resources to engage in other problem or crime behaviors that provide similar benefits? Do they have the ability to acquire new skill sets and are they likely to do so? Do they have other legitimate opportunities to achieve the rewards provided by the problem or crime behavior? Analyzing the Location To better anticipate and determine displacement and diffusion effects, you also need to consider the location of the problem your project will target. Using the principles of when and where displacement is likely to occur discussed in the previous section, you need to analyze areas near your response zone. In doing so, seek answers to the following questions: Are there crime targets in areas nearby that provide similar benefits for offenders? If so, are they adequately protected or are they vulnerable to crime? How far is the potential new crime location from the response area? How easy or difficult is it for offenders to travel to the new location? For instance, are there natural or manmade barriers such as ponds, rivers, lakes, interstates, or roadblocks that would impede travel to those locations or are they easily accessible through open and direct routes of travel? Are other sources of public transport available, such as buses and trains, to the potential new location? Is the new location controlled by other offenders such as drug dealers, gangs, pimps, or organized crime members? If your project response is implemented only during specific time periods, how likely is it that the crimes will take place during other unprotected times? For example, do those other time periods provide similar opportunities for crimes to occur such as the convergence of victims and offenders without sufficient guardianship? Analyzing Victims Understanding the victims can help prepare you for the possibility of displacement and determine the impact of your project in the assessment phase. You need to know who the victims are, why they are victims, and the harms they incur. With regard to victims, seek answers to the following questions: Who is being victimized? What factors facilitate their victimization?

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Key concepts[edit] Six types of crime displacement have been identified and defined. The first is temporal displacement, which involves criminal activity at different times of the day. The second is tactical displacement, which, according to Bowers and Johnson , is "where offenders adopt a different modus operandi" p. Type of crime displacement is the fourth type, involving offenders choosing a new crime to commit. Spatial displacement is when offenders commit crimes in new locations. Perpetrator displacement is the replacement of apprehended criminals by new ones. Situational crime prevention uses the environment to create barriers to crime, and may be done by homeowners, architects and local officials. For example, making streets and buildings safer can reduce crime. Neighbors may play a role in reducing crime by becoming watchmen and notifying police of criminal activity. Situational crime prevention plays an important role in deterring crime, but may also displace it. Developments[edit] Criminal justice scholars lacked a systematic approach to measuring crime displacement until the introduction of the weighted displacement quotient WDQ by rs and Johnson Although this tool is not widely recognized, its use has made displacement statistically recordable. WDQ is one part of understanding the effects of targeted law enforcement, but the ease with which the system can be used comes from its being a simple series of statistical tests on data. WDQ works as an overall process, and is an effective technique to measure the geographical displacement of crime. In addition to measuring this, the tool can also measure the diffusion of benefit of law-enforcement efforts. Empirical support[edit] A study by Catherine Phillips for the Nottingham Trent University Division of Criminology reviewed the existing literature and performed a secondary analysis on the published results of empirical data. An orthodox view of displacement is considered throughout the study: Philips conducted the study to "Reviewing a wide variety of published empirical data, Phillips found that displacement is not inevitable, but is very common. Sixty-three percent of the cases studied showed some sort of displacement, and a review of offender studies demonstrated These results challenge the orthodox view on crime displacement, raising the question of whether the orthodox view is biased. The second study was conducted by Matthijs F. Using the Dutch synthetic market as a case study, Vijlbrief assessed the role of displacement in organized crime. With the increase of barriers by government officials to obtaining precursor and essential chemicals, the question is how criminal organizations respond to a shortage of chemicals. Illegal organizations began by substituting other chemicals for specific precursors, making the drugs more dangerous to those using them. Criminals were initially not displaced, instead adapting to the new regulations. The study of potential adverse effects is a valuable tool in creating situational crime-prevention policies. By evaluating potential effects, a policy can be predicted to have a positive or negative result. Vijlbrief states in his research that "Some measures can be said to have a waterbed effect: Displacement is not limited to geographical effects. Perpetrators may also shift their activities to completely different types of crime, or even continue to commit the same crime using different methods or means" p. Studying the relationship between interventions by law-enforcement bodies and displacement effects proved complex. One conclusion in the study by Vijlbrief is that "there is limited attention for displacement effects or the diffusion of benefits" *ibid*; Kim et al. Measuring displacement effects for an illegal organization in the synthetic drug market is complex, since the market is multifaceted and extensive. Organized criminals are likely to adapt their methods to changing circumstances, leading to displacement; this assumes that crime organizations have the resources to adapt to policy change. There is also a large research literature examining the extent to which the introduction of CCTV causes spatial displacement of crime. A systematic review of this literature published in concluded that CCTV schemes "usually showed evidence of no displacement rather than displacement or diffusion of benefits". One is police-oriented policies which are applied widely in police districts in the United States. According to Ratcliffe , "Police departments can respond to a rise in crime with a series of high-visibility, directed, uniform patrol deployment initiatives" p. Deploying a variety of resources, such as extra officers and heightened surveillance of community crime

hotspots, can counteract criminal conduct. Targeted law enforcement has been criticized as a primary reason for crime displacement to other areas. The manipulation of environmental factors to prevent crime has also been supported by scholars, who argue that the targeting of specific crime problems and areas in a community can result in the diffusion of benefits. According to Ratcliffe, diffusion of benefits results in "If crime relocates for other reasons, it does not constitute crime displacement. Situational crime prevention SCP, allied with crime displacement and diffusion of benefits, is also a target of criticism. Philips writes, "The ability of criminals to adapt to changing law-enforcement policies allows for other types of criminal activity. Crime-prevention implications[edit] Crime displacement as crime prevention is contradictory, suggesting further development of the weighted displacement quotient WDQ. Before the WDQ, investigating the phenomenon was difficult. WDQ not only measures what occurs in a buffer zone displacement but also relates changes in this area to those in the target area" p. Using the WDQ can facilitate the work of researchers seeking to reduce crime in their community while minimizing the negative impact on surrounding areas. If a community is experiencing an increase in car thefts especially on dimly-lit streets, as a situational crime-prevention strategy the county can invest in brighter street-light bulbs. As a follow-up measure, law-enforcement agencies can advise communities about possible sting operations in hotspot areas making the crime riskier to commit, and dissuading potential thieves. Measures such as these will reduce theft in an area, potentially displacing the crime to a neighboring community. By measuring data with the WDQ system, law-enforcement agents can pinpoint the areas most affected and calculate the diffusion of benefits. Sharing data with other agencies will create an information network capable of preventing crime over a broader area.

3: Mean squared displacement - Wikipedia

Measuring Displacement and Diffusion Recent studies point to the potential theoretical and practical benefits of focusing police resources on crime hot spots. However, many scholars have noted that such approaches risk displacing crime or disorder to other places where programs are not in place.

4: Displacement of Crime or Diffusion of Crime

Displacement of Crime or Diffusion of Crime. TASA ID: In the concept of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design, also known as CPTED (pronounced SEP-Ted), created more than 60 years ago by Tim Crowe, I believe the purpose is to be proactive regarding crime issues.

5: Crime displacement - Wikipedia

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6: Crime Displacement and Diffusion of Benefits - Oxford Handbooks

of a diffusion of benefits to the surrounding displacement buffer zone. This article examines the use of the weighted displacement quotient in the analysis of varying types of crime and seeks to address some of.

7: Diffusion \hat{A} – useful equations

- mean-square displacement (x is the mean distance from the starting point that a molecule will have diffused in time, t)
 q_i - numerical constant which depends on dimensionality: $q_i = 2, 4, \text{ or } 6$, for 1, 2, or 3 dimensional diffusion.

8: Analyzing Crime Displacement and Diffusion

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Displacement, diffusion and intensification (DDI) In other policy areas and disciplines, displacement is often seen as an unintended consequence and destabilizing factor working against the original policy objectives (Windle and Farrell , Baert,).

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