

Work in small groups

US & Canada





SOME OVERARCHING ISSUES

- Supercities – urban agglomeration = concentration of people, economy, emissions. Impacts on affordability and accessibility in housing (Middle and low income).
- Compactness and successful transition e.g. Pittsburgh, Cincinnati.
- Hollowing out because of economics and demographics e.g. Detroit.
- Suburban poverty is the new Urban poverty and rural poverty
- Short-termism of the market – delivers many immediate solutions and possible long-term problems



- Overregulation in the US
- Input and Output zoning (sieve-mapping, X-rays)
- Explicit watershed planning



**Emerging issues in your region:
specific challenges, examples to highlight,
references to info sources**

**New Urban Poverty - affordability and accessibility of
housing, public space and transport; ~~informal
settlements, re-emergence of slums~~**

BUT!

Criminalisation of homelessness since 2008



Demography – ageing, health, wellbeing, migration, shrinking cities:

Obesity: walkability, more than longevity – Frumpkin & the physical environment

Continuing immigration from Mexico and other Latin American countries



Climate change adaptation and mitigation (reduction of CO2 emissions), change to non-motorised and e-transport, resource efficiency, disaster risks – natural and man-made, resilience to climate change

**Behind Europe on emissions, but google-cars ...
Emblematic cities, for instance, Chicago
Increased vulnerability of the system (Katrina/Sandy)**



Urban Governance – multilevel governance, uncontrolled growth/urban sprawl, cities, metropolias, cities and regions, cross-border, PPPPs, change management, participatory planning

Multi-layered but elected mayors

Insurance & Certification (drives affordability – impact economics – climate change adaptability – a financial issue)



Technology, innovation, Big Data: openness of the data, use of big data in urban planning and management, digital divide

Global leaders but in corporations not public administrations

Emblematic cities – New York