



Pedestrian Report Card Assessment (PRCA) Dashboard

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The background image shows a busy city street scene. In the foreground, several pedestrians are walking on a sidewalk. To the right, there is an outdoor seating area with green umbrellas and a railing. In the background, there are multi-story brick buildings, one of which has a sign for 'KitchenAid'. The overall scene is a typical urban environment.

PLOS Study Purpose

- Create a performance monitoring tool
- Assess pedestrian suitability
 - Intersections
 - Roadway segments



Pedestrian Report Card Assessment

- Pedestrian suitability grading categories
 - Safety
 - System Preservation
 - Capacity Management and Mobility
 - Economic Vitality
- Prioritization
 - Transportation Equity



Pedestrian Report Card Assessment (PRCA): Roadway Segment



Roadway Segment Location

Grading Categories	Score	Rating
Safety		
System Preservation		
Capacity Management and Mobility		
Economic Vitality		

Transportation Equity	
High Priority Area	
Moderate Priority Area	
Not a Priority Area	

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Category Ratings

Good: Score of 2.3 or more (maximum 3.0)

Fair: Score is between 1.7 and 2.3

Poor: Score is 1.7 or less (minimum 0)

Grading Categories: Scoring Breakdown Roadway Segment

Capacity Management and Mobility			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Sidewalk Presence	3		
Crossing Opportunities	2		
Walkway Width	1		
Total	6		

Economic Vitality			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Volumes	1		
Adjacent Bicycle Accommodations	1		
Total	2		

Category rating = total rating/total weight
 Rating Score:
 Good = 3
 Fair = 2
 Poor = 1

Safety			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Crashes	3		
Pedestrian-Vehicle Buffer	1		
Vehicle Travel Speed	1		
Total	5		

System Preservation	
Performance Measure	Rating
Sidewalk Condition	

Transportation Equity Priority	
Area Condition	Yes/No
Environmental Justice zone?	
School or college within one-quarter mile?	
More than 8.9% of population older than 75 years?	
More than 27.5% of households do not own a vehicle?	

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Pedestrian Report Card Assessment (PRCA): Intersection

Intersection Location		
Grading Categories	Score	Rating
Safety		
System Preservation		
Capacity Management and Mobility		
Economic Vitality		
Transportation Equity		
High Priority Area		
Moderate Priority Area		
Not a Priority Area		

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Grading Categories: Scoring Breakdown Intersection

Capacity Management and Mobility			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Delay	3		
Sidewalk Presence	2		
Curb Ramps	1		
Crossing Opportunities	1		
Total	7		

Economic Vitality	
Performance Measure	Rating
Pedestrian Volumes	

Category rating = total rating/total weight
 Rating Score:
 Good = 3
 Fair = 2
 Poor = 1

Safety			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Sufficient Crossing Time (Index)	3		
Pedestrian Crashes	3		
Pedestrian Signal Presence	1		
Vehicle Travel Speed	1		
Total	8		

System Preservation	
Performance Measure	Rating
Sidewalk Condition	

Transportation Equity Priority	
Area Condition	Yes/No
Environmental Justice zone?	
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Applying the PRCA Tool

Milton, Massachusetts

ROUTE 138

Existing Conditions

Roadway Segment Location		
Route 138 – Milton, MA		
Grading Categories	Score	Rating
Safety	2.4	Good
System Preservation	N/A	Fair
Capacity Management and Mobility	1.5	Poor
Economic Vitality	1.5	Poor
Transportation Equity		
High Priority Area	✓	
Moderate Priority Area		
Not a Priority Area		

Impact of Suggested Improvements

Roadway Segment Location		
Route 138 – Milton, MA		
Grading Categories	Score	Rating
Safety	2.8	Good
System Preservation	N/A	Good
Capacity Management and Mobility	2.7	Good
Economic Vitality	2.5	Good
Transportation Equity		
High Priority Area	✓	
Moderate Priority Area		
Not a Priority Area		

Existing Conditions

Capacity Management and Mobility			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Sidewalk Presence	3	Fair	6
Crossing Opportunities	2	Poor	2
Walkway Width	1	Poor	1
Total	6		9

Economic Vitality			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Volumes	1	Fair	2
Adjacent Bicycle Accommodations	1	Poor	1
Total	2		3

Impact of Suggested Improvements

Capacity Management and Mobility			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Sidewalk Presence	3	Good	9
Crossing Opportunities	2	Fair	4
Walkway Width	1	Good	3
Total	6		16

Economic Vitality			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Volumes	1	Fair	2
Adjacent Bicycle Accommodations	1	Good	3
Total	2		5

Existing Conditions

Safety			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Crashes	3	Good	9
Pedestrian-Vehicle Buffer	1	Fair	2
Vehicle Travel Speed	1	Poor	1
Total	5		12

System Preservation	
Performance Measure	Rating
Sidewalk Condition	Fair

Transportation Equity Priority	
Area Condition	Yes/No
Environmental Justice zone?	✓
School or college within one-quarter mile?	✓
More than 8.9% of population older than 75 years?	✓
More than 27.5% of households do not own a vehicle?	

Impact of Suggested Improvements

Safety			
Performance Measure	Weight	Rating	Weighted Score
Pedestrian Crashes	3	Good	9
Pedestrian-Vehicle Buffer	1	Good	3
Vehicle Travel Speed	1	Fair	2
Total	5		14

System Preservation	
Performance Measure	Rating
Sidewalk Condition	Good

Transportation Equity Priority	
Area Condition	Yes/No
Environmental Justice zone?	✓
School or college within one-quarter mile?	✓
More than 8.9% of population older than 75 years?	✓
More than 27.5% of households do not own a vehicle?	