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Comparing Urban Settlements on the Mornington Peninsula

# Rosebud to Portsea: What a Journey!

A comparison of two neighbourhoods



## Rosebud and Sorrento

The Mornington Peninsula is experiencing a prolonged and increasing shortage of affordable housing with a growing number of low income households becoming disadvantaged. The most vulnerable include older people, people with a disability, carers and single parent families. Low waged singles and families are also experiencing increasing difficulty obtaining suitable housing.

Source: Extract from the Executive Summary of Mornington Peninsula Shire Social Housing & Affordable Housing Policy, 2011 – 2021

Your Task

Study the statistics, graphics and data provided to you about the following suburbs in the Mornington Peninsula Shire: Rosebud, Rye, Blairgowrie, Sorrento and Portsea

Draw a series of hypotheses about this region of the Peninsula from the data provided.

You will visit and make field observations of residential and retail districts within two suburbs in the region, Rosebud and Sorrento. You will also undertake a short walk at Portsea in order to test your hypotheses.

A selection of fieldwork techniques is provided below to substantiate or refute your hypotheses. Consider the value of these fieldwork techniques in your presentation.

## The Data: Suburbs on the Mornington Peninsula



Figure 1: Location of Selected Suburbs

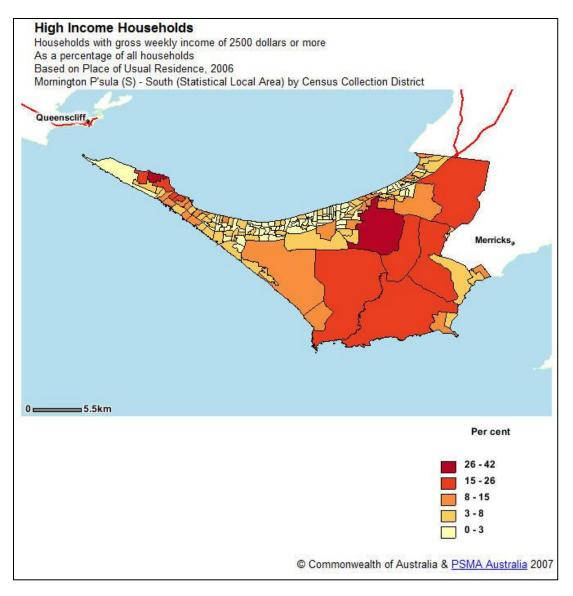


Figure 2: High Income Households, Census of Population and Housing, 2006

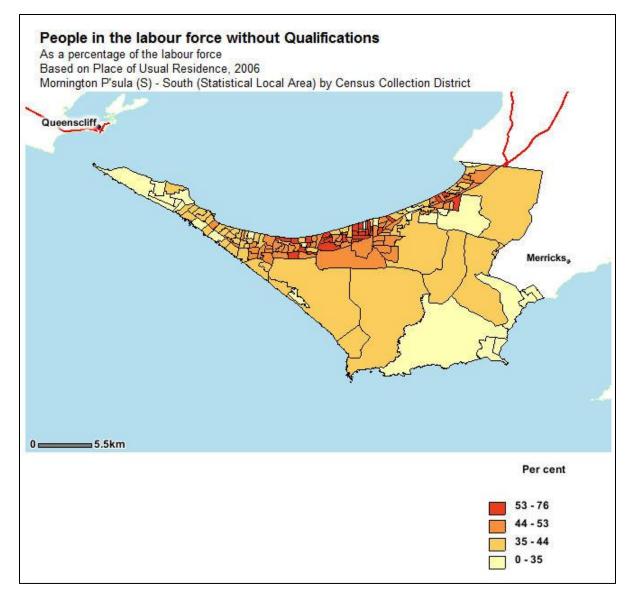


Figure 3: People in the Labour Force without Qualifications, Census of Population and Housing, 2006

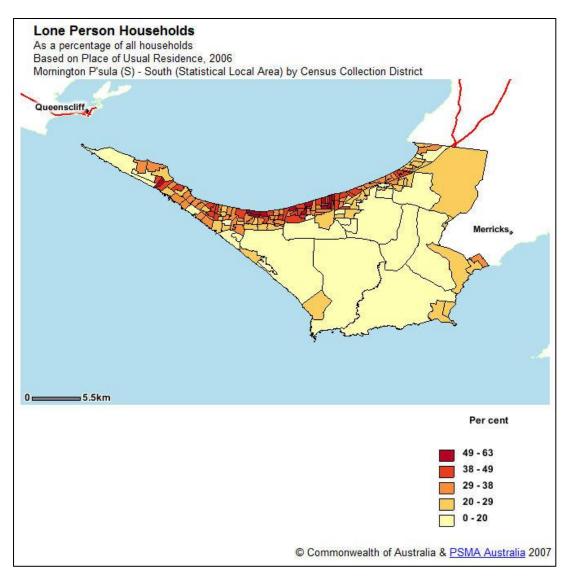


Figure 4: Lone Persons Households, Census of Population and Housing, 2006

#### **Melbourne Social Atlas**

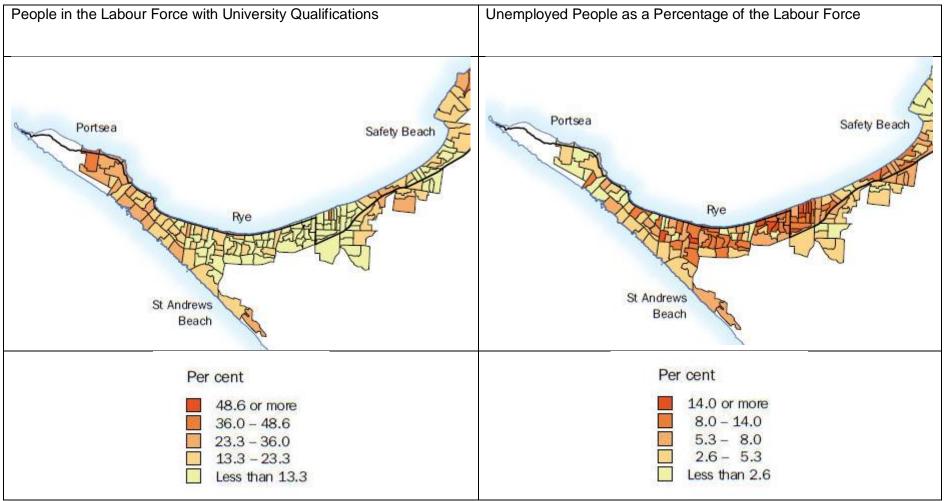


Figure 5: Characteristics of the Population

Source: ABS, Melbourne, A Social Atlas, 2006, Census of Population and Housing, Cat. No. 2030.2

Characteristic	Rosebud	Rye	Blairgowrie	Sorrento	Portsea	Australia
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Total persons	12,501	8,160	2,161	1,448	446	21,507,717
Median age	48	46	55	63	65	37
Persons born in	78.8	75.7	79.5	79.8	81.0	69.8
Australia (%)						
Marital status(Pop.	%	%	%	%	%	%
15+) Married	47.3	49.8	56.7	61.8	68.2	48.7
Never married	26.3	27.9	20.7	16.5	10.5	34.3
Separated	4.1	4.0	3.5	2.3	3.6	3.0
Divorced	12.2	11.6	10.7	8.8	10.3	8.4
Widowed	10.2	6.6	8.3	10.7	7.4	5.5
Median Age by Marital Status						
Married	61	59	63	65	65	50
Separated	53	59 54	51	67	64	49
Divorced	58	58	62	59	64	54
Widowed	80	77	77	82	82	78
Never married	27	30	31	40	23	25
Household Income						
(% of households in						
region)	40.4	34.3	32.4	31.7	13.8	23.7
Less than \$600 gross						
weekly income						
More than \$3000 gross	3.0	3.4	5.4	7.8	20.3	11.2
weekly income						
Median weekly						
income \$, Pop. 15+)						
Personal	416	474	514	539	968	577
Household	746	843	892	892	1841	1481
Family income	979	1069	1154	1174	2457	1234
Family	%	%	%	%	%	%
characteristics(% of						
total families in region)						
Couple families with	31.3	34.6	30.8	23.5	21.7	37.8
children				10		
Couple families without	47.8	48.3	55.9	68.2	75.5	44.6
children	100					
One parent families	19.8	16.1	11.9	7.5	2.8	15.9
Other families	1.1	0.9	1.4	0.8	0.0	1.7
Dwelling type						
Occupied private	69.1	40.2	26.9	20.5	12.2	89.3
dwelling						
Unoccupied private	30.9	59.8	73.1	79.5	87.8	10.7
dwelling <b>Tenure type(</b> occupied	%	%	%	%	%	%
private dwellings)						
Owned outright	41.0	41.2	51.2	64.1	64.6	32.1
Owned with mortgage	27.9	31.6	25.8	16.8	19.6	34.9
Rented	25.4	22.8	19.3	15.1	13.3	29.6
Other tenure type	1.1	0.5	0.6	1.9	0.0	0.9
Not stated	4.6	3.9	3.2	2.1	2.5	2.5
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Characteristic	Rosebud	Rye	Blairgowrie	Sorrento	Portsea	Australia
Household composition(% of occupied dwellings) Family household Lone person household Group household	% 62.7 34.4 2.9	% 66.0 30.5 3.5	% 63.4 34.2 2.4	% 63.4 34.7 1.9	% 65.6 31.2 3.1	% 71.5 24.3 4.1

Figure 6: Census QuickStats, 2011, Census of Population and Housing

#### SEIFA

SEIFA is a measure of relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage created by the Australian Bureau of Statistics with the use of census data. It scores and ranks areas within the state. It is more accurate for small areas such as collection districts and state suburbs although scores are provided for areas as large as Local Government Areas and Statistical Local Areas.

Census measures used in the calculation of the SEIFA index are

- Low Income
- Low Educational Attainment
- Unemployment
- Dwellings without Motor Vehicles

Victoria's most advantaged suburb is Kooyong with a SEIFA score of 1197 Victoria's least advantaged suburb is Bangholme with a SEIFA score of 744 Rosebud - 916 Rye - 957 Blairgowrie - 1008 Sorrento - 1055 Portsea - 1157

Source: ABS, Cat, No. 2033.0.55001, Census of Population and Housing: Socio-Economic Indicators for Areas, SEIFA, Australia 2006

#### EDUCATION

Distribution of Students						
	Bottom Quarter	Middle Quarters	Middle Quarters	Top Quarter		
Australian	25%	25%	25%	25%		
Distribution						
Rosebud Primary	38%	25%	20%	17%		
School						
Rosebud Secondary	45%	26%	18%	11%		
College						
Sorrento Primary	20%	23%	28%	28%		
School						
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Percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Figure 7: Education: Index of Community, Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA)

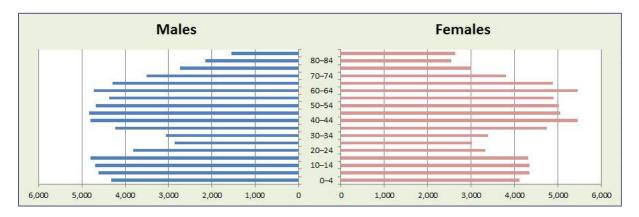


Figure 8: A Population Pyramid for Mornington Peninsula (S) (LGA25340), Census of Population and Housing, Basic Community Profile 2011, (Catalogue number 2001.0)

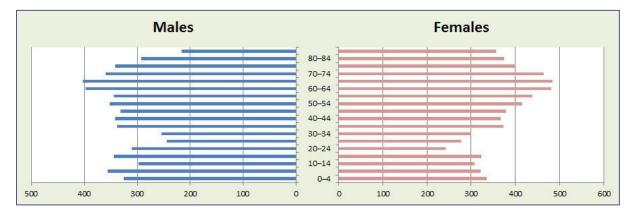


Figure 9: Population Pyramid for Rosebud, Census of Population and Housing, Basic Community Profile (SSC21163), 2011

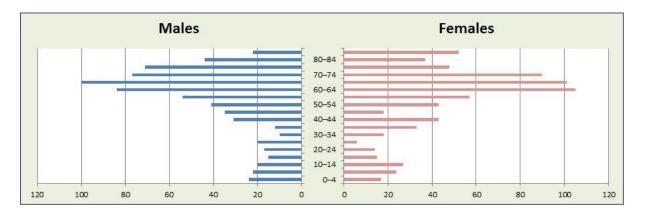


Figure 10: Population Pyramid for Sorrento (SSC21232), Census of Population and Housing, Basic Community Profile 2011

#### **REAL ESTATE**



Property and rental values are key indicators of the socio-economic character of places. Real estate agents often display properties for sale in their windows, provide fliers about upcoming sales or lists of properties they are hoping to rent. Some examples are provided below.

Figure 11: Housing in Rosebud



# Questions

Study the data provided and summarise your observations about the area from Rosebud to Portsea under the headings below.

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Location	
Demographic characteristics	
Demographic characteristics	
Socio-economic characteristics	

## Hypotheses

List at least 2 hypotheses that you wish to test with the fieldwork techniques below.

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## Do the fieldwork techniques verify or refute the hypotheses?

To explore the findings look at a selection of housing and retail areas in Rosebud and Sorrento. This involves gathering:

- quantitative data based on measurable criteria
- qualitative data a subjective measure based on how you feel about something
- data you choose

As well as your own observations, you may wish to take advantage of data from real estate agents. Real estate agents are in close touch with the neighborhoods in which they operate. They provide newsletters often placed outside the office and useful fliers and photographs of properties for sale or rent in the local area.

#### 1. Housing

For Rosebud and Sorrento complete the housing (Survey A) and neighbourhood survey (Survey B)

#### a. Rosebud

Each group will be given a section of housing divided by Mt. Arthur Rd. Rosebud. Select 5 houses around this road in your designated street. You may find examples of gentrification – a process where homes are restored or renovated to fit more middleclass tastes, and you may find examples of older beach housing. Walk a little way up and down the street before choosing typical rather than outstanding examples. <u>Make your observations from the street.</u> Do not enter the property. Record your results on the table (Figure 13) that follows.

Continue your observations of the neighbourhood by completing Survey B (Figure 14).

#### b. Sorrento

In Sorrento you will use a similarly located block, behind the retail area. Your 5 houses will be from a smaller selection but again use typical examples. Record your results on the tables that follow (Figures 17 and 18).

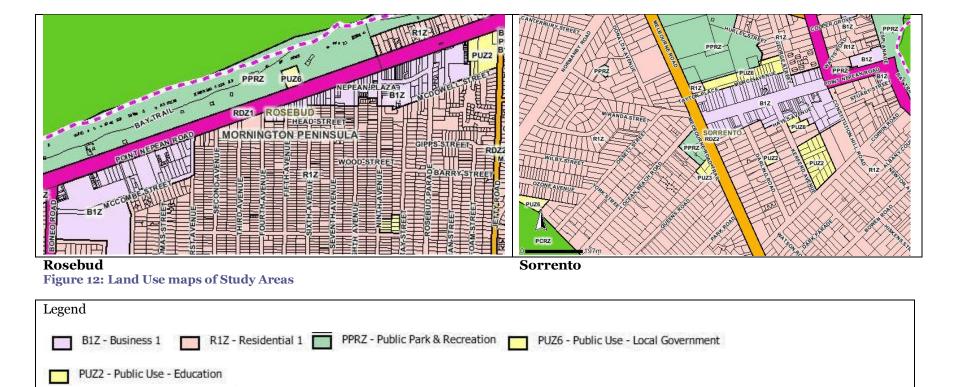
#### 2. Retail

#### a. Rosebud and Sorrento

Complete a tally of shop types using Figure 15 (Rosebud), Figure 19 (Sorrento) and the qualitative survey D (Figure 16) for both shopping centres.

- **b.** Select one or more quantitative characteristics <u>of your own</u> to compare shopping centres. You might use conventional ideas such as shop frontage, or less conventional measures associated with the people or environment of the shops. Brainstorm some possible characteristics below.
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#### Op Shops in Rosebud and Sorrento





#### **Observation: Housing Survey A: Rosebud**

Each person is to survey 5 homes. (20 different homes per group). Housing Sample: Street used

		House 1	House 2	House 3	House 4	House 5
House style		1100801	1100802	1100803	1100504	110030 5
Detached home	D					
Unit	U U					
Terraced	T					
Width of	Paces					
frontage (Paces)	1 accs					
Set back –						
estimate distance of						
home from street						
(metres)						
Width of home,						
e.g. single (1 room),	1					
double(2 rooms)	2					
triple	3					
Building	B	Ī			1	
material (brick,	WB					
weatherboard,	CS					
cement sheet, stone,	S					
other	0					
Number of	1,2,3					
storeys	/ /0					
Architect	Y/N					
designed	'					
Roofing	Т					
material e.g. tiles,	Ι					
iron, slate, other	Sl					
	Ot					
Interesting	Y/N					
windows e.g. bay						
windows						
State of repair	Excel					
e.g. paint peeling,	Good					
broken glass, etc.	Poor					
Car parking	Y/N					
available on site	1,2,3					
(number of cars)	etc.					
Interesting	Y/N					
outlook						
Garden						
condition						
Well-kept/Trees	E					
plentiful						
Well-kept/trees few Poor in need of	G					
maintenance						
mannenance	Р					
Other				1	1	
	1	1		1	1	

#### Figure 13: Housing Survey, Rosebud

### **Observation: Neighbourhood Survey B: Rosebud Residential Area**

Complete the neighbourhood survey using the scoring system below.

Street Name an	d Location		
		3 2 1 0	
Traffic	Free of parked vehicles	5210	Cluttered with parked vehicles
	Low volume of traffic		High volume of traffic
	Safe for children		Unsafe for children
Noise	Normal residential standard(quiet)		Above normal, e.g. noisy vehicles and through traffic
Gardens	Variety of plants		No plants
	Neatly maintained		Overgrown
Houses	Well maintained		Poorly maintained
	Variety of housing styles		All houses same style
	Variety of building materials		All houses built from same material
Vegetation	Trees shade half of road		No trees
<b>Street</b> <b>furniture</b> ( electricity poles, signs, seats)	Inconspicuous		Conspicuous
biglib, beatby	Improve the area		Detract from the area
Street lighting	Well lit		Poorly lit
Litter, vandalism & graffiti	No litter, vandalism or graffiti		Much litter, vandalism or graffiti
Access to facilities	Shops within walking distance		Shops not within walking distance
	Parks within walking distance		Parks not within walking distance
	Primary schools within walking distance		Primary schools not within walking distance
Footpaths,	Clearly defined		Undefined
roads and kerbs	Good condition		Poor condition
	Maintained nature strip		No nature strip
Other land	No offensive land uses		Offensive land uses

uses Figure 14: Neighbourhood Survey, Rosebud

#### **Observation: Retail Function Survey C: Rosebud**

Classify and tally the types of shops present in the Rosebud shopping centre using the table below.

Function	Tally	Example
Food		
Supermarket		
Fruit and veg.		
Bakery		
Butcher		
Delicatessen		
Milk Bar/Convenience		
Fast food		
Liquor		
Other		
Empty shops		
Food services		
Café & Restaurants		
Clothing		
Women's		
Men's		
Clothing accessories e.g. handbags, footwear		
Babies and Children		
Services	1	
Banks		
Financial & insurance		
Real estate		
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Pharmacy					
Medical: doctor, dentist,					
physiotherapist					
Newsagents					
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Hairdresser					
Dry cleaner					
Fuel service station					
Other services					
Other retail					
Furniture					
Electrical, white goods					
Sports goods					
Hardware					
Book					
Video					
Gift shop					
Gift shop					
Op shops					
Other retail					
Chosen Characteristic(s)					
Total and a fastablishes anto					
Total no. of establishments					
Total no. of functions					

Figure 15: Retail Survey, (adapted from Greasley, B. 1984, Project Fieldwork, Collins Educational, London

#### **Qualitative Surveys**

Some types of qualitative surveys attempt to place a value on environments by scoring them on a number of criteria or measures.

The following table of words attempts to discover how people feel about an area and quantify the results. Pairs of words are used which express opposite views. The example provided is for an urban environment but the method may also be applied to a rural environment. Using different colours for each shopping zone complete Survey D for both Rosebud and Sorrento retail areas.

#### Urban Environments: Survey D. Rosebud and Sorrento Retail zones.

Use two different colours to represent Rosebud and Sorrento on the same chart.

**Rosebud Colour:** 

Sorrento colour:

+3 +2 +1	0	-1 -2	-3
	Score		
Interesting			Boring
Quiet		-	Noisy
Attractive		-	Unattractive
Varied		-	Monotonous
Uncongested		-	Congested
Like		-	Dislike
Clean		-	Filthy
Welcoming		-	Hostile
Well maintained		-	Neglected
Open		-	Enclosed
Unpolluted		-	Polluted
Uncrowded		-	Crowded
Accessible		-	Inaccessible
Historic			Modern

Figure 16: Urban Survey,

Source: Greasley, B., 1984, Project Fieldwork, Collins Educational, London

#### **Observation: Housing Survey A: Sorrento**

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estimate distance of						
home from street						
(metres)						
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triple	3					
Building	B					
material (brick,	WB					
weatherboard,	CS					
cement sheet, stone,	S					
other	0					
Number of	1,2,3					
storeys	, ,0					
Architect	Y/N					
designed	,					
Roofing	Т					
material e.g. tiles,	Ι					
iron, slate, other	Sl, Ot					
Interesting	Sl, Ot Y/N					
windows e.g. bay	,					
windows						
State of repair	Excel					
e.g. paint peeling,	Good					
broken glass, etc.	Poor					
Car parking	Y/N					
available on site	1,2,3					
(number of cars)	etc.					
Interesting	Y/N					
outlook						
Garden						
condition						
Well-kept/Trees	E					
plentiful						
Well-kept/trees few	G					
Poor in need of						
maintenance	Р					
Other						

Figure 17: Housing Survey, Sorrento

#### **Observation: Neighbourhood Survey B: Sorrento Residential Area**

Street Name an	d Location		
		3 2 1 0	
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Complete the neighbourhood survey using the scoring system below.

Figure 18: Neighbourhood Survey, Sorrento

#### **Observation: Retail Survey C: Sorrento**

Classify and tally the types of shops present in the Sorrento shopping centre using the table below.

Function	Tally	Example
Food		
Supermarket		
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Butcher		
Delicatessen		
Milk Bar/Convenience		
Fast food		
Liquor		
Other		
Empty shops		
Food services		
Café & Restaurants		
Clothing		
Women's		
Men's		
Clothing accessories e.g. handbags, footwear		
Babies and Children		
Services		
Banks		
Financial & insurance		
Real estate		
Pharmacy		

Medical: doctor, dentist,		
physiotherapist		
Newsagents		
ТАВ		
Hairdresser		
Dry cleaner		
Fuel service station		
Other services		
Other retail		<u> </u>
Furniture		
Electrical, white goods		
Sports goods		
Hardware		
Book		
Video		
Gift shop		
On shans		
Op shops		
Other retail		
Chosen Characteristic(s)		
Chosen chui ucteristic(s)		
Total no. of establishments		
Total no. of functions		

Figure 19: Retail Survey (adapted from Greasley, B. 1984, Project Fieldwork, Collins Educational, London

# Questions

1. From the field study summarise your findings about Rosebud and Sorrento.

2. How were the initial findings you made (see page 10) following a study of the data, challenged by your observations in the field?

3. How successful were your chosen characteristic(s) (see page 11) for comparing shopping districts?

Characteristic:

Success:

Characteristic:

Success:

4. From your observations of both shopping strips, comment on the spatial distribution of functions within the retail strip.

5. How does the data collected ( pages 17-21) support your hypotheses about this region?