

## SocMon Case Study: Canaries, St. Lucia



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## What was our goal in Canaries?

To determine what types of development, based on marine resource use and activity in the CAMMA, are appropriate for Canaries?



## Background



- Village des Canaries. Pronounced "Vi-large day Ka-na-wi". The name means large cooking pot in French.
- The name comes from the way the mountains surrounds the village.
- It is considered the smallest village in Canaries

## Background cont'd



- Canaries has been historically a fishing village.
- The life of the people of the village is centered around the river, beach and sea.
- 95% Catholic.

## Education and Employment



- Two schools: one infant and one primary.
- Most of the population only attain a primary education.
- Only about 20 students attend secondary school in Soufriere and Castries.
- There is about 80% unemployment.
- Most people are self-employed or fishers

## Resource Uses



- River: bathing, drinking, garbage, washing, mining, fishing and socials.
- Beach: sports, fishing, sand mining and other recreational activities.
- Sea: fishing, bathing, swimming, coral mining and transportation.

## Methods

### Day 1

- Advance preparation.
- Data collection through secondary sources.
- Data collection through key informants.
- De-briefing and Gap Analysis.

### Day 2

- Questionnaire development and planning.
- Data collection through questionnaire and informal interviews.

### Day 3

- Data analysis:
  - Questionnaire coding.
  - Data compilation.
- Presentation preparation

## Results

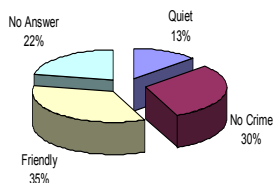
### Who was surveyed?

- 20 households in Canaries
  - Age
    - Range: 24-91 years old.
  - Gender
    - Male - 8
    - Female - 12
  - Education Levels
    - Primary School - 15
    - Secondary School - 5



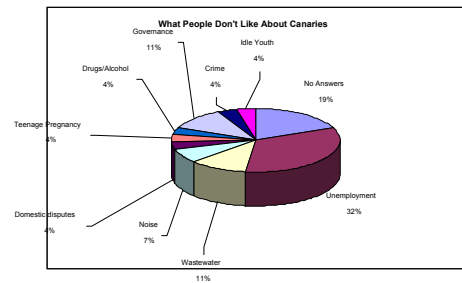
## Results cont'd

What people like about Canaries



## Results cont'd

What People Don't Like About Canaries



## Results cont'd

### How do people in Canaries use the environment?

#### Community Perception

How do people use the sea?

- 90% - Fishing
- 15% - Bathing
- 10% - Swimming

How do people use the beach?

- 45% - Bathing
- 40% - Recreation
- 20% - Don't Use

How do people use the river?

- 90% - Washing
- 45% - Bathing
- 15% - Fishing/Garbage Disposal

#### Actual Use (by respondents)

How do you use the sea?

- 40% - Don't use
- 25% - Fishing
- 20% - Swimming

How do you use the beach?

- 55% - Don't Use
- 25% - Bathing
- 20% - Recreation

How do you use the river?

- 45% - Bathing
- 45% - Washing
- 35% - Don't Use

## Results cont'd

### How do people see the Marine environment playing a role in Canaries development?

50% were unable to provide suggestions

Of the remaining 10 respondents:

- 80% - Tourism
- 70% Coastal Infrastructure
- 10% Small Business

### What other things can be done to develop Canaries?

50% - Industry

20% - Tourism

10% - Small Business/Education/Infrastructure



## Key Learning Points

What are the past, present and proposed marine resources uses in the CAMMA and their contributions to income and revenue generation?

- Past: bathing, washing, garbage disposal, sand mining, water, recreation, fishing, transport
- Present: same as above
- Future: unsure of what they wanted, some fishers proposed a fishing complex.

Most respondents were unaware of CAMMA and what it represented.



## Key Learning Points cont'd

What are the challenges and opportunities for marine resource use or activities in the CAMMA relevant to Canaries?

- Challenges: siltation of the mouth of the river, lack of regular gas supplies for fishers, and fishing facilities.
- Beach erosion
- Lack of infrastructure for tourism development
- Not many respondents saw opportunities for marine reserves in CAMMA



## Key Learning Points cont'd

What livelihood or income strategies do people in Canaries use to complement or supplement marine resource use or activity?

- Little or no alternative income strategies apart from building, small businesses, and migration



## Key Learning Points cont'd

What are the social and cultural characteristics of Canaries that are desirable to maintain or must be taken into account in development?

- Fishing
- Low crime
- Low education level
- Not proactive but reactive
- Christian beliefs



Thank you!