

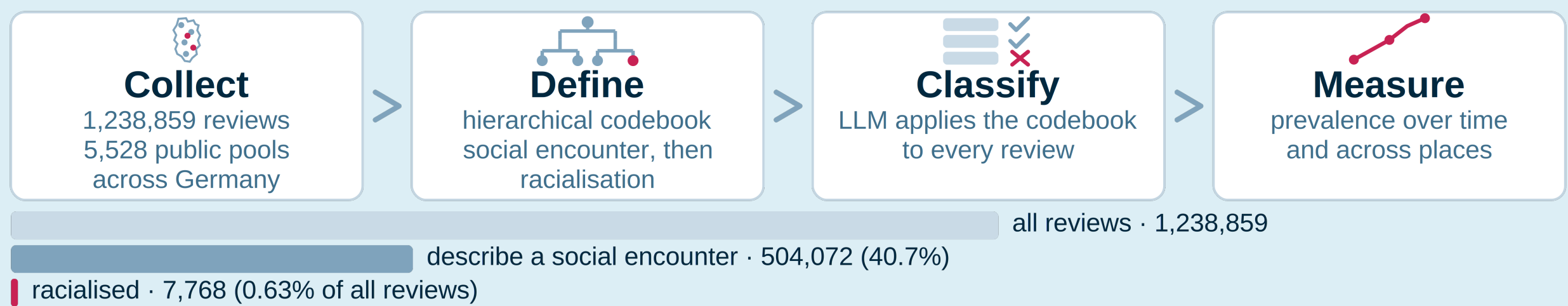
"I'm not racist, but"... Social Interaction from German Swimming Pool Reviews

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Introduction

Public Swimming pools are unique leisure spaces that facilitate social interaction among the people from diverse backgrounds. These interactions expose tensions, preferences, and biases that may exist in society at large. When people narrate their social experiences at these pools do they **racialise**- make reference to their own or that of others' **race/ethnicity/religion/culture**?

Methods



Examples of Racialised Reviews

- ★★★★★ 2 years ago
It's absolutely insane that I got kicked out of the swimming pool and even yelled at because of my skin color!!
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ a year ago
On warm days, there were a lot of sand people and dirt. Never again.
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ 2 years ago
The Ayris won't let me in because I'm a Tahaloön.
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ 2 years ago
Everything is full of Talahons
Translated by Google · [See original \(Malagasy\)](#)
- ★★★★★ a year ago
Are Germans without a migration background allowed in here? It doesn't seem so.
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ 3 years ago
It used to be nicer. Hardly any Germans in the bathroc anymore. What a shame.
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ a year ago
I was there on the 4th, and it's truly disgusting. My hijabis, don't go there, you'll be thrown out of that disgusting place.
Translated by Google · [See original \(German\)](#)
- ★★★★★ a year ago
Very clean, very tidy.
10/10 stars.
Talahon Spawn Rate: 0%
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Results

Racialisation is present in reviews and is increasing. Over 80% of racialised reviews have a negative sentiment.

Swimming pools in Germany, by racialised-review status

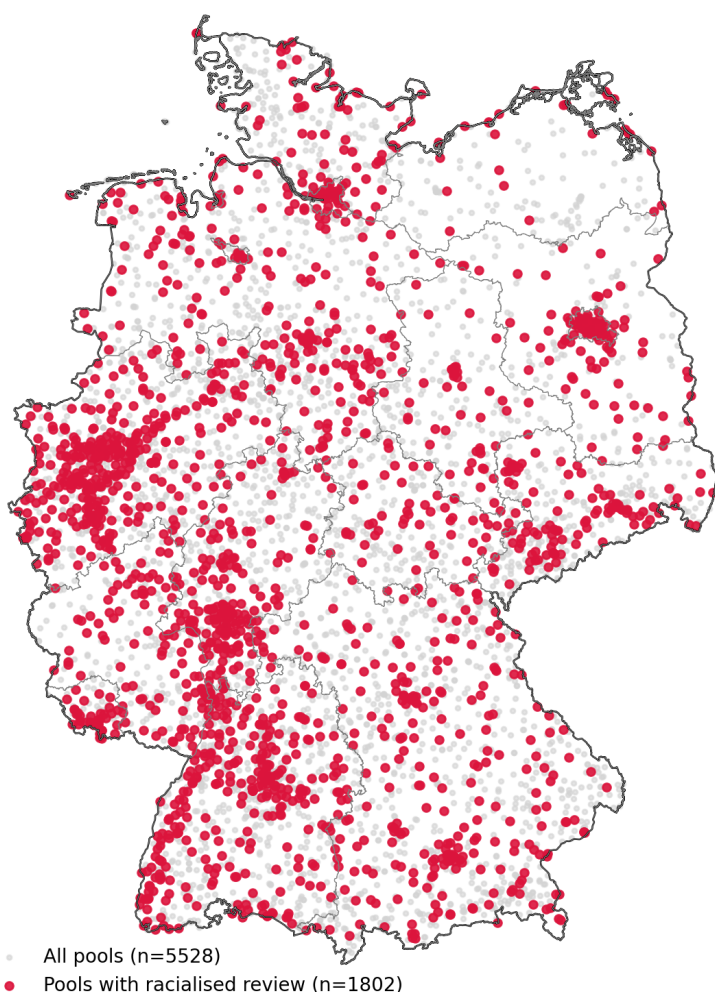


Figure 1: Distribution of swimming pools across Germany, highlighting pools with at least on racialised review

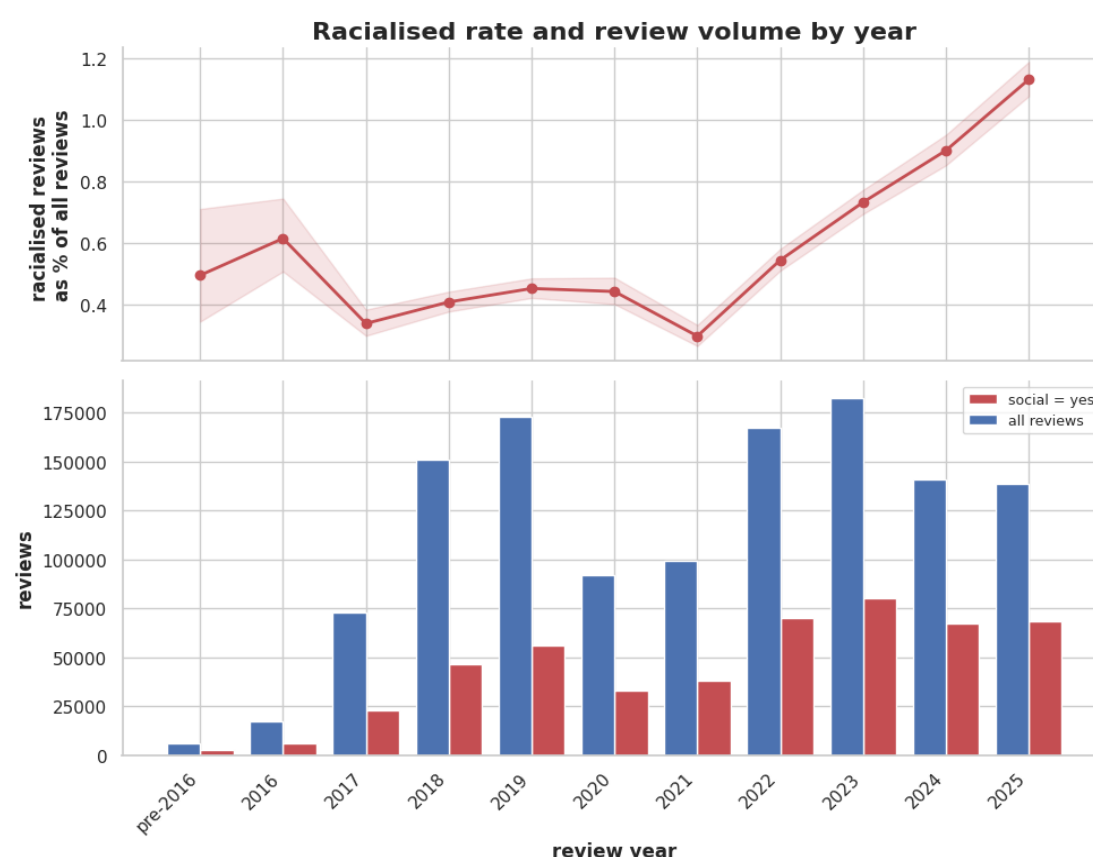


Figure 1: The trend of th racialised rate in Germany over the years, shows a steady increase in the rate from 2022 and it doubling by 2025

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Research Interests: Location-based online data / Social change in public spaces

