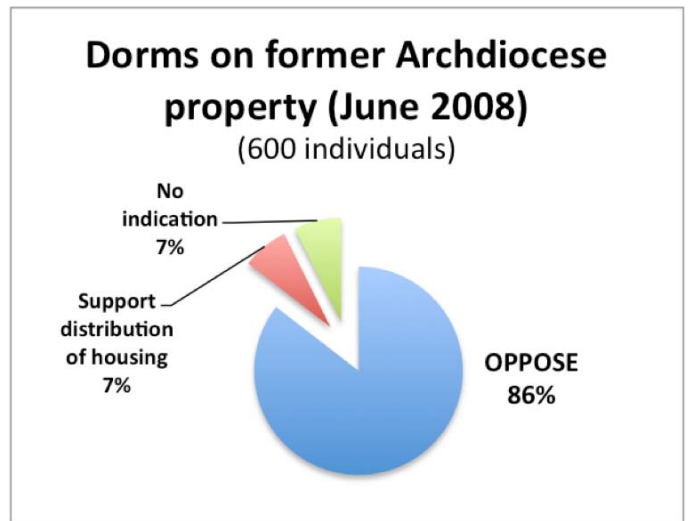
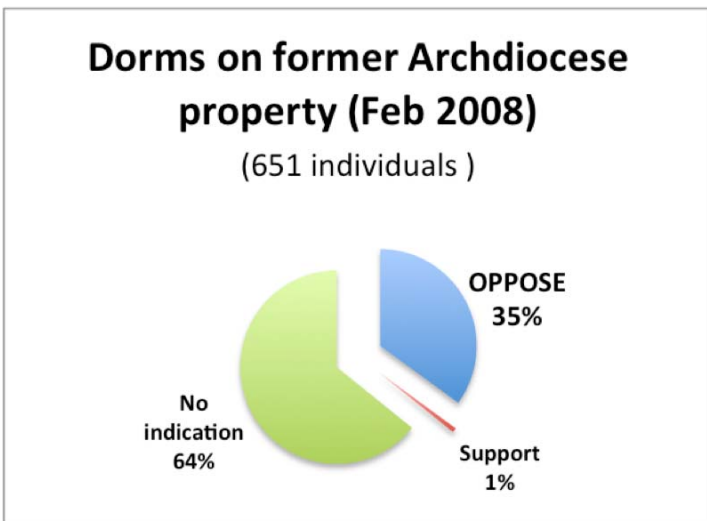
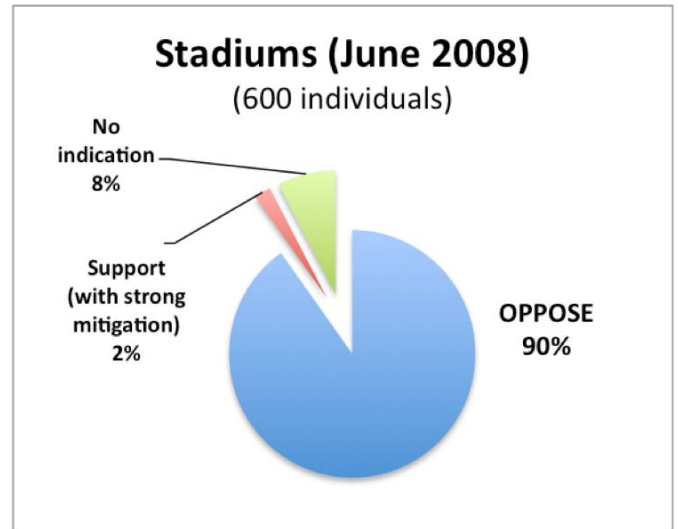
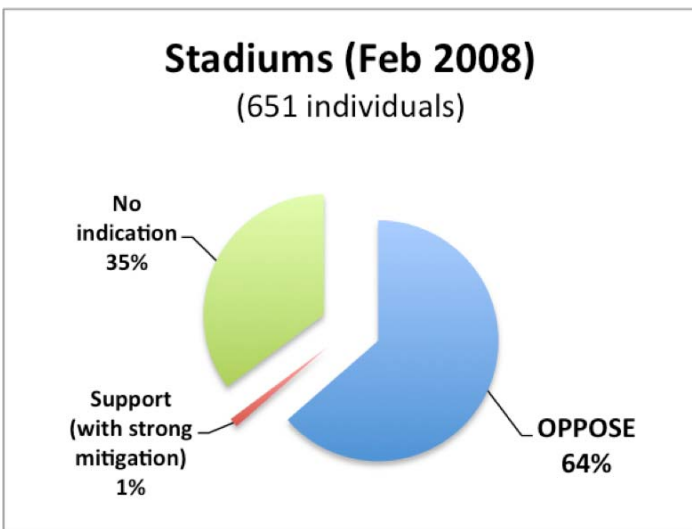




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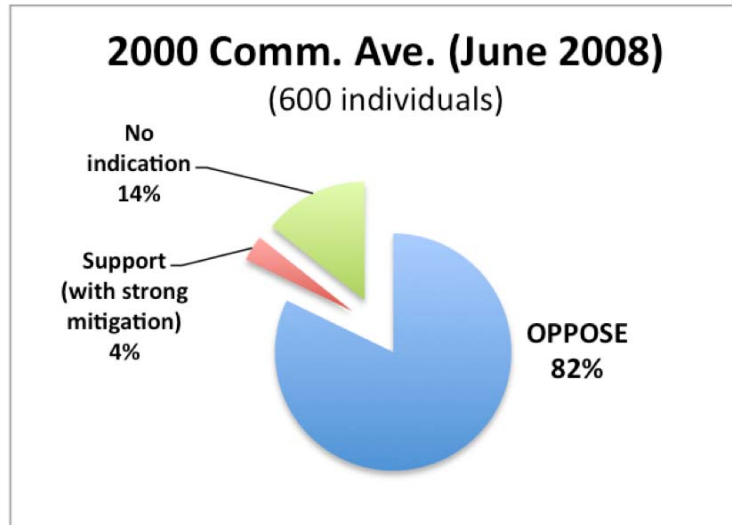
Brighton Neighbors United (BNU) conducted an analysis of the comments submitted to the BRA in response to the Boston College Institutional Master Plan (BC IMP). While the community supports a large majority of the aspects of the BC IMP, a few aspects of the IMP are very troubling to the community. The following graphs clearly articulate the community's position on these three key aspects: baseball and softball stadiums on former Archdiocese property; dormitories on former Archdiocese property; and zoning changes to allow 2000 Commonwealth Avenue to be converted to dormitory.

A discussion on the sources and methodology for the analysis of the data follows the graphs.





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Note: BC's purchase of 2000 Commonwealth Avenue was announced after February 2008. Therefore, the community did not include any comments on the topic during the February comment period.

Sources for the data:

The comments to initial version of the BC IMP, submitted during the official comment period ended in February 2008, were obtained from BC's official IMP web site at, <http://www.vhb.com/bostoncollege/imp/pdf/imp/Appendix%20D%20b-Comment%20Letters.pdf>.

The comments submitted following BC's submission of the revised IMP on June 5, 2008 and before the officially announced closing date of September 5, 2008 were obtained directly from the BRA.

Methodology for analysis:

In the first comment period to BC's IMP, the BRA registered (and made publicly available) the comments of 651 individuals (excluding letters from politicians and governmental agencies). The analysis also did not consider the four letters from associations because there was no indication of the number of individuals they represent. There are overlaps in this count, such as individuals who sent individual letters and then signed petitions, or who sent more than one letter.

During the second comment period, following BC's submission on June 5, 2008 of the revised IMP and before the officially announced closing date of September 5, 2008, at least as it can be verified by the material provided by the BRA, the BRA received the comments of 616 individuals and of 3 neighborhood associations. Again, the analysis excluded the letters from politicians and governmental agencies (9), the letter of the Task Force (1), and letters that were too vague or contradictory in their statements in order to allow for accurate evaluation (6). Thus, the final number of responses for analysis is 600.

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