



INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS – INTRODUCTION

CHAPTER CONTENTS.

Because the output is a structured network, we can apply a range of queries to explore the data. This gives us a library of **pre-existing approaches** to ask **practical questions** about the causal landscape described by the participants.

Ex

See also

- [Formatting your map for what you want to show](#) for the visualisation side.
- [Vignettes](#) for textual outputs.

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 **Individual views – How does the system work according to individual sources ?**

 **Summarising – How do the sources claim that the system works, in summary ?**

 **Vignettes – What is a typical source and what is their story ?**

 **What are the narratives behind a specific link ?**

 **Which factors and links were most frequently mentioned ?**

- Which factors and links are mentioned by the most sources ?**

- Main outcomes. Which factors are mentioned most often as outcomes ?**

- Main drivers. Which factors are mentioned most often as drivers ?**

- Splitting by groups. Are different groups involved in different ways ?**

- Comparing groups – What factors or links were mentioned more by some groups than others, in the same map ?**

- Identifying groups – Are there different subgroups within the data ?**

- What are the emerging or unexpected factors ?**

- Does the evidence support your theory of change ?**

- Assessing systems change**

- Sentiment – Which changes are perceived as most positive or negative ?**

- Focusing on specific factors. What influences and outcomes are connected to a specific factor ?**

- Looking downstream. What are the direct and indirect consequences of one or more factors ?**

- Looking upstream. What are the direct and indirect influences on one or more factors ?**

- Path tracing – How do one or more causes affect one or more effects, including indirect pathways ?**

- Source tracing – What are the consequences of one or more factors, looking only at stories told in their entirety by individual sources ?**

- Robustness – How robust is the evidence for that X influences Y ?**

- Counting and comparing influences**

 **Properties of the causal map – Which factors are reported as being causally central or causally peripheral ?**

 **Properties of the causal map – What is the overall structure of the network ?**

 **Properties of the causal map – Are there leverage points ?**

 **Properties of the causal map – Are there feedback loops ?**

 **Combining questions**

 **Tribes. The most relevantly different subgroups in your data (by causal story)**

 **Showing group data as custom link labels on the map with optional significance test**

 **Names of tables and fields**

 **Hierarchical coding**
