

## SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION OF BANKS AND CUSTOMERS' MOBILITY IN IBADAN NORTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OYO STATE: GIS APPROACH

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**ABSTRACT:** *The location of banks is a key consideration for customers' physical transactions. Customers consider a number of factors such as time, distance from workplace and residence, cost and convenience, in choosing their banks. Distance to and from point of origin to a bank for physical transaction may discourage or encourage a customer in the selection of bank to opt for. This study therefore adopted Geographic Information System to map the location of the existing banks and to determine the spatial distributional pattern of banks in the study area through Average Nearest Neighbour Analysis. Also Road Network Analysis built in ArcGIS was used to determine the service area, shortest and alternative shortest routes to each bank in the study area. Also, structured questionnaires were used to obtain the perception of bank customers towards location of bank. This study therefore revealed that banks are clustered around commercial and institutional areas while less consideration were given to residential areas. Majority of the customers spends between 100 – 150 naira on transport to access their banks for physical transaction while 39% of customers trek to their respective banks. This study therefore suggest that residential areas should be considered in siting banks and there should be several meters in - between banks to reduce the rate of bank clustering in a particular area. Also, more roads should be constructed to allow ease of movement.*

**KEYWORDS:** Bank, locational pattern, Service area network, landuses and customers' mobility

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### INTRODUCTION

Spatial location and accessibility are crucial factors in selecting financial institution (Mylonakis, *et al.* 1998). Convenience is the overriding factor for bank selection by customers who considers closeness to residence or workplace. In order to stay competitive, banks agglomerate in Central Business District (CBD). Basically, such agglomeration could be done in at least two ways (Birkin, *et al.* 2002): by building branches in new locations or by acquiring an existing (e.g. competitor, partner, etc.) network (Khan *et al.*, 2016). The former option is likely to be expensive and time consuming, and many banks resort to acquiring or partnering already established banks (Farhan, 2007).

In the last decades, the human society has modified itself mostly because the evolution of the information and computer technology, wide usage in big corporations, public national or local administrations, as well as private users (Droj *et al.*, 2011). In Nigeria, facility efficiency has been the subject of discussion for years, and many planners have called for services to be sited in an area based on need and equity and not on mere population (Okafor, 2008). With the recent increase

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in the number of banks and the daily desire of the banks to efficiently provide services to their customers in order to meet up with the high competitive banking environment, it becomes increasingly crucial to measure the efficiency of banking institutions in terms of the spatial spread of their banks (Ogundele *et al*, 2013). This is because banking institutions that operate more efficiently, might expect improved profitability and a greater amount of intermediated funds mostly from ATM users of other banks (Berger, et al., 1993). The spatial pattern of banks has caused location inconvenience which has made large number of society to travel a long distance before customers could use their bank. The spatial distribution of banks can be ascertained using different techniques (Ogundele et al, 2013).

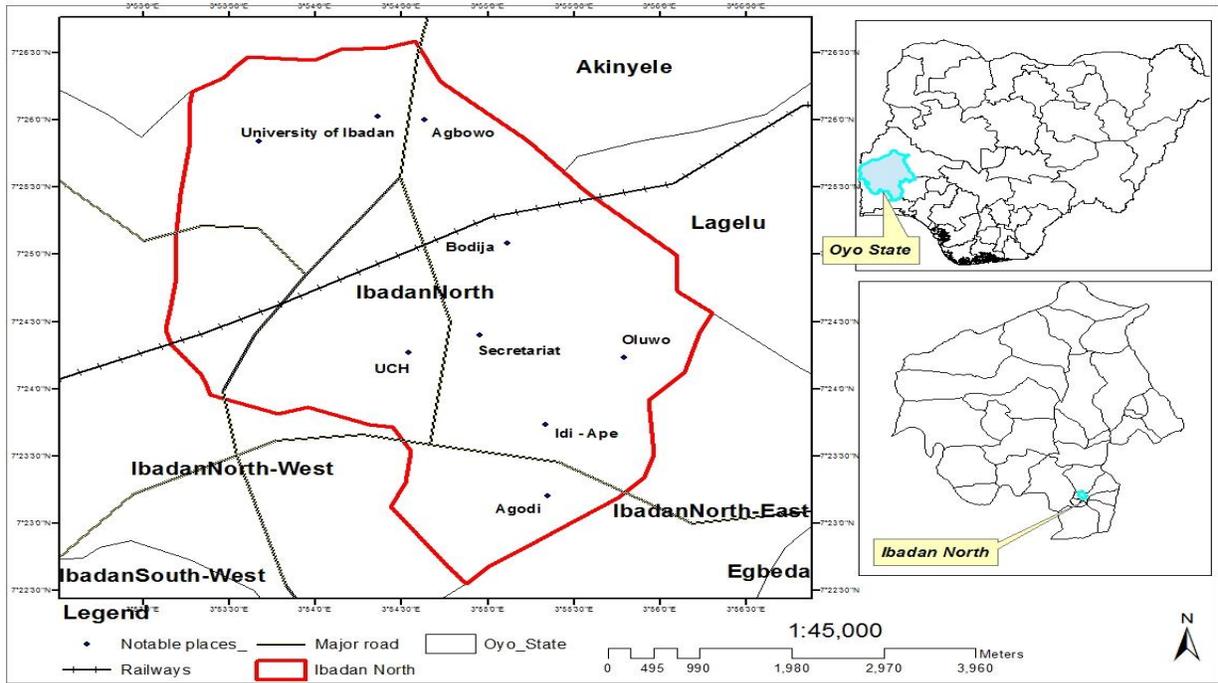
Customers sometimes face difficulty in choosing banks for their transactions to reduce time, distance, and associated cost, for overall convenience. Distance to and fro point of origin to a bank for physical transaction may discourage or encourage a customer in their bank selection. The longer the distance, the larger the transportation cost (Afolayan, 2011). Thus, in order to reduce the cost of distance to banks, people opt for the nearest bank to make transaction. This study is limited on the application of Geographic Information System in banking sector, while studies on banking institution largely ignore distance of the existing banks to other landuse such as residential areas. Virtually all the research on locational analysis of banking sector has always been accomplished through statistical approach which largely ignores distance cover from other landuse to banks for physical transaction. Few research with application of Geographic information System includes Ogundele *et al*, (2013). The researchers examined the locational efficiency of banks but did not considered distance covered by the customers to the nearby banks. Again, their service areas were determined through buffering instead of service area network developed through road network analysis. Also, Droj *et al*, (2011) examined the applicability of Geographic Information System in investments and banking sector in Romania but did not consider distance cover to and fro point of origin to the nearest bank just like Ogundele *et al*, (2013). Furthermore, none of these researchers examine number of banks existing on various landuse in their study area. In other to close this gap, this study therefore not only focused on assessing the spatial distribution and coverage areas of the existing banks in the study area, but also examine distance of the existing banks from various neighbourhood in the study area through Geographic Information System Approach. This study also examine the number of banks presence in various landuses in Ibadan North local government. Also in this study, perception of customers towards accessing banks for physical transaction is examined.

Geographic Information System (GIS) is widely used and very helpful tool for decision making. In particular, effective locational decision requires the use of GIS network for ease of analysis (Khan et al, 2016). It equally makes the analysis simple and precise if the inputs are correct (Khan, 2013). Application of Geographic Information System in banking sector can be very supportive and cost effective to facilitate location based decisions for banking institutions. In selecting suitable site for bank allocation, data such as the concentration of commercial areas, traffic patterns, workplaces or living places of customers whose demographics and purchase behavior match banks' target customer profiles are very crucial.

GIS provide interactive map presentation that, in conjunction with analytical tools, could be used to probe maps at various levels of specificity, a feature that is missing in paper maps as presented by Crossland et al, (1995). The spatial analysis tools and queries can be used in many different forms to answer questions or issues related to location. These questions include the distance between two locations and most suitable location for siting new bank.

### **The study area**

This study was restricted to Ibadan North Local Government Area (LGA), the biggest in Ibadan metropolis. The local government falls between latitude 7°23'00" and 7°27'30" North and longitudes 3°52'45" and 3°56'00" East, bounded by Ibadan North West and North East local Government Areas. Ibadan North, which covers an area of 145.58km (Ayinnuola and Adekunle 2008), is predominantly a home for small, medium, and large scale commercial activities. It also serves as the center for most commercial organization headquarters, such as bank and the State Secretariat among others. Ibadan North Local Government is a host to many educational and research institutions in Nigeria including the University of Ibadan, the University College Hospital (UCH), the Polytechnic Ibadan, National Horticultural Research Institute (NIHORT), Federal School of Statistics and the Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research (NISER). The notable mode of transportation in the study area is road transportation, the rail line cut across the local government from Sango to Bodija and also hosts the former Ibadan Local Airport. This area covers wards from Beere roundabout through Oke-Are to Mokola in the South- West and Samonda to New Bodija in the South-East. Number of 46 selected banks were captured with the aid of GPS device in Ibadan North Local government area and their corresponding X and Y coordinates were taken and recorded. The financial institutions had a linear spread on the street level map of the area mostly especially from Bodija market down to Secretariat.



Source: Author’s work

Figure 1: map of the study area (Ibadan North)

**METHODOLOGY**

**Data**

Both primary and secondary data were used in this study. Primary data includes the coordinates of all the banks in the study area. The coordinates were obtained through handheld GPS (Garmin 76 Universal Transverse Mercator) and structured questionnaires were divided into the number of banks in the study area and administered in each of the banks to customers at the entrance. The secondary data for this research includes the downloaded satellite imagery of the study area through Google Earth pro which was geo-referenced, mosaic and digitized in ArcMap environment. The satellite imagery of the study area was downloaded at the scale of 1: 30,000 showing various land use and land cover of the study area.

Table 1: Summary of data sources (primary and secondary sources)

|                | DATA   | SOURCE  |
|----------------|--|---|
| PRIMARY DATA   | Coordinates (X,Y) of banks in the study area<br>Attribute data | Hand Held GPS (Garmin 76) and ground trothing<br>Ground trothing and Questionnaires |
| SECONDARY DATA | Georeferenced satellite Imagery of the location.               | Google Earth pro at the scale of 1:30,000   |

Source: Author’s Compilation

### **Sample frame, size and techniques**

According to Oyo State Government 2017 population projection, Ibadan North has the population of 856,988. Yamane (1967) techniques for sample selection was used to derive the sample.

$$n = \frac{N}{1 + (N * e^2)}$$

Where n = sample size

N = Total population

e = error margin

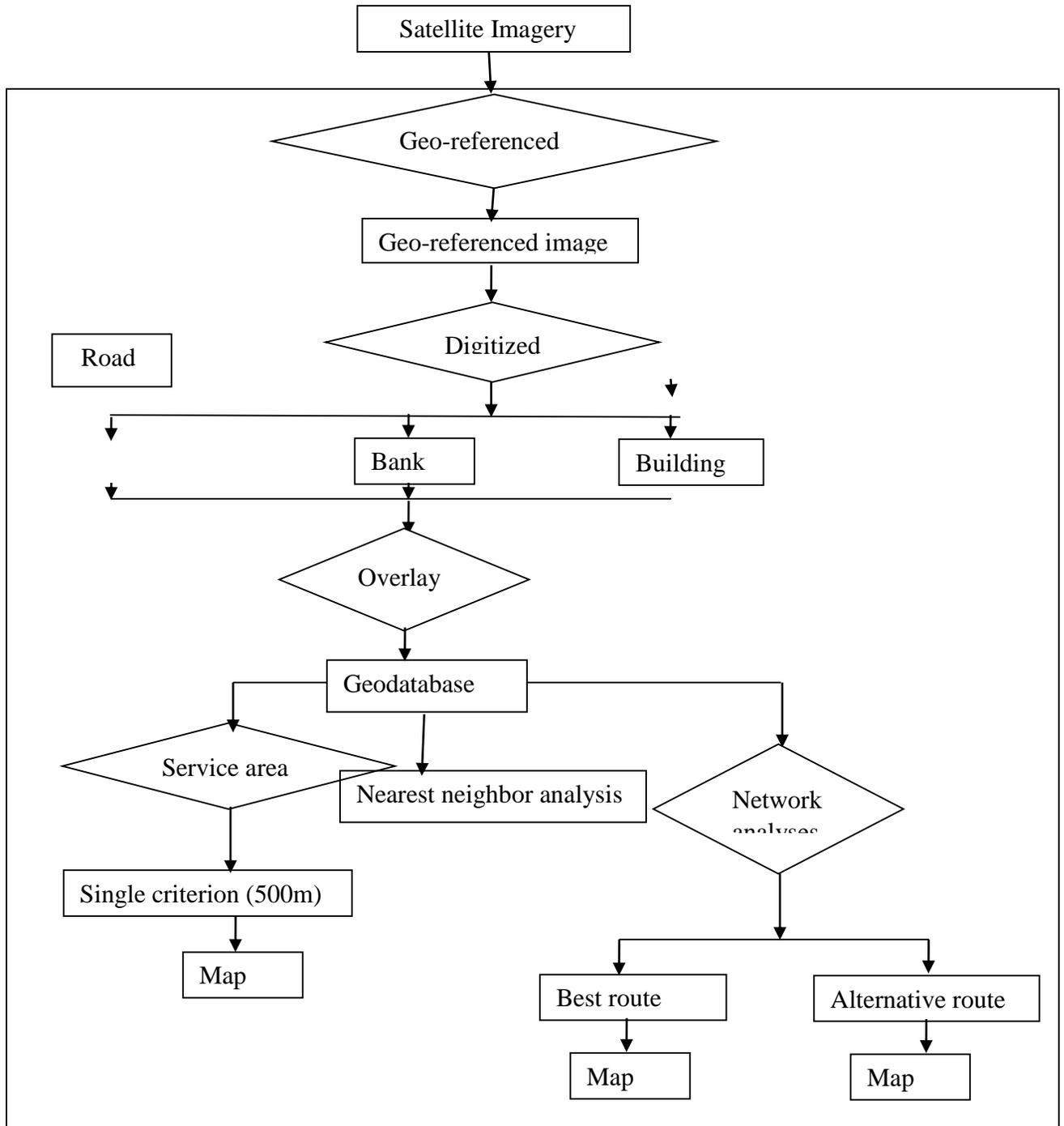
From this formula, a total of 368 questionnaire were derived. This study made use of the purposive and accidental sampling technique. The purposive sampling technique was used to study the locational efficiency of bank in Ibadan north local government area; this location was chosen because it is where majority of banks are located and has more population compare to other local government in the Ibadan metropolis. And accidental techniques was adopted to administer the 368 structured questionnaires. The 368 structured questionnaires were divided into the number of banks in the study area and administered to each of the customers at the entrances of each banks.

### **Method of data conversion and analysis**

The coordinates of the banks, obtained through hand held GPS, were transferred into ArcGIS 10.4 environment to determine the spatial distribution of banks in the study area whether it is clustered, random or dispersedly distributed in space, this was achieved through Average Nearest Neighbour Analysis in ArcGIS 10.4. The satellite imagery of the study area was downloaded from Google Earth pro and transferred into ArcGIS 10.4. Road, banks and buildings were digitized and overlaid, road network analysis of the study area and service area network of banks were developed through ArcGIS 10.4. Moreover, Average Nearest Neighbour Analysis in spatial statistics toolbox in ArcGIS 10.4 was used to determine the spatial distribution of banks in the study area. Descriptive statistics were used to analyse the perception of bank customers in the study area.

### **Cartographic Model**

A cartographic modeling is a graphical representation of data and analytical procedure used in the study. It is geo-methodology for processing geo-data which build the spatial data (or map) as a variable in analysis. It is the process of linking or organizing basic analysis operation in a logical sequence such that the output from one is the input to the next. As shown in Figure 2, the cartographical model revealed the step by step procedure of combination of declared data (theme).



Source: Author's work  
Figure 2: cartographic Modelling

## ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

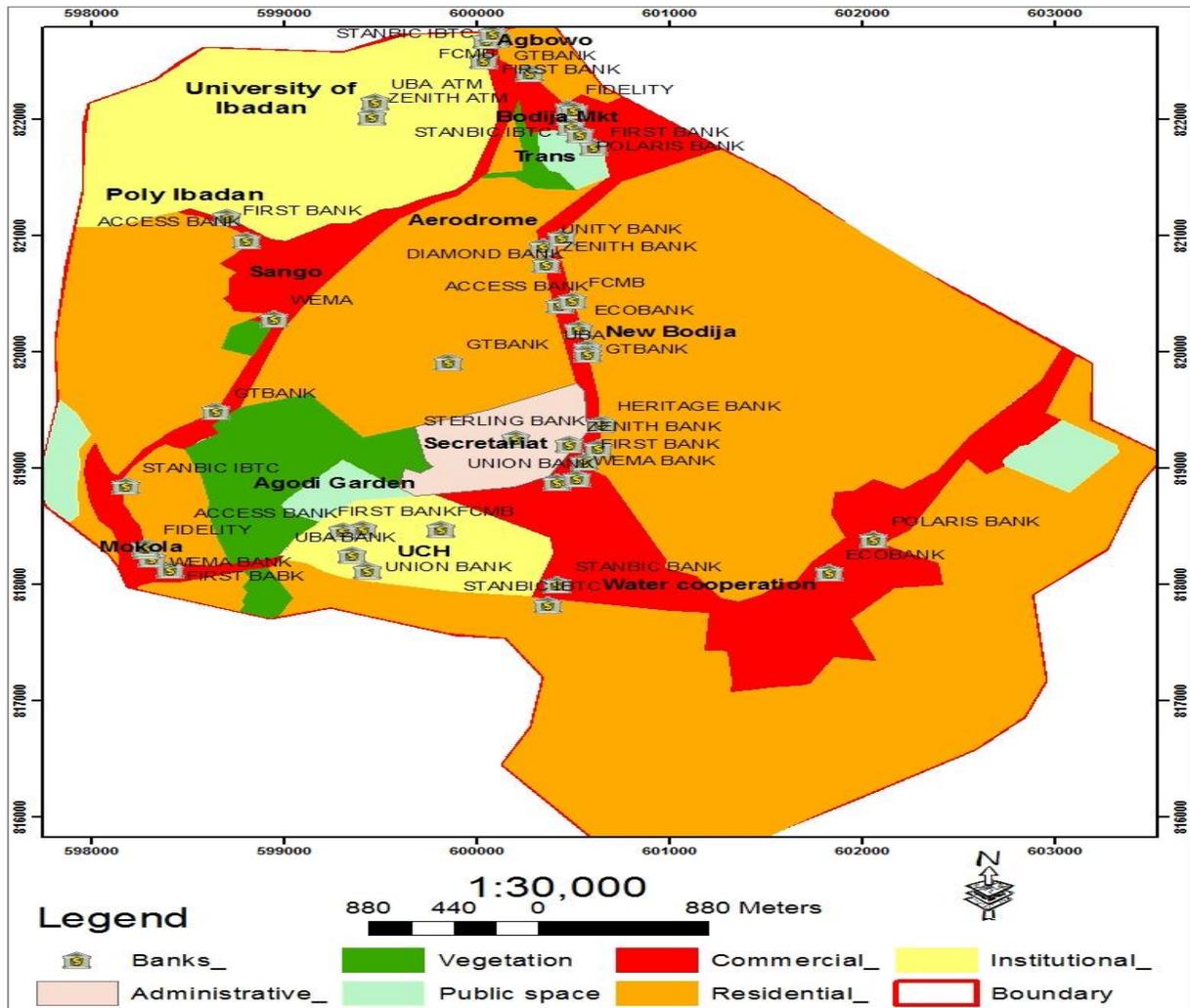
The analytical power of Geographical Information System (GIS) used in this study encircles the combination of spatial and aspatial data especially in a multi- criteria situation. Road network analysis and service area network were developed for the ease movement of the customers. Average Nearest Neighbour Analysis in spatial statistics toolbox in ArcGIS 10.4 was used to determine the spatial distribution of banks in the study area. This shows a spatial distribution of bank in different land uses so as to have a better view on how banks are located in Ibadan north local government area. Table 2 presents the percentage of banks located in different land uses.

**Table 2:** Names, address and coordinates of banks in the Ibadan North

| Bank_ |         |    |               |                     |              |               |
|-------|---------|----|---------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------|
| FID   | Shape * | Id | Bank_Name     | Address             | X            | Y             |
| 0     | Point   | 0  | STANBIC IBTC  | UCH                 | 600362.44551 | 817829.117398 |
| 1     | Point   | 0  | ECOBANK       | AGodi Gate          | 601824.02440 | 818104.487463 |
| 2     | Point   | 0  | FIRST BABK    | Mokola              | 598404.10159 | 818125.918756 |
| 3     | Point   | 0  | FIRST BANK    | UI                  | 600031.02776 | 822506.369183 |
| 4     | Point   | 0  | GTBANK        | UI                  | 600092.41122 | 822691.313303 |
| 5     | Point   | 0  | FCMB          | UI                  | 600088.17788 | 822705.600832 |
| 6     | Point   | 0  | POLARIS BANK  | UI                  | 600043.72779 | 822686.28621  |
| 7     | Point   | 0  | FIDELITY      | Bodija              | 600472.35365 | 822098.910035 |
| 8     | Point   | 0  | ACCESS BANK   | Bodija              | 600494.57869 | 822076.684991 |
| 9     | Point   | 0  | FIRST BANK    | Bodija              | 600600.41224 | 821761.301026 |
| 10    | Point   | 0  | GTBANK        | Awolowo, Old Bodija | 599848.59719 | 819910.603054 |
| 11    | Point   | 0  | GTBANK        | Favours junction    | 600568.2653  | 820031.253295 |
| 12    | Point   | 0  | UBA           | Favours junction    | 600572.49864 | 819988.919877 |
| 13    | Point   | 0  | HERITAGE BANK | Secretariat         | 600638.13307 | 819378.30442  |
| 14    | Point   | 0  | STANBIC IBTC  | Mokola              | 598169.16876 | 818847.637387 |
| 15    | Point   | 0  | POLARIS BANK  | Agodi Gate          | 602056.43487 | 818386.838132 |
| 16    | Point   | 0  | STANBIC IBTC  | UI Second gate      | 600078.25175 | 822738.981454 |
| 17    | Point   | 0  | GTBANK        | Ajibade             | 598642.99454 | 819492.978434 |
| 18    | Point   | 0  | UNION BANK    | UCH                 | 599425.96985 | 818122.54427  |
| 19    | Point   | 0  | FIRST BANK    | UCH                 | 599404.80314 | 818476.425186 |
| 20    | Point   | 0  | ACCESS BANK   | UCH                 | 599295.00084 | 818458.565775 |
| 21    | Point   | 0  | STANBIC BANK  | AGODI               | 600408.89890 | 818000.306525 |
| 22    | Point   | 0  | FCMB          | UCH                 | 599806.17686 | 818475.234558 |
| 23    | Point   | 0  | UBA BANK      | UCH                 | 599344.47802 | 818254.571617 |
| 24    | Point   | 0  | UNION BANK    | Secretariat         | 600408.98709 | 818883.399263 |
| 25    | Point   | 0  | FIRST BANK    | Secretariat         | 600549.21654 | 819056.701693 |
| 26    | Point   | 0  | POLARIS BANK  | Secretariat         | 600620.65418 | 819174.441512 |
| 27    | Point   | 0  | ACCESS BANK   | Aare                | 600423.01004 | 820409.254399 |
| 28    | Point   | 0  | FCMB          | Aare                | 600487.30392 | 820445.502388 |
| 29    | Point   | 0  | ECOBANK       | Favours junction    | 600519.31856 | 820200.762315 |
| 30    | Point   | 0  | ACCESS BANK   | Preboye,UI          | 600266.39844 | 822394.647605 |
| 31    | Point   | 0  | STANBIC IBTC  | Bodija              | 600481.10825 | 821940.555551 |
| 32    | Point   | 0  | POLARIS BANK  | Bodija              | 600530.85001 | 821877.584592 |
| 33    | Point   | 0  | UNITY BANK    | Osuntokun           | 600341.90406 | 820905.311658 |
| 34    | Point   | 0  | WEMA BANK     | Secretariat         | 600511.29525 | 818909.925508 |
| 35    | Point   | 0  | ZENITH BANK   | Secretariat         | 600476.89934 | 819207.582354 |
| 36    | Point   | 0  | STERLING BANK | Secretariat         | 600196.44045 | 819253.88453  |
| 37    | Point   | 0  | ZENITH BANK   | Osuntokun           | 600352.54493 | 820755.397949 |
| 38    | Point   | 0  | DIAMOND BANK  | Bodija              | 600431.92009 | 820982.940071 |

Source: Author's work

Table 2 present the names, address and coordinates (X, Y) of banks in the Ibadan North local government of Oyo State. The table shows there are 42 active commercial banks in the study area.



Source: Author's work

Figure 3: Spatial distribution of banks on various land uses in Ibadan north local government area.

Figure 3 represents spatial distribution of bank on different landuses so as to have a better view on how banks are located in Ibadan north local government area. Table 3 represent the percentage of banks located in different land uses. This shows that virtually all the banks in the study area are located in commercial areas and institution. Customers coming from residential areas would have to travel far distance to access bank for any physical distribution.

Table 3: spatial distribution of banks on various landuses in the study area

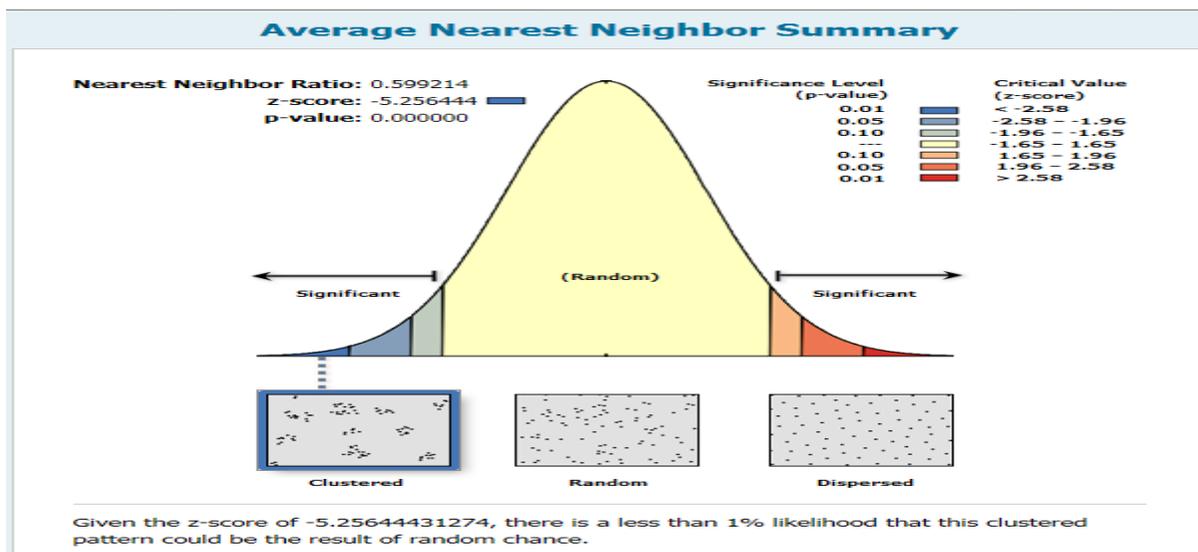
| LAND USE       | NUMBER OF BANK | PERCENTAGE   |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Commercial     | 36             | 78           |
| Institutional  | 7              | 15           |
| Residential    | 1              | 2            |
| Administrative | 2              | 5            |
| Public space   | 0              | 0            |
| Vegetation     | 0              | 0            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>46</b>      | <b>100.0</b> |

Source: Author's work

Table 3 shows that 78% of banks in Ibadan North are situated in commercial areas, 7% are established in institutional areas which comprises of mainly Automated Teller Machine (ATM). 2% of the banks in the study area are situated in residential area while 5% of the banks area are situated in administrative premises. No banks in sited in both the public space and vegetated areas.

### Spatial distributional pattern of banks

Identifying spatial patterns is important for understanding how spatial phenomena behave. In other to achieve this objective to high standard, ArcGIS spatial statistics tool was queried. This makes it easier to access Average Nearest Neighbour Analysis (ANNA) to determine the specific patterns of distributions banks in Ibadan North as shown in Figure 4.



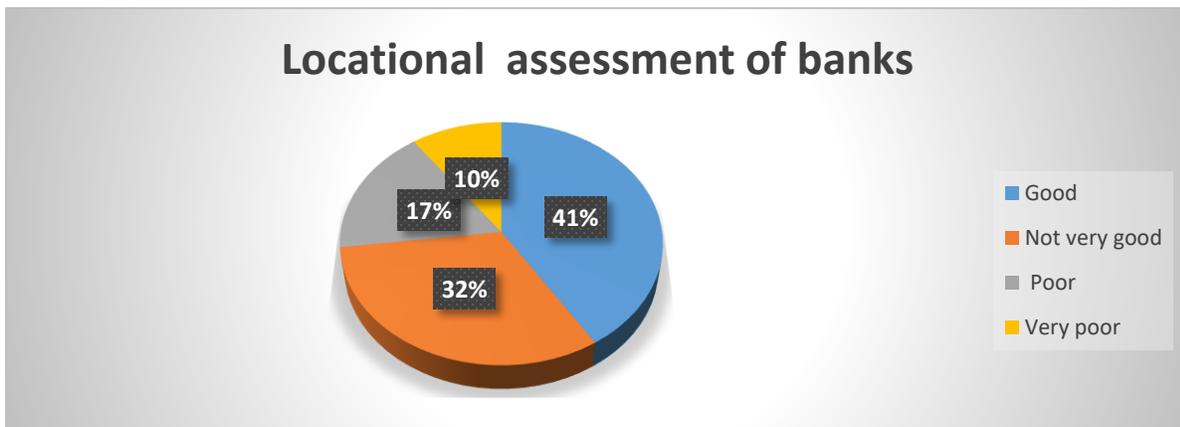
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Figure 4: Spatial distribution of banks in Ibadan North

The z score of -5. 25644431274 which is less than -1.96 table value and Nearest Neighbour Ratio of 0.599214 which is less than 1, hence the pattern of spatial distribution of banks in the study area is not distinct from clustered.

**Perception of banks’ customers towards location of banks**

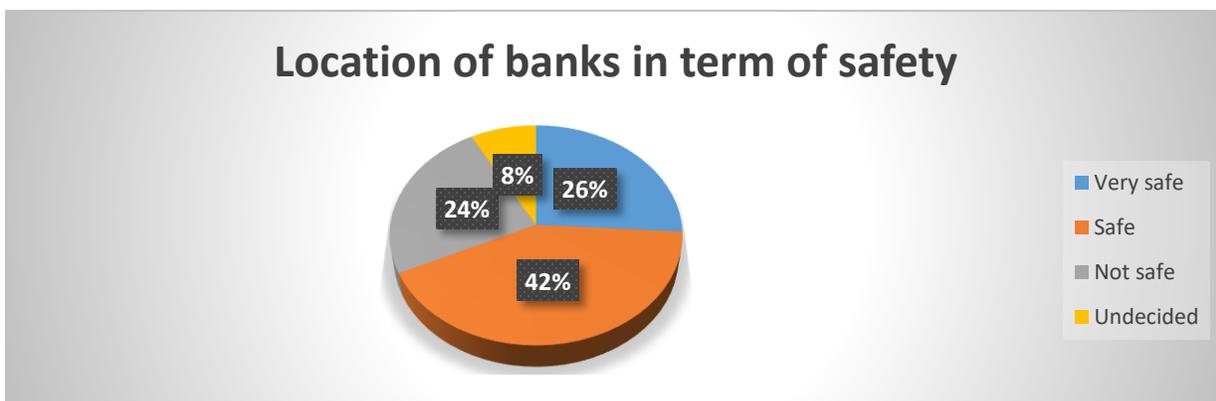
Perception of bank customers in Ibadan North were sought and obtained through questionnaire, the context of the questionnaire includes the assessment of location of bank, distance to get to their respective banks, transportation cost, choice of choosing the bank and safety.



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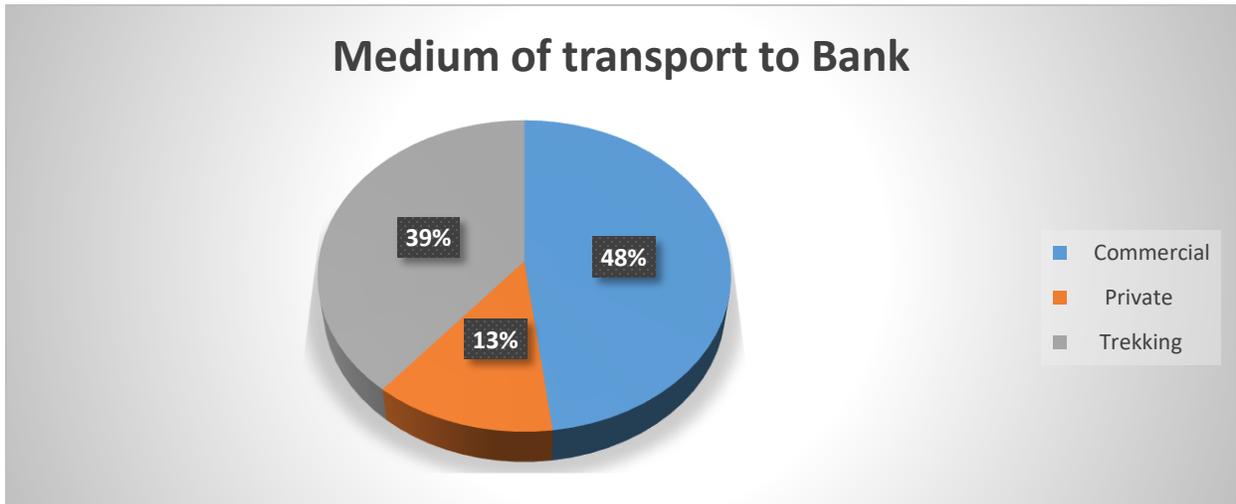
Figure 5: Locational assessment of banks in Ibadan North

Figure 5 presents the perception of bank customers towards the location of banks in the Ibadan north local government. Majority (41%) of the customers affirmed the location of bank is good, 32% of the customers said the location is not really good, 17% responded that the location of bank is poor while 10% said the location is very poor. Also, concerning the customers’ safety as presented in figure 6, 26% agreed the location of bank is very safe, 42% said the location is safe, 24% responded it is not safe while 8% are undecided.



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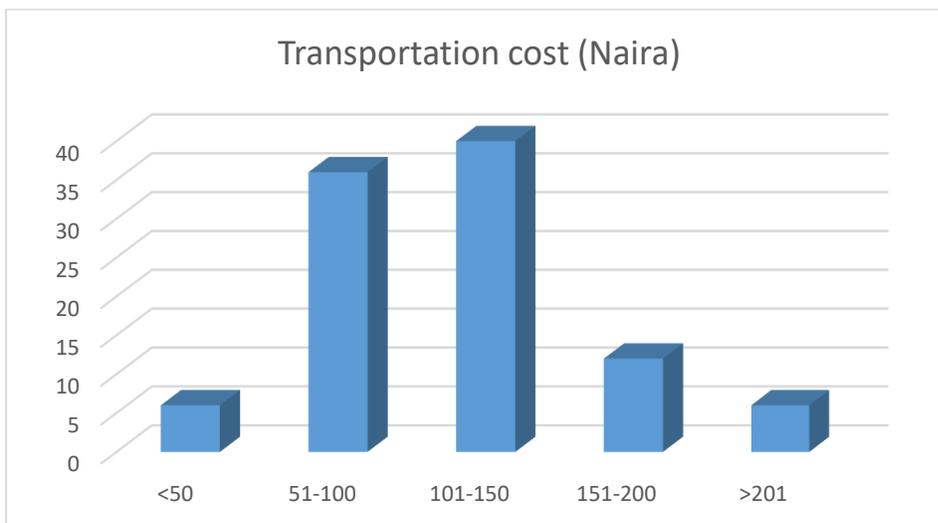
Figure 6: safety of banks in the study area



Source: Author's compilation

Figure 7: Medium of transportation to banks

Figure 7 presents the response of the bank customers concerning medium bank customers get to their respective banks for physical transactions. Majority (48%) of the customers take commercial transport to access their banks, 13% go with their private means of transportation while 39% trek to access their banks for physical transactions.



Source: Author's compilation

Figure 8: Transportation cost to bank

Also, figure 8 presents transportation cost in naira covered by the customers to get to their banks. 6% spends less than 50 naira on transportation to get to their bank. 36% spends between 51 – 100 naira, 40% spends between 101 – 150 naira on transportation to get to their banks, 12% spends

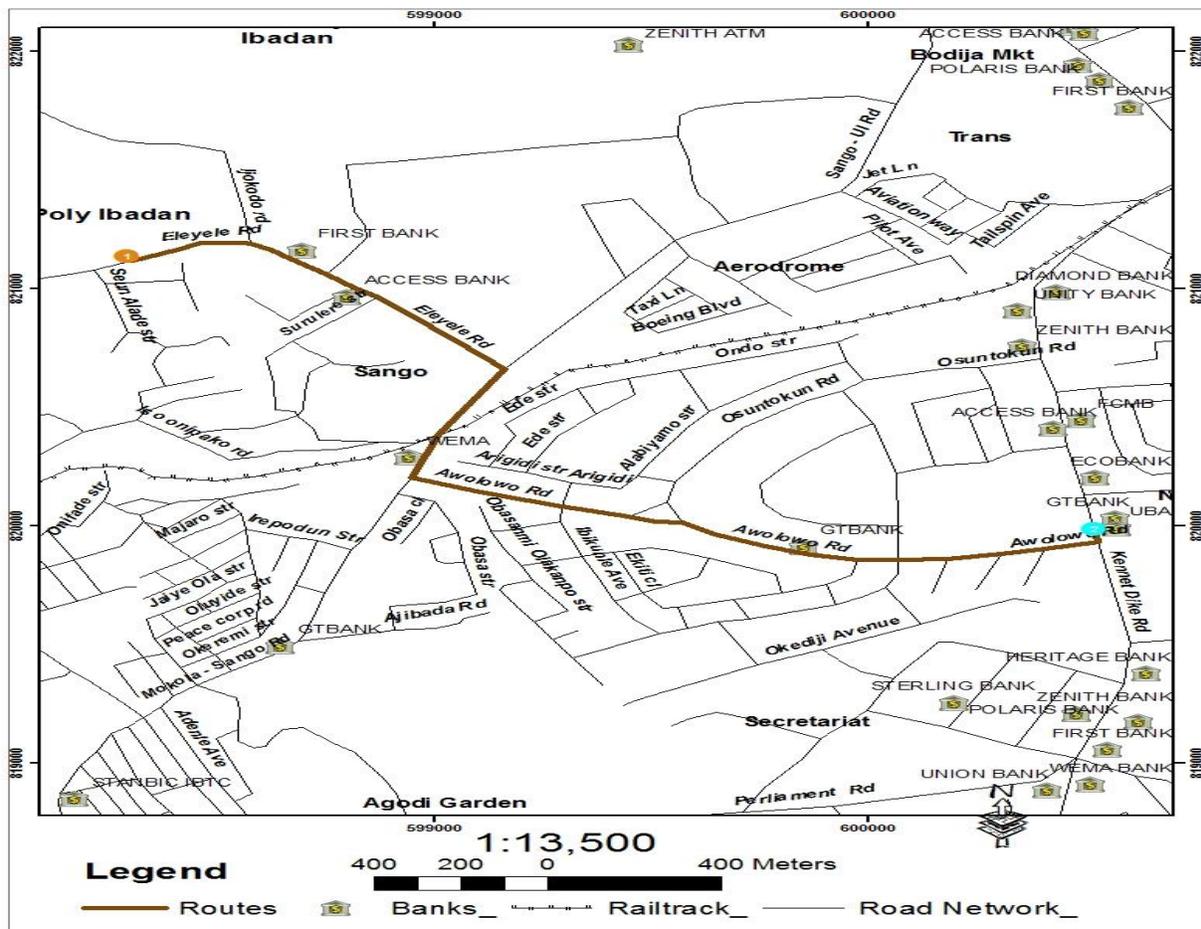
between 151 – 200 naira while 6% of the bank customers spends above 200 naira to get to their banks for physical transaction.

Table 4: closeness of banks to residential and office

| Closeness of bank to residences | Variable | Frequency  | Percentage   |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|--------------|
|                                 | Yes      | 121        | 33           |
|                                 | No       | 247        | 67           |
| <b>Total</b>                    |          | <b>368</b> | <b>100.0</b> |
| Closeness of banks to offices   | Variable | frequency  | Percentage   |
|                                 | Yes      | 215        | 58           |
|                                 | No       | 153        | 42           |
| <b>Total</b>                    |          | <b>368</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

Source: Author's compilation

Table 4 present the view of the customers concerning closeness to residential and offices. Majority (67%) of the respondents affirmed that the location of bank is far away from their residence while 33% responded bank is nearby to their residential areas. Also, 58% of the bank customers said that the location of bank is closer to their offices while 42 responded that banks are far from their offices.



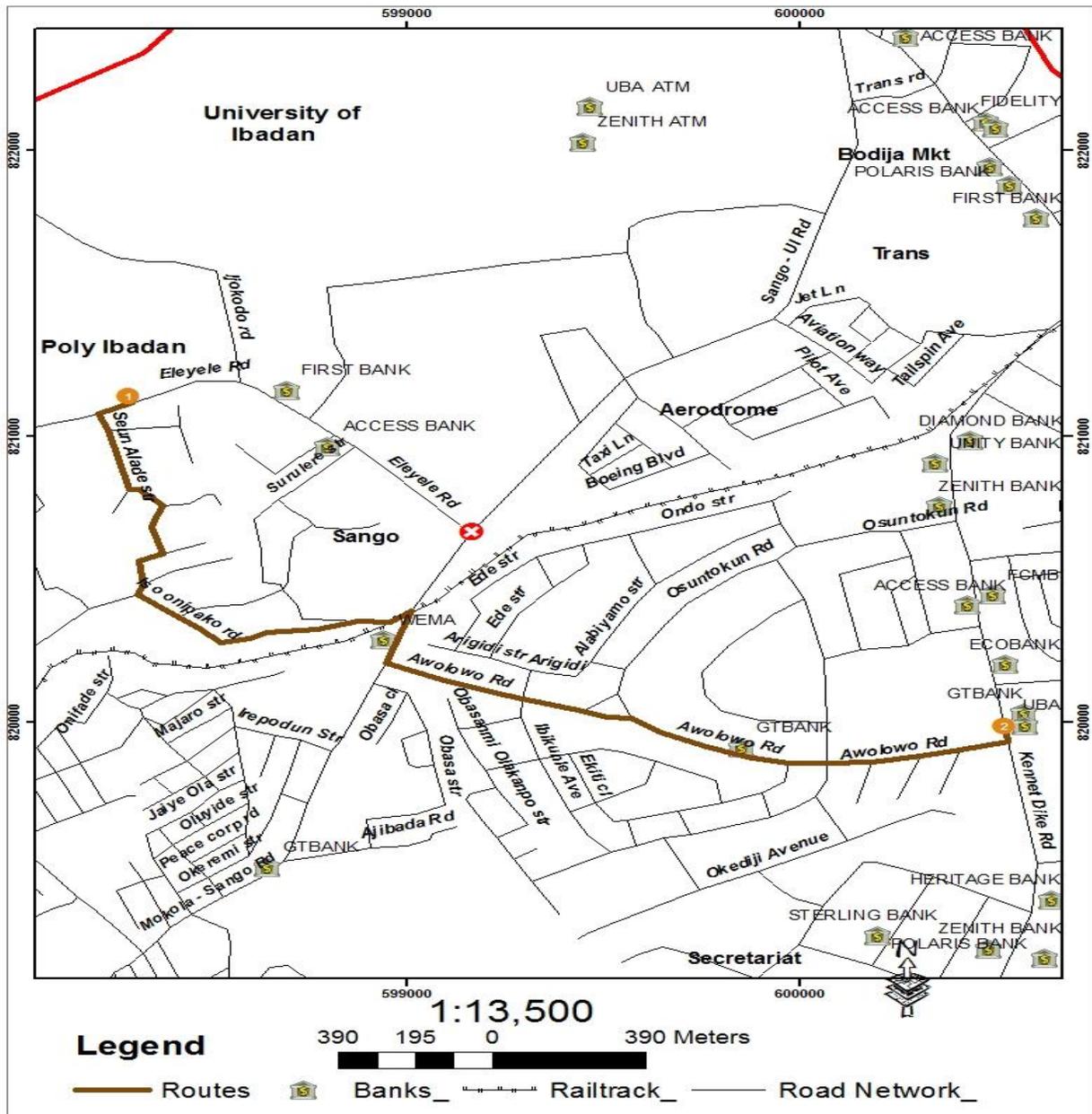
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Figure 9: shortest routes from Poly Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank within Ibadan North  
 Figure 9 shows the shortest routes for a UBA bank customer to access the nearest UBA banks for physical transaction within Ibadan North local government. This reveals that it will take the customer 3.3km to get to the nearest UBA bank from Polytechnic Ibadan. Figure 10 shows direction of the best shortest routes from poly Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank at Awolowo along Kennet Dike road. This also reveals the longest route to be taken is Awolowo road which is 1.1km while a short turning will be made at kennet Dike road to get to UBA bank.



Source: Author's work

Figure 10: Description of shortest routes from Poly Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank



Source: Author's work

Figure 11: Alternative shortest routes from Poly Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank

Figure 11 shows the detailed alternative shortest routes from Polytechnic Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank at Awolowo along Kenneth Dike road. Suppose there is a road block at Sango junction, the above figure 7 shows the best shortest alternative routes to get to the nearest UBA bank along Kenneth Dike Road. The description of routes to be taken is shown in the figure 8.



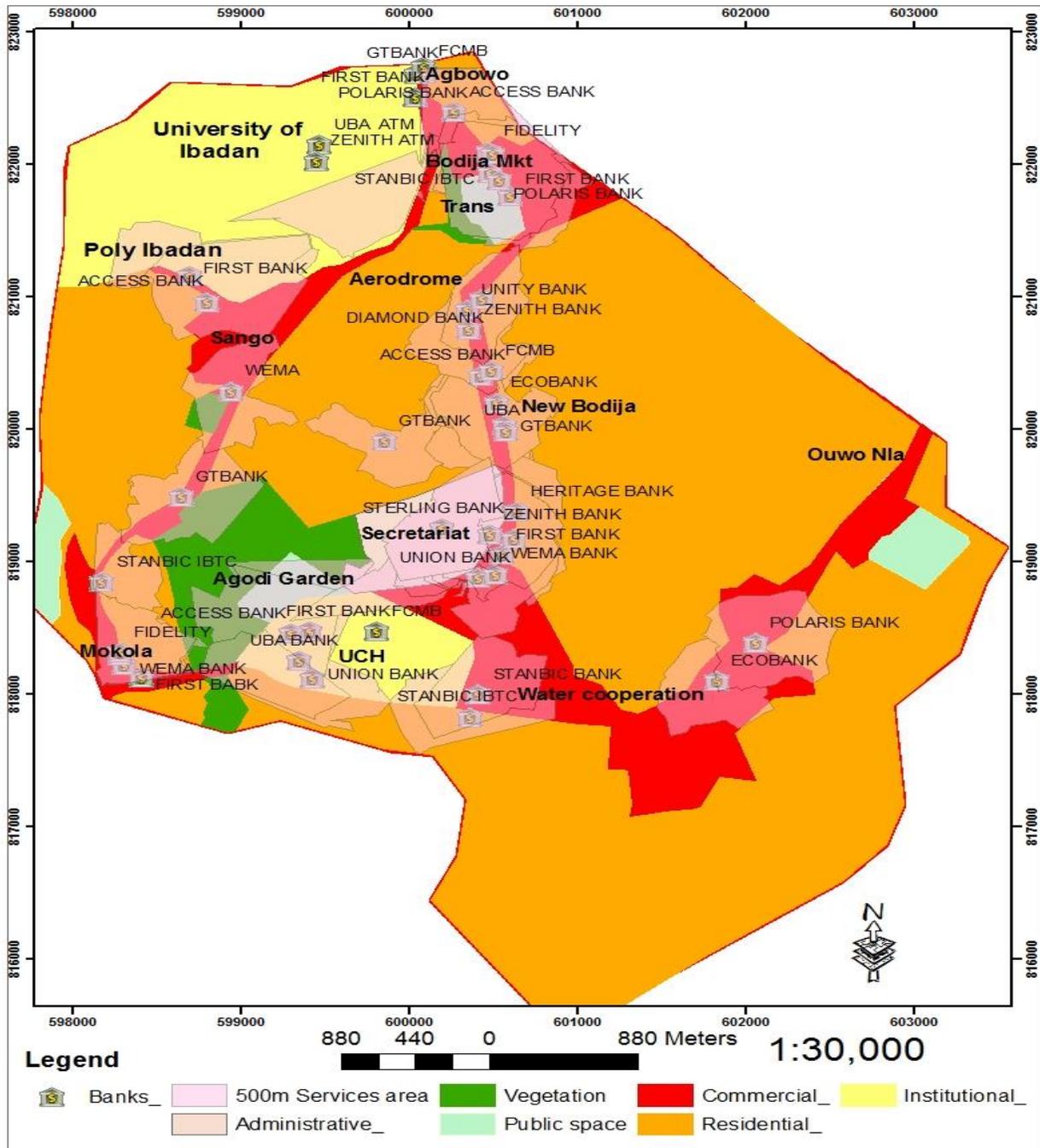
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Figure 12: Description of best alternative shortest routes from Poly Ibadan to the nearest UBA bank

Figure 12 shows detailed direction of routes to bypass road block at Sango junction. This reveals that it will take 3.5km to get to the nearest UBA branch at Awolowo compare to the best shortest routes which is 3.3km if there is no road block. This means difference of 200m between best shortest routes and alternative best shortest routes to get the nearest UBA branch from poly Ibadan.

### Service Area

Service area analysis is especially good for delineating 'travel sheds,' and defining accessible areas based on walking, cycling, driving, transit, etc



Source: Author's work

Figure 8: Map showing the service area network of 500m of each bank in the study area

Figure 8 shows the service area of each bank at a distance of 500m within the study area. It also, shows that the service area covers mostly commercial and institutional areas. And it can be deduced that there is clustered distribution of banks in commercial area than any other land uses

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in Ibadan north local government. Also, most residential areas are underserved because of bank wanting to locate at Central Business District (CBD).

## CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

Geographic Information System is a system designed to enable users to collect, manage, analyze, and retrieve large volume of spatially referenced data and associated attributes collected from various sources. This study shows the capability of Geographic Information System in analysing spatial phenomenal relating to financial institutions and accessibilities. This research revealed that banks in Ibadan North are mostly located in commercial areas giving the residential areas less consideration. Majority of bank customers takes commercial transportation to make physical transaction in their respective banks due to distance. This study therefore suggest that residential areas should be considered in siting banks and there should be at least 100m intervals between banks to reduce the rate of bank clustering in a particular area. Also, more roads should be constructed to allow ease of movement.

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