

CBS News: LAPD Tries to predict crime through data analysis (9:51)

1. Watch the video and take notes on the following aspects:

00:00 – 01:12	... what PredPol basically is about.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>police system that uses data to predict crime</i> • <i>prediction by an algorithm:</i> • <i>officers are briefed which zones to watch</i>
01:12 – 02:23	... how PredPol works.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>the computer prints out small areas/boxes that are in danger</i> • <i>automatic information from the algorithm</i> • <i>analyzes crime reports from past years</i> • <i>crime follows a pattern</i>
02:24 – 03:27	... why PredPol is useful for the police in general?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>they know where to go (PredPol boxes)</i> • <i>they have a good chance to find crime in progress</i> • <i>they send resources where they can do good</i>
03:28 – 03:59	--- what Sarah Brayne, says about the program?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>too early to say that it works</i> • <i>it has the potential to be efficient</i>
04:00 - 05:14	... how predicting WHO will commit crimes works.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>scoring system (1-5 points according to your past behavior)</i> • <i>list of "chronic offender master list"</i> • <i>they get a letter to change their ways and find a way out</i> • <i>community service</i> • <i>they are checked regularly</i>
05:14 – 05:54	... how Sarah Brayne and the presenter describe the problem about chronic offenders in the community.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>the more the police talks to them / stops them, the more points they will gather → cycle</i> • <i>data might become dangerous like guns</i>
05:55 – 07:04	... Baldwin Village and the case of Anthony Robles.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>people ended up on that list without being gang members</i> • <i>A.R was frequently stopped by the police</i> • <i>he realized it was because they thought he was part of a gang</i>

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07:05 – 07:49	... how the community group and Jamie Garcia describe the dangers in predictive policing.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>trying to mask policing → impacting the black and brown communities</i>• <i>almost all on the list belong to minorities</i>
07:49 – 08:15	... on the police officer's answer to this (in short).
	<i>they are doing what they have to do when they have information about risks</i>
08:16 – 09:18	Summarize what Sarah Brayne finally states
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Technology that collects data on anyone is moving faster than the law</i>• <i>it's legal and regulatory "Wild West"</i>

[Final 30 seconds on the situation in Canada and Vancouver.]

Do you think this is a way to reduce the number of crimes committed in residential areas? Think of reasons for your answer.