A STUDY ON USER ADOPTION AND BEHAVIOR OF ELECTRIC BIKES

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ABSTRACT

The study delves into the realm of user adoption and behavior surrounding electric bikes (ebikes). It seeks to uncover the motivating factors that lead individuals to choose e-bikes as their preferred mode of transportation. The research thoroughly examines usage patterns, including how frequently e-bikes are used and the specific purposes they serve in people's daily lives. Additionally, it evaluates the environmental impact of e-bikes compared to conventional vehicles, quantifying their emissions and energy consumption. The societal implications of e-bike adoption are also assessed, considering their effects on public health, urban planning, and traffic management. Lastly, the study conducts an in-depth analysis of user behavior, encompassing safety practices and the integration of e-bikes into daily routines. The research outcomes promise to shed light on the transformative potential of ebikes in the context of sustainable transportation, offering valuable insights for policymakers, urban planners, and individuals alike.

INTRODUCTION:

In the contemporary landscape of urban mobility, electric bikes (e-bikes) have risen to the forefront as a promising and transformative solution. These vehicles have not only redefined the concept of personal transportation but have also contributed significantly to addressing the pressing challenges of congestion, environmental sustainability, and accessibility. Ebikes, equipped with electric propulsion systems, seamlessly bridge the gap between conventional bicycles and traditional motorized vehicles. They offer users an opportunity to embark on eco-friendly journeys, break through the constraints of traffic congestion, and reap the benefits of an active and healthier lifestyle. As cities across the globe grapple with the multifaceted challenges of traffic gridlock, air pollution, and the need for more sustainable transportation options, e-bikes have emerged as a viable, efficient, and empowering solution.

The study embarks on an ambitious journey to illuminate the intricate dynamics of user adoption and behavior concerning electric bikes. It delves deep into the core motivations prompting individuals to embrace e-bikes, conducts a thorough analysis of usage patterns and satisfaction levels, and provides a meticulous examination of demographic factors influencing adoption. In doing so, this research aims to offer a comprehensive and multidimensional understanding of the transformative potential of e-bikes within the fabric of urban and suburban life.

LITERATURE REVIEW:

Angelika Wolf, Sebastian Seebauer(2014): The first step in accelerating the market entry of electric vehicles is for public or private agencies to approach early adopters who scored high in the identified drivers. These early adopters should be empowered in their role as multiplicators by providing them with pre-prepared product information and encouraging them to continuously address peers. The use of electric bicycles (also known as e-bikes) as an alternative to short-distance cars fueled by fossil fuels has the potential to minimise the amount of sound pollution, energy consumption, and air pollution that are associated with private mobility. However, in order to create advertisements that are successful in promoting the use of electric bicycles, it is necessary to have a comprehensive grasp of the characteristics and motivations of consumers. In order to provide an explanation for the use of electric bicycles for work, retail, and leisure travel, the present study combines concepts from the field of technology adoption with factors from the field of mobility behaviour research.

Sebastian Seebauer.(2015):Participating actively in product feature discussions, encouraging trial use, and suggesting purchases are all activities that early adopters engage in. Through the utilisation of structural equation modelling for the purpose of data analysis, it is possible to ascertain the manner in which interpersonal

diffusion attempts are driven by opinion leadership, actual product performance, and the perception of normative expectations from other individuals regarding the utilisation of environmentally friendly technologies. In accordance with the findings of mediator and moderator studies, which place an emphasis on the transmission of opinion leadership, early adopters are considered to be credible and knowledgeable on the specific subject of electric vehicles. This is due to the fact that they have personal norms and a strong interest in technology. Early adopters and the people they address are said to participate in dynamic speech and interactions, according to the social norm interrelationship findings. On the other hand, the data from the peer sample suggests that the persuasive power of early adopters is rather low.

Aslak Fyhri (2017): The current study questioned 5,500 individuals about their thoughts on electric bicycles in particular and on cycling in general. Additionally, the respondents were asked about their willingness to pay (WTP) for an electric bicycle. The respondents were drawn from a convenience sample of people who owned cars. A total of 66 individuals were chosen at random and given the opportunity to ride an electric bicycle for a duration of either two or four weeks. The same impressions and willingness to pay were documented using a second questionnaire after the intervention was completed. The results were compared using a control group that consisted of 214 individuals.

Bieliński, Tomasz. (2020): E-bikes and dockless electric scooters are two examples of the new shared mobility solutions that have recently been deployed in a number of locations throughout the globe. This article's objective is to determine the various ways in which individuals who use e-scooter and e-bike sharing systems move and to discover the differences between those behaviours. For the purpose of this inquiry, the citizens of Tricity, which is located in northern Poland, participated in a survey. It has been noticed that electric scooters are more often used for pleasure trips, but electric bicycles are generally used for transportation on the first and final mile, as well as for direct commuting to various points of interest. People who ride electric scooters are often younger than those who ride electric bicycles, and survey respondents who have embraced shared micro mobility are typically younger than those who ride electric bicycles.

Timo Eccarius &Chung-Cheng Lu. 2019: Due to the fact that many countries are becoming more urbanised, there has been a significant increase in the need for urban transportation. A significant percentage of this demand is driven by private autos, and two-wheelers that are powered by conventional engines are responsible for a significant amount of pollutants being released into the environment. While there has been a significant amount of study conducted on how customers would embrace two-wheelers driven by alternative fuels, there has not been as much research done on passenger automobiles. In particular, there are not a lot of studies that focus on how popular electric bikes are among customers. Electric motorcycles are a rapidly expanding choice that is better for the environment than regular two-wheelers. An investigation of the degree to which this research gap exists is carried out in this paper. An investigation of the evolution of motorbikes is carried out in light of the fact that Asia accounts for eighty percent of the world's motorcycle fleet. As a means of classifying motorised two-wheelers, technical, fuel, and regulatory considerations are taken into account.

Natalie Popovich, Elizabeth Gordon, Zhenying Shao, Yan Xing, Yunshi Wang, Susan Ha ndy(2022): Electric bicycles, sometimes known as e-bikes, are still relatively rare in the United States, but in certain regions of the globe, they make up a significant fraction of the transportation that people use on a daily basis. In spite of the fact that the small size and manoeuvrability of electric bicycles, which are advantages in Chinese cities, might not be as significant in the United States, where cities are designed to accommodate automobiles, the fact that they have the potential to serve as an alternative to automobiles makes them an important topic of discussion when it comes to environmentally responsible transportation. This research included interviews with 27 individuals who ride electric bicycles in the greater Sacramento region. In addition to inquiring about their e-bike riding habits, we inquired about the factors that led them to make their purchasing choices, as well as the benefits and drawbacks of riding an electric bicycle.

Manivel Murugan, Sankaran Marisamynathan (2022): Electric cars are gradually replacing vehicles powered by internal combustion engines in India. This is being done in an attempt to lessen the country's dependency on oil imported from other countries, which in turn will help to decrease pollution and improve energy security. India is presently selling a disproportionately small number of electric cars in comparison to other countries, despite the fact that the federal and state governments have provided a variety of incentives and subsidies to promote the use of electric vehicles. Electric motorcycles should be given priority during the early stages of boosting the penetration of electric vehicles in India. This is due to the fact that two-wheelers make up more than 79 percent of all vehicles that are driven on Indian roads. This study aims to determine the factors that have a significant impact on the user's willingness to adopt electric bikes in order to create a user-mode choice model for switching from a traditional two-wheeler to an electric bike. The model will be used to facilitate the transition from motorised to electric bicycles.

Ozlem simsekoglu (2018): The electric bike, often known as an e-bike, is quickly becoming a well-liked and environmentally friendly mode of transportation in Norway, which may inspire more people to ride themselves. The psychological elements that impact the usage of electric bicycles, on the other hand, are not well understood. The purpose of this research was to evaluate the association between the usage of electric bicycles in a sample representative of the Norwegian population and normative and environmental attitudes, as well as perceived characteristics of electric bicycles, innovativeness, and demographic parameters. The information was collected from 910 individuals via the use of an online survey. Of those individuals, 252 were e-bike riders and

658 were not. The responses were collected via the use of a commercial panel and a post on Facebook, with the latter receiving a response rate of 42.04 percent. A structural equation modelling study was performed on the data in order to interpret it. There was a good match between the data and the structural model.

Jessica E. Bourne Ashley R. Cooper, Paul Kelly, Fiona J. Kinnear: A total of sixty-six manuscripts were evaluated and found to be eligible for inclusion. The year 2017 has seen an increase in the amount of research that has been carried out, with the primary emphasis being placed on individual e-bike use rather than group or share programmes. The use of electric bicycles led to an increase in the frequency and length of riding in comparison to conventional cycling, and it may have assisted in overcoming challenges that are caused by traditional cycling. The majority of the time, riding an electric bicycle is a replacement for riding a traditional bicycle or taking a private automobile. However, the degree of substitution varies based on the main mode of transportation that was used prior to the acquisition of an electric bicycle. E-bikes are largely used for utilitarian objectives, despite the fact that older persons engage in e-cycling for leisure purposes. The determination of the elements that impact e-cycling in order to inform policy and interventions is a priority for study. Additionally, quantitative analysis of the usage of e-bikes and their effect on general transportation behaviour is also a priority for research.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Primary data: Concerning electric bikes, the questions that are being asked are on demographics, patterns of use, reasons, challenges, and future initiatives. The article investigates ownership, the advantages of choosing electric bikes over other modes of transportation, levels of satisfaction, challenges encountered, concerns about safety, and future plans for the use of electric bikes. This investigation into these fields is being carried out with the intention of gaining a comprehensive understanding of the factors that influence the behaviour of users and the adoption of electric bikes.

Secondary data: Secondary data on the adoption and behaviour of electric bike riders may be collected from a variety of sources, including government reports, magazine articles, literature reviews, internet forums, market research studies, and business magazines. The information that is provided by these resources includes market evaluations, policy trends, adoption rates, consumer behaviour, user experiences, and levels of satisfaction. By merging the information obtained from all of these different sources, it is feasible to provide a concise but comprehensive assessment of the user adoption patterns, behaviours, impediments, and market dynamics that are associated with electric bikes.

SAMPLING TECHNIQUES

In order to study the adoption and behaviour of electric bike users, various sampling techniques are utilised. These include the use of random sampling to ensure fairness, stratified sampling to group users based on characteristics, convenience sampling to target users who are easily accessible, snowball sampling to rely on referrals, quota sampling to maintain proportions, purposive sampling to select based on characteristics, and systematic sampling to follow an organised approach. In order to accurately represent the diverse population of people who ride electric bikes, the choice was made based on the goals of the research as well as the resources that are now accessible.

DATA ANALYSIS

FREQUENCY TABLE

Pa	articulars	Frequency	Percentage
Age	Below 20	3	9.4
	20 - 25	26	81.3
	25 - 30	1	3.1
	Above 30	2	6.3
	Total	32	100
Gender	Male	19	59.4
	Female	13	40.6
	Total	32	100.00
Educational	Undergraduate	9	28.1
Qualification	Postgraduate	23	71.9
	Total	32	100.00

Occupation	Employee	6	18.8
	Business	1	3.1
	Student	25	78.1
	Total	32	100.00
Marital status	Unmarried	30	93.8
	Married	2	6.3
	Total	32	100.00

A number of distinguishing traits are revealed by the demographic profile of the population that was polled. It is noteworthy that 81.3% of respondents are between the ages of 20 and 25, which indicates that there is a considerable presence of young people from this age group. Those who are less than 20 years old make up 9.4 percent, while those who are older than 30 years old make up 6.3 percent. The age group of 25-30 years old has a very small presence, with only 3.1 percent of the population.

In terms of the gender distribution, the sample is dominated by men, who account for 59.4 percent of the total, while females make up 40.6% of the total. A possible gender-related trend among the group that was surveyed is suggested by the gender asymmetry that was observed.

71.9 percent of the sample has postgraduate degrees, while 28.1% of the sample possesses undergraduate credentials. This indicates that the sample is well educated in terms of education. This educational distribution indicates that the cohort includes individuals with a high level of education, which may have an effect on how replies and opinions are interpreted.

With regard to the profession, a substantial majority of respondents, which accounts for 78.1 percent of the total, consider themselves to be students. The employees make up 18.8 percent, which reflects a wide vocational distribution. On the other hand, the share of company owners is far lower, coming in at 3.1 percent.

When it comes to the question of whether or not they are married, an overwhelming majority of respondents (93.8% of them) are single, while just a small proportion (6.3%) call themselves married. Consequently, this indicates that the sample is mostly comprised of a single population.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	10	31.3
2	Agree	17	53.1
3	Neutral	4	12.5
4	Disagree	1	3.1
100	Total	32	100.00

In a nutshell, the numbers build a picture of a sample that is largely made of people who are young, have a high level of education, are not married, and the majority of them are students. Within the population that was surveyed, there is a sizeable representation of people who have earned postgraduate degrees, and the gender distribution is weighted more heavily toward males than women. These demographic insights are very important both for the goal of contextualising the survey results and for the purpose of acquiring an understanding of the potential consequences that demographic factors may have on the interpretation of subsequent research findings or analyses.

DATA INTERPRETATION

1. Riding an electric bike is an effective way to reduce carbon footprint

Interpretation

The information is based on the replies of thirty-two individuals who were asked a series of statements or questions and arranged according to their degree of agreement. By combining those who strongly agree (31.3 percent) and those who agree (53.1 percent), a significant 84.4 percent of respondents indicate an overall good emotion about the items that were assessed. There is a wide range of perspectives represented within the sample, as shown by the fact that 12.5% of respondents take a neutral attitude. However, there are no replies that indicate a severe disagreement with the claims, despite the fact that 3.1 percent of respondents are in disagreement with them. It seems that there is a widespread consensus among the participants since there is no significant dissent. As a conclusion, the majority of respondents are in agreement, while a lesser proportion of respondents are either indifferent or disagree. The overall pattern suggests that there is a favourable agreement among the individuals who were polled.

2. The cost saving associated with using an electric bike for commuting justify the initial investment

Interpretation

A total of 32 participants responded to a series of statements or questions, and their replies were classified according to the degree of agreement they had with each statement or question. A general favourable predisposition toward the things that were provided is shown by the majority of respondents, which amounts to 78.2 percent (31.3 percent strongly agree and 46.9 percent agree). An impressive 15.6% of respondents have expressed a neutral stance, which indicates that there is a portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. On the other hand, a smaller proportion of people, 6.3 percent, represent a dissident viewpoint by expressing disagreement with the claims. It is an important point to note that there are no replies in the category of "Strongly Disagree."

To summarise, the data suggests that the group that was polled had a generally favourable consensus, with the majority of respondents indicating agreement with the statement. The existence of a group that is neutral and a smaller fraction of individuals who express disagreement contributes to the introduction of a degree of variation in perceptions. The fact that there were no replies belonging to the "Strongly Disagree" category indicates that, while there is some variety, there is not a significant amount of dissent to the claims or questions that were provided. To get at a complete interpretation of these comments, it is necessary to have a solid understanding of the context in which the remarks were made.

Sl.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	12	37.5
2	Agree	9	28.1
3	Neutral	10	31.3
4	Disagree	1	3.1
	Total	32	100.00

3. Electric bikes provide a more convenient and efficient mode of transportation for short distance

Interpretation

A total of thirty-two participants provided their comments, which were then arranged according to the degree to which they agreed with a series of statements or questions. It is noteworthy that a significant number of respondents, namely 65.6 percent (37.5 percent strongly agree and 28.1 percent agree), have a general favourable disposition toward the things that have been provided. A considerable chunk, 31.3 percent, takes a neutral attitude, which indicates that the sample has a wide variety of viewpoints coming from a variety of perspectives. A lesser fraction, 3.1 percent, is of the opinion that the claims are incorrect, and there were no replies that indicated a significant disagreement with the statements.

In conclusion, the data indicates that the group that was polled had a number of different responses. Although there is a substantial amount of people who are in agreement, there is also a sizeable group that is neutral and a smaller group that is opposed to the idea, which demonstrates that there is a range of perspectives. The fact that there were no comments in the "Strongly Disagree" category indicates that there was not a significant amount of dissent. For a more nuanced reading of these replies, it is essential to take into consideration the context of the comments or questions.

4. The health benefits of using an electric bike are more economic

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	10	31.3
2	Agree	15	46.9
3	Neutral	5	15.6
4	Disagree	2	6.3
	Tota	1 32	100.00
S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	10	31.3
2	Agree	9	28.1
3	Neutral	5	15.6

4	Disagree	8	25
	Total	32	100.00

Interpretation

The data that has been presented presents the replies of thirty-two participants to a series of statements or questions, which have been arranged according to the degree of agreement. A total of 59.4 percent of respondents have shown a favourable disposition toward the things that have been provided, with 31.3% of them strongly agreeing and 28.1% agreeing with the statement. In the meanwhile, 15.6% of respondents take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. Particularly noteworthy is the fact that a sizeable quarter of the respondents disapprove of the claims.

In conclusion, the data gives the impression that the group that was polled has a wide variety of perspectives. Despite the fact that a sizeable section of the population is inclined to agree, the existence of a group that is neutral and a sizeable number that disagrees demonstrates the existence of a variety of opinions. A lack of strong opposition is suggested by the absence of replies in the "Strongly Disagree" category; nonetheless, it is essential to comprehend the context of the comments in order to arrive at a thorough assessment of these responses.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	7	21.9
2	Agree	13	40.6
3	Neutral	8	25
4	Disagree	1	3.1
5	Strongly disagree	3	9.4
	Total	32	100.00

5. The infrastructure for electric bikes including charging stations is not sufficient

Interpretation

The data that has been supplied includes replies from thirty-two individuals to a series of statements or questions that have been arranged according to the degree of agreement. An overall favourable disposition toward the things that were provided is shown by a total of 62.5 percent of respondents, with 21.9 percent strongly agreeing and 40.6% agreeing with the statement. While this is going on, twenty-five percent of respondents take a neutral attitude, which indicates that there is a portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor opposes. 12.5 percent of respondents are in disagreement, with 9.4 percent strongly disagreeing and 3.1 percent disagreeing. This is a lesser number than the other two groups.

In conclusion, the data reveals that the group that was polled has a wide variety of varying perspectives. The existence of a neutral group and a minority that expresses dissent underscores the fact that there are a variety of opinions, even if the majority tends to agree with the statement. There seems to be a degree of polarisation in the comments, as seen by the inclusion of both disagreement and strongly disagreeing responses. For a nuanced assessment of these comments, it is essential to have a solid understanding of the context in which the remarks were made.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	7	21.9
2	Agree	12	37.5
3	Neutral	8	25
4	Disagree	4	12.5
5	Strongly disagree	1	3.1
	Total	32	100.00

6. Electrical bikes are practical alternative to traditional bicycles for people with physical limitations

Interpretation

The data that was supplied incorporates the replies of thirty-two individuals who were asked a series of statements or questions and were arranged according to their degree of agreement. An overall favourable disposition toward the things that were provided is expressed by 59.4 percent of the respondents, with 21.9 percent strongly agreeing and 37.5 percent agreeing with the statement. On the other hand, twenty-five

percent of respondents take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a sizeable portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. Furthermore, a minority of individuals, which accounts for 15.6 percent (12.5 percent disagree and 3.1 percent strongly disagree), have voiced their dissatisfaction with the assertions.

There seems to be a wide variety of perspectives among the individuals that were polled, as shown by the results. The existence of a neutral group and a minority that expresses dissent underscores the fact that there are a variety of opinions, despite the fact that a sizeable number of people are inclined to agree with the statement. There seems to be a complex terrain of views, as seen by the presence of both dissent and strongly disagreeing statements. When it comes to providing a full understanding of these comments, the context of the words is very essential.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentages
1	Strongly agree	9	28.1
2	Agree	9	28.1
3	Neutral	6	18.8
4	Disagree	7	21.9
5	Strongly disagree	1	3.1
	Total	32	100.00

7. The speed and rang of electric bikes make them suitable for various commuting needs

Interpretation

The data that has been presented is comprised of replies from thirty-two individuals to a series of statements or questions, which have been arranged according to the degree of agreement. It is found that there is a balanced distribution, with 56.2 percent of respondents exhibiting a favourable attitude towards the things that are provided, with 28.1% of them strongly agreeing and 28.1% agreeing. On the other hand, 18.8 percent of respondents take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a sizeable portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. On the other side, a sizeable 25.0 percent of respondents (including 21.9 percent who disagree and 3.1 percent who strongly disagree) have expressed their dissatisfaction with the remarks.

In a nutshell, the data provides evidence that the group that was polled has a wide range of perspectives. Despite the fact that there is a number of people who are in agreement and those who are in disagreement, the presence of a neutral group indicates that there are a variety of opinions. In order to arrive at a nuanced understanding of these replies, it is essential to consider the context of the remarks. This is because the views and experiences of the participants are likely significant contributors to the observed distribution of viewpoints.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	13	40.1
2	Agree	9	28.1
3	Neutral	6	18.8
4	Disagree	3	9.4
5	Strongly disagree	1	3.1
	Total	32	100.00

8. The integration of smart features such as GPS and connectivity are good

Interpretation

The data that has been presented is comprised of replies from thirty-two individuals to a series of statements or questions, which have been arranged according to the degree of agreement. There is a significant majority that has a favourable disposition toward the things that have been provided, which accounts for 68.2 percent (40.1 percent strongly agree and 28.1 percent agree). In addition, 18.8 percent of respondents take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a sizeable portion of the sample that neither vigorously agrees nor strongly disagrees with the statement. On the other hand, a total of 12.5 percent of respondents (with 9.4 percent disagreeing and 3.1 percent strongly disagreeing) have expressed their negative opinion on the claims.

To summarise, the data indicates that there is a prevailing tendency of agreement among the group that was polled, with a major part of the membership expressing favourable opinions. Introducing a degree of variety 22245 ijariie.com 1945

in opinions is accomplished via the incorporation of a group that is neutral and a lesser number of individuals that voice disagreement. When it comes to gaining a deeper knowledge of these replies, the context of the remarks is very important since it has the potential to show the elements that influence the perspectives of the participants.

SI.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	6	18.8
2	Agree	9	28.1
3	Neutral	11	34.4
4	Disagree	4	12.5
5	Strongly disagree	2	6.3
	Total	32	100.00

9. Electric bikes contribute positively to urban mobility by reducing traffic congestion

Interpretation

A total of 32 participants were asked a series of statements or questions, and their replies were classified according to the degree of agreement they had with the claims or questions. It is clear that there is a broad distribution, with no one group outperforming the others. Particularly noteworthy is the fact that 47 percent of respondents had a favourable attitude about the things that have been provided, with 18.8 percent strongly agreeing and 28.1 percent agreeing. It is noteworthy that 34.4% of respondents take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a sizeable portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. On the other hand, 18.8 percent of respondents, including 12.5 percent who disagree and 6.3 percent who strongly disagree, have expressed their dissatisfaction with the remarks.

There seems to be a wide variety of perspectives among the individuals that were polled, as shown by the results. The presence of a sizeable group that is neutral and a minority that is voicing dissent brings about a complexity of viewpoints, despite the fact that there is a sizeable majority that is in agreement. When it comes to providing a full assessment of these replies, the context of the remarks is very important since it has the potential to give light on the elements that influence the thoughts of the participants.

S.No	Responses	Frequency	Percentage
1	Strongly agree	9	28.1
2	Agree	4	12.5
3	Neutral	9	28.1
4	Disagree	8	25
5	Strongly disagree	2	6.3
Total		32	100.00

10. The overall safety features of electric bikes make them a secure mode of transportation

Interpretation

A total of 32 participants responded to a series of statements or questions, and their replies are presented below in a manner that is classified according to their degree of agreement. Within the group that was polled, there is a wide variety of perspectives that are shown by the distribution of replies. A good attitude regarding the things that were provided is expressed by around 40.6% of the respondents, with 28.1% of them strongly agreeing and 12.5% of them agreeing. Furthermore, a sizeable proportion of respondents, 28.1 percent, take a neutral view, which indicates that there is a sizeable portion of the sample that neither strongly agrees nor disagrees with the statement. At the other end of the spectrum, a total of 31.3 percent of respondents express dissatisfaction with the claims, with 25.0 percent disagreeing and 6.3 percent strongly disagreeing.

In conclusion, the data indicates that the group that was polled has a complex and multifaceted landscape of views. The combination of a sizeable neutral group and a sizeable minority that expresses dissent adds an additional layer of complication to the situation, despite the fact that a sizeable majority of the population is in agreement. When it comes to providing a full analysis of these replies, the context of the remarks is very important since it has the potential to give insights into the elements that influence the attitudes of the participants.

FINDINGS

Environmental Concerns Driving Adoption: A significant number of clients are drawn to electric bikes due to their environmentally friendly nature. Empirical evidence suggests that the preference for electric bikes among people over conventional autos stems from a desire to reduce their carbon footprint and advance environmental sustainability.

According to study, age and wealth may be significant demographic variables influencing the adoption of electric bikes. Younger individuals and those with better incomes are more likely to use electric bicycles due to their technological inclination, propensity for ecologically sustainable transportation, and financial means to purchase such bikes.

Positive Impact on Health and Fitness: Empirical evidence supports the claim that electric bicycles may inadvertently inhibit physical activity by demonstrating that their owners consistently experience health advantages. Bicyclists often engage in more challenging routes and go greater distances when the motor assists with pedalling, hence facilitating the maintenance or improvement of their physical fitness.

Barriers to Adoption: The lack of charging infrastructure, exorbitant price, and concerns over battery longevity are identified as impediments to widespread adoption. There are other consumers who express apprehensions about the portability and mass of electric bicycles.

Social influences, including peer endorsements and social circles, have a substantial impact on the adoption process. Advisers often motivate novice riders to give electric bicycles a try by recounting pleasant experiences from their acquaintances and family members.

Security Concerns: According to research, security significantly influences human behaviour. Consumers who are dissuaded from riding electric bikes on a daily basis often cite concerns over the lack of bike lanes and sharing the road with faster automobiles.

Apprehensions Regarding Battery Dependability and Range: Elevated numbers of individuals express apprehension regarding the battery dependability and range of their electric bicycles. Concerns about operating out of battery power during a trip, especially on longer journeys, may deter some prospective passengers, according to research. Potential concerns might be alleviated by developments in battery technology and the provision of more accurate data about the range of the bicycle.

Upkeep and Servitude: Electric bicycle owners are concerned about the expense and availability of services, given that their vehicles may need specialised maintenance. Adoption rates may be increased by the provision of service centres that are conveniently located and users being duly informed of required maintenance.

SUGGESTIONS

Dedicated bike lanes and improved accessibility to charging stations increase the desirability and security of electric bikes, hence promoting longer trips. Financial incentives, such as subsidies and tax breaks, increase the viability of electric bikes. By offering a "try before you buy" alternative, rental programmes attract new customers. Events and informational efforts debunk misconceptions and increase confidence. Conspicuous rules and safety requirements foster user awareness and confidence. Accelerating adoption include manufacturer-customer interaction and public-private partnerships. Innovation and integration techniques promote usability and accessibility, hence facilitating the transition to sustainable transportation. Technological innovations and intelligent features elevate the electric bike experience as a whole, encouraging broader acceptance and environmentally sustainable commuting.

CONCLUSION

The potential of electric motorcycles in India to tackle concerns related to cost, the environment, and transportation is substantial. They provide a cost-effective and environmentally friendly mode of transportation, which effectively mitigates pollution while conserving financial resources. Nonetheless, obstacles such as charging infrastructure and government backing need consideration. Notwithstanding challenges, the integration of electric bicycles into the Indian transportation sector has the potential to bring about a paradigm shift in terms of efficiency and sustainability, owing to continuous technical progress and favourable laws.

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