

Introduction / Literature Review

INTRODUCTION



- Between 1972 and 2004, 168 sport-related terror attacks have occurred at sporting events globally (Clark, 2004)
- The tragic event of 9/11 have brought forth safety/security advancements such as anti-terrorism legislation, anti-terrorist technologies, and the advancement of security management systems (Jayawardhana, 2016)
- Sport venues in the United States proclaim and aspire to a level of "total security" which involves selective choices associated with risks (Fussey & Coaffee, 2012)

A balanced approach between local and global security measures are essential (Fussey & Coaffee, 2012), however, the institutional logics, institutional strategy, and isomorphic behaviors of safety and security managers in professional sport venues in the US has not yet been evaluated.

LITERATURE REVIEW

- A majority of safety and security studies have investigated the operational issues associated with security (Whisenant, 2003).
- Media's treatment of security issues at sporting events (Atkinson & Young, 2002; Toohey & Taylor, 2006)
- Perceptions of attendees after 9/11 attacks (Atkinson & Young, 2002; Taylor & Toohey, 2006; Toohey et al., 2003)
- Impact on travel intentions (Reisinger & Mavondo, 2005)
- Emotions and risk perceptions of safety and security (Taylor & Toohey, 2007; Toohey, 2008)
- Institutional Logics** "frames of reference that condition organizational choices for sensemaking, for the vocabulary needed to motivate action, and for the creation of a sense of self and identity" (Thornton, Ocasio, & Lounsbury, 2012, p. 804)
- Institutional strategy** "the ability to articulate, sponsor, and defend particular practices and Organizational forms are legitimate or desirable" (Lawrence, 1999, p. 162)
- Isomorphism** "a constraining process that forces one unit in a population to resemble other Units that face the same set of environmental conditions" (DiMaggio & Powell, 1983, p. 149)

PURPOSE

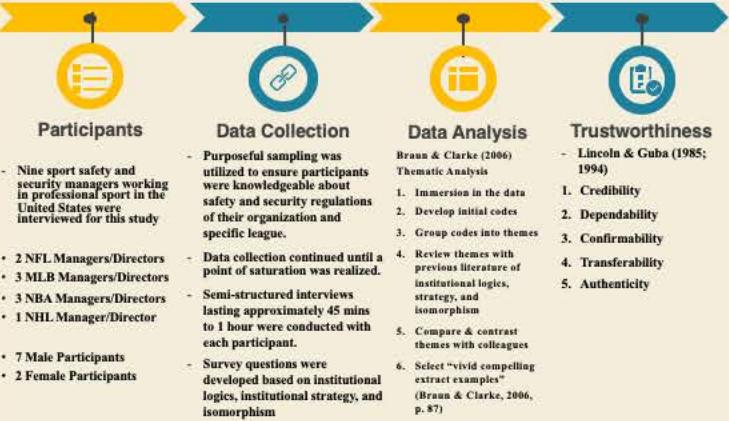
The purpose of this study was to expand the breadth of knowledge pertaining to the institutional logics, institutional strategy, and isomorphic behaviors experienced by safety and security managers in professional sport venues within the United States.

The research questions guiding this study were:

- Do sport safety managers perceive the presence of multiple competing logics?
- How do safety and security managers manage the rationalized institution of safety and security in professional sport within the United States?

Methods / Results

Qualitative Methodology



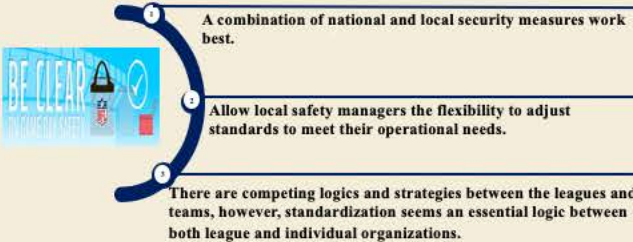
RESULTS



Discussion



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