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■ Use *a lot* with both count and noncount nouns: Are there many traffic lights on First Avenue? Yes, there are **a lot**. Is there much traffic? Yes, there's **a lot**.

■ Use *any* – not *none* – in negative statements: How much traffic is there on your street? There **isn't any**. = There**'s none**. (NOT: ~~There isn't none~~.)

■ Use *How many* with count nouns: **How many books** do you have?

■ Use *How much* with noncount nouns: **How much traffic** is there?

A Complete the conversations. Choose the correct words.

1. A: Is there **many / much** traffic in your city?
   B: Well, there's **a few / a little**.

2. A: Are there **many / much** Wi-Fi hotspots around here?
   B: No, there aren't **many / none**.

3. A: **How many / How much** restaurants are there in your neighborhood?
   B: There **is / are** a lot.

4. A: **How many / How much** noise **is / are** there in your city?
   B: There's **much / none**. It's very quiet.

B Write questions with the words in parentheses. Use *much* or *many*.

1. A: ___Is there much pollution in your neighborhood?_____ (pollution)
   B: No, there isn't. My neighborhood is very clean.

2. A: _____ (parks)
   B: Yes, there are. They're great for families.

3. A: _____ (crime)
   B: There's none. It's a very safe part of the city.

4. A: _____ (laundromats)
   B: There aren't any. A lot of people have their own washing machines.