

Work, Family and Well-being: The Implications of Economic Recession

Abstract:

This proposal is a repeat of the Round 2 module 'Family, Work and Well-being'. It will draw primarily on the 'work experience' and 'work-family' conflict sections of the previous double module, while retaining a number of key indicators with respect to household activity. It will provide additional items to examine the implications of 'labour market trajectories' during the crisis and to extend the analysis of 'work-life balance'. Since the previous module the economic and social situation has been dramatically transformed by the economic recession. A repeat of the module will provide a unique opportunity to examine major theoretical claims about the factors affecting work, family experience and well-being and at the same time will provide an essential mapping for policy makers of the changes occurring, their social costs and their implications for individuals' attitudes to work and society. Given the very different institutional contexts of EU member states, it will provide crucial insights into the extent to which different types of employment and welfare regime are able to mediate the impact of economic crisis.

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