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Beyond Poverty: Evidence on Aporophobia from Spain

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Izvleček v angleščini:

Aporophobia, the rejection or aversion toward people living in poverty, has gained increasing public, academic, and institutional relevance in recent years. Yet, despite this growing recognition, systematic empirical evidence on its prevalence, dimensions, and socioeconomic determinants remains scarce. Our research addresses this gap by developing a multidimensional approach to the measurement of aporophobia that captures different ways in which poverty-based prejudice is expressed and relates it to other forms of social rejection. At the core of this work is the Encuesta de Indicadores Nacionales de Aporofobia (EINA), a new nationwide survey of 6,000 adults across Spain, designed to provide a comprehensive assessment of attitudes toward poverty and people experiencing it. Drawing on the broader literature on poverty, social exclusion, discrimination, and aporophobia, the survey allows us to examine the prevalence and distribution of aporophobic attitudes across different socioeconomic and demographic groups, as well as regional disparities across Spain's autonomous communities. The data further enables us to explore potential determinants of poverty-based prejudice and the relationship between aporophobic attitudes and broader perceptions of inequality, vulnerability, and social exclusion, as well as other forms of discrimination.

Življenjepis (v angleščini):

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