

CONCLUSIONS

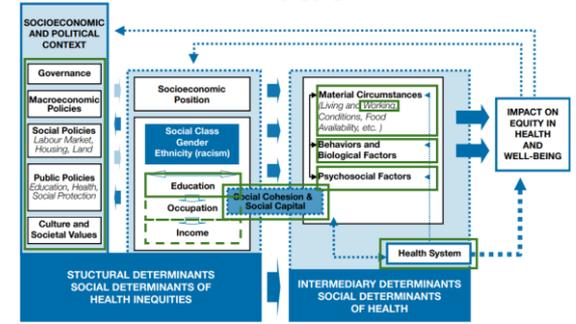
Social determinants of health do not vary uniformly across Europe

Their patterns of variation differ by welfare regime, country, and sex, suggesting that some determinants are more sensitive than others to certain contexts.

Scandinavian Welfare Regimes have generally advantageous profiles, while Eastern Regimes accumulate more disadvantage

Profiling the social determinants of health across 29 European countries

An application of the World Health Organization Framework

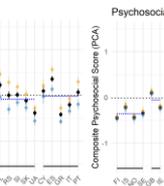
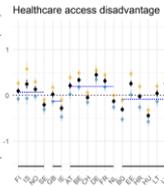
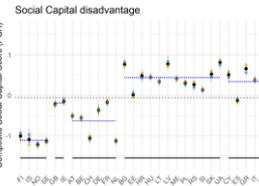
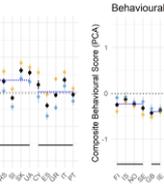
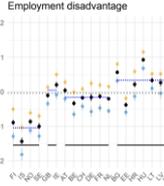
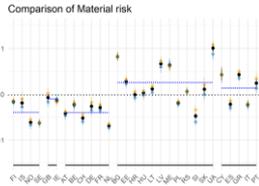
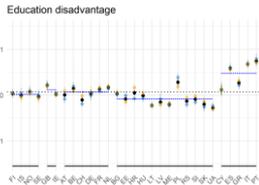


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RESULTS

	Pattern by Welfare regime	No pattern
High variability across countries	Social Capital, employment, behaviour, material	Healthcare access, psychosocial
Low variability across countries	Education	

*Women have a clear disadvantage regarding HC access and employment across all countries



CONTEXT

- Rich and extensive research on Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) has established the importance of living conditions for health.
- Some scholars have taken a **political approach**, highlighting that the political context also matters for health.
- However, this knowledge remains fragmented and has **not translated into substantial improvements** in population health or into reductions in health inequalities.
- Our study draws from literature on living conditions and on political determinants of health to build a **SDoH profile across countries and Welfare regimes** – in order to support a more comprehensive understanding of how these determinants can be addressed through policy action.

METHODS

- We explore 25 variables from the **European Social Survey**, Round 11, across 29 European countries.
- Through a **Principal Component Analysis**, we transform 25 variables into seven comparative disadvantage indices.
- The seven disadvantage indices relate to dimensions of health determinants found in the WHO framework on SDoH:
 - Behaviour
 - Education
 - Working Conditions
 - Psychosocial
 - Healthcare
 - Social Capital
 - Material circumstances
- We compare disadvantage across dimensions, sex, countries, and Welfare Regimes.