



Survival Sex Work in the Times of Covid-19: A Case Study in Spain

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Abstract

This work deepens from a qualitative and intersectional perspective, the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic on the group of women who practice prostitution in conditions of survival in Spain. In this qualitative study, 60 women in a situation of survival sex work in the Balearic Islands were interviewed. Some of the most significant conclusions: a) Perception of the increase or increase in criminalization and stigma towards the group through the media and society. b) Perception of increased vulnerability of the group with higher quotas of impoverishment of their economy, their living conditions, and their basic psychosocial health. c) Resources and social services saturated during the pandemic. In this sense, new perspectives or approaches to the phenomenon are proposed.

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