

Welfare Attitudes in a Changing Europe

Abstract:

The module concerns attitudes towards, and perceptions and evaluations of welfare policies in the broad sense. These data are expected to provide essential input to the interdisciplinary field of comparative studies of welfare state attitudes, to address important everyday-life concerns by citizens, and to offer critical insights of the public legitimacy of welfare state reform. The following topics are covered: Predispositions: trust, risk perception, beliefs, social values, personal experiences; Attitudes towards: welfare state scope and responsibilities; taxation and financing; alternative welfare state models; service delivery (privatisation, choice etc); target groups / receivers; Europeanisation of welfare policies Evaluations of: Task performance, Economic consequences, Moral/Social consequences.

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