

Determining What Factors Affect Violent Crimes: A Study in India and Italy

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Abstract

Crime can be broadly defined as behavior in which individuals obtain resources from others via force, fraud, or stealth. Violent crimes affect the life and safety of the people. A sense of insecurity and fear in the community is simulated further. Public peace is also affected by the incidence and the enormity of such crimes. Conditions of people in the society differentiate at the individual level, relationship, community, and societal levels. With this paper the author is trying to study some crime patterns in developed country (Italy) with developing country (India). In general, the analysis provides implications for policies makers to understand the factors in reduce crime focusing on improving economic conditions, providing opportunities to young men, and improving trust in law enforcement. The detailed datasets like Census, Nation Master, and government websites were used to explore the factors that affect violent crimes. As the data is collected only for 10 years (ie 10 data points) it do not necessarily establishes a causal link between factors and violence and thus cannot be generalized.

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