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[„Actually I am different.“
Subjective constructions of
ethnic identity in a migration
context and new ways in
psychological acculturation
research]

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Drive More Effective Data-Based Innovations: Enhancing the Utility of Secure Databases.

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Abstract [English]

'in the german general survey 2000 (allbus) the so-called sealed envelope technique was used to collect information about the individuals' self-reported delinquency. the article looks in particular at why respondents refuse to fill out this confidential questionnaire in spite of the guaranteed anonymity. from a theoretical perspective of subjective expected utility, it could be assumed that respondents are interested in maximizing benefits and avoiding social costs in the interview situation. therefore, they respond to questions in a manner to realise their interests in the optimal way. at the same time, individual respondent characteristics related to their understanding of the questions or the sealed envelope technique, as well as interviewer characteristics and aspects of the interview situation could lead to refusals on sensitive questions. the allbus 2000 data confirm these hypotheses. the selectivity of self-reported delinquency on things such as far dodging and tax evasion also resulted in biased model estimators of determinants of anticipated future delinquency. mail surveys could be one way to improve data quality in self-reported acts of delinquency. before firm conclusions can be drawn, however, more empirical data is needed on the processes and mechanisms behind respondents refusing to answer questions about delinquency.' (author's abstract)]

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Abstract [Deutsch]

'im allbus 2000 wurde die 'sealed envelope technique' (set) eingesetzt, um zuverlässige wie gültige antworten zum delinquenten handeln zu erhalten. im vorliegenden beitrag gehen wir der frage nach, warum trotz zugesicherter anonymität einige der befragten das selbstauffüllen des vertraulichen fragebogens zum eigenen delinquenten verhalten verweigern. in theoretischer hinsicht wird aus sicht eines werterwartungstheoretischen erklärungsansatzes angenommen, dass personen bei interviews an sozialer anerkennung und vermeiden von missbilligung durch den interviewer interessiert sind und diejenige antwortreaktion auswählen, um diese ziele zu optimieren. wenn für befragte die fragen zum eigenen delinquenten handeln irrelevant sind