

Criminals are Punished Less When They Harm Statistical Victims

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Abstract

There is a wealth of literature showing that people feel less compassion for statistical victims than for identified victims. But do people punish criminals less when they harm statistical victims than when they harm identified victims? We don't know if this study has been run already, but Josh thinks it's an interesting idea.

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