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Room 203, Fulton

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Young People's Strategies for Handling Economic Adversity in Sweden: Extending the research agenda

As an extension of research into strategies for handling economic adversity among young people in low-income families, Dr Bolin's study examines strategy use in the context of middle-income families affected by unemployment in Sweden.

Interviews were conducted with 39 young people from previously comfortably-off families, where one or both of the parents had become unemployed, to explore how the young people coped. The families could not be considered 'poor' (in the sense of long-term unemployment and/or social exclusion), but their financial situations had suddenly deteriorated as a consequence of the short-term unemployment of one or both of the breadwinners. Such situations are common in many developed countries at the current time - not least for families where parents are employed in low-skilled work in traditional manufacturing sectors.

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