| 36 Title | Psychosocial work conditions, unemployment, and generalized trust in other people: A |
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| | population-based study of psychosocial health determinants |
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| Abstract | The association between psychosocial work conditions, unemployment, and generalized trust was |
| | investigated. The health survey in Skåne is a cross-sectional postal questionnaire study with a 59% |
| | participation rate. A total of 5,180 persons that belonged to the work force and the unemployed were |
| | included. Logistic regression models were used to investigate the associations between psychosocial |
| | factors at work and unemployment, and trust. Psychosocial work conditions were defined by the |
| | Karasek-Theorell demand-control/decision latitudes into relaxed, active, passive, and jobstrain. |
| | Effects of length of unemployment on trust were analysed. A 38.4% of all men and 42.1% of all |
| | women in the workforce have low trust. Men and women in the passive, jobstrain and unemployed |
| | categories had significantly higher odds ratios of low trust compared to the relaxed reference group. |
| | After multivariate adjustments these patterns remained, except among "passive" men. Psychosocial |
| | work conditions and unemployment are associated with trust. |