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Single motherhood in Spain from a comparative perspective

The rise in the number of one-parent families is a common feature in the demography of Western societies, including Spain. Nevertheless, single parents display wide variations throughout EU countries and the United States that need to be analyzed and explained in order to understand the different categories of single mothers and the corresponding social policy implications. Despite the process of family convergence, there are still huge differences between countries that result from the diversity of welfare regimes and women's role in the family structure. The overall objective of this research is to analyze the profiles and the family policies targeted at single mothers with children in Spain from a comparative and international perspective.

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