



ENHANCING UNDERSTANDING OF VICTIMISATION TRENDS: Insights from the Czech National Victimisation Survey



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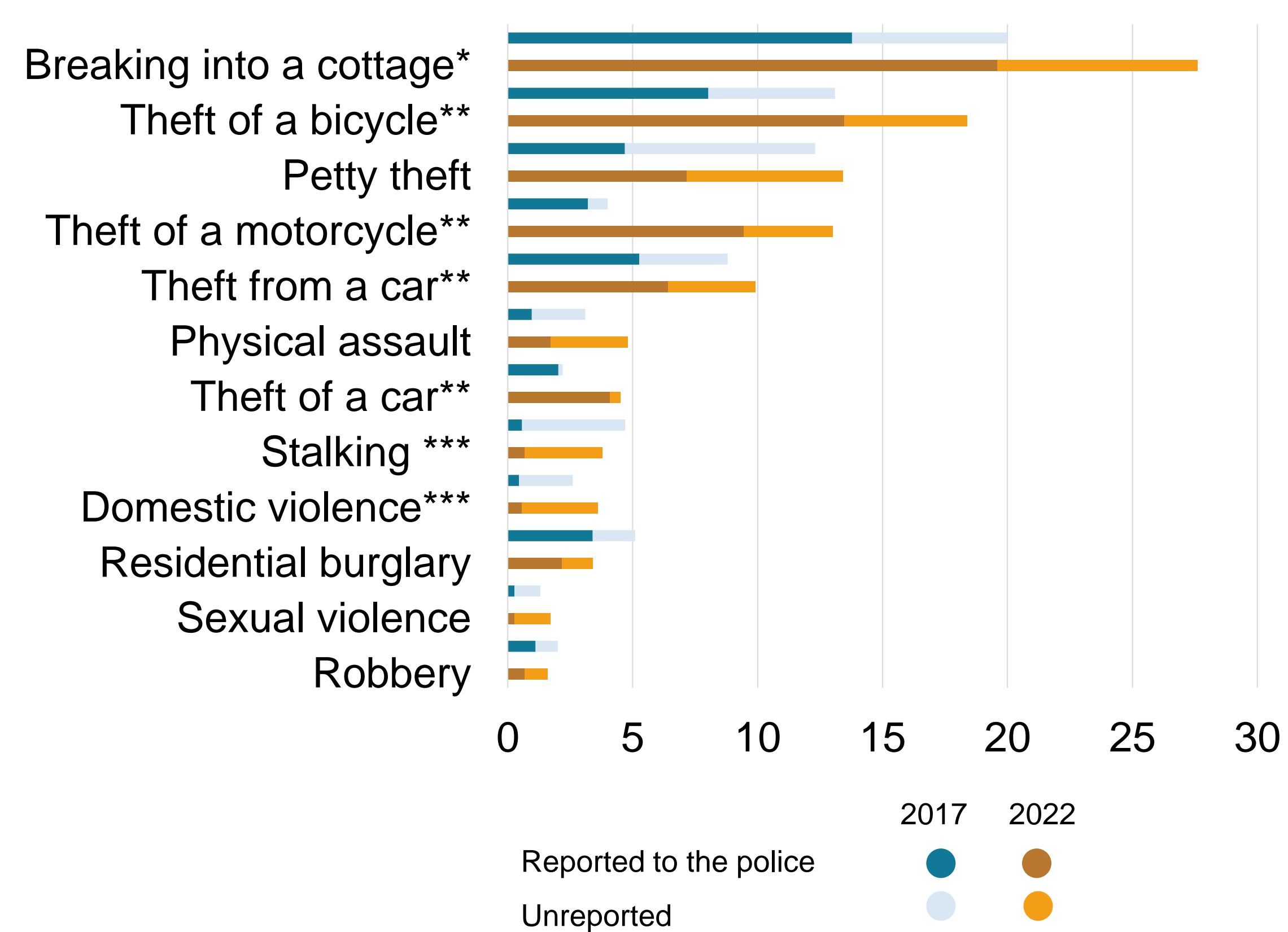
Background

- Victimisation surveys (VS) = unique insights into the hidden aspects of crime and the contextual factors of victimisation
- IKSP – conducted VS for more than 30 years
 - ad hoc nature and varying methodology
- **Revised version of the national VS**
 - follows the tradition of previous Czech surveys
 - brought some innovations
- To date, two rounds in **2017** and **2022**
 - modular structure of questionnaire = flexibility
 - representative sample of the Czech population 15+
 - F2F
 - sample size: 2017 (N=3328) and 2022 (N=3073)
 - qualitative substudy:
 - 2017: victim support in the Czech Republic (focus group)
 - 2022: marginalized victims (expert questionnaire) and domestic violence

Highlights from 2022

- overall **42%** of respondents declared they have been a victim of one of the monitored offences in the previous three years
- with **28%** prevalence, the highest risk of victimisation falls traditionally in the Czech Republic on the owners and users of recreational facilities
- almost **4%** prevalence of domestic violence makes this type of victimisation about as common as residential burglary or car theft
- more than **80%** of incidents such as domestic and sexual violence or stalking remain unreported to the police
- only **5%** of the respondents who reported being victimised of "personal" offence (violent offences, petty theft and stalking) had used any type of victim support

Prevalence of victimisation in the last three years (%)



*from households using a holiday cottage.
**from households using a given means of transport.

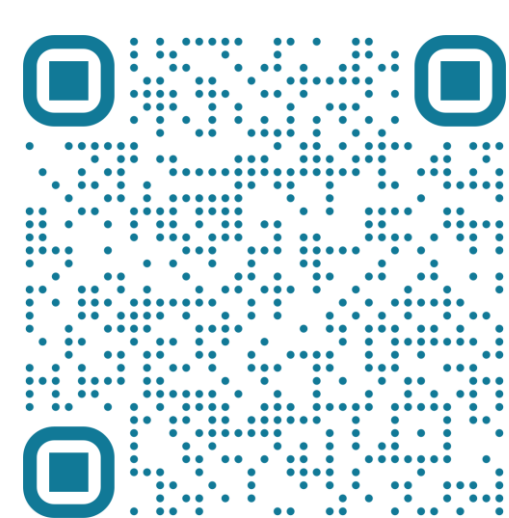
Future and challenges

future prospects

- regular repetition with constant methodology
- thematic supplementary substudy (qualitative component)
- focus on
 - crime in a wider context
 - trends in crime
 - latency and hidden aspects of victimization

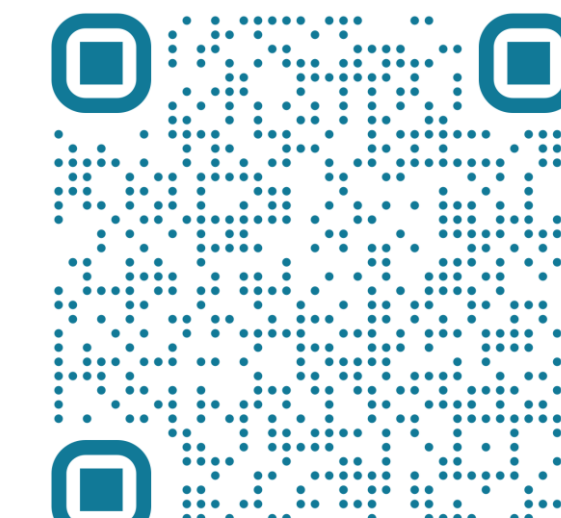
challenges

- financial resources
- survey methods that reflect current technological developments and social trends
- incorporation of marginalised groups with a higher burden of victimisation
- interpretation of data



2017 monograph

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2022 monograph