The Impacts of Social Capital and Some Demographic Variables on Life Satisfaction: Antalya Case

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ABSTRACT The purpose of the present study is to examine the impacts of Social Capital (SC) and some demographic indicators on Life Satisfaction (LS) by using two different linear regression models. The sampling group consists of 410 persons. In the questionnaire form, SC, Achievement Perception, LS Scales and demographics variables were used to gather data. As a result of the study, there are strong positive relation between SC and LS. Especially, the sub factors “Neighbor”, “Being the property of somewhere”, “Trust to other” and “The safety level of residence” have positive effect on LS in both regression models. It was found that when individuals get older or if they are unemployed, or single, or live with their families LS level of them decreases. In contrast, being female, having satisfied neighbor relations, higher safety level of residence, higher income, possessing any property of somewhere, and trusting to others increase LS level.