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Association between Sociodemographic, Health and Work conditions in Waste pickers in Cartagena de indias (Colombian Caribbean)

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Abstract: The sociodemographic, work and health conditions of 126 unionized recyclers from 4 cooperatives were described, establishing associations through the Chi-Square test. Many of the recyclers do not have all the basic public services, they are of low academic status and are generally the main household support. In health conditions, external risks are observed such as obesity, consumption of liquor and cigarette; They also do not have the habit of paying for medical insurance and labor risks. In working conditions there is exposure to health, biological, food, heavy objects and inadequate protection.

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