

The complexity of the multi-dimensional nature of precariousness and depressed mood the multi-ethnic HELIUS cohort study

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Precariousness

- A high level of insecurity and instability in the lives of individuals
- Can be experienced in different dimensions of life:



- Both objective and subjective
- Different experiences for different ethnic groups



Precariousness and depressed mood

- Important for physical and mental health, including depressed mood
- Via mechanisms such as:
 - The experience of stress
 - Health behaviours
 - Lack of social support
 - Feelings of inferiority
 - Access to health care



Objectives

To examine:

- the multi-dimensional nature of precariousness, and
- the association between precariousness and depressed mood across different ethnic groups



Data and methods

- ± 22,000 participants included
- Baseline measurement
- 18-70 years

Dichotomized measures

- 13 precariousness indicators
- Depressed mood (PHQ-9 > 9)

Network analysis (non-Dutch vs. Dutch)

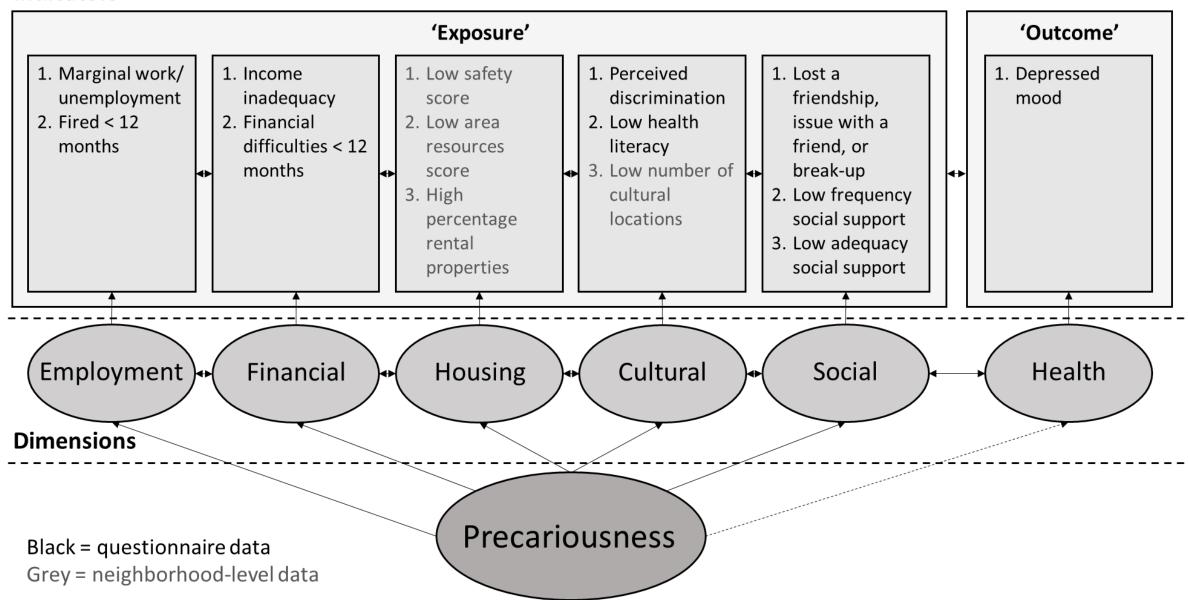
Multi-ethnic HELIUS cohort study
HELIUS = HEalthy LIfe in an Urban Setting

- Subjects randomly selected
 Amsterdam municipality register
- Stratified by ethnicity
- Six main ethnic groups Amsterdam

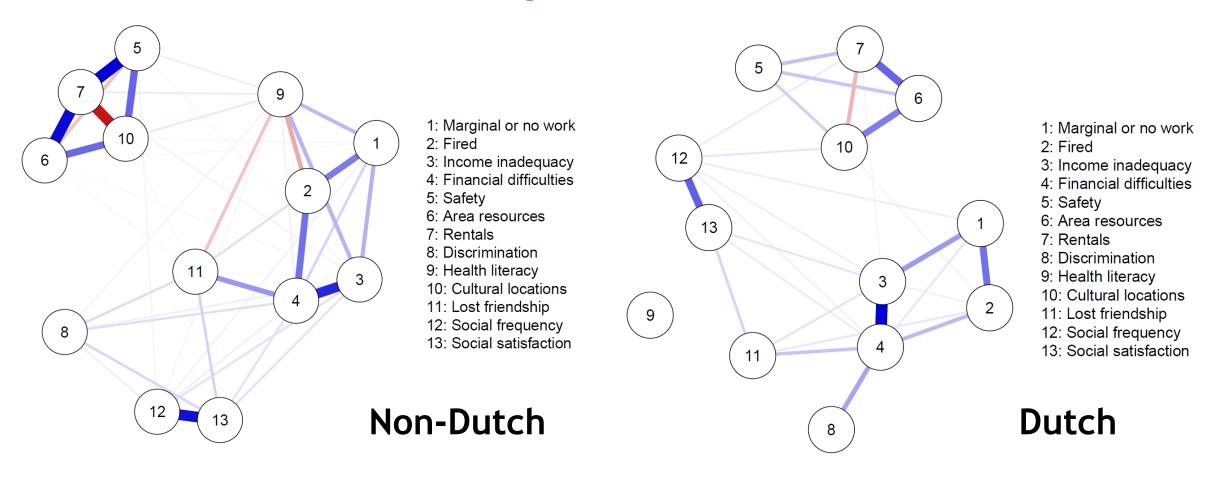
Enriched with neighborhood-level data



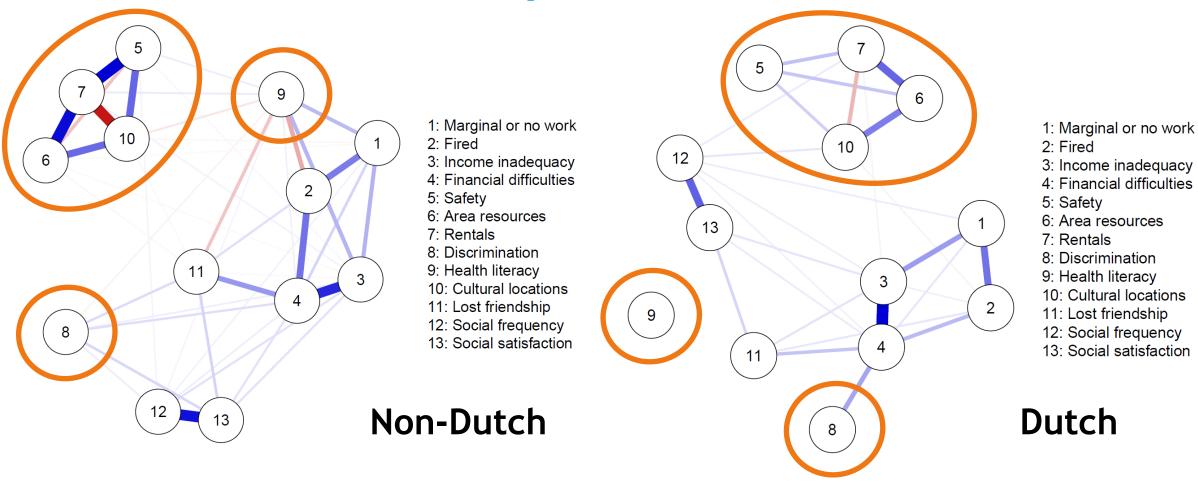
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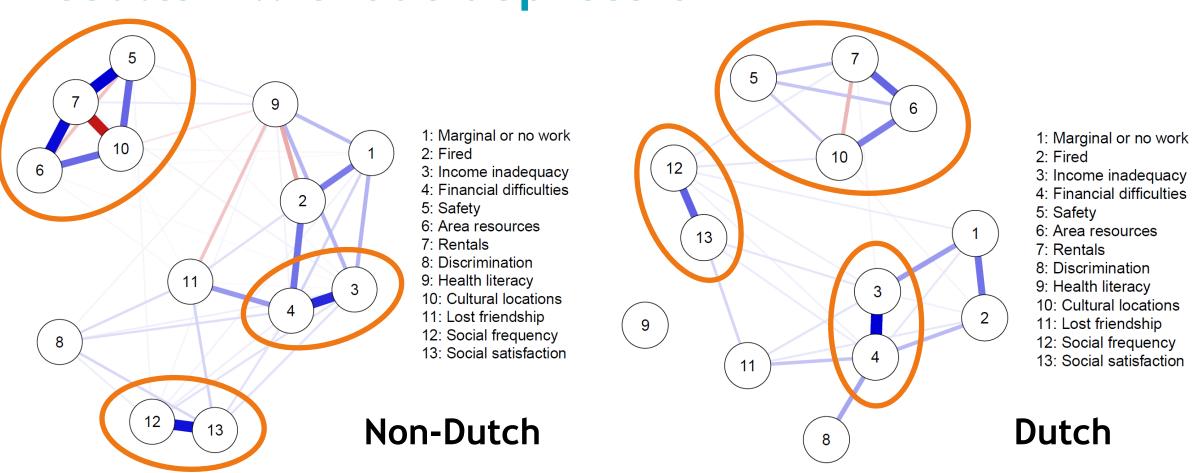




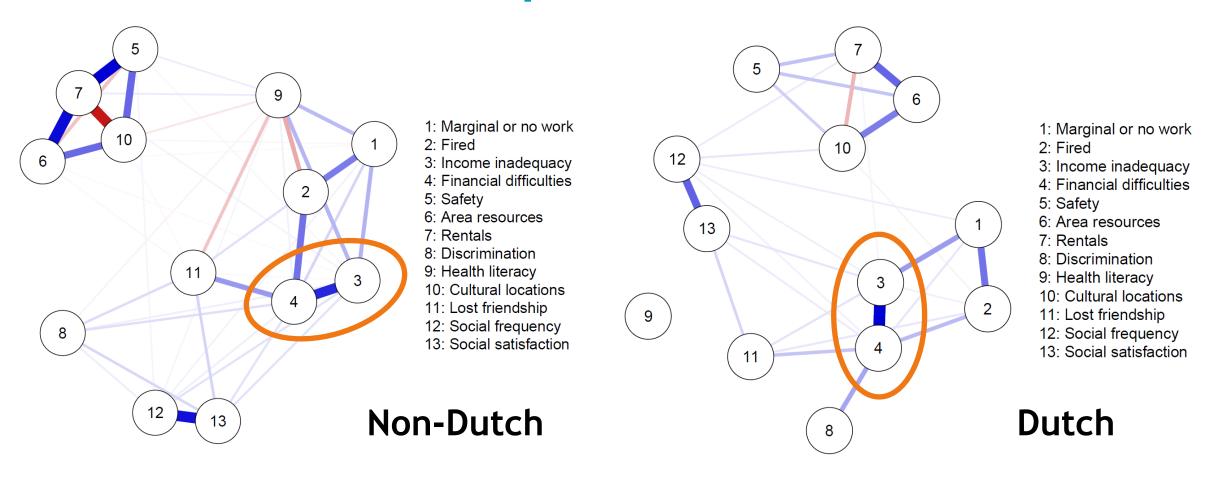




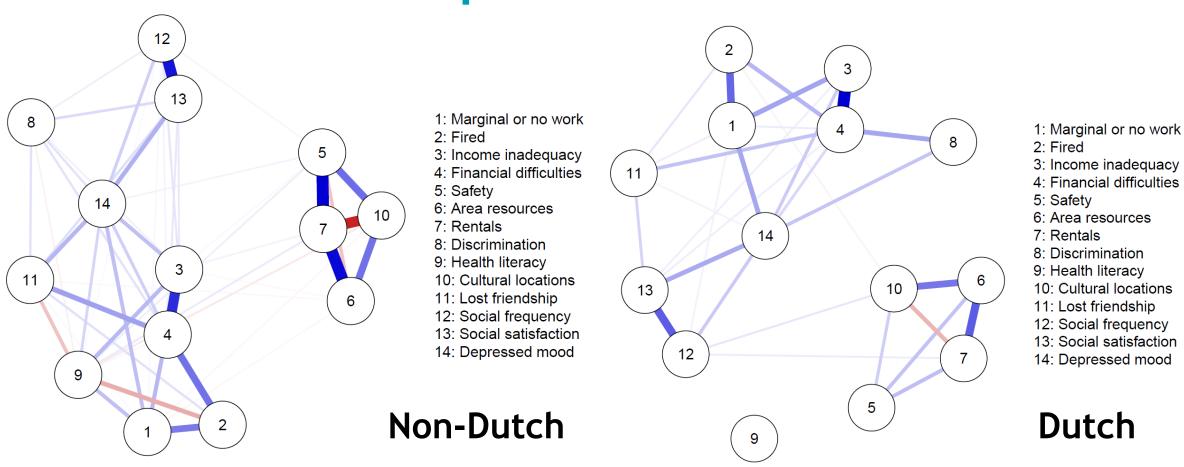




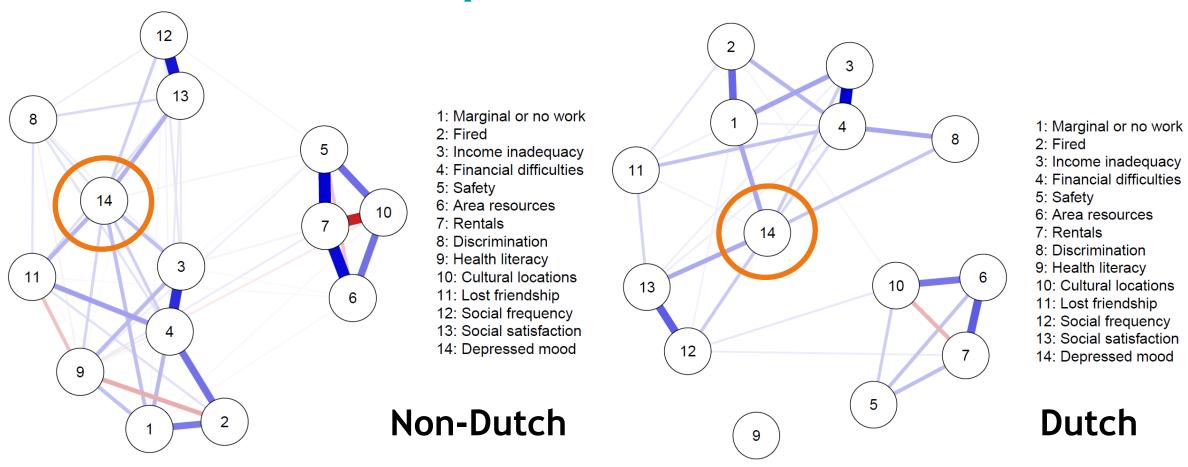














Conclusion

- Associations between various precariousness indicators in the various dimensions
- Generally stronger associations among the non-Dutch ethnic groups
- The financial dimension is a central dimension
 - Strongly connected to employment and the social dimension
- Health literacy and discrimination are important for the non-Dutch ethnic groups
- Depression is also central related to many precariousness indicators
 - In both the non-Dutch and Dutch ethnic group



Thank you