

Occupational prestige of Physiotherapy: International Comparisons

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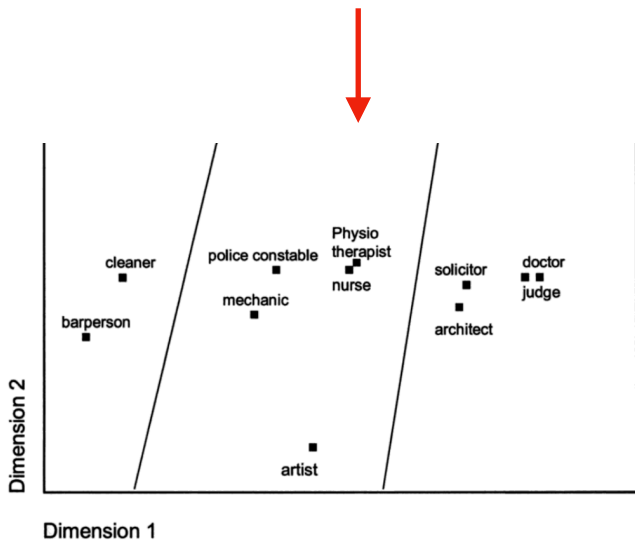


Figure 1 -Social Occupational Prestige - South Korea

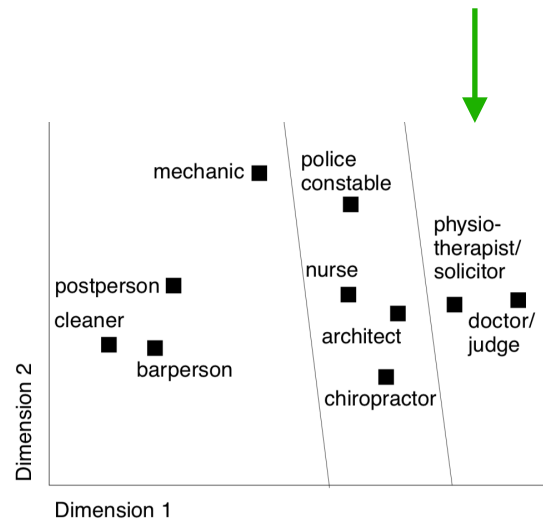


Figure 2 -Social Occupational Prestige - Australia

Physiotherapist in South Korea hold a similar social standing position as a nurse, within the middle bracket of society and a long way & differentiated status from the medical doctors. This contrasts to Australia (Figure 2) where physiotherapy is held in high esteem; with a clear identity and professional status which is similar in social standing to solicitor, and one of the top four prestige professions alongside judges & doctors. In Australia it is clearly differentiated in the top social prestige group from nurse and architect. From Turner et al, 2007.