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HOW THE MEDIA BLAME TRANSWOMEN FOR THEIR OWN DEATHS

H1: Transwomen of color are more likely to be called deceivers in the media

Portrays Victim as Hiding Trans* Status

"Man shoots dead prostitute on Christmas Eve after finding out 'she' was a man"
Daily Mail 2011

Rod Database 1995 to 2014
Maintained by Transgender Activists

Latina Transwomen are 2x more likely to be described as deceivers

DECEIVER

H2: Transwomen of color are more likely to (falsely) be called a sex worker.

Sex Work Allegation (Explicit or Implied)

"Police investigate Detroit shooting death in area plagued by prostitution"
Detroit Free Press 2012

Google News + Lexis Nexis
616 Articles for 261 Cases
Analysis = SPSS + Atlas.ti

SEX WORKER

CONTENT CODING

2X

METHOD

African American Transwomen are 2x more likely to be described as sex workers

ROD DATABASE

2X

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