Understanding the territorially diverse implications of COVID-19 policy responses

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Most policy responses are at national level and with a national coverage. Restrictive measures resulted in very different regional situations. Exposure and sensitivity to COVID-19 policy responses.

**Exposure**: taking different components of the policy as starting point, exposure is determined by asking: To what degree is a region/territory likely to be subject to the policy addressed (positively or negatively)?

**Sensitivity**: taking regional characteristics as starting point, sensitivity is determined by asking: To what degree might regional development be affected due to specific regional characteristics and endowments?

*Analysis presents work in progress.*
Potential regional *impacts* of COVID-19 policy responses

**Exposure**
- Stringency & length of government restrictions
- Reduction in hours worked

**Sensitivity**
- Share of employment in risk sectors
- Tourism sector reliance
- Regional foreign trade
- People at risk of poverty
- Youth unemployment
- Public debt
- Quality of government
- Employment in micro enterprises
- Self employment
Potential regional benefits of COVID-19 policy responses

Exposure
- Stringency & length of government restrictions
- Reduction in hours worked

Sensitivity
- Employment in information and communication sector
- Broadband access
- Smart working preparedness
- Online interactions with public administration
Any useful idea about the future should be ridiculous. hence it is probably about the present and not very useful.