

Situational Crime Prevention

Criminal Justice

Changing the opportunity rather than the offender, and the displacement question.

Clarke's framework: five mechanisms, one recurring objection.

The five mechanisms

Increase the effort required

Increase the risk of being seen

Reduce the rewards available

Reduce provocations and conflict

Remove excuses and set clear rules

Standard objections

Displacement to other times or places

In practice displacement is usually partial

Diffusion of benefits is also observed

Can produce fortress-like environments

Leaves underlying causes untouched

Educational reference. Reviews generally find displacement is smaller than the gain, and diffusion of benefits is common.