

Strain and Anomie

Criminal Justice

Merton on what happens when valued goals outrun legitimate means.

Adaptations by stance to cultural goals and approved means.

Adaptation	Goals	Means
Conformity	Accept	Accept
Innovation	Accept	Reject
Ritualism	Reject	Accept
Retreatism	Reject	Reject
Rebellion	Replace	Replace

Educational reference. Agnew's general strain theory widens this to loss and negative treatment, not only blocked goals.