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The Far-Reaching Consequences of Job Insecurity: A Review on Family-Related Outcomes

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Abstract

Job insecurity (JI) appears a fairly stable job stressor in working life today and likely to impair employee well-being. This review article presents the key findings of studies examining the effects of perceived JI on family well-being (e.g., marital/parental role quality, work-family conflict). The results, based on 25 published peer-reviewed studies, suggest an association between JI and impaired family well-being. Thus, JI spills over into family life as proposed in the spillover theory of work-family interface. Furthermore, studies have found some evidence of crossover effects of

JI from parents to children: parents' JI relates to negative outcomes in children. These results support the view that JI is very likely a severe stressor not only for employees' well-being and health but also for their families' well-being. Limitations, future directions and implications are also discussed.

Keywords: crossover, family outcomes, job insecurity, qualitative review, spillover

INTRODUCTION

Job insecurity (henceforth *JI*) is defined as a “*perceived* potential loss of continuity in a job situation that can span the range from permanent loss of the job itself to loss of some subjectively important features of the job” (Greenhalgh & Rosenblatt, 1984, p. 440). JI has been identified as a job stressor which is negatively related to employees' work attitudes and health-related outcomes (for meta-analyses, see Cheng & Chan, 2008; Sverke, Hellgren, & Näswall, 2002). Earlier research has mostly focused on the consequences of JI for individual employees and organizations, with less attention devoted to examining its impact on the family. This paper reviews (qualitatively) studies examining the impact of JI on individuals' family-related outcomes. The starting point of our study is the observation that JI is perhaps more common nowadays than ever before due to continuously accelerating globalization and digitalization and organizations' pursuit of greater effectiveness and cost-cutting. All this typically means increased JI for employees, and this may well have negative implications for their family well-being/other family-related outcomes.

Theoretical Frameworks: COR, Spillover and Crossover Theories

Three theoretical models help to explain how and why JI would affect the family domain, namely the Conservation of Resources model (COR theory; Hobfoll, 1989, 2001), the spillover model (e.g., Barling, 1990; Lambert, 1990; see also Kinnunen, Rantanen, Mauno, & Peeters, 2014)

and the crossover model (e.g., Kinnunen, Rantanen, & Mauno, 2013; Westman, Etzion, & Danon, 2001). These theoretical frameworks and their particular relevance within the scope of this review are next introduced.

Conservation of Resources (COR) Theory

The main tenet of COR theory (Hobfoll, 1989, 2001) is that individuals strive to obtain and conserve resources, be either material (e.g., incomes) or immaterial, typically referring to various psychosocial resources an individual possesses. From the perspective of well-being and health (in various life domains), it is important to note that in COR theory both of these are considered to be crucial psychosocial resources. Moreover, COR theory also proposes that losing resources may result in more detrimental consequences than gaining new resources. Such a resource loss may appear stressful, implying that COR theory is also a stress theory. In fact, the *threat* of losing some important resources may have equally detrimental health (or other negative) effects than the *actual* loss of this resource. According to this reasoning, the threat of losing one's job can be considered as stressful as an actual job loss (real resource loss) because the former presents a threat of anticipated resource loss. More importantly, COR theory also argues that resource losses are likely to accumulate, forming spirals. Considering JI, this implies that JI as a primary threat of resource loss (a starting point for resource losses) may result in poorer family well-being (an endpoint of resource losses). However, this relationship can also be indirect, suggesting that JI first impairs an employee's occupational well-being (e.g., job satisfaction, burnout as a more proximal outcome), constituting a secondary resource loss. Impaired occupational well-being, in turn, impacts negatively on an employee's family well-being (e.g., marital or parental satisfaction as a more distal outcome), signifying a third resource loss as an endpoint of resource losses originating from

II. This kind of accumulative resource loss is known in COR theory as a spiral of resource losses (Hobfoll, 1989, 2001).

In this review, we conceive of COR theory as an overall stress theory, explaining why II can be hypothesized to be stressful for individuals in the first place. Furthermore, we propose that the basic ideas of COR theory (e.g., hypothesizing spirals of resource losses) are implicitly also present in spillover and crossover theories on work-family interface, which are the key theoretical models applied in this review.

Spillover Theory

Spillover theory suggests that work and family experiences are interconnected (see Kinnunen, Mäkikangas, Mauno, De Cuyper, & De Witte, 2014; Lambert, 1990). Fundamentally, spillover theory relies on a holistic view of an individual's life where life events and experiences in different domains affect each other. Emotions and behaviors at work spill over into the family domain and vice versa because of the *similarity* of these experiences and behaviors. Thus, spillover is a bidirectional phenomenon, meaning that experiences at work (e.g., job stressors) spill over to family life (e.g., marital dissatisfaction) but also family experiences (e.g., family stressors) may spill over to work (e.g., job dissatisfaction). In this review, we focus on spillover effects in a work-to-family direction since we study one particular job stressor (II). In a work-to-family direction, most typical manifestations of spillover effects have included impaired parenting behaviors (e.g., punitive parenting) or marital role quality (e.g., withdrawal from family interactions, marital dissatisfaction) (e.g., Crouter & McHale, 1993; Hughes & Galinsky, 1994; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999a; Porfeli, Wang, & Hartung, 2008; Repetti & Wood, 1997). Noteworthy is also that empirical studies on spillover have typically examined *within-individuals* experiences, that is, how the work experience of an employee relates to his/her family-related well-being without examining

between-individual effects (i.e., a transmission of experiences between individuals/significant others).

Many scholars have suggested that spillover may be direct or indirect (Frone, 2003; Kinnunen et al., 2014; Lambert, 1990; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999a). A direct spillover occurs when, for instance, a job stressor directly impacts an employee's family well-being, whereas indirect spillover occurs through mediators. For example, a job stressor (a predictor) first causes an employee to experience poorer occupational well-being (e.g., job dissatisfaction, a mediator), which, in turn, relates to poorer family well-being (e.g., marital dissatisfaction, an outcome). In this example, occupational well-being acts as a mediator because it shares the same context as a stressor (work). It is noteworthy that similar reasoning was already presented in relation to COR theory, implying that in our approach the spillover model can be conceived of as a specific manifestation of the COR model, that is, how the basic ideas of COR theory (spirals of resource losses) can be applied to explain and understand the interface between work and family life.

Regarding JI, the spillover model suggests that JI, as a job stressor (as a primary anticipated resource loss), is most likely to affect family well-being indirectly, via the various stress reactions (mediators) it causes within an employee (see Zhao, Lim, & Teo, 2012). Indeed, JI may trigger various stress reactions in employees (subsequent resource losses in the form of occupational or overall impaired well-being), such as anxiety, depression, concentration problems, fatigue, irritability, or dissatisfaction (for reviews, see Cheng & Chan, 2008; Sverke et al., 2002). These overall stress reactions, or resource losses defined in the context of the COR model, very likely spill over into an employee's family domain in the form of an individual's negative family/parental/marital experiences, implying accumulating resource losses in family well-being (or other relevant family-related outcomes) as an endpoint of this spillover process. In this view of

spillover effects, resource losses form chains, where certain losses may also mediate the relationship between other losses.

One often studied mediator in the spillover process is *work-family conflict*, describing a role conflict between work and family, manifesting as a form of time-, strain-, or behavior-based conflict (see more, Greenhaus & Beutell, 1985). Specifically, the integrative model of work-family interface (Frone, 2003; Frone, Russell, & Cooper, 1992) suggests that various job stressors - including JI - first exacerbate work-family conflict, which then leads to impaired well-being in other life domains, including family. Some scholars have even considered JI itself as a role stressor at work (Jacobson, 1991), thereby suggesting an association between JI and work-family conflict which is, by definition, a role conflict (Greenhaus & Beutell, 1985).

However, sometimes work-family conflict has been considered as a family-related outcome itself (not a mediator) when investigating spillover effects from work to family. Nevertheless, it should be noted that work-family conflict is not purely a family-related experience and thus not a 'real family outcome', yet it clearly differs from the occupational and overall well-being outcomes of JI, the results of which have already been reviewed (Cheng & Chan, 2008; Sverke et al. 2002). Consequently, as work-family conflict is connected with family experiences and as it differs from other (occupational, overall) indicators of well-being, we included work-family conflict as one indicators of family-level outcome in this review. It is noteworthy that we also found empirical studies on work-family conflict studied as a family-related outcome of JI, and for this reason it had to be included in our review.

Specifically, in this review, we consider both approaches: (a) work-family conflict as a mediator between JI and family outcomes (as suggested by Frone, 2003; Frone et al., 1992) and (b) work-family conflict as a direct outcome of JI (itself indicating family-related effects).

Since work-family conflict is also a bidirectional experience (Frone, 2003; Frone et al., 1992; Kinnunen et al., 2014) we consider both of these directions, that is, work-to-family (WFC; work interferes with family) and family-to-work conflict (FWC; family interferes with work). Furthermore, some of the studies reviewed also adopted a bidirectional approach (e.g., Kinnunen & Mauno, 1998; Voydanoff, 2005) and examined the effects of JI on both directions of work-family conflict. From now on, WFC refers to work-to-family and FWC family-to-work conflict.

Crossover Theory

The effects of JI may also be transmitted from the employee to significant others (partner or children), a transmission process defined as *crossover*, proposing that work experiences are transmitted (i.e., crossed over) between individuals. Indeed, crossover refers to the *between-individual* effects of work-family interface. Here we perceive crossover as an extension of the spillover model explaining particularly why and how job stressors (like JI) are transmitted between significant others. Specifically, the crossover model proposes that various (work) experiences can be transmitted or crossed over between the significant others and, in the family, specifically from spouse to spouse or from parent to child(ren) (e.g., Kinnunen et al., 2013; Westman et al., 2001). Here, this means that JI experienced by an employee, affects the family members by impairing their well-being, satisfaction or performance due to the fact that an employee transfers his/her job-related worries to his/her spouse/partner or children (Kinnunen et al., 2013; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999a; Westman et al., 2001; Zhao et al., 2012). Crossover occurs because emotional contagion (e.g., via empathy) is very likely in close relationships and because family is a shared social context for family members (Kinnunen et al., 2013; Levy & Nail, 1993; Westman et al., 2001). Thus, both social interaction and context similarity enable crossover processes. As in spillover, the crossover process may be indirectly mediated through an employee's diminished well-being, satisfaction,

performance, or work-family conflict, which then affects other family member(s), causing them to experience impaired well-being, satisfaction or performance, or other negative reactions.

Applied to JI, the crossover hypothesis proposes that JI, as an anticipated resource loss, may first impair an employee's occupational or overall well-being (a secondary resource loss; similar to what we described in relation to spillover and COR theories), which then transmits to his/her spouse/partner causing feelings of diminished well-being or marital satisfaction or other negative feelings (an endpoint of resource loss spreading from one person to another). However, it is possible that JI also affects the family well-being of one's partner/children directly, that is, without mediators. In this review, we consider both direct and indirect crossover effects.

To conclude, as was the case in the spillover process described earlier, so too in the crossover process we can hypothesize a resource loss spiral starting from JI, which then directly or indirectly (via mediators; in the form of subsequent resource losses) has a negative effect on family well-being/other family-related outcomes, constituting an endpoint of resource losses occurring in the family domain. The main difference from the spillover process is that in the crossover process these resource losses are transmitted from an employee (a sender) to his/her spouse/partner or children (a receiver). The overall idea of accumulative resources losses has clear underpinnings in COR theory, which in this review is connected with the spillover and crossover theories on work-family interface.

The main *goal* of this review study is to examine, first, whether JI spills over into an employee's family-related outcomes (a within-individual design), and, second, whether JI crosses over from an employee (a sender) to his/her marital partner and/or children (a receiver), affecting family-related (or other relevant) outcomes in the partner and/or children. Potential mediators and moderators in these relationships (spillover, crossover) are also analyzed and reported.

METHODS

Literature Search and Inclusion Criteria

Based on a search of databases such as PsycINFO, PsycArticles, and ProQuest Psychology Journals using the following keywords: ‘job/economic insecurity’ plus one of the following: ‘family’, ‘work-family conflict’, ‘work-family interference’, ‘work-family enrichment/facilitation/balance’, ‘marital’, ‘parent/parental’, ‘mother’, ‘father’, or ‘child’, relevant studies were identified. Only quantitative empirical studies published in peer-reviewed journals in English were included. Qualitative studies were excluded as we found no published qualitative studies on this topic and focusing on JI as defined here. JI had to be measured using a *perceived* JI operationalization either as a form of threat of job loss (one-dimensional, global definition) or as a perceived threat of losing other valued job characteristics (multi-dimensional definition). In total, 25 published studies met these inclusion criteria. These studies were read, then classified into two groups: the first group focusing on the *spillover effects* of JI on family outcomes (n = 16 studies, **Table 1**), and the second group on the *crossover effects* of JI either between spouses or between parent(s) and child(ren) (n = 9 studies, **Table 2**). The spillover and crossover theories described in the introduction guided this classification. It is noteworthy that many of the reviewed studies examined other work stressors besides JI (of the spillover studies 10/16 and of the crossover studies 3/9), but the findings summarized in **Tables 1** and **2** concentrate on the effects of JI on family outcomes. Studies were reviewed narratively for the two following reasons: (1) we wanted to provide a rich description of all results also focusing on potential mediator and moderator effects, which would have been impossible to analyze meta-analytically due to the small numbers of such studies, (2) to the best of our knowledge, this is the first review of the relationships between

perceived JI and family-related outcomes, demanding a rich description of the results, allowing us also to perceive their limitations more fully and to propose directions for future research in the field.

RESULTS

Spillover Relationships Between JI and Family-Related Outcomes

Table 1 summarizes the key findings on the family-related outcomes of JI from the spillover perspective (16 studies). These studies mostly explored whether JI relates to increased work-family conflict (WFC/FWC; in eight studies) or poorer marital role quality (e.g., marital satisfaction, marital tension, marital adjustment; in 6 studies). Fewer studies examined the relationships between JI and indicators of positive work-family interface (3 studies on work-family enrichment/facilitation/balance; on definitions of enrichment/facilitation/balance, see e.g., Kinnunen et al., 2014) or negative parenting (e.g., family functioning, participation in child-related activities, parental stress; four studies). Mediator relationships, most typically with work-family conflict as a mediator, were examined in six studies and moderator relationships in three studies (work characteristics, coping strategies, or parental/job involvement, age as moderators). About half of the studies sampled American (6) or Canadian (1) workers, and another half North European workers (five Finland, two Netherlands, and one Sweden). Average sample size was 1030 (ranging from 120 to 2764 employees) and data were analyzed either by regression analysis (11 studies) or structural equation modeling (SEM, five studies). Only three studies were longitudinal and six studies focused specifically on JI.

Out of 16 studies, 15 reported a significant relationship between JI and family-related outcomes (significant correlations but not robust effects were reported by Roeters, van der Lippe,

& Kluwer, 2010). The studies mostly showed that JI was related to higher WFC (Batt & Valcour, 2003; Beham & Drobic, 2009; Hughes, Galinsky, & Morris, 1992; Richter, Näswall, & Sverke, 2010; Ruokolainen, Mauno, & Cheng, 2014; Voydanoff, 2004, 2005) and FWC (Kinnunen & Mauno, 1998; Voydanoff, 2007). Studies on the experiences of positive work-family interface reported that JI was also associated with lower work-to-family enrichment (over-time effect if baseline of enrichment was not taken into account; Cheng, Mauno, & Lee, 2014a), lower work-to-family facilitation (only if other work characteristics were not taken into account, Voydanoff, 2005), and lower satisfaction with work-family balance (via WFC as a mediator; Beham & Drobic, 2009). Furthermore, JI was found to be associated with poorer marital role quality (Barling & Macewen, 1992; Cheng, Mauno, & Lee, 2014b; Hughes & Galinsky, 1994; Hughes et al., 1992; Larson, Wilson, & Beley, 1994; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999a; see **Table 2**) in the form of marital dissatisfaction, marital tension, and poorer marital adjustment. Finally, JI was related to parenting behaviors through overall poorer family functioning (Larson et al., 1994), negative work spillover into parenthood (in mothers; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999b), parent's slighter participation in child-related activities (in fathers; Roeters, van der Lippe, & Kluwer, 2009) as well as higher parental stress and parental dissatisfaction (Ruokolainen et al., 2014).

In these studies, mediator analyses showed that WFC mediated the relationship between JI and family outcomes such as marital tension (Hughes et al., 1992) and employees' satisfaction with work-family balance (Beham & Drobic, 2009), and FWC (Voydanoff, 2005). Moreover, moderator analyses revealed that some work characteristics, e.g., high job commitment/engagement, rendered employees more vulnerable to the harmful role of JI in family (parental dissatisfaction; Ruokolainen et al., 2014). Some coping strategies (symptom reduction

coping) made employees less vulnerable to the adverse role of JI in emotional energy level at home (Cheng et al. 2014b).

Earlier studies on JI have suggested that the effects of JI on well-being may be different for men and women (Cheng & Chan, 2008; Sverke et al., 2002). For this reason we analyzed gender differences also in relation to family well-being/outcomes. A few of the studies reviewed revealed interesting gender differences in family-related outcomes. Thus, gender moderated the relationships between JI and family well-being. Kinnunen and Mauno (1998) showed that JI was related to lower (not higher) WFC only in women, maybe because women attach greater importance to family roles and consequently JI does not increase but rather decrease their WFC. On the other hand, the same authors found later in a longitudinal study (Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999b) that JI had a prolonged effect on negative work spillover into parenthood only in women. Relying on an American sample, Larson et al. (1994) reported also more family-related effects of JI in women than in men. However, a more recent Swedish study (Richter et al., 2010) indicated that perceived workload mediated the relationship between JI and WFC only in men, supporting a traditional view that JI may be more harmful for men because job role is more salient for men, making them more vulnerable to JI. Also one Dutch study (Roeters et al., 2009) found that JI was more detrimental for fathers, implying less participation in child-related activities in fathers. However, overall the findings on gender differences seem not to be fully consistent.

Conclusions and Future Challenges as Regards Spillover Studies

The selected studies indicated in general that JI was positively related to WFC, FWC and negatively to marital role quality. We also found some evidence of its detrimental relationships with employees' parenting behaviors and attitudes, and with decreased positive work-family

interface (lower work-family enrichment/facilitation/balance). Overall, the findings supported the hypotheses of COR theory (Hobfoll, 1989, 2001) and also those of the spillover model (e.g., Kinnunen et al., 2014; Lambert, 1990). On the other hand, longitudinal evidence was mostly lacking and limited to Nordic countries (Cheng et al., 2014a; Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999b; Richter et al., 2010). Some other longitudinal studies have shown that JI may also be a persistent long-lasting stressor (Kinnunen et al., 2014; Mauno, Leskinen, & Kinnunen, 2001). However, the effects of persistent JI on family outcomes have not yet been explored.

Furthermore, by focusing predominantly on work-family conflict (typically WFC) as a mediator between JI and family outcomes, the range of mediators examined was quite limited. Other types of mediators such as occupational well-being (e.g., job satisfaction, job burnout) deserve more attention in future studies. It is plausible that proxy well-being (proxy outcomes of JI include occupational well-being and attitudes to work) mediates the associations between JI and family outcomes, the idea of which has also been highlighted in the spillover theory (Lambert, 1990). It is also surprising that potential moderators were so little studied. Thus, the question, among whom or under what circumstances JI is most likely or most strongly associated with negative family outcomes, has to be answered in future. Moderators have received attention in examining job-related and overall consequences of JI (Cheng & Chan, 2008) but rarely in investigating family outcomes. Furthermore, the results on moderators seem to be rather inconsistent. For instance, concerning gender; some studies suggest that JI is more detrimental (for family well-being) in women, whereas others propose the opposite (for men). Thus, gender as a moderator between JI and family-related outcomes deserves more attention in future studies. Also, an employee's trait-like resources, such as self-efficacy, big five dimensions, or generic coping strategies, could either strengthen or weaken the relationship between JI and family outcomes, thus

acting as moderators. Other interesting moderators would include other demographic factors besides gender, e.g., socioeconomic status, career history, job contract, family situation, or spouse's employment status.

Crossover Relationships Between JI and Family-Related Outcomes

The key findings of the studies focusing on the family outcomes of JI from a crossover perspective are summarized in **Table 2** (nine studies). Seven studies examined crossover from parents to children, and six of them also found significant relationships (the only exception is Stewart & Barling, 1996). Two studies investigated crossover relationships between working couples (Mauno & Kinnunen, 1999a; Westman et al., 2001), but yielded non-significant results on crossover. Two studies were longitudinal and data in all studies were analyzed using structural equation modeling (SEM). Six studies focused particularly on JI as an antecedent of family outcomes. Mediators were investigated in seven studies (i.e., children's perceptions of parental JI, children's beliefs in an unjust world, children's negative mood, children's cognitive difficulties, parent's money anxiety, job exhaustion, psychosomatic symptoms, other parental job-related affects, and parenting behaviors) and moderators (i.e., gender and identification with mother/father) in three studies. Samples were relatively small, the average sample size being 171 (ranging from 120 to 215 respondents/typically dyads), which is a small sample size in quantitative non-experimental research but relatively common in crossover designs, when more than one informant is used. Four studies sampled Canadian, three Singaporean, one Finnish and one Israel participants.

The studies generally suggested that parental JI was transmitted to their children, i.e., adolescents (Barling, Dupre, & Hepburn, 1998; Barling & Mendelson, 1999; Barling, Zacharatos,

& Hepburn, 1999; Lim & Loo, 2003; Lim & Sng, 2006; Zhao et al., 2012). Specifically, six of seven studies found that parental JI was associated with children's poorer well-being (mood; Barling & Mendelson, 1999; self-efficacy; Lim & Loo, 2003; Zhao et al. 2012) and poorer school performance (grade performance; Barling & Mendelson, 1999; Barling et al., 1999). In addition, four studies indicated that parental JI was related to children's poorer academic performance and vocational motivation, such as work beliefs (Barling et al., 1998), work motivation (Barling et al., 1998; Lim & Loo, 2003, Lim & Sng, 2006) and poorer justice perceptions (Barling & Mendelson, 1999). Interestingly, four studies found that children were able to sense their parents' experiences of JI (Barling et al., 1998, 1999; Barling & Mendelson, 1999; Lim & Loo, 2003), suggesting that at least older children are competent observers of their parents' JI.

Mediator analyses yielded interesting results. A set of Canadian studies revealed that children's perceptions of their fathers' JI were associated with children's negative work beliefs, which, in turn, were linked to their negative work attitudes (alienation from work; Barling et al., 1998). Moreover, among those children identifying strongly with their fathers this negative association was even stronger. However, this moderator relationship (identification with father/mother) was not found in mother-to-child relationships. Another Canadian study by Barling and Mendelson (1999), reported that children's perceptions of their parents' JI was first associated with believing world as an unjust and negative mood (in children), which was then related to children's poorer school performance. Children's cognitive difficulties also served as a mediator between children's perceptions of parent's JI and school performance (Barling et al., 1999).

In a non-western context, Lim and co-workers (Lim & Loo, 2003; Lim & Sng, 2006, Zhao et al., 2012) conducted three studies examining the effect of parents' JI on children. Lim and Loo (2003) reported that fathers' JI was positively related, while mothers' JI was negatively related to

authoritarian parenting behaviors (parenting behaviors that are insensitive, unsupportive and punishment-focused). Interestingly, only mothers' authoritarian parenting was associated with children's lower self-efficacy. In a later study, Lim and colleagues (Zhao et al., 2012) examined the mediating relationships of three types of career-specific parenting behaviors: lack of engagement, support, and interference in the relationship between fathers' JI and offspring's career self-efficacy. They found that JI (reported by fathers) was associated with a lack of engagement and support (reported by children). Moreover, the relationship between paternal JI and offspring's career self-efficacy was mediated by a lack of engagement with sons and by a lack of support for daughters. Thus, this study provided an initial and interesting glimpse of the effects of paternal JI on sons and daughters. Fathers suffering from JI were less likely to provide career-related support to their daughters, which in turn was related to lower levels of career self-efficacy for the latter. Fathers perceiving JI were less likely to engage in their sons' career development. Sons who perceived fathers' lack of engagement tended to have lower levels of career self-efficacy. In addition, Lim and Sng (2006) also showed earlier, in a separate study, that paternal JI was linked to paternal money anxiety, whereas maternal JI was not related to maternal money anxiety. Parents' money anxiety was associated with offspring's money anxiety, which, in turn, was related to their negative money motives and thereafter to lower intrinsic work motivation.

Overall, crossover studies reveal some notable gender difference in crossover relationships between JI and family-related well-being. Some studies show that fathers' JI seems to exert a stronger crossover relationship concerning children compared to mothers' JI (e.g., Barling et al., 1998; Zhao et al., 2012). Gender role expectations could be one plausible explanation for these findings: men usually view themselves as and are expected by society to be the primary providers for their families (Barling et al., 1998). Because JI instills a sense of uncertainty and powerlessness,

fathers may experience a feeling of inadequacy in their roles as economic providers. A potential lack of work arising from JI may give rise to anxiety and negative emotions in fathers, leading them to engage in poorer parenting behaviors when interacting with their children. An alternative explanation for the gender differences in the crossover effects of JI could be that mothers are able to compartmentalize home and work, thus, skillfully preventing negative work experiences such as JI from affecting their parenting behaviors and interactions with their children.

Conclusions and Future Challenges as Regards Crossover Studies

Our review indicates that there is empirical evidence supporting the negative relationship between parental JI and children's well-being, motivation, and school performance. Thus, JI crosses over from parents to children. This finding is also consistent with COR theory (Hobfoll, 1989, 2001), proposing a hypothesis on resource loss spirals which may well originate in JI as an anticipated resource loss. On the other hand, this evidence comes only from two countries (Canada, Singapore) and is mostly cross-sectional. As in spillover studies, longer follow-ups from a crossover perspective are totally lacking. Thus, we do not yet know whether parental JI has longer-lasting effects on children's subsequent career success or well-being. Since JI is a fairly permanent stressor in today's working life, more effort is required to examine its long-term consequences on the family. In addition, it seems that moderators have been less examined than mediators. The findings concerning moderators were not very consistent, which may suggest that quite dissimilar moderators have been studied. This limitation also concerned spillover studies discussed earlier. However, it is plausible that factors besides gender such as parental socioeconomic status, career success, well-being or their trait-like personality characteristics moderate the relationships between parents' JI and their children.

Somewhat surprisingly, no empirical evidence was found for the crossover of JI between couples. Even though JI may be a shared experience in the marital relationship (Mauno & Kinnunen, 2002; Westman et al., 2001), this does not mean that it necessarily moves from one spouse to the other. Nevertheless, it has to be noted that crossover between couples was explored in only two studies (Finland, Israel), and generalizations would be premature. Crossover between couples has already been studied quite extensively in work-family research (for a review, see Kinnunen et al., 2013) but not concerning JI. As in spillover studies, researchers should pay more attention to mediating processes in examining couples and their JI because, for example, occupational well-being (e.g., job satisfaction, job burnout) may act as a mediator in such crossover processes. Another avenue for future research at the couple level would be to examine JI at a dyadic level in couples by profiling those couples in which both partners experience JI and also examine its effects at a dyadic level (e.g., marital role quality, family functioning within a couple/family). Dyadic research calls for multilevel research design both in data collection and statistical analysis. Naturally, the effects of mothers/fathers JI on their child(ren) could also be studied using a dyadic design.

CONCLUSIONS

Concluding Remarks, Limitations and Implications for Employers

To the best of our knowledge, this qualitative review presents the first attempt to summarize and evaluate the findings of studies on the relationships between perceived JI and family-related outcomes. This review indicates that JI is related to various family-related outcomes. Generally, the findings provide support for the three theoretical models (COR, spillover, crossover) presented in the introduction. Consistent with COR theory (Hobfoll, 1989, 2001), JI

seems to constitute a threat of resource loss (an anticipated threat of job loss), which is likely to be associated with subsequent resource losses in terms of poorer family well-being as the endpoint of resource loss. The spillover model describes within-individual relationships of work-family interface (i.e., an employee's work experiences affect his/her own family-related well-being or performance; see Kinnunen et al., 2014; Lambert, 1990). The results showed that JI spilled over into an employee's family-related well-being directly or indirectly via mediators (e.g., work-family conflict, perceived workload). Finally, the crossover model (Kinnunen et al., 2013; Westman et al., 2001), describing between-individual relationships of work-family interface (i.e., work experiences are transmitted from an employee to his/her family members by affecting their well-being or performance), was also supported since JI crossed over between family members, specifically from parents to children. These crossover findings in particular can be considered to be 'real family-related outcomes' because in such a crossover process an employee's JI is transmitted to his/her family members.

However, as nearly all the studies reviewed were cross-sectional we cannot draw causal inferences and in this respect the core assumptions of the theories presented above are still insufficiently examined. For example, the core tenets of the COR model can be reliably tested only in longitudinal designs, that is, whether a threat of resource losses (JI) accumulates, resulting in a spiral of losses (impaired family well-being/performance as the endpoint). Consequently, we encourage researchers to examine JI and its effects from a wider family-related perspective preferably via longitudinal designs. Moreover, indirect processes, i.e., mediators, as well as life circumstances and other factors that render an employee more vulnerable to JI, that is, moderators, also deserve attention in researching the family outcomes of JI. Mediator effects in particular call for longitudinal designs. Theoretical models developed specifically in work-family interface

research, i.e., the spillover and crossover models, should also guide future research on family-related outcomes of JI. It is noteworthy that the empirical studies reviewed here have used different theoretical frameworks, yet research in this era would certainly benefit from more unified and holistic theoretical model(s).

In addition, no studies on cross-cultural comparisons concerning family outcomes of JI were found, even though it is likely that these effects differ across countries or welfare regimes, depending, e.g., on values, traditions, and social policy issues. It has recently been shown that the predictors of JI may vary across cultures (Keim, Landis, Pierce, & Earnest, 2014) and this may also be true for the family outcomes of JI. Accordingly, cultural context may serve as a moderator between JI and family outcomes. Significantly, only a few studies in this review considered a non-western context and more cultural variation and cross-cultural comparisons are needed in the future.

There are some noteworthy *limitations* in this review. Our review does not cover all studies on the topic because we included only quantitative studies published in English in peer-reviewed journals. Furthermore, we adopted a narrative approach because we wanted to provide a rich description of the results, also including moderator and mediator associations, which could not have been analyzed via meta-analysis since there was a small number of studies overall and particularly of studies examining moderator and mediator relationships. When the number of studies increases in this field, a meta-analytic approach will be warranted. One important remark is that we focused on *perceived* JI and its family-related outcomes and not on structural JI (e.g., temporary work, atypical work arrangements), the results of which have recently been summarized elsewhere (Mauno, Kinnunen, Rantanen, & Mäkikangas, 2015). Furthermore, the detrimental role of perceived JI on employees' well-being is much more consistent than the role of structural JI

(see De Cuyper et al., 2008). This fact afforded a basis for concentrating on perceived JI and its family-related outcomes.

To sum up, this review presents preliminary evidence that JI may have a far-reaching effect on employees' families through the processes of spillover and crossover. Research has already shown that unemployment/job loss may have severe psychosocial ramifications for families (Schliebner & Peregoy, 1994; Shupe & Buchholz, 2013). The purpose of this review was to ascertain whether this is also true for JI, which, after all, is a less visible stressor than unemployment/job loss (Jacobson, 1991). Our findings, based on 25 empirical studies, showed that JI may indeed have 'latent costs' for employees' families, an issue which also needs to be considered in interventions and work life development.

Accordingly, our findings also have clear *implications* for organizations and employers. We propose that interventions which help employees to decrease or tolerate JI may have certain 'latent benefits' for their families. Various contextual resources, e.g., good organizational communication, social support, and decision latitude at work, and non-contextual resources, e.g., personal coping/recovery strategies, feelings of self-efficacy, career management skills, are helpful in the presence of JI (see more Cheng & Chan, 2008; Keim et al., 2014; Mauno & Kinnunen, 2002). For example, during organizational changes, which are prevalent today and which increase employees' JI, honest, open and timely communication on changes will help employees to tolerate and manage JI (Cawsey, Deszca, & Ingols, 2016). In addition, an individual employee should ensure that (s)he is capable of detaching mentally from work while not working as good off-job recovery protects against JI (Kinnunen, Mauno, & Siltaloppi, 2010). Such mental detachment from work may be achieved by engaging in positive family activities during off-job time. We suggest

that these measures and resources, may prevent the adverse effects of JI from spilling over and crossing over into the family domain.

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Table 1. Summary of studies examining family outcomes of JI from a *spillover* perspective.

Authors	Sample	Country	Measures	Stat. method & study design	Main Results
Barling and Macewen, (1992)	190 employed married couples (110 women and 80 men).	Canada	IVs: JI (Ashford et al., 1989), job satisfaction, role conflict, role ambiguity. Med: Concentration difficulties, depression. DV: General marital satisfaction, sexual satisfaction, psychological aggression.	Structural equation modeling (path analysis). Cross- sectional design.	The effects of JI on marital well-being in terms of general marital satisfaction, sexual satisfaction, and psychological aggression, were mediated by concentration difficulties and depression. No gender differences were found in

					<p>relationships and the same model held for both sexes. Couples were analyzed together, no examination of cross-over effects, because there were no significant gender differences).</p> <p>Note. The study focused also on other work stressors than JI.</p>
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Batt and Valcour, (2003)	Nonrandom sample of 557 dual-earner white-collar employees.	USA	IVs: Work family policies, human resources incentives (salary, career development, and job security [using 0–100 to indicate the extent of certainty to keep current job. GJ]), and the design of work. DVs: Turnover intentions, employees' perception of work interference	Hierarchical regression analysis. Cross-sectional design.	JI predicted higher work-to-family conflict (WFC) in both men and women. However, JI did not predict employees' perceptions of control over managing work and family demands in men or women. Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.
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			with family life, and their control over managing work and family demands.		
Beham and Drobic (2009)	716 office workers.	Germany	IVs: Four types of work demands [JI (Sverke et al., 2004; G)], two types of work resources. Med: Work-to-family conflict (measured by negative work-to-home interference). DV: Satisfaction with work-family balance.	Hierarchical multivariate regression. Cross-sectional design.	Low JI predicted employees' satisfaction with work-family balance. Work-to-family conflict (WFC) partially mediated the relationships between JI and satisfaction with work-family

					<p>balance. First, JI related to higher WFC, which, in turn, predicted lowered satisfaction with work-family balance. Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.</p>
Cheng et al. (2013)	2,764 employees	Finland	IVs: JI (De Witte, 2000; G). Mod: Coping strategies (changing the situation, accommodatio	Hierarchical moderated regression analysis. Cross-sectional design.	<p>Certain coping strategies moderated the effects between JI and family-related outcomes: symptoms</p>

			<p>n, symptoms reduction, devaluation, and avoidance).</p> <p>DVs: Marital satisfaction, emotional energy at home, emotional energy at work, and work engagement.</p>		<p>reduction coping mitigated the negative effect of JI on emotional energy at home. JI related directly to lower emotional energy at home and lower marital satisfaction.</p>
Cheng et al. (2013)	926 employees	Finland	<p>IVs: JI (De Witte, 2000; G). Mod: Job control, social support, and optimism.</p> <p>DVs: Work-to-family</p>	<p>Hierarchical moderated regression analysis.</p> <p>Three-wave 2-year longitudinal design.</p>	<p>JI at Time 1, Time 2, and Time 3 predicted lower WFE at Time 1, Time 2, and Time 3, except that JI</p>

			enrichment (WFE), vigor at work, and job satisfaction.		at Time 1 did not predict WFE at Time 2. After controlling for the baseline level of WFE, JI did not predict WFE over time.
Hughes and Galinsky (1994)	523 married full-time employees	USA	IVs: Structural job characteristics, psychosocial job characteristics: JI (2-item; G) and six other variables. Mod: The combination of low skill discretion and	Ordinary least square regression; Hierarchical moderated regression. Cross-sectional design.	JI predicted increased marital tension. Gender differences were not tested. Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.

			<p>high job demands, the combination of flexibility of job scheduling and excessive work hours, the combination of family role stressors and structural job characteristics.</p> <p>DVs: Marital quality (negative home moods, marital tension, and marital support).</p>		
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Hughes et al. (1992)	334 male and 189 female married white-collar workers.	USA	IVs: Structural job characteristics, psychosocial job characteristics [enrichment, pressure without support, JI (Karasek, 1979; G)]. Med: Work-family interference (structural interference [family role difficulty (resulting from work) and job role difficulty (resulting from	Ordinary least squares regression. Cross-sectional design.	JI predicted marital tension but not marital companionship. Work-family interference (measured via family role difficulty) mediated the relationship between JI and marital tension. First, JI predicted higher family role difficulty, which, in turn, predicted higher marital tension. Gender
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			family)] and psychological interference [negative mood spillover (work experiences resulting in negative mood at home)]). DV: Marital quality (marital tension and marital companionship).		differences were not tested. Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.
Kinnunen and Mauno 1998	501 employees	Finland	IVs: Work domain antecedents for work-to-family conflict (WFC): JI (assessing the concern and the	Hierarchical multiple regression analysis and MANOVA (male and female comparison).	JI predicted lower work-to-family conflict (WFC) only among women. JI predicted higher family-

			<p>certainty about the future, e.g., Jacobson, 1991) and three other variables.</p> <p>Family domain antecedents for family-to-work conflict (FWC; 3 variables).</p> <p>DVs: WFC; FWC. Family domain outcomes for WFC (marital dissatisfaction, parental dissatisfaction); work domain outcomes for FWC (job anxiety, job depression, job</p>	<p>Cross-sectional design.</p>	<p>to-work conflict (FWC) in men and women.</p> <p>Note. This study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.</p>
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			exhaustion); Overall well-being outcomes for both WFC and FWC (psychosomatic symptoms).		
Larson et al. (1994)	111 couples (N = 222). Within the couple, at least one of them experienced JI stressor.	USA	IVs: JI (by measuring Unpredictability, Cohen, Kamarck, & Marmelstein, 1983; G). DVs: Lower marital adjustment, overall family functioning (FAD: poorer overall family functioning, poorer family communication	Stepwise multiple regression. Cross-sectional design.	For husbands, JI predicted lower marital adjustment, poorer overall family functioning, lower family role clarity, lower family affective responsiveness, and higher marital and family problems.

			<p>, poorer family problem solving, less family role clarity, less family affective responsiveness, less family affective involvement, less effective family behavior control), more marital and family problems. Types of family services preferred.</p>		<p>For wives, JI predicted lower marital adjustment, poorer overall family functioning, poorer family communication, poorer family solving, lower family role clarity, lower affective involvement between the couples, lower effective behavior control in family, and more marital</p>
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					<p>and family problems.</p> <p>Thus, JI predicted lowered marital and family functioning for both husbands and wives, but more effects were found for wives.</p>
Mauno and Kinnunen, (1999b)	219 employees	Finland	<p>IVs: JI (modified version of Ashford et al., 1989; M).</p> <p>DVs: Job exhaustion, negative work spillover into parenthood,</p>	<p>Cross-lagged panel analysis (male and female comparison).</p> <p>1-year longitudinal study.</p>	<p>Women, who perceived high JI in previous year, reported more negative work spillover into parenthood (and job exhaustion) in</p>

			somatic symptoms.		the subsequent year. JI did not relate to spillover experiences or well-being in men over a one-year period. JI operated as a long-lasting job stressor for the female employees only.
Richter et al. (2010)	316 Swedish teachers.	Sweden	IVs: JI (Hellgren et al., 1999; G). Med: Workload. DVs: Work-to-family conflict.	Robust maximum-likelihood estimation method in LISREL. 1-year	Workload mediated the negative effects between JI and work-to-family conflict (WFC) in men

				longitudinal study.	but not in women. First, JI predicted higher workload, which, in turn, predicted higher WFC.
Roeters et al. (2009)	639 Dutch household with children (fathers = 639; mothers = 639).	The Netherlands	IVs: Employment status, paid working hours, organizational work-family culture, JI (Crompton, Lewis, & Lyonette, 2007, G). DVs: Child-related routine activities,	Structural equation modeling. Cross-sectional design.	High JI predicted less frequent participation in child-related routine activities among the fathers. However, JI did not predict fathers' participation of child-related

			interactive activities.		interactive activities, nor mothers' involvement in child-related routine or interactive activities. Thus, family effects were found only for fathers. Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.
Roeters et al. (2010)	1,008 Dutch fathers and 929 Dutch mothers with	The Netherlands	IVs: Four types of work stressors (for instance: JI, Crompton, Lewis, &	Structural equation modeling. Cross-sectional design.	The relationship between parental JI and the nature of joint time in

	school- aged children.		<p>Lyonette, 2007; G), three types of double edged work characteristics. Med: Temporal involvement (parent-child time), temporal involvement (disturbance). DVs: Parent- child relationship quality.</p>		<p>parent-child relationship was only found at correlational level but not in robust statistical testing. Mothers' JI correlated with lowered frequency of parent-child activities and impaired quality of parent-child relationship, whereas JI correlated positively with disturbance of</p>
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					<p>parent-child activities (higher JI, higher disturbance). Mothers experienced slightly more JI than fathers. Father's JI correlated with lowered quality of parent-child relationship.</p> <p>Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.</p>
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Ruokolaine n et al. (2013)	1,719 nurses.	Finland	IVs: JI (De Witte, 2000; G). Mod: Job dedication and age. DVs: Parental satisfaction, parental stress, work-to-family conflict, and work-to-family enrichment.	Hierarchical moderated regression analysis. Cross- sectional design.	a) High JI predicted higher work- to-family conflict (WFC) and parental stress and lower parental satisfaction. b) Younger employees suffered less from high JI in relation to parental satisfaction (family effects were milder for younger employees). c) Among high JI employees,
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					<p>high job- dedication predicted lowered parental satisfaction. d) Higher job dedication protected younger employees from the negative effects of JI on WFC and parental stress but high job dedication increased the risk of WFC and parental stress for older</p>
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					employees with high JI.
Voydanoff (2004)	1,938 employed adults.	USA	IVs: (1) Within-domain demands: JI (by asking how likely you will lose current job in the next couple of years; G), three other demands; (2) Within-domain resources; (3) Boundary-spanning resources. DVs: Work-to-family conflict,	Ordinary least squares regression analysis. Cross-sectional design.	JI predicted higher work-to-family conflict (WFC) and lower work-to-family facilitation (describing positive work-family interface). After introducing work resources (autonomy, learning opportunities,

			work-to-family facilitation.		<p>respect and meaningful work), these relationship became non-significant. Thus, work resources masked the effects of JI on WFC and work-to-family facilitation.</p> <p>Note. The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.</p>
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Voydanoff (2005)	2,155 employed adults living with a family member.	USA	IVs: Three types of work demands (time- based demands; strain-based demands [JI (by asking how likely you will lose current job in the next couple of years; G), time pressure, workload pressure], boundary- spanning demands). Med: Work-to- family conflict DV: Work-to- family conflict,	Ordinary least squares regression analysis. Cross- sectional design.	JI predicted higher work- to-family conflict (WFC) and family-to- work conflict (FWC). In addition, WFC partially mediated the relationship between JI and FWC. First, JI increased WFC, which, in turn, predicted higher FWC but still JI also directly predicted FWC. Note.
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			Family-to-work conflict.		The study focused also on other work characteristics than JI.
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Table 2. Summary of studies examining family outcomes of JI from a *crossover* perspective.

Authors	Sample	Country	Measures	Stat. method & study design	Main Results
Barling et al. (1998)	134 undergraduate students and their mothers and fathers.	Canada	IVs: Father's or mother's JI (Kuhnert & Vance, 1992; M), father's or mother's layoffs. Mod: Identification with fathers or mothers. Med: Children's perceptions of their parents' JI (revised version of Kuhnert & Vance, 1992; M). DVs:	Structural equation modeling. Cross-sectional design.	Fathers: Fathers' JI predicted children's perceptions of their fathers' JI. Children's perceptions of their fathers' JI predicted children's work beliefs and children's work beliefs predicted their work attitudes. Mothers:

			<p>Children's work beliefs (humanistic work belief and protestant work ethic) and work attitudes (motivation to do good work vs. alienation from work).</p>		<p>Mothers' JI predicted children's perceptions of their mothers' JI. Moderating effects in fathers: the interaction between identification with fathers and children's perceptions of paternal JI was significant on humanistic work beliefs (children's work beliefs). Humanistic beliefs were</p>
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					strongly and negatively related to the perceptions of fathers' JI when identification with the father was high. (Note. The study focused also on other work stressors than JI).
Barling and Mendelsohn (1999)	127 undergraduate students; their parents (father/mother/both)	Canada	IVs: Parents' self-reported JI (Kuhnert & Vance, 1992; M), children's perceptions of each parent's (one or both parents) JI	Structural equation modeling. 3-month longitudinal design.	Parents' JI predicted children's perceptions of their parents' JI. Children's perceptions of their parents' JI also

			(Kuhnert & Vance, 1992; M). Med: Beliefs in an unjust world and negative mood. DVs: Grade performance (reported 3 months later).		predicted their belief in an unjust world, which in turn, predicted negative mood. Children's negative mood was associated with poorer school (grade) performance.
Barling et al. (1999)	120 undergraduate students, and their fathers and mothers.	Canada	IVs: Fathers' and mothers' reported JI (Kuhnert & Vance, 1992; M), children's perception of parental JI (revised version of	Structural equation modeling. 3-month longitudinal design.	Fathers: Fathers' JI predicted children's perceptions of paternal JI. Children's perception of paternal JI predicted their

			<p>Kuhnert & Vance, 1992).</p> <p>Mod:</p> <p>Children's identification with their mothers and fathers. Med:</p> <p>Cognitive difficulties.</p> <p>DVs: School performance (reported 3 months later).</p>		<p>cognitive difficulties in which then predicted their poorer school performance.</p> <p>Thus, children's cognitive difficulties mediated the relationship between perceptions of paternal JI and their school performance.</p> <p>Mothers: Mothers' JI predicted children's perceptions of maternal JI.</p>
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					<p>Moderating effects:</p> <p>Identification with fathers and mothers moderated the relationship between children's perception of fathers' and mothers' JI and their cognitive difficulties.</p> <p>Thus, cognitive difficulties in children were more strongly related to the perceptions of fathers' and</p>
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					mothers' JI when paternal and maternal identification was high.
Lim and Loo (2003)	178 undergraduate students and their mothers and fathers.	Singapore	IVs: Parental JI (Kuhnert and Vance, 1992; M) Med: Authoritarian parenting behaviors [parental control, non- participation, non-support] and youth's perception of parental JI [revised	Structural equation modeling. Cross- sectional design.	Fathers: Father's JI predicted his higher authoritarian parenting behaviors. Father's authoritarian parenting behavior did not predict his children's self- efficacy. Mothers: Mother's JI

			<p>version of Kuhnert and Vance (1992); M]. DVs: Youth's self-efficacy and work attitudes [work involvement and work motivation].</p>		<p>predicted her lower maternal authoritarian parenting behaviors. Maternal authoritarian parenting behaviors predicted her children's lowered self-efficacy. Fathers and Mothers: Both paternal and maternal JI predicted their children's perceptions of paternal and maternal JI.</p>
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					Children's perceptions of paternal and maternal JI predicted their lowered self-efficacy and children's lowered self-efficacy predicted their lowered work attitudes (work involvement and work motivation).
Lim and Sng (2006)	185 undergraduate students and their fathers and mothers.	Singapore	IVs: Paternal and maternal JI (Kuhnert & Vance, 1992]; M). Med: Paternal and	Structural equation modeling. Cross-sectional design.	Fathers: Father's JI predicted his money anxiety (economic stress).

			maternal money anxiety. DVs: Youth's money anxiety, money motives, and motivation to work.	Spillover and crossover (parent [father vs. mother] →children) design.	Mothers: Above relationship non- significant. Fathers and Mothers: Parental money anxiety predicted positively children's money anxiety. Children's money anxiety predicted their negative money motives, which, in turn, predicted their lowered
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					intrinsic motivation to work (children's negative money motives acted as a mediator).
Mauno and Kinnunen, (1999a)	215 married or cohabiting dual-earner couples.	Finland	IVs: JI (Hartley et al., 1991; G) and three other work stressors. Med: Job exhaustion and psychosomatic symptoms. DVs: Marital satisfaction.	Structural equation Modeling. Cross-sectional design. Spillover and crossover (between spouses) design.	JI predicted marital dissatisfaction via job exhaustion and psychosomatic health among dual-earner couples, but it did not crossover between the couples. JI

					<p>had spillover effects in both couples on marital dissatisfaction . (Note. The study focused also on other work stressors than JI).</p>
<p>Stewart and Barling (1996)</p>	<p>189 fathers. Teachers provided ratings of children's behaviors.</p>	<p>Canada</p>	<p>IVs: Fathers working experiences (JI, Vance & MacNeil, 1990; G). Med: Job-related affect (job satisfaction, negative job-related mood and job</p>	<p>Structural equation modeling (path analysis). Cross-sectional design.</p>	<p>JI predicted lowered job satisfaction in fathers (one of three job related affects) but their job satisfaction did not predict their parenting behaviors, nor children's</p>

			<p>tension) and parenting behaviors (punishing, rejecting and authoritative behaviors).</p> <p>DVs:</p> <p>Children's behaviors (acting out, shyness and school competence).</p>		<p>behaviors.</p> <p>(No crossover from fathers to children).</p> <p>(Note. This study focused also on other work stressors than JI.)</p>
Westman et al. (2001)	98 married couples (Husbands = 98; Wives = 98).	Israel	<p>IVs: JI (only using revised importance and probability sub-scales from Ashford et al., 1989; M), social</p>	<p>Structural equation modeling.</p> <p>Cross-sectional design</p>	<p>Husband's JI predicted his wife's JI, thus JI was a shared experience between the couples. For only husband,</p>

			undermining, sense of control. DVs: Burnout.		JI predicted burnout. Husband's burnout predicted social undermining behaviors toward his wife but husband's social undermining behavior did not predict his wife's burnout (no crossover between the couples).
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Zhao et al. (2012)	196 undergraduate students and their fathers.	Singapore	IVs: Paternal JI (Caplan et al., 1980; G). Med: Youths' perceived career-specific parenting behaviors (lack of engagement, support and interference). DVs: Youths' career self-efficacy.	Structural equation modeling (multiple-mediator analysis). Sample was splitted to examine father-son and father-daughter relationship.	Fathers' JI predicted two types of career-specific parenting behaviors (lack of engagement and support). Fathers with high JI showed lower engagement in their children's career development and provided less support for their children. Gender moderated the mediating
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					<p>process:</p> <p>Parenting styles that mediated the relationship between paternal JI and children's career self-efficacy were different for boys and girls. Among sons, a lack of father's engagement was the mediator but among daughters a lack of father's support was the mediator</p>
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					between JI and children's self-efficacy.
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