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PORNOGRAPHIES...

Summary



Pornography is a subject of moral, cultural, philosophical, political, and scientific controversy. Of course, the economic and social stakes are important, and we must understand the signage along the way. In order to critically parse through this dense landscape, it's critical that we equip ourselves with a minimum of reliable knowledge to analyze the meaning(s) of this phenomenon.

This work is a summary of the book *Pornographies...*, published in French in 2021. It is also a tool to help people learn about the observed effects of the consumption of various types of pornography on sexual health and with regards to sexual offences. This article is based on 140 research papers written by 128 women and 75 men from 1980 to 2019. They were using study objects and Québec subjects who were able to express their perceptions and points of view on the themes addressed by scientists. In *Pornographies...*, feminist pornography is not discussed since no Québec scientist has yet studied its effects on sexual health and sexual offences from the years 2000 to 2019.

In addition, the data used here regarding sexual offences are the most recent produced by the Ministère de la Sécurité publique du Québec (MSPQ) and Statistics

Canada. Finally, this summary presents a bibliography of the studies and research in several disciplines such as sociology, sexology, psychology, and crime involved in the writing of the book. *Pornographies...* available at https://boutique.bouquinbec.ca/pornographies.html.

Divided into 11 chapters, this summary answers the following five questions about gay, child, and mainstream pornography: What is pornography? Who is interested in it? What are its links and effects on sexual health? What are its links and effects on sexual assault against women and children? Can we become addicted to pornography?

Good reading!

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