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Understanding white collar crime and its myths

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This interactive conversation about how pervasive myths about white-collar crimes are a key part of the problems with addressing such crimes is the focus of this discussion. This work was inspired by Harold Pepinsky and Paul Jesilow's book entitled, *Myths that Cause Crime*. The general public commonly believes white-collar offenses are mostly non-violent crimes that are less financially and socially impactful to society than street-level crimes, despite evidence to the contrary. We will address these myths and other general misconceptions about white-collar crime held by the public in both Sweden and the United States.