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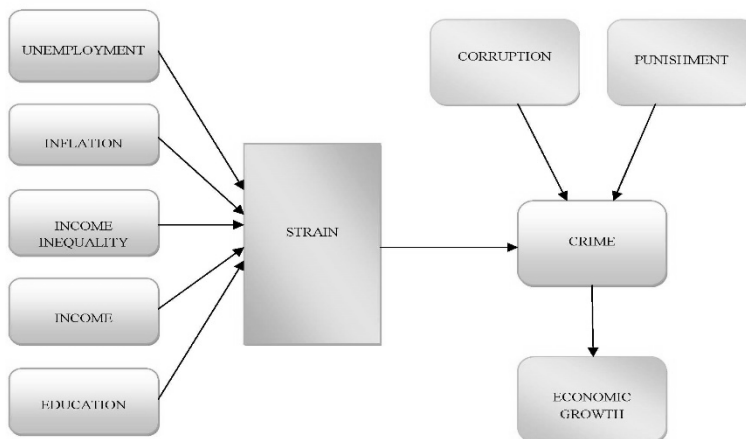


FIGURE 1. Interrelation between socio and macroeconomic variables and crime (Font 9)

TABLE 1. Pearson Correlation matrix among variables (Font 9)

	Encouragement	Competency	Governance
Readiness	0.0123	0.550	0.610
Competency		1.000	0.058
Governance			1.000

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The important aspects in the interpretation of the results are identifying patterns of features, linking to previous results, linking to theory and explaining the results.

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