Attitudes toward language and dialect

If the web could overflow, it would be overflowing with opinions about language and German is no exception. You can find such stuff very easily:

General web search using terms like these:
  • Dialekte Einstellungen
  • Anglizismen Einstellungen
  • Sprachverall
  • Sprachkritik

Search for particular dialects, especially if coupled with other terms:
  • Sächsisch
  • Bairisch
  • Fränkisch

Search in particular publications online, whether Spiegel, big papers like Die Zeit, or broadcast media. For many of these, regional sources are particularly useful, e.g. NDR and “Plattdeutsch”.

Pick some variety of German — e.g. Kiezdeutsch or some dialect, etc. — and find a set of popular publications about it, just a couple of magazine articles or broadcast pieces, and describe what they say about the variety, in terms of attitudes and values, language structures and language history.

Then provide a critique of those remarks: Are they accurate in terms of language description and history as far as you can tell?