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Demographic Profiles and Gendered Migration Consequences in Rural China: A Life Course Perspective

Using 1997-2011 China Health and Nutrition Survey (CHNS) house level data and fixed effect models, we examined how migration has affected the household economic status from both absolute net income and relative rank within community. In particular, we focus on who migrate and who stay might impact the household economic outcome differently from a life course and gender perspective. We also examined how the influence of who migrates and who stays impact household economic outcome changing over time, and whether the impact is conditional on household endowment, including household human capital stock and land. We found that migration has negative consequences on household net income and relative economic status and it became particularly true in more recent years. The influence of men migrant is larger than women. In contrast, more working age stay-at-home people, especially men, can compensate for the loss by migration. However, the influence is differed by household human capital stock and land holding. The harmful effect of migration on household economy is more salient when household average human capital is higher.



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