

Philippines - International Labor Migration 2010-2012, Baseline, Benchmark and Endline Surveys

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Sampling

Sampling Procedure

Early in 2010, we randomly selected 42 barangays from six municipalities in Sorsogon Province in which to conduct the baseline survey. We collected a household roster from each barangay that included a list of households, and we used these to set barangay-specific target sample sizes proportional to population. We targeted approximately 5% of the total population from each barangay, or roughly 26% of households. We sorted households randomly and selected the first listed households to be our target. When a household could not be located or had no eligible members, we replaced it with the next household on the list.

From each household, interviewers screened the first member they met who had never worked abroad and was age 20-45. Subsequent to the baseline survey, we learned from recruitment agencies that most individuals over age 40 would not be eligible for overseas work, so we restricted our baseline sample to the 4,153 individuals age 20-40 we interviewed. Houses selected were typically far enough apart from each other that concerns about information spillovers are second order; to the extent that there were spillovers, our treatment estimates are lower bounds on the differential impact of more information. The passport assistance was only offered to the respondents themselves, and so it is not subject to such spillovers.

Response Rate

We obtained measures of whether the respondent migrated abroad for work from full, proxy, or log surveys for 4,089 respondents, or 98.5% of our sample. Of those, 73% were surveys with the respondents themselves, 20% were proxy surveys, and 7% were log surveys. Excluding the log surveys, we have a 91% response rate for their full set of job search and migration outcome variables.

Questionnaires

Overview

Attached

Data Collection

Data Collection Dates

Start	End	Cycle
2010-03-01	2010-08-31	Baseline
2011-04-01	2011-08-31	Passport survey
2012-05-01	2012-08-31	Endline survey

Data Collection Mode

Face-to-face [f2f]

Data Processing

No content available

Data Appraisal

No content available

Related Materials

Questionnaires

Baseline Survey Questionnaire

Title Baseline Survey Questionnaire
 Date 2010-05-24
 Country Philippines
 Language English
 Filename FacilitateMig_Baseline.pdf

A Benchmark Survey Questionnaire

Title A Benchmark Survey Questionnaire
 Date 2010-09-28
 Country Philippines
 Language English
 Filename FacilitateMig_Benchmark.pdf

Final Survey Questionnaire

Title Final Survey Questionnaire
 Date 2012-05-19
 Country Philippines
 Language English
 Filename FacilitateMig_Endline.pdf

Reports

Unilateral Facilitation Does Not Raise International Labor Migration from the Philippines

Title Unilateral Facilitation Does Not Raise International Labor Migration from the Philippines
 Author(s) Emily A. Beam (National University of Singapore) David McKenzie (World Bank) Dean Yang (University of Michigan)
 Language English
 Filename BeamMcKenzieYang_EDCC_2016.pdf

Other materials

Endline Survey Codebook

Title Endline Survey Codebook
 Date 2012-01-01
 Country Philippines
 Language English

Filename FacilitateMig_Endline_Codebook.pdf

Replication Files - Stata Dofiles

Title	Replication Files - Stata Dofiles
Author(s)	Emily A. Beam, David McKenzie, Dean Yang
Language	English
Description	Stata dofiles for the replication of : "Unilateral Facilitation Does Not Increase Migration" These dofiles, and other replication files are also included with the data download.
Filename	Replication Program.zip
