

Some Determinants of Sustainable Economic Reintegration in the Sahel and Lake Chad Region

Introduction

Background. A short paragraph on the program, when it started, and the logframe.

Aim. What we assess, with which data, using which method.

Questions that should be answered.

Overall methodology (regression)

Reintegration Economic Survey (RES)

Introduction. What the RES is.

Sample size and main statistics. Methodology specifics.

Model 1: Determinants of Business Success

Model 2: Determinants of Business Profitability

Model 3: Effect of Training on Business Success

Model 4: Determinants of Future Intentions to Migrate

Model 5: Determinants of Employee Number

Reintegration Sustainability Survey (RSS)

Introduction. What the RSS is.

Sample size and main statistics. Including plot on correlations between RSS scores.

Model 6: Determinants of Sustainable Reintegration (Composite Score)

Model 7: Determinants of Sustainable Reintegration (Economic Score)

Summary of Results

A short discussion of the results.

With a table showing which predictors are significant across all models, and significance levels.

Lessons Learned and Recommendations

Recommendations concerning the results. That is, which variables are key, etc.

Recommendations concerning data issues and data wrangling.

List of Figures and Tables

Appendices

Summary of Data Sets Used

Data Analysis Plan

RES Descriptive Plots

RSS Descriptive Plots

Correlations Between RSS Scores (Table)

Interaction of Country and Business Type for Model 1

Model 5 with Time to receive assistance added

Model 5 with Assistance count added

Predicting Social score and Psychosocial score

Other Submitted Documents

These documents are submitted separately.

A folder containing all clean data sets used for analysis, with notes on how these were built.

A folder with all R scripts, which allows to reproduce all data processes.

A log of anomalies. Might be included in R scripts.

A log of changes to the data. Might be included in R scripts.

Introduction

The EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration was launched in April 2017 and implemented in 13 countries of the Sahel and Lake Chad Region.¹ A key element of the Joint Initiative is assistance to voluntary return and reintegration. Migrants who voluntarily decided to return received economic, social, and psychosocial support, such as job placement, launching a microbusiness, housing, education, childcare, special security measures, and so on².

The overarching goal of the programme is the successful reintegration of migrants in a dignified and sustainable manner³, and the main instruments to achieve this goal are, precisely, the measures of assistance that were offered to the migrants. It is therefore crucial to assess the effectiveness of these measures.

From personal notes:

Cloture de l'initiative conjointe des 5 dernières années

Afrique de l'Ouest et Corne—16 pays

2021—avril 2023 était dernière phase*

C'est des retournés volontaires, qui sont accompagnés par l'OIM

[Afrique de l'Ouest, possibly Sahel]

[The Join Initiative was launched in 2016]

¹ Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, and Senegal.

² The full catalog of measures is available in the file "MiMOSA activities and dimension of reintegration assistance.xlsx".

³ *EUTF-IOM Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration: Standard Operating Procedures for Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration*, p. 6.

From Induction for new staff:

“The EU-IOM Joint Initiative (JI) for Migrant Protection and Reintegration in the Sahel and Lake Chad region was launched in April 2017 and implemented in 13 countries (Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, and Senegal)”

The 2nd phase of the JI funded by DG INTPA under the NDICI started in November 2021 and is ending early 2023.*

OBJECTIVE I Protection and AVRR:

“Improve PROTECTION , provide assistance and enable the assisted VOLUNTARY RETURN of vulnerable and stranded migrants”

ASSISTANCE TO VOLUNTARY RETURN (AVR): Migrants who want to return will receive AVR assistance in the form of pre departure counselling, travel allowance and transportation. They will also receive immediate assistance upon arrival.

OBJECTIVE II Reintegration

“Improve the REINTEGRATION of returning migrants and strengthen national structures and capacities in terms of managing reintegration in a dignified and sustainable manner”

REINTEGRATION ACTIVITIES: Following counseling and individual orientation of returnees, reintegration assistance is provided. The assistance can be individual, collective, or community-wide as appropriate. Evaluations are carried out in order to monitor and assess the success of these activities.

Read Document, Joint Initiative's Framework SOPs on AVRR, e.g., p. 14