

Economic Migration

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Problem statement- How much of a role does GDP growth (or contraction) play in a country's relative attractiveness for migrants?



Project Objective

There are many reasons why people decide to leave their home countries to start either a completely new life or even a temporary one.



I want to see if economic opportunity is the primary driving factor for their respective destination choices or if other reasons such as availability of social benefits or other intangibles such as perceptions of safety come into play.

What data will you use? - I will use the OECD's International Migration Database, along with Growth in GDP per capita, productivity and ULC Meta Data.

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Why did you choose this topic? - I am a political science major (from a long time ago!) that has always had an interest in the international sphere as well as numbers.



With the refugee crisis in Europe making the news on a daily basis, I cannot help but have it in the forefront of my mind.