

Title: The Performance of African Immigrants in the Canadian Labour Market

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Abstract

The aim of this project is to analyze the labour market performance of African immigrants in Canada. A simple human capital model is used to explain why the earnings of African immigrants may differ from those of the other ethnic groups, as well as the native-born Canadians. Moreover, a quasi-panel data formed from the 1991-1996 censuses are used to test a number of hypotheses. Given that similar empirical studies have been done in the U.S. but not in Canada, we will compare our results with those of the US. We also consider the policy implications of our findings for Canada.

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