Abstract

This paper shows some of the results obtained from a larger research process which deals with workers who have moved from activities such as fishing, farming and livestock to tourism, in the county of Santa Cruz, Guanacaste. From in-depth interviews with some workers in the tourism sector, three ideal types of displacement are constructed, which have been constructed taking into account the identification of the worker towards the work performed and the job stability for each occupation. It is also described for each type of movement the changes in the living conditions that the new jobs in the tourism sector have meant for these workers. These changes are in correspondence with every kind of displacement done by each worker.

Keywords

Tourism, sociology, ideal types, work, Guanacaste.