Abstract

This paper focuses on the First National Immigrant Survey in Spain from the perspective of the migratory chains as an explanatory paradigm of migration processes in the country. The first part provides a literature review of key aspects o) the concept of migratory chains. In the second part, we identify and discuss the survey results related to migratory chains, such as: contacts in Spain before arrival, influence of contacts in the decision to travel, money transfer, contacts in the immigrant's home country and intention of bringing relatives.

Keywords

Migratory chains, immigration in Spain, demography, National Immigrant Survey, relational paradigm.