The Settlement Trajectories of Post-1991 Immigrants from Ukraine to Canada: A Preliminary View

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This paper provides an overview of the settlement patterns and trajectories of immigrants from Ukraine to Canada since 1991. It examines the main demographic characteristics of immigrants from Ukraine to Canada; their categories of admission; family and educational status; and their earnings over time and relative to other immigrants (from the former Soviet Union, other eastern European countries, and rest of the world). The paper is based on data contained in the Longitudinal Immigrant Database (IMDB). The IMDB is a database that combines the administrative records of all permanent and temporary residents who have landed in Canada since 1980 with annual tax records. It allows researchers to gain a fuller understanding of the socio-economic performance of immigrants to Canada. The paper is part of a larger study of post-1991 Ukrainian immigration and settlement to Canada currently being undertaken with Natalia Khanenko-Friesen (University of Alberta) and Monica Hwang (University of Saskatchewan).