Background

• Research project “Economic Transformation, Household Behaviour and Well-Being in Central Asia: The Case of Kyrgyzstan” funded by Volkswagen Foundation
• Joint project of DIW Berlin, Humboldt University of Berlin, CASE-Kyrgyzstan, and AUCA
• Collection of micro-level survey data is an integral part of the project
• 3 years of data collection: 2010-2012
• Panel survey
• Hope to get funding for further data collection
Sampling

• Stratified two-stage random sampling
• 16 strata: Bishkek and Osh cities, urban as well as rural areas of the 7 oblasts
• Number of households in each stratum is determined proportionate to size of the stratum
• 120 communities
• 3,000 households in total

Field Work

• Data collection in autumn of each year (2010-2012)
• 2010: October-December – 3,000 households and 8,160 individuals were interviewed
• 2011: September-October (due to presidential election)
Panel Structure

• All individuals from the originally sampled households and their respective households are interviewed in all 3 years
• Individuals who leave their households and stay within Kyrgyzstan are tracked, i.e. they will be interviewed in their new place of residence

Topics Covered

• Individual questionnaire
  • Subjective well-being
  • Education and health
  • Labour market
  • Movements
  • Family and household
  • Worries
  • Security and Violence
  • Social life
Topics Covered

• Household questionnaire
  • Household composition
  • Child education and health
  • Housing and assets
  • Agricultural markets
  • Consumption and expenditures
  • Income
  • Migration
  • Shocks

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• Community questionnaire
  • Community information
  • Prices
Publications and Research

• Work in progress at DIW Berlin:
  • Migration and Social Networks in Kyrgyzstan: Mutual Insurance in the Source Communities
  • Intergenerational Mobility
  • Conflict in Kyrgyzstan: Evidence from a New Micro-Level Dataset

• Further ideas:
  • Multidimensional poverty
  • Child health
  • Labour market uncertainty and life satisfaction