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Life in Kyrgyzstan Survey

Workshop "Panel Data and the Life in Kyrgyzstan Survey"
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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

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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)

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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

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Topics Covered

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

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

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Topics Covered

- Community questionnaire
 - Community information
 - Prices

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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