

PROPOSAL: THE IMPACT OF REMITTANCES ON RURAL MEXICO

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This summer we are starting on the second year of a research project focused on determining the impact of remittances, international as well as domestic, on the distribution of rural incomes, poverty levels, rural infant mortality rates, and rural family consumption and investment patterns in Mexico.

We are using Mexican sample survey materials covering an 8-year period, 3 census years, as well as deploying secondary sources, most of which have been restricted to cross-sectional analysis for one year (2003). Interest in development, in Latin America, and the ability to use computers would be helpful. A working knowledge of Spanish would also be helpful but is not absolutely required.