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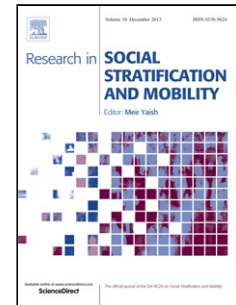
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Highlights

- I examines the effects of immigrant proportion in an occupation on native wages
- The long-term trends in the flows of immigrants in detailed occupational markets are assessed.
- Two different types of multilevel models: a cross-sectional, and a lagged dependent model.
- Results indicate that occupations abundantly populated by immigrants are low-wage occupations
- In most years, the increase in immigrants' occupational share is not related to a decline in native wages.

Introduction

A foremost question in migration literature is the impact of immigration on the host country's labor market, especially on the income of the native population. Contrary to the common perception, extensive research has found little if any effect of immigration on natives' wages (Longhi, Nijkamp, & Poot, 2005). Most studies overlook the importance of occupation as the main mechanism of segmentation, or use broad occupational categories (Nickell & Saleheen, 2008; Orrenius & Zavodny, 2007; Peri & Sparber, 2009; Toussaint-Comeau, 2016). Structural

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