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Abstract

This paper evaluates the impact of property rights, labor mobility barriers and degrees of collectivization on China's agricultural growth in 1950-1978. Using a semi-Bayesian stochastic frontier analysis, we find that collective production with free labor mobility and private property rights was the most efficient institutional setting. Although deviations

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