

ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Migration and Aging across a Rural-Urban Continuum and by County
Type

Type of Report
(ERR, EIB, EB) EIB

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information
USDA [] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: This report examines age-specific migration patterns describing consistency and change over the last three decades. We focus on the ways in which migration has contributed to population aging, how migration has changed over time, and how migration and aging vary across different types of counties along a rural-urban continuum and by economic base. We quantify the extent to which migration of younger and older people has contributed to population aging for different types of rural counties in the 1990s, 2000s, and 2010s. In doing so, we investigate the components driving aging, showing how much of the increase in older populations has been due to migration compared to aging-in-place and whether migration's contribution has been through out-migration of younger people, in-migration of older people, or a combination of both.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers
[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 6/18/2025 Completed:

Number of Reviewers: [] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [] Designated Outside Organization

Opportunities for Public Comment? [] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [] Yes [X] No

