

Transnational Lives

Sociology

Migration as an ongoing tie to two places, not a single move.

Sustained social, economic and political ties maintained across borders, so that migrants participate in origin and destination societies at once.

MODEL

both places, not one

KEY FLOW

remittances

- Remittances often exceed aid to the same country.
- Cheap calls and transfers make ties routine.
- Political participation can span two states.
- Diaspora identity is transmitted to later generations.
- Return and circular migration are common.
- Not a replacement for integration; often alongside it.

LOOK FOR IT

A household budget built from wages in one country and school fees paid in another, every month.

Educational reference. Whether transnational ties slow integration is empirically contested and varies by group and context.