



International migration: the female experience.

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Abstract: This book is a collection of essays that explores the experiences of immigrant women during the post-World War II period. Its scope is international, and its overall aim is to delineate and analyze the social, economic, political, and cultural characteristics that influence female migrants both as immigrants and as women, and which may differentiate their experiences from those of male migrants. In past research, women have been treated more as migrants' wives than as female migrants, and their role in the migration process has been deemed less important. All of the essays begin with the premises that women now make up a significant proportion of the total migrating population whatever the cultural group, that many of these women are no longer merely followers moving to join a father or husband, and that in numerous contexts they contribute significantly to the labor force of the receiving country. The massive increase in the female labor force throughout the world is to a large extent the result of female migration. The 3 main parts of the book are divided into 1) an introduction describing a demographic overview of the international migration of women, 2) the labor force participation and policy of female migration, and 3) the family adaptation and cultural adjustment among various international female migrants. Cultural differences, whether those brought from home or those encountered in the receiving society or a juxtaposition of both, shape the ways in which both constraints and opportunities of migrant women are experienced or with which they cope.

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