Immigrant Wage & Salary Experience by Year of Arrival in Canada

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The major findings are →

For immigrant taxfilers, their median wage & salary income: a) increases each year* for immigrants WITHIN that cohort

(e.g. those who arrived in 2002 experience yearly improvements); and

(i.e. arrival cohort) of immigrant

—1980

-1984

1985

—1989

—1990

1995

--1999

—2000

-2005

* 2009

2010

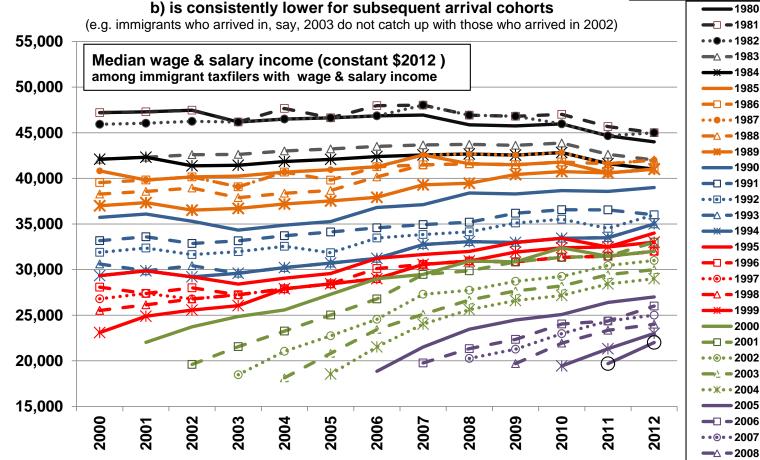
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This investigation asked the question:

Does the vear of arrival of an immigrant have an impact on their earnings level and on their earnings trajectory?

As noted above, the major finding is "yes".

A FactSheet in the September P2P eBulletin (referenced below) also showed similar findings for the "employment rate" (i.e. the percent of immigrants with a job) (updated charts of employment rates are available in a handout).



^{*} except, median earnings have declined recently for those who arrived in the 1980s, as they approach retirement. Source: Statistics Canada. Longitudinal Immigration Database, CANSIM Table 054-0001.

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