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I	Group 1 (N=36,574)	Group 2 (N=36,574)	Group 3 (N=36,574)	Group 4 (N=36,574)
	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)
Life evaluation (0-10)	5.84 (2.27)	5.37 (1.14)	5.67 (1.25)	5.73 (1.10)
Positive affect (0-10)	6.78 (3.90)	6.67 (1.62)	6.96 (1.72)	7.13 (1.39)
Negative affect (0-10)	2.74 (3.25)	3.05 (1.32)	2.40 (1.23)	2.32 (0.90)
Age (years)	45.79 (17.68)	40.78 (16.78)	45.66 (17.25)	40.96 (16.31)

Table A1 Descriptive statistics of the GWP 2009-2016 analysis sample (unweighted)

Table A2 Descriptive statistics of the GWP 2009-2016 migrant sample (unweighted)

	Immigrants	Newcomers	Long-timers
	(N=36,574)	(N=6,499)	(N=30,075)
	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %
Life evaluation (0-10)	5.84 (2.27)	5.76 (2.34)	5.86 (2.25)
Positive affect (0-10)	6.78 (3.90)	7.24 (3.65)	6.68 (3.94)
Negative affect (0-10)	2.74 (3.25)	2.72 (3.27)	2.75 (3.25)
Age (years)	45.79 (17.68)	34.85 (14.08)	48.17 (17.58)
Female (%)	57	52	58
Education level (%)			
Primary school or less	20	24	20
Secondary school or some tertiary education	54	52	54
4-year university degree or higher	26	24	26
Destination region (%)			
Western Europe	21	20	21
Central & Eastern Europe	19	10	20
Sub-Saharan Africa	13	25	10
Commonwealth of Independent States	12	8	13
Middle East and North Africa	11	9	12
Northern America & ANZ	10	8	10
Latin America & the Caribbean	6	10	5
East Asia	3	2	4
Southeast Asia	3	4	3
South Asia	2	4	2
Origin region (%)			
Commonwealth of Independent States	21	10	23
Western Europe	19	13	20
Central & Eastern Europe	15	11	16
Sub-Saharan Africa	13	25	11
Middle East and North Africa	10	11	10
Latin America & the Caribbean	8	13	7
East Asia	4	3	4
South Asia	4	7	3
Southeast Asia	3	4	3
Northern America & ANZ	3	3	3

Note: See Table A4 for the regional classification of countries.

^	Immigrants
	(N=36,574)
	%
Destination region	
Northern America & ANZ	29
Western Europe	24
Commonwealth of Independent States	11
Sub-Saharan Africa	9
Middle East and North Africa	8
South Asia	5
Southeast Asia	4
Latin America & the Caribbean	4
East Asia	3
Central & Eastern Europe	3
Origin region	
Western Europe	17
Latin America & the Caribbean	16
Commonwealth of Independent States	14
Middle East and North Africa	11
Sub-Saharan Africa	11
Central & Eastern Europe	10
South Asia	8
East Asia	5
Southeast Asia	4
Northern America & ANZ	4

 Table A3 Descriptive statistics of the GWP 2009-2016 migrant sample (weighted)

Note: See Table A4 for the regional classification of countries.

Table A4 C	Countries/	territo	ries by region		
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Region	Country
Latin America &	Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic,
the Caribbean	Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua,
	Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, Uruguay,
	Venezuela
Sub-Saharan Africa	Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African
	Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo (Kinshasa), Congo Brazzaville, Djibouti, Ethiopia,
	Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi,
	Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda,
	Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Somaliland region, South Africa, South Sudan,
	Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Middle East and	Algeria, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestinian
North Africa	Territories, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Yemen
South Asia	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, the Maldives
Southeast Asia	Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand,
	Vietnam
East Asia	China, Hong Kong S.A.R., Japan, Macau, Mongolia, South Korea, Taiwan Province
	of China
Commonwealth of	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Nagorno-
Independent States	Karabakh Republic, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine Uzbekistan
Central and Eastern	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic,
Europe	Estonia, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Malta, Montenegro,
-	Northern Cyprus, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia
Western Europe	Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland,
	Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland,
	United Kingdom
Northern America	Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United States
& ANZ	

Regional migration flow	Top 5 largest bilateral migration flows
Within regions	
	Russia \rightarrow Ukraine (15%)
	Ukraine \rightarrow Russia (14%)
Commonwealth of	Kazakhstan \rightarrow Russia (10%)
Independent States	Russia \rightarrow Kazakhstan (9%)
	$Uzbekistan \rightarrow Russia (5\%)$
	Burkina Faso \rightarrow Ivory Coast (7%)
	Zimbabwe \rightarrow South Africa (6%)
Sub-Saharan Africa	Ivory Coast \rightarrow Burkina Faso (3%)
~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Tanzania \rightarrow Kenya (3%)
	Uganda \rightarrow Kenya (3%)
	Palestinian Territories \rightarrow Jordan (20%)
	Kuwait \rightarrow Jordan (8%)
Middle East and North Africa	Svria \rightarrow Lebanon (4%)
	Saudi Arabia \rightarrow Yemen (3%)
	Kuwait \rightarrow Lebanon (3%)
	Portugal \rightarrow France (13%)
	Ireland \rightarrow United Kingdom (10%)
Western Europe	Germany \rightarrow United Kingdom (10%)
i estern Europe	Germany \rightarrow Switzerland (8%)
	France \rightarrow United Kingdom (8%)
	Bangladesh \rightarrow India (28%)
	India \rightarrow Pakistan (24%)
South Asia	India \rightarrow Bangladesh (15%)
South Tislu	Pakistan \rightarrow India (8%)
	India \rightarrow Nepal (7%)
	$Mvanmar \rightarrow Malaysia (38\%)$
	Indonesia \rightarrow Malaysia (25%)
Southeast Asia	Malaysia \rightarrow Singapore (13%)
Southoust Fishe	Thailand \rightarrow Malaysia (6%)
	Philippines \rightarrow Singapore (6%)
	Colombia \rightarrow Venezuela (16%)
	Paraguay \rightarrow Argentina (10%)
Latin America & the	Bolivia \rightarrow Argentina (6%)
Caribbean	Nicaragua \rightarrow Costa Rica (6%)
	Chile \rightarrow Argentina (6%)
	China \rightarrow Hong Kong S.A.R. (52%)
	China \rightarrow Japan (24%)
East Asia	China \rightarrow Taiwan Province of China (11%)
	Taiwan Province of China \rightarrow Japan (7%)
	Hong Kong S.A.R. \rightarrow China (1%)
	Bosnia and Herzegovina \rightarrow Croatia (12%)
	Bosnia and Herzegovina \rightarrow Serbia (12%)
Central & Eastern Europe	Romania \rightarrow Hungary (10%)
1	Slovakia \rightarrow Czech Republic (9%)
	Croatia \rightarrow Serbia (7%)
	Canada \rightarrow United States (41%)
	New Zealand \rightarrow Australia (20%)
Northern America & ANZ	United States \rightarrow Canada (18%)
	Australia \rightarrow United States (9%)
	United States \rightarrow Australia (3%)
Between regions	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Poland \rightarrow Germany (20%)
	Romania \rightarrow Italy (11%)
$CEE \rightarrow Western Europe$	Czech Republic \rightarrow Germany (8%)
p	Romania \rightarrow Spain (5%)
	Albania \rightarrow Italy (4%)

 Table A5 Composition of regional migration flows (weighted)

	Algeria \rightarrow France (15%)
	Morocco \rightarrow France (10%)
MENA \rightarrow Western Europe	Turkey \rightarrow Germany (10%)
	Tunisia \rightarrow France (9%)
	Turkey \rightarrow United Kingdom (5%)
	Germany \rightarrow United States (19%)
W/ for Former NIA 0	United Kingdom \rightarrow Australia (17%)
Western Europe $\rightarrow NA \propto$	United Kingdom \rightarrow United States (11%)
ANZ	United Kingdom \rightarrow Canada (7%)
	France \rightarrow United States (7%)
	Colombia \rightarrow Spain (9%)
	Ecuador \rightarrow Spain (8%)
$LAC \rightarrow Western Europe$	Argentina \rightarrow Spain (7%)
1	Bolivia \rightarrow Spain (7%)
	$Peru \rightarrow Spain (5\%)$
	South Africa \rightarrow United Kingdom (13%)
	Nigeria \rightarrow United Kingdom (7%)
$SSA \rightarrow Western Europe$	Ghana \rightarrow United Kingdom (4%)
	Angola \rightarrow Portugal (3%)
	Kenva \rightarrow United Kingdom (3%)
	Russia \rightarrow Germany (38%)
	Kazakhstan \rightarrow Germany (26%)
$CIS \rightarrow Western Europe$	Ukraine \rightarrow Germany (6%)
	Ukraine \rightarrow Italy (5%)
	$Kvrgvzstan \rightarrow Germany (3\%)$
	Ukraine \rightarrow Poland (17%)
	Russia \rightarrow Estonia (11%)
$CIS \rightarrow CEE$	Russia \rightarrow Latvia (11%)
	Belarus \rightarrow Poland (9%)
	Moldova \rightarrow Romania (6%)
	India \rightarrow Singapore (70%)
	India \rightarrow Malavsia (15%)
South Asia \rightarrow Southeast Asia	Nepal \rightarrow Malaysia (4%)
	Bangladesh \rightarrow Malavsia (4%)
	Pakistan \rightarrow Malaysia (4%)
	Germanv \rightarrow Poland (22%)
	France \rightarrow Poland (8%)
Western Europe \rightarrow CEE	Germany \rightarrow Croatia (7%)
T T	United Kingdom \rightarrow Cyprus (7%)
	Italy \rightarrow Slovenia (5%)
	$\frac{1}{\text{Russia}} \rightarrow \text{Israel}(53\%)$
	Ukraine \rightarrow Israel (15%)
$CIS \rightarrow MENA$	Russia \rightarrow Turkey (7%)
	Moldova \rightarrow Israel (5%)
	Belarus \rightarrow Israel (4%)

Note: The percentages represent the size of a bilateral migration flow as a percentage of the size of the corresponding regional migration flow in our weighted sample.

	Life ev	aluations	Positi	ve affect	Negati	ve affect
Migration flow	Migrant	Origin-	Migrant	Origin-	Migrant	Origin-
	gain/loss	destination	gain/loss	destination	gain/loss	destination
		differential		differential		differential
Within regions						
CIS	0.39	0.09	0.43	-0.02	-0.51	-0.13
Sub-Saharan Africa	0.21	0.05	0.18	0.05	-0.18	0.14
MENA	0.44	0.60	0.57	0.40	-0.95	-0.41
Western Europe	0.45	0.22	0.36	0.20	-0.31	-0.14
South Asia	-0.28	0.04	-0.27	-0.06	0.25	0.03
Southeast Asia	1.08	1.01	0.34	-0.29	-0.84	-0.44
LAC	0.45	0.47	-0.17	0.25	-0.2	-0.27
East Asia	0.54	0.64	0.85	-0.55	0.02	0.36
Central & Eastern Europe	0.39	0.18	0.51	0.13	-0.49	-0.03
Northern America & ANZ	-0.01	-0.07	-0.84	-0.12	-0.55	0.07
Between regions						
MENA \rightarrow Western Europe	0.90	1.67	0.86	1.82	-0.04	-0.9
$LAC \rightarrow Western Europe$	0.36	0.37	-0.37	-0.68	0.19	-0.07
$CIS \rightarrow MENA$	1.11	1.58	0.24	0.70	0.57	1.36
$CIS \rightarrow Western Europe$	0.59	1.28	0.47	1.49	0.38	0.08
CEE →Western Europe	0.78	1.16	0.50	1.08	-0.14	-0.58
$SSA \rightarrow Western Europe$	1.44	2.29	0.87	1.04	0.22	-0.21
$CIS \rightarrow CEE$	0.57	0.32	0.69	0.82	0.13	0.55
Western Europe \rightarrow CEE	0.27	-1.10	-0.01	-1.05	-0.65	0.88
Western Europe \rightarrow NA&ANZ	0.84	0.47	0.73	0.34	-0.13	0.33
South Asia \rightarrow Southeast Asia	0.80	1.71	-0.26	0.32	-0.37	-1.01

Table A6 Happiness gains of migrants and origin-destination happiness differential by

 migration flow

	Refugees	Voluntary migrants
	(N=607)	(N=4,607)
	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %
Age (years)	41 (12.6)	38 (11.4)
Years since migration	13 (7.9)	11 (8.4)
Female (%)	43	55
Region of origin (%)		
Middle East and North Africa	48	12
Central & Eastern Europe	27	42
Commonwealth of Independent States	16	28
Sub-Saharan Africa	5	2
South Asia	3	1
Latin America & the Caribbean	1	2
Western Europe	0	10
Northern America & ANZ	0	1
East Asia	0	1
Southeast Asia	0	1

Table A7 Descriptive statistics of the GSOEP analysis sample by immigrant group

Note: The migrant categorization is based on the following question: How did you move to Germany? (a) As an employed person who already had a job offer in Germany, (b) As an ethnic German (Aussiedler) from an Eastern European country, (c) As a spouse, child, or other family member, (d) As an asylum-seeker or refugee, (e) As a student or vocational trainee, (f) As a job-seeker, (g) In a different way. Respondents who answered option (d) were classified as refugees; all other respondents were classified as voluntary migrants. We computed years since migration by subtracting the year that the respondents entered Germany from the survey year.

Dependent variable: Life satisfaction	
Type of migrant	
Refugee	Ref.
Expat with job offer	0.55**
	(0.10)
Ethnic German (Aussiedler)	0.62**
	(0.09)
Co-moving family member	0.33**
	(0.09)
Student	0.31**
	(0.12)
Job seeker	0.21*
	(0.10)
Other	0.35**
	(0.12)
Years since migration	-0.01**
	(0.00)
Age	-0.02
	(0.01)
Age^2/100	0.00
	(0.00)
Female	0.05
	(0.05)
Observations	5,214
\mathbb{R}^2	0.03

Table A8 OLS regression: Life satisfaction in Germany by immigrant type

Notes: Regression coefficients are displayed with robust standard errors in parentheses. * p<0.05, ** p<0.01.

I	All	Individuals	Individuals	Individuals
	individuals	murviuuais	murruuais	noosiving
	with a		with a	receiving
	household	household	household	remittances
	member	member abroad	member living	from relatives
	abroada	for temporary	permanently	abroad ^c
		work ^b	abroad ^b	
	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %	Mean (SD) / %
Age (years)	39	39	42	36
Female (%)	54	58	55	56
Education level				
Primary school or less	29	30	26	33
Secondary school or some	56	57	53	60
tertiary education				
4-year university degree or higher	15	13	21	7
Destination region of the migrated				
household member (%)				
Western Europe	32	23	19	23
Northern America & ANZ	24	23	42	54
Middle East and North Africa	11	2	3	0
Sub-Saharan Africa	10	0	0	0
Commonwealth of Independent States	10	34	19	0
Latin America & the Caribbean	5	16	14	22
Central & Eastern Europe	3	2	2	0
Southeast Asia	2	0	0	0
East Asia	2	0	1	1
South Asia	1	0	0	0
Origin region (%)				
Latin America & the Caribbean	26	56	30	100
Sub-Saharan Africa	23	0	0	0
Central & Eastern Europe	12	3	4	0
Commonwealth of Independent States	11	41	66	0
Middle East and North Africa	9	0	0	0
South Asia	6	0	0	0
Western Europe	5	0	0	0
Northern America & ANZ	1	0	0	0
East Asia	3	0	0	0
Southeast Asia	4	0	0	0

Table A9 Descriptive statistics of the GWP 2007-2011 analysis san
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Notes: The destination country is known for only a small part of the sample.

^a Migrant- and non-migrant households are identified based on the following question: Have any members of your household gone to live in a foreign country permanently or temporarily in the past five years? (a) Yes, still there, (b) No.

^b These groups are identified based on the following question: What was the primary reason for this person to go abroad? (a) To study, (b) For temporary work, (c) To live permanently, (d) Other.

^c This group is identified based on the following question: Does this household receive remittances from relatives living outside of the country on a regular basis? Yes/No.

Table A10 Composition of regional migration flows of migratedhousehold members (unweighted)

Regional migration flow	Top 5 largest bilateral migration flows			
Within regions				
<u></u>	Tajikistan → Russia (26%)			
	$K_{\rm Vrgvzstan} \rightarrow R_{\rm Ussia} (17\%)$			
Commonwealth of Independent	Armenia \rightarrow Russia (11%)			
States	Moldova $\rightarrow \text{Russia}(11\%)$			
	$Uzbakistan \rightarrow Pussia (70%)$			
	$\frac{100}{20}$			
	$\text{Zimbabwe} \rightarrow \text{South Ainca (10\%)}$			
	Burkina Faso \rightarrow Ivory Coast (7%)			
Sub-Saharan Africa	Niger \rightarrow Nigeria (6%)			
	Mozambique \rightarrow South Africa (4%)			
	Malawi \rightarrow South Africa (4%)			
	Yemen \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (8%)			
	Lebanon \rightarrow UAE (6%)			
Middle East and North Africa	Jordan → Saudi Arabia (5%)			
	Syria → Saudi Arabia (5%)			
	Syria \rightarrow UAE (4%)			
	Paraguay \rightarrow Argentina (20%)			
	Nicaragua \rightarrow Costa Rica (14%)			
Latin America & the Caribbean	Bolivia \rightarrow Argentina (12%)			
	Colombia \rightarrow Venezuela (4%)			
	Peru \rightarrow Argentina (3%)			
	Portugal \rightarrow France (6%)			
	Ireland \rightarrow United Kingdom (5%)			
Western Furone	Iceland \rightarrow Denmark (3%)			
Western Europe	United Kingdom \rightarrow Spain (2%)			
	Portugal \rightarrow Switzerland (2%)			
	Montenegro \rightarrow Serbia (10%)			
	Rospia and Herzegovina \rightarrow Slovenia (6%)			
Control & Eastern Erman	Bosnia and Herzegovina \rightarrow Slovella (0%)			
Central & Eastern Europe	Bomonia \rightarrow Hungery (4%)			
	Romania \rightarrow Hungary (4%) Respinsion d Hamagagagina \rightarrow Sombia (4%)			
	Bosma and Herzegovina \rightarrow Serbia (4%)			
	Indonesia \rightarrow Malaysia (18%)			
	Singapore \rightarrow Malaysia (14%)			
Southeast Asia	Malaysia \rightarrow Singapore (13%)			
	Cambodia \rightarrow Thailand (8%)			
	Philippines \rightarrow Singapore (7%)			
	Mongolia \rightarrow South Korea (34%)			
	South Korea \rightarrow China (11%)			
East Asia	South Korea \rightarrow Japan (10%)			
	Japan \rightarrow China (9%)			
	Mongolia \rightarrow Japan (7%)			
Between regions				
	Honduras \rightarrow United States (13%)			
LAC \rightarrow NA & ANZ	El Salvador \rightarrow United States (13%)			
	Guatemala \rightarrow United States (10%)			
	Costa Rica \rightarrow United States (7%)			
	Mexico \rightarrow United States (7%)			
	Albania \rightarrow Italy (5%)			
$CEE \rightarrow Western Europe$	K_{0} ov \rightarrow Germany (5%)			
	Albania \land Graces (4%)			
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	$Pomonio \rightarrow United Kinguolii (5\%)$			
	$\frac{\text{Komanna} \rightarrow \text{Italy}(5\%)}{\Gamma}$			
$SSA \rightarrow Western Europe$	$Comoros \rightarrow France (/\%)$			
	Mauritania \rightarrow France (6%)			
	Senegal \rightarrow France (5%)			

	Senegal \rightarrow Spain (3%)		
	Zimbabwe \rightarrow United Kingdom (3%)		
	$\frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}$		
	Ecuador \rightarrow Spain (13%)		
$LAC \rightarrow Western Europe$	Paraguay \rightarrow Spain (10%)		
	Colombia \rightarrow Spain (6%)		
	Uruguay \rightarrow Spain (6%)		
	Liberia \rightarrow United States (11%)		
	Ghana \rightarrow United States (8%)		
$SSA \rightarrow NA \& ANZ$	Nigeria \rightarrow United States (7%)		
	Kenva \rightarrow United States (6%)		
	Sierra Leone \rightarrow United States (5%)		
_	Afghanistan \rightarrow Iran (26%)		
	Nepal \rightarrow Oatar (10%)		
South Asia \rightarrow MENA	Nepal \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (7%)		
	Bangladesh \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (6%)		
	Pakistan \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (6%)		
	Tunisia \rightarrow France (8%)		
	Turkey \rightarrow Germany (7%)		
MENA \rightarrow Western Europe	Tunisia \rightarrow Italy (6%)		
	Lebanon \rightarrow France (6%)		
	Lebanon \rightarrow Germany (5%)		
	Sudan \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (11%)		
	Niger \rightarrow Libva (10%)		
$SSA \rightarrow MENA$	Mauritania \rightarrow Morocco (4%)		
	Sudan \rightarrow UAE (3%)		
	Nigeria \rightarrow Saudi Arabia (3%)		
	Philippines \rightarrow United States (18%)		
	Singapore \rightarrow Australia (13%)		
Southeast Asia \rightarrow NA & ANZ	Cambodia \rightarrow United States (11%)		
	Vietnam \rightarrow United States (9%)		
	Laos \rightarrow United States (7%)		
	Montenegro \rightarrow United States (18%)		
	Macedonia \rightarrow United States (10%)		
$CEE \rightarrow NA \& ANZ$	Albania \rightarrow United States (4%)		
	Lithuania \rightarrow United States (4%)		
	Bosnia and Herzegovina \rightarrow United States (3%)		
East Asia → NA & ANZ	Japan \rightarrow United States (19%)		
	South Korea \rightarrow United States (18%)		
	Hong Kong S.A.R. \rightarrow United States (7%)		
	Taiwan Province of China \rightarrow United States (7%)		
	Mongolia \rightarrow United States (6%)		
$CIS \rightarrow Western Europe$	Moldova \rightarrow Italy (25%)		
	Georgia \rightarrow Greece (11%)		
	Russia \rightarrow Germany (4%)		
	Kazakhstan \rightarrow Germany (4%)		
	Georgia \rightarrow Germany (3%)		
	Ireland \rightarrow Australia (9%)		
	United Kingdom \rightarrow Australia (6%)		
Western Europe \rightarrow NA & ANZ	Germany \rightarrow United States (6%)		
	Ireland \rightarrow United States (6%)		
	Sweden \rightarrow United States (6%)		

Note: The percentages represent the size of a bilateral migration flow as a percentage of the size of the corresponding regional migration flow in our unweighted sample.



Figure A1 Robustness check: Comparing migrants to stayers with concrete emigration plans

Source: GWP 2009-2016.

Note: All measures have a 0-10 scale. 95% confidence interval bars shown. The sample contains 29,440 immigrants, including 6,188 newcomers, 23,061 long-time immigrants, and 191 migrants with an unknown length of stay. Migrants with concrete migration plans were identified using the question "Are you planning to move permanently to another country in the next 12 months, or not?", In contrast to the main analysis, a person with concrete migration plans could be matched to multiple migrants for reasons of sample size.

In percentages	Phone	Face-to-face (no CAPI)	Face-to-face (CAPI)
World region			
Western Europe	100	0	0
Northern America & ANZ	100	0	0
East Asia	75	25	0
Middle East and North Africa	17	81	2
Central & Eastern Europe	11	73	16
Southeast Asia	3	79	18
Commonwealth of Independent States	0	93	7
South Asia	0	85	15
Latin America & the Caribbean	0	65	35
Sub-Saharan Africa	0	62	38

 Table A11 Survey mode by world region

To assess how the survey mode affects happiness self-reports, we estimate an ordinary least squares (OLS) model with robust standard errors clustered at the country-level using the 2006-2016 GWP data. This model has the following specification:

$$H_{ijt} = \beta_1 SM_{jt} + \Theta X_{ijt} + \varepsilon_j + \tau_t + GDP_{jt} + \mu_{ijt}$$

In this model, H_{ijt} denotes the overall happiness of immigrant i in country j in year t. Vector SM_{jt} represents the categorical survey mode variable. X_{ijt} is a vector of individual-level controls, including age, age squared, gender, migrant status, and education level; vector ε_j is a set of country-of-residence dummies; vector τ_t contains the year dummies; GDP_{jt} represents GDP per capita at Purchasing Power Parity (PPP); and μ_{ijt} is a residual error. The survey mode changed from face-to-face without CAPI to face-to-face with CAPI in a wide range of countries throughout the years. The survey mode changed from face-to-face to telephone in Greece (2007), Qatar (2010), Iran (2011), Bahrain, Kuwait, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates (all 2013), and in Turkey (2014). A change from face-to-face to telephone was also made in Iraq and Libya, but these countries are excluded from analysis because major conflicts erupted concurrently within these countries.

Dependent variable	Life evaluation	Positive affect	Negative affect
Country-level			
Phone	Ref.	Ref.	Ref.
Face-to-Face (no CAPI)	0.19	0.38	-0.60**
	(0.12)	(0.28)	(0.21)
Face-to-Face (CAPI)	0.09	0.26	-0.29
	(0.13)	(0.32)	(0.23)
GDP per capita (x1000)	0.02*	0.00	-0.01**
	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Individual level	× /	× /	× /
Age	-0.03**	-0.01**	0.01**
	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Age ² /100	0.03**	0.00**	-0.00**
0	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Female	0.09**	0.00	0.03**
	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Education level			
Primary school or less	Ref.	Ref.	Ref.
Secondary school or some tertiary education	0.54**	0.05**	-0.04**
	(0.02)	(0.00)	(0.00)
4-year university degree or higher	1.06**	0.09**	-0.07**
	(0.03)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Immigrant	-0.18**	-0.02**	0.02**
C	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.00)
Year dummies	Yes	Yes	Yes
Country Dummies	Yes	Yes	Yes
N individuals	1,246,560	1,246,560	1,246,560
N countries	153	153	153
\mathbb{R}^2	0.24	0.09	0.06

Table A12 OLS regression: Survey mode

Notes: Regression coefficients are displayed with cluster-robust standard errors in parentheses. * p<0.05, ** p<0.01.