

# Review of: "Internal migration and mental disorders among the adult population: a community-based cross-sectional study in Nepal"

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It is an interesting article exploring a novel aspect of migrations; nevertheless, it requires more detailed information.

The introduction says: "There are limited studies focusing on internal migration and access to primary health care services, including family planning," but it is necessary to detail those studies and thus compare the present results in the discussion (this part requires more detailed analysis compared to previous studies). This information also helps to propose a hypothesis (another element needs to be included).

There is no information in the introduction about the variables included as covariates. Therefore, it is not clear why they are included as covariates.

## Method

The statement, "participants who reported "number of years lived in the current place of residence" are considered as "migrants"," could be problematic because immigrants living many years in Nepal should present low levels of depression or anxiety because of their immigrant condition. I suggest including a maximum cut-off for the years of residence in Nepal (maybe this can explain why the variable internal migration did not show a significant effect on mental health).

It is necessary to include the study limitations.