

Peer Review

Review of: "The Mediterranean Islands: Demographic Convergences and Divergences, 1995–2021"

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Abstract

Instead of Each population will be compared, change with Each population is/was compared.

Introduction

Page 3: Usually, the title of the table appears at the top of the table and the source below the table!

Page 4: Each of the insular populations will be compared with the national one; this sentence should be changed, as it is supposed that the populations are already compared and the authors came out with findings!

Page 4: Toward the end of the section, authors need to provide significance or research contribution to the demographic literature.

Page 4: At the very end, the structure of the study should also be provided, i.e., Section 2 presents xxx, Section 3 elaborates xxx, etc.

Data and methods

That is clearly the strong point.

Results

Page 14: In the paragraph before Figure 5, some available sources/citations should be added. The same applies to the last sentence, before Crude rates!

Discussion and conclusions

The concluding remarks should also link the main findings to the research questions and place the obtained results in the context of the theoretical frameworks discussed in the literature review.

General comments

It is a unique and very interesting research study. The text is presented in a comprehensible and easy-to-read way. The empirical part is well done! The paper seems to lack a clear research question that guides the analysis. Engagement with demographic literature is minimal. Therefore, the Literature review or Background section is missing!

Declarations

Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.