



Out- and Off-Farm labour in the Achamayo region, Peru

An exploratory study of
socio-economics

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Introduction

(Cash) Income from other sources than own farm:

- „Out-Farm Labour“: Employed *on-farm labour* on foreign farm
- „Off-Farm Labour“: Employed or self-employed labour not on-farm
- „Money Transfers“: Usually relatives sending money or rent payments

Theoretical framework:

- **Push & Pull** modell of migration by E.S. Lee
- People turn away from traditional subsistence agriculture due to **Push factors**
- **Pull factors** attract them to an other area

Study Area Location



Study Area Characteristics

La Libertad

- 80 *comuneros*
 - Large extensions of flat terrain
 - Crossed by main asphalt road to Comas
- 3-5 taxis per hour
S./ 2.5

La Florida

- 40 *comuneros*
 - Steep terrain
 - 15min by foot from San Antonio
- 1 taxi per hour
S./ 3.5 - 4.5

Santiago de Marcatuna

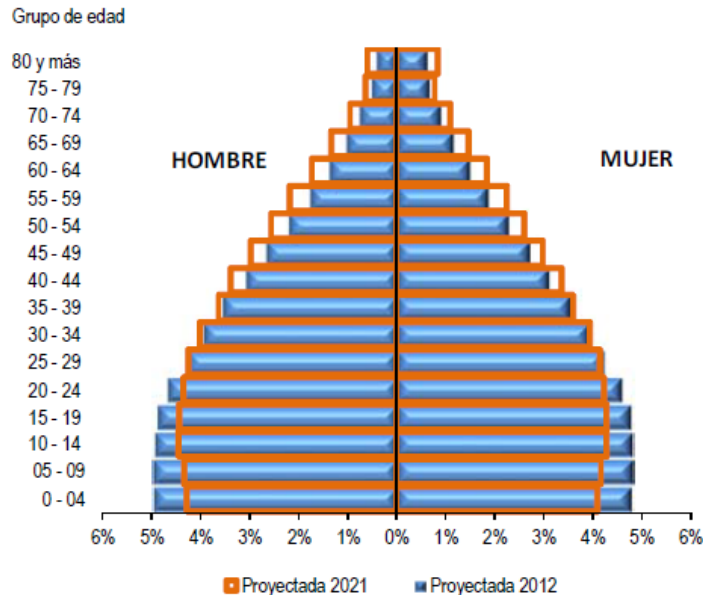
- 30 *comuneros*
 - Steep terrain
 - 1 hour foot walk from San Antonio
- 2 taxis per day
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Questions

- **Is there migration in the Achamayo area?**
- **Are other income of importance?**
- **What kind of Labour is important?**
- **Why do people work Out- and Off-Farm?**

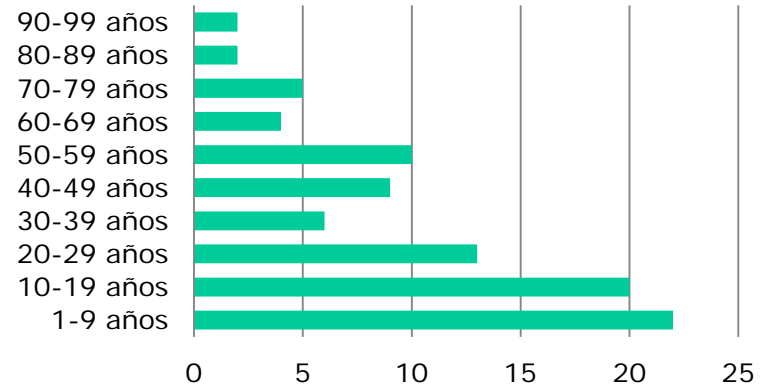
Is there Migration?

Perú: Pirámide de Poblacion, 2012 y 2021

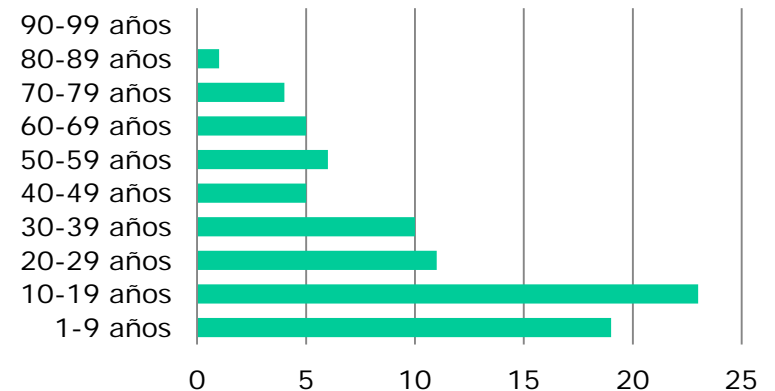


Fuente: INEI - Perú: Estimaciones y Proyecciones de Población, 1950 - 2050 - Boletín especial N° 17.

Women



Men

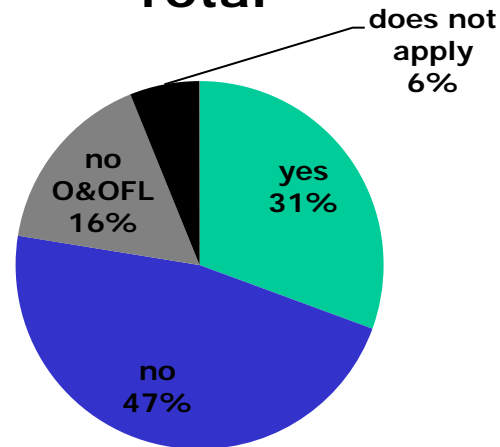


Age distribution in the Achamayo region
(La Libertad, La Florida, Marcatuna)

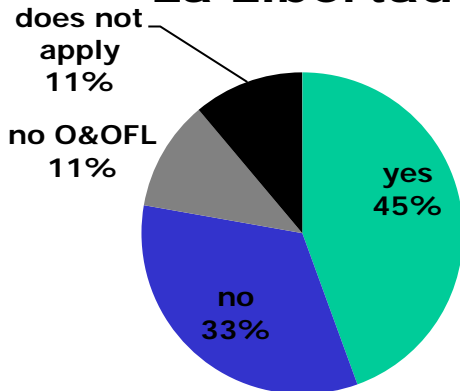
Are Other Income of Importance?

„Could you live without other income?“

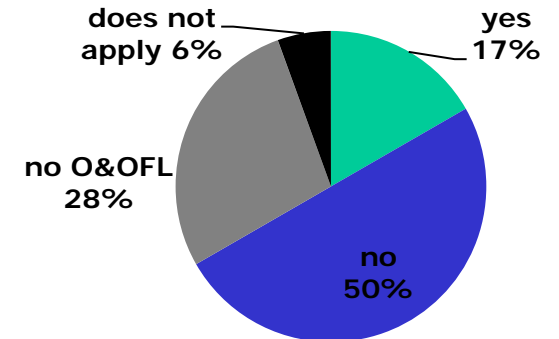
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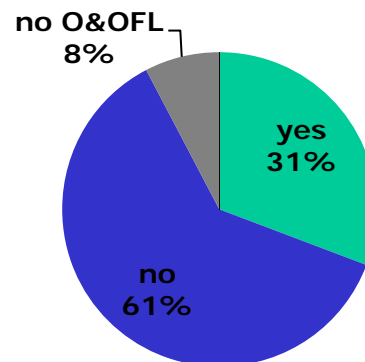
La Libertad



Marcatuna



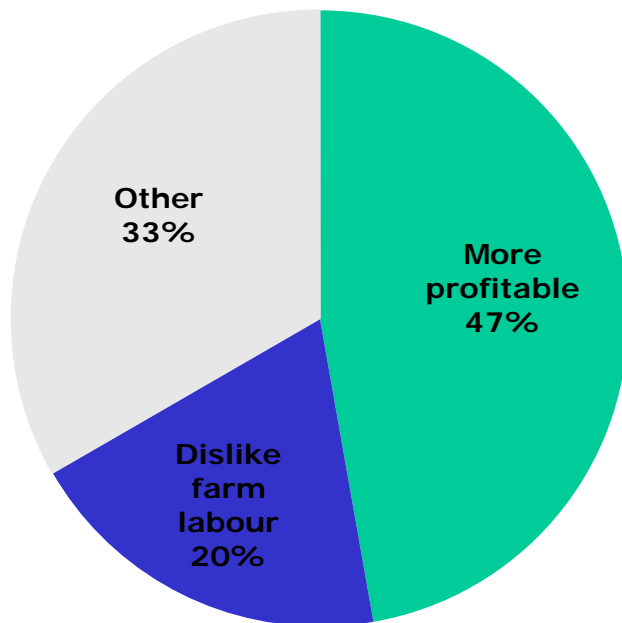
La Florida



What Kind of Labour is Important?

B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
	Out-Farm				Off-Farm						Remesas				
	Trab. Jornal dentro Comunidad (S./)	# de Hogares	Trab. Jornal fuera la Comunidad (S./)	# de Hogares	Migración Temporal (S./)	# de Hogares	Trab. por Cuenta Propia (S./)	# de Hogares	Otro (S./)	# de Hogares	Remesas (S./)	# de Hogares			
Marcatuna	10242,5	7	1400	5	1625	2	3640	1	6200	5	1260	2	Total Income:		24367,5
La Florida	3390	3	1160	2	34918	6	10680	4	25560	3	7200	2	Total Income:		82908
La Libertad	7360	6	50	1	49420	1	75960	4	24990	8	6000	3	Total Income:		163780
Total	20992,5	16	2610	8	85963	9	90280	9	56750	16	14460	7	Total Income:		271055,5
Total Out-Farm (S.)				23603	8,7 %	Total Off-Farm (S.)				232993	86 %	Total R (S.)		14460	5 %
Total Out-Farm (#)				24		Total Off-Farm (#)				34		Total R (#)		7	14 %
Marcatuna	11643		48 %	11465				47 %	1260		5 %				
La Florida	4550		5 %	71158				86 %	7200		9 %				
La Libertad	7410		5 %	150370				92 %	6000		4 %				
No. de Hogares recibiendo otros Ingresos:		Out-Farm			Off-Farm			Remesas							
Marcatuna	13	72 %	11	61 %	4	22 %	2	11 %							
La Florida	11	85 %	4	31 %	9	69 %	2	15 %							
La Libertad	16	89 %	6	33 %	8	44 %	3	17 %							

Why do people work Out- & Off-Farm?



„Other“ Reasons:

- Only if there is no work on own farm
- It is less risky
- To earn cash
- To have a continuous income

Conclusion

- **Migration is a mayor issue in the Achamayo region**
- **Strong effect of connection to urban areas and markets.**
- **Self-sufficient agriculture often not possible / Desire for improved living**
- **„Old lifestyle“ not desirable**

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