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COVID-19 Emergency Cash Transfer in Peru

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Abstract

Several governments in LAC are increasingly imposing mandatory quarantines for all citizens to contain the expansion of the COVID-19 pandemic. In Peru, the government is trying to smooth the impact of the shock on the consumption of vulnerable households by providing an emergency cash transfer for the poorest households. Eligibility for the transfer was based on living in urban areas and to be classified as poor according to an index elaborated by the Ministry of Development and Social Inclusion (MIDIS). This study will exploit the index's cutoff used to determine eligibility for the transfer to implement a regression discontinuity design to estimate the short-term impacts of the emergency transfers.

Project Outcomes of Interest

An estimation of the effects of the emergency transfer consumption, health, employment and household violence

Partners

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Impact Goals

- Build resilience and protect the financial health of families and individuals
- Improve social-safety net responses
- Improve women's health, safety, and economic empowerment
- Keep children safe, healthy, and learning

Project Data Collection Mode

- CATI (Computer-assisted telephone interviewing)

Results Status

No Results Yet