

New insights into agglomeration (dis)economies: effects and underlying mechanisms

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Abstract

Agglomeration advantages and disadvantages are decisive determinants of the spatial distribution of economic activity. This session aims to bring together scholars who are studying the implications of economic activity's spatial concentration due to agglomeration economies or the mechanisms that underlie agglomeration effects.

We invite both empirical and theoretical submissions pertaining to the spatial concentration of economic activity, especially those that consider the following aspects within the context of agglomeration:

- aggregate growth and welfare
- environmental and health issues
- left-behind places and social cohesion
- matching, sharing and learning advantages
- segregation and polarization
- spatial sorting and mobility
- structural change, regional development and resilience.

Contributions examining other topics related to the effects or causes of agglomeration are appreciated as well.