Migration is a life-changing experience not only for the migrants themselves but also for those left behind. Using a novel 'origins of migration' approach, this fascinating book reveals the true impact of migration across multiple aspects of migrants' lives by comparing three generations of Turkish migrants to Europe to their non-migrant counterparts in Turkey. Working with unique and exciting information on 2000 Turkish families and their 50,000 family members, the authors examine three generations of complex migration trajectories and dense webs of transnational connections, taking in migration, settlement, return migration, friendships, marriages and visits. They evaluate change and continuity over 50 years, from the first labour migration of the 1960s to the present. Whilst in socio-economic terms migrants have gained from migration, and their attitudes and practices show some adjustment to the European context, the picture also reveals substantial continuity with their peers who remained in their country of origin.

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