MASTER THESIS REVIEW

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Thesis: Inequality of Opportunity in Health: Empirical Evidence from Mexico

Reviewer: Lucia Leporatti

Content

The thesis exploits the Mexican National Health and Nutrition Survey (year 2018) to investigate the inequality in adult health (measured by a set of biomarkers) due to unfair circumstances (i.e. individual's characteristics, geographical variables, family background). From a methodological perspective, the candidate applies a regression-based approach and the Mean Logarithmic Deviation to study the contribution of circumstances to inequality in the biomarkers that monitor the Non-communicable diseases (NCD) (specifically cardiovascular diseases, and diabetes).

Literature and references

The literature review is rich, up to date and it supports the empirical part of the thesis.

Formal requirements

The thesis is well-written, original and clear. The methodology and data description are described properly. Results are well argued and discussed.

Overall evaluation and proposed grade

The candidate presents an interesting and innovative thesis. The dataset and methodology used are complete and allow the candidate to support original conclusions.

I do recommend the thesis for defense with grade B.

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