

## ABSTRACT

Thesis Title : Factors Influencing Migration to Taiwan  
and Cost-Benefit of The Thai Labour

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The purposes of this study were (1) to overview Thai labour working in Taiwan (2) to examine factors influencing Thai workers to work in Taiwan, and (3) to perform cost-benefit analysis. The study used both primary and secondary data.

This study found that Taiwan has been the most important labour market for Thai workers since 1993. 138,587 workers went to work there in 1988, and the home remittances were about B 18,360 million per year. Workers reported that they needed assistance from Thai government such as helping them when they face various difficulties in Taiwan, and low interest loans from formal financial institution.

Three important factors influencing Thai workers to work in Taiwan were home remittances, unemployment rate in Thailand and relative per capita income of Taiwan and Thailand. This research also found that high skilled jobs were reserved

only to Taiwanese, while jobs offer to Thai workers were mainly semi-skilled and unskilled jobs, and most jobs were for men. Women's jobs were mainly in service sectors.

From cost-benefit analysis, mechanics reached the break even point fastest while unskilled work reached its break even point latest.