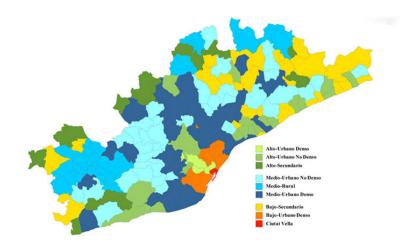


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Residential Mobility in the Metropolitan Region of Barcelona



This doctoral thesis describes socio-residential patterns in the Metropolitan Region of Barcelona and studies residential mobility flows in order to determine the migrant spaces within the metropolitan area. The sources are the Census of Population and Housing 2001, the Statistics on Residential Variations and the Registration and Deregistration Records of Barcelona Town Hall.

Socioresidential clusters at the Metropolitan Region of Barcelona.

This thesis has two main aims: on the one hand, to describe socio-residential patterns of settlement in the Metropolitan Region of Barcelona (RMB) and, on the other hand, to study residential mobility flows in order to determine the migrant spaces within the metropolitan area.

The source used for the first of these aims is the Census of Population and Housing 2001 and the scale of analysis is at municipal level, except for the city of Barcelona which is studied at district level instead of the whole city. By statistical processing and cluster analysis, this part of the study establishes 9 categories or socio-residential clusters.

The analysis of residential mobility flows is also made at municipal



Figure 1: Residential mobility between socio-residential clusters in the RMB.

level, or district level in the case of the City of Barcelona, and by socio-residential clusters. The source for this analysis is the Statistics on Residential Variations and the Registration and Deregistration Records of Barcelona Town Hall. The residential flows are studied from three different points of view: place of origin, destination, and interaction coefficient between the two places. The combination of these three perspectives allows us to establish the migrant spaces. Once bounded and identified by the above criteria, these areas are analysed according to social diversity and residential features.

Finally, the thesis includes a chapter describing motivations for residential mobility in each of the 9 socio-residential clusters, based on data from the "Survey on the Population's Living Conditions and Lifestyles, 2006".

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