

The evolution of Japanese manufacturing investment in Wales: reflecting on the longer term impacts of transplant investment for Wales

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Abstract

The paper revisits research undertaken during the 1980s and 1990s on the evolution of the Japanese manufacturing sector in Wales. The paper considers the economic impacts of the investment on the regional economy in the context of debates on inward investment embeddedness. The paper reflects on the evolving impact of Japanese enterprise in Wales as manufacturing activity in the region has fallen sharply after 2000.