United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Statistical Division

Strengthening national capacities to deal with international migration:

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UNECE objective

Strengthening the capacity of countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia to develop evidence-based policies on international migration

How?

1. Improving availability and quality of statistics

2. Establishing networks for exchange of data and information

3. Improving capacity to utilize statistical data for analysis and policymaking

Activities and outputs

1. Workshops

2. Review of data sources and quality

- Overview of existing systems of migration data collection

- Potential for development

- Assessment of data quality

- Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation and Tajikistan

- Published in English

3. Practical guide

Explains key issues for producing and understanding migration statistics

Focuses on Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Combines theoretical and practical aspects

Published in English and Russian

3. Practical guide

Definitions

Indicators

Sources

Special categories (labour, forced, irregular)

Presenting and interpreting

Providing access

International sources

UNECE Clearinghouse on Migration Statistics

Table 1.1: Population by place of birth

Table 1.2: Foreign born population by country of birth

Table 2.1: Population by citizenship status

Table 2.2: Foreigners by country of citizenship

Table 3: Long-term immigration by country of previous residence (flows)

Table 4: Long term emigration by country of next residence (flows)

Table 5.1: Long-term immigration by citizenship status (flows)

Table 5.2: Long-term immigration by country of citizenship (flows)

Table 6.1: Long-term emigration by citizenship status (flows)

Table 6.2: Long-term emigration by country of citizenship (flows)

Table 7.1: Acquisitions of citizenship by status of receiver

Table 7.2: Acquisitions of citizenship by country of previous citizenship

5. "migratory"

Online inventory of institutions and other information sources on migration in the UNECE region; currently 1914 entries

- location
- website
- contact details
- short summary of activities
- category (government, non-profit, academic, international, other)

Purpose: to encourage cooperation and facilitate networking

Partnerships

UN regional commissions

UN Population Division

UNFPA

IOM

OSCE

ILO

World Bank

Conclusion

Improved capacity to produce and disseminate migration statistics according to international recommendations

Improved capacity to use migration statistics in policymaking

Future

Training of policymakers on interpreting and using statistics

Coordination and joint efforts of international organizations

Improve dialogue between producers and users of statistics

Statistical capacities require further improvement