Measuring migration and external labor migration in Ukraine

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Sources of Migration Statistics Ukraine Population

- administrative data;
- population census;
- sample household surveys;
- special surveys.
Sources of Migration Statistics Ukraine Population

STATE STATISTICS

- Current migration mainstreaming (flows)
- Population Census
- Sample population surveys

State Migration Service
- Data on recognized refugees

Registration authorities
- Registration of individuals by place of residence
- Bulletins on withdrawal of registration of residence

Administration of state border guard service
- Travel of Ukrainian citizens abroad
- Entry of foreigners and stateless persons into Ukraine

State Employment Service
- Number of Ukrainian citizens employed abroad
- Number of foreigners and stateless persons temporarily employed in Ukraine

Ministry of Education and Science
- Number of foreign students
Administrative data of population migration statistics

**Place of residence registration of individuals**
- date of birth;
- place of birth;
- sex;
- nationality;
- place of residence registration;
- address of previous residence registration.

**Bulletins on withdrawal of residence registration of individuals**
- date of birth;
- place of birth;
- sex;
- nationality;
- the address from which the residence registration is withdrawn;
- registration address of the future place of residence.
Migration population statistics

Number of new arrivals/departures

• Migration flows:
  internal migration (intraregional, cross-regional)
  international migration;

• Sex/age composition of migrants;

• Countries of arrival/departure;

• Nationality of migrants.
In 2019, the number of immigrants was 45.0 thousand people, the number of emigrants - 26.8 thousand people.
Population Census - questions on migration:

- Place of birth/residence;
- Citizenship;
- In this locality you have lived permanently since birth;
- When did you leave or depart from your place of residence, its address?
- Have you lived in another country for more than a year (what country did you come to Ukraine from, what year)?
- The reason for your stay in another country (permanent residence, study, work (employment), medical treatment, family circumstances, avoidance of negative consequences of armed conflict, temporary occupation, pervasive violence, etc.);
- Do you plan to leave (depart from) your place of residence in Ukraine? Reason;
- Location of your main occupation (specify name of region, district, settlement in Ukraine or the name of another country).
Population Census - basic indicators

*Answers to questions provide data:*

- Number of people living in a given locality since birth (sedentary population) and their socio-demographic characteristics
- Number of people who have changed their place of residence within Ukraine (**internal migration**) and their socio-demographic characteristics
- Number of persons who came to Ukraine for permanent residence from other countries (**immigrants**) and their socio-demographic characteristics
- Number of people who have lived in another country for a year or more (**emigrants**) and their socio-demographic characteristics
- Number of employees whose place of work is not on the territory of their residence (**pendulum labor migration**) and their socio-demographic characteristics
- Number of internally displaced persons (**IDPs**) and their socio-demographic characteristics
In 2008, 2012 and 2017 a *sample survey of population (households) on labor migration* was conducted (as a module to the labor force survey).

**The purpose of the surveys** is to estimate the volume, geographic focus, frequency and duration of external labor migration of Ukrainian citizens, their socio-demographic and economic characteristics.
Methodology of the survey in 2017.

Definition

**Migrant workers** - persons aged 15-70, who worked or sought employment abroad during a certain period (from January 1, 2015 to June 18, 2017).

They included persons who at a certain period of time had a job abroad, but have already returned to Ukraine, as well as those who were abroad to perform or search for job during the survey.
Main results of LFS 2017.

- 1.3 million people, or 4.5% of the population aged 15-70, have been working or searching for jobs abroad during the last two and a half years (January 1, 2015 - June 18, 2017). Among the working age population the share of labor migrants in this period was 5.2%.

- Among labor migrants 97.9% worked abroad during the mentioned period of time and only 2.1% (27.7 thousand) went abroad to search for job.
Level of population participation in external labor migration, 2015-2017

(in % of the population aged 15-70 of the corresponding group)
Migrant workers by country of destination (according to LFS surveys in 2012 and 2017)

**2010-2012**
- Russian Federation: 43.2%
- Poland: 14.3%
- Czech Republic: 12.9%
- Italy: 13.2%
- Hungary: 1.9%
- Portugal: 1.8%
- Other countries: 12.7%

**2015-2017**
- Russian Federation: 26.3%
- Poland: 38.9%
- Czech Republic: 9.4%
- Hungary: 1.3%
- Italy: 11.3%
- Portugal: 1.6%
- Other countries: 11.2%
Publications on migration and labor force migration

Demographic Yearbook "Population of Ukraine"
(2002-2019)

Statistical bulletin "External Labor Migration of the Population of Ukraine"

The report on methodology, organization of carrying out and results of modular sampling survey on questions of labor migration in Ukraine
(2010-2012)
http://www.ukrstat.gov.ua/druk/publicat/kat_u/2013/dop/12_13/zvit.zip

"External labor migration of the population of Ukraine"
(2005-2008)
http://www.ukrstat.gov.ua/druk/katalog/pracia/ztm.zip
Problems of obtaining complete and reliable information on population migration in Ukraine

- related to the information base:
  - lack of data consistency from different sources;
  - limited access to data from other countries;

- methodological nature:
  - lack of criteria for a clear statistical classification of participants in migration processes;

- lack of resource support for the statistical observations being implemented.
Perspective directions of improvement of studying migration processes in Ukraine

- study of population migration issues within the framework of the next population census;
- development of current migration methodology estimation based on the results of special surveys on migration issues and administrative registers;
- conducting a labor force survey module on labor migration in 2022;
- develop interaction between government agencies on the study of migration flows;
- creation of a unified information system for estimation and analysis of migration flows from various data sources in order to study migration processes;
- exchange of data on migration and labor migration between countries to improve the estimation.
Thank you for your attention!