

World

Population (millions, 2006)	6,518	Surface area (1000 sq. km, 2006)	133,841
Population growth (avg. annual %, 1997–2006)	1.3	GNI (\$ billions, 2006)	48,188
Population density (people per sq. km, 2006)	50	GNI per capita, Atlas method (\$, 2006)	7,439
Labor force (millions, 2006)	3,071	GDP growth (avg. annual %, 2002–2006)	3.2
Urban population (% of pop. , 2006)	49.2	Poverty headcount ratio at national poverty line (% of pop. , 2004)	..
Age dependency ratio (2006)	0.56		

Migration, 2005

- Stock of immigrants: 190.6 million or 3.0% of population (UN). Current migration flows, relative to population, are weaker than during the last decades of the nineteenth century.
- Female as percentage of immigrants: 49.6%
- Refugees: 13.5 million or 7.1% of the total immigrants
- South-South migration is nearly as large as South-North migration. Over 47% of the migrants from developing countries are believed to be residing in other developing countries.
- Top 10 destination countries: United States, Russia, Germany, Ukraine, France, Saudi Arabia, Canada, India, United Kingdom, Spain. But as a share of population, top immigration countries include Qatar (78.3%), United Arab Emirates (71.4%), Kuwait (62.1%), Singapore (42.6%), Bahrain (40.7%), Israel (39.6%), Jordan (39.0%), Brunei Darussalam (33.2%), Saudi Arabia (25.9%), Oman (24.4%).
- Top 10 emigration countries: Mexico, Russia, India, China, Ukraine, Bangladesh, Turkey, United Kingdom, Germany, Kazakhstan.
- Top 10 migration corridors: Mexico-United States, Russia-Ukraine, Ukraine-Russia, Bangladesh-India, Turkey-Germany, Kazakhstan-Russia, India-United Arab Emirates, Russia-Kazakhstan, Philippines-United States, Afghanistan-Iran.

Skilled Emigration, 2000

- Emigration rate of tertiary educated (top 10 countries): Suriname (89.9%), Guyana (85.9%), Jamaica (82.5%), Haiti (81.6%), Trinidad and Tobago (78.4%), Tonga (74.2%), St. Kitts and Nevis (71.8%), Antigua and Barbuda (70.9%), Cape Verde (69.1%), Grenada (66.7%).
- Emigration of physicians: 182,397 or 2.1% of physicians trained in the world

Remittances

(US\$ billion)	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007e
Inward remittance flows	101.6	131.5	146.8	169.5	205.6	231.3	262.7	297.1*	317.7
<i>All developing countries</i>	<i>57.5</i>	<i>84.5</i>	<i>95.6</i>	<i>115.9</i>	<i>143.6</i>	<i>161.3</i>	<i>191.2</i>	<i>221.3</i>	<i>239.7</i>
Outward remittance flows	98.6	110.1	118.8	131.3	146.8	166.2	183.4	207.0**	
<i>All developing countries</i>	<i>12.4</i>	<i>11.5</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>20.4</i>	<i>23.8</i>	<i>30.9</i>	<i>36.0</i>	<i>44.2</i>	

* 0.7% of GDP in 2006. **0.5% of GDP in 2006. This table reports officially recorded remittances. The true size of remittances, including unrecorded flows through formal and informal channels, is believed to be larger.

- Top 10 remittance recipients in 2007: India (\$27.0 bn), China (\$25.7 bn), Mexico (\$25.0 bn), Philippines (\$17.0 bn), France (\$12.5 bn), Spain (\$8.9 bn), Belgium (\$7.2 bn), United Kingdom (\$7.0 bn), Germany (\$7.0 bn), Romania (\$6.8 bn).
- Top 10 remittance recipients in 2006 (percentage of GDP): Tajikistan (36.2%), Moldova (36.2%), Tonga (32.3%), Kyrgyz Republic (27.4%), Honduras (25.6%), Lesotho (24.5%), Guyana (24.3%), Lebanon (22.8%), Haiti (21.6%), Jordan (20.3%).
- Top 10 remittance senders in 2006: United States (\$42.2 bn), Saudi Arabia (\$15.6 bn), Switzerland (\$13.8 bn), Germany (\$12.3 bn), Russian Federation (\$11.4 bn), Spain (\$11 bn), Italy (\$8.2 bn), Luxembourg (\$7.5 bn), Netherlands (\$6.7 bn), Malaysia (\$5.6 bn).
- Top 10 remittance senders in 2006 (percentage of GDP): Luxembourg (18.2%), Lebanon (18.2%), Tajikistan (14.0%), Bahrain (11.9%), Maldives (9.1%), Tonga (5.4%), Kyrgyz Republic (5.4%), Guyana (5.4%), Saudi Arabia (5.0%), Vanuatu (4.6%).

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