

## Republic of Moldova

#### **MIGRATION PROFILES**

## Part I. Global legal instruments related to international migration

#### States parties to United Nations legal instruments

Year ratified:	
2005	1949 ILO Migration for Employment Convention
2002	1951 Refugee Convention
2002	1967 Refugee Protocol
-	1975 ILO Migrant Workers Convention

Year ratified:	
1993	1989 Conv. on the Rights of the Child
-	1990 UN Migrant Workers Convention
2005	2000 Human Trafficking Protocol
2006	2000 Migrant Smuggling Protocol

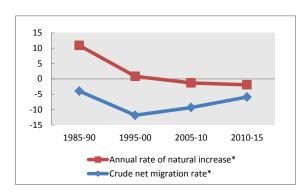
## Part II. Population indicators

#### **Population estimates**

	1990	2000	2010	2013
Males ('000)	2 080	1 961	1 695	1 653
Females ('000)	2 284	2 146	1 878	1 835
Total ('000)	4 364	4 107	3 573	3 487
Percentage urban population	47	45	47	49
Percentage rural population	53	55	53	51

	1985-90	1995-00	2005-10	2010-15
Average annual rate of change	0.70	-1.10	-1.06	-0.78
Annual rate of natural increase*	10.90	0.84	-1.29	-1.89
Crude net migration rate*	-3.94	-11.82	-9.29	-5.88
Total net migration ('000)	-85	-250	-170	-103

<sup>\*</sup> Per 1,000 population

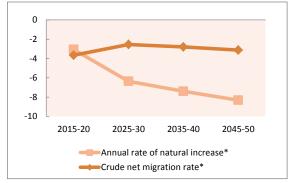


#### Projected change in total population by component (x 1000)

	2015-20	2025-30	2035-40	2045-50
Total population at end of period	3 323	3 066	2 773	2 484
Population change during period	-114	-140	-145	-146
Annual rate of natural increase*	-3.06	-6.37	-7.40	-8.32
Crude net migration rate*	-3.66	-2.55	-2.81	-3.13
* Par 1 000 population				

## Projected change in working-age (15-64) population (x 1000)

	2015-20	2025-30	2035-40	2045-50
Medium variant	-171	-103	-94	-170
Zero-migration variant	-116	-59	-49	-130
Difference	-55	-44	-45	-39



## Part III. Development indicators

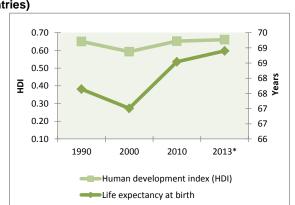
#### Development indicators (years are approximate for some indicators / countries)

	1990	2000	2010	2013*
Life expectancy at birth	67.6	67.0	68.5	68.9
Adult literacy rate (ages 15 and older)	96.4	96.7	99.0	
Combined gross enrolment ratio in				
education (per cent)	77.0	71.6	69.0	69.5
GDP per capita (PPP in thousands of US				
dollars)	3 310	1 470	3 167	4 182
Human development index (HDI)	0.65	0.59	0.65	0.66
* 2013 or latest available				

## Remittances (years are approximate for some indicators / countries)

	1990	2000	2010	2012*
Inflows (millions of US dollars)		179	1363	1770
Outflows (millions of US dollars)		46	120	100
Inflows as a share of GDP (%)		13.9	23.5	24.4

\* Estimate





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## Part IV. International migrant stocks

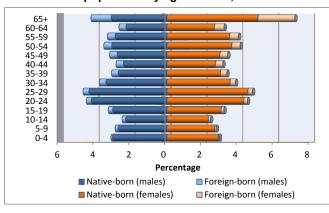
## International migrant stock by age and sex

		1990	
_	Male	Female	Total
0-4	7 147	6 278	13 425
5-9	8 773	7 949	16 722
10-14	11 233	10 544	21 777
15-19	13 176	13 292	26 468
20-24	13 252	14 785	28 037
25-29	14 349	17 434	31 783
30-34	17 187	21 583	38 770
35-39	21 142	26 296	47 438
40-44	22 958	28 489	51 447
45-49	20 940	26 282	47 222
50-54	18 061	22 901	40 962
55-59	16 919	21 813	38 732
60-64	17 709	25 119	42 828
65+	51 456	81 433	132 889
Total	254 302	324 198	578 500

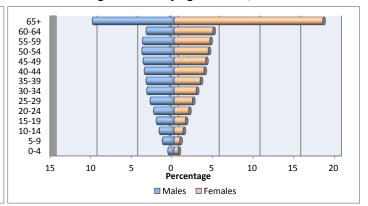
2000				
Female	Total			
3 428	7 375			
6 377	13 489			
7 467	15 507			
9 142	18 303			
11 981	22 844			
14 533	26 637			
15 954	28 809			
18 563	33 664			
20 463	37 149			
22 061	39 847			
21 345	38 381			
20 164	35 995			
21 004	36 005			
73 377	120 395			
265 859	474 400			
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2013					
Male	Female	Total			
2 930	2 013	4 943			
5 547	2 774	8 321			
7 098	4 410	11 508			
8 529	5 468	13 997			
9 757	7 056	16 813			
11 423	8 901	20 324			
13 072	10 767	23 839			
13 366	12 602	25 968			
14 267	14 420	28 687			
14 812	15 221	30 033			
15 440	16 485	31 925			
15 115	17 244	32 359			
13 376	18 710	32 086			
39 227	71 478	110 705			
183 959	207 549	391 508			

#### Total population by age and sex, 2013



## Migrant stock by age and sex, 2013



### Migrant stock by origin (2013)

Top 5 countries or areas of origin	Total
Russian Federation	221 965
Ukraine	51 908
Belarus	34 291
Kazakhstan	18 312
Uzbekistan	10 696
Total	227 172

### Migrant stock by destination (2013)

Top 5 countries or areas of destination	Total
Russian Federation	285 023
Ukraine	157 826
Italy	151 313
Romania	49 785
United States of America	42 471
Total	696 419

#### Refugee population by origin (end 2012)

Top 5 countries or areas of origin	Total

# Tertiary students by origin (2013)

Total

Top 5 countries or areas of origin	Total
Israel	766
Romania	247
Ukraine	203
Russian Federation	118
Turkey	81
Total	1 115

#### Refugee population by destination (end 2012)

Top 5 countries or areas of destination	Total
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#### Total

#### Tertiary students by destination (2013)

Top 5 countries or areas of destination	Total
Romania	5 502
Italy	1 611
France	993
Ukraine	954
Germany	567
Total	9.627



#### **DEFINITIONS AND SOURCES**

States parties to United Nations legal instruments: Indicates whether a country has ratified the relevant international instrument and if so, the year of ratification. The relevant instruments are the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees; the 1967 Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, and the 1990 International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. In addition, two Protocols relevant to international migration supplement the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, namely the 2000 Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children and the 2000 Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air. Source: United Nations Treaty Collection. See: http://treaties.un.org.

*Males:* De facto male population as of 1 July of the year indicated. Data are presented in thousands. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

*Females:* De facto female population as of 1 July of the year indicated. Data are presented in thousands. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

**Total population:** De facto population in a country, area or region as of 1 July of the year indicated. Figures are presented in thousands. **Source:** United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

**Percentage urban population:** Urban population as a percentage of the total population. **Source:** United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2012). World Urbanization Prospects: The 2011 Revision.

**Percentage rural population:** Rural population as a percentage of the total population. **Source:** United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2012). World Urbanization Prospects: The 2011 Revision.

Annual rate of change: Average exponential rate of growth of the population over a given period. It is expressed as a percentage. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

Annual rate of natural increase: Crude birth rate minus the crude death rate. Represents the portion of population growth (or decline) determined exclusively by births and deaths. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

*Crude net migration rate:* The ratio of net migration during the year to the average population in that year. The value is expressed per 1 000 inhabitants. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

*Total net migration:* Net number of migrants, that is, the number of immigrants minus the number of emigrants. It is expressed in thousands. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013) World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

Total population at end of period: Total population on 30 June of the final year of the period. Data are from the medium variant (see below) of the World Population Prospects. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

**Population change during period:** Total population change over a period, that is, the difference between the population at the end of the period and that at the beginning of the period. **Source:** United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

**Medium variant:** The medium projection variant combines the medium fertility assumption together with normal-mortality and normal international migration assumptions and is a central reference for trends over the longer term that results from the probabilistic approach that simulates future fertility paths for each country. **Source:** United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

Zero-migration variant: Under this assumption, the medium variant is modified so that international migration for each country is set to zero starting in 2010-2015. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

*Life expectancy at birth:* Number of years a newborn infant could expect to live if prevailing patterns of age-specific mortality rates at the time of birth stay the same throughout the infant's life. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision.

Adult literacy rate: The percentage of population aged 15 years and older who can both read and write with understanding a short simple statement on his/her everyday life. Generally, 'literacy' also encompasses 'numeracy', the ability to make simple arithmetic calculations. Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Institute for Statistics (2012). http://stats.uis.unesco.org

Combined gross enrolment ratio in education: Total enrolment in a specific level of education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the eligible official school-age population corresponding to the same level of education in a given school year. For the tertiary level, the population used is that of the five-year age group following on from the secondary school leaving. Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Institute for Statistics (2012). http://stats.uis.unesco.org

GDP per capita (PPP in USD): Gross domestic product converted to international dollars using purchasing power parity rates. An international dollar has the same purchasing power over GDP as the U.S. dollar has in the United States. GDP at purchaser's prices is the sum of gross value added by all resident producers in the economy plus any product taxes and minus any subsidies not included in the value of the products. It is calculated without making deductions for depreciation of fabricated assets or for depletion and degradation of natural resources. Data are in current international dollars. Source: World Development Indicators - World Bank (2013).



**Remittances:** Remittances are defined as the sum of workers' remittances, compensation of employees, and migrants' transfers. Regional aggregates were calculated by the United Nations Population Division. All data are reported in current U.S. dollars. Remittance *inflows* refer to the sum of workers' remittances, compensation of employees and migrants' transfers received by the country of enumeration, while *outflows* refer to remittance outflows by the country of enumeration. *Source:* World Bank staff calculation based on data from IMF Balance of Payments Statistics Yearbook 2012 and data releases from central banks, national statistical agencies, and World Bank country desks.

Remittance inflows as share of GDP: Source: World Bank staff calculation based on data from IMF Balance of Payments Statistics Yearbook 2012 and data releases from central banks, national statistical agencies, and World Bank country desks.

International migrant stock by age and sex: The mid-year (1 July) estimate of the number of people living in a country or area other than that in which they were born. If the number of foreign-born was not available, the estimate refers to the number of people living in a country other than that of their citizenship. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). Trends in International Migrant Stock: The 2013 Revision (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2013). See: www.unmigration.org

*Migrant stock by origin (2013):* The five countries from which the largest numbers of migrants originate for the reporting country. *Source:* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). Trends in International Migrant Stock: The 2013 Revision (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2013).

Migrant stock by destination (2013): The five countries in which the largest numbers of migrants originating from reporting country reside. Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). Trends in International Migrant Stock: The 2013 Revision (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2013).

Refugee population by origin (end 2012): Persons by country of origin who are recognized as refugees under the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol or under the 1969 Organization of African Unity Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa; those granted refugee status in accordance with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Statute; those granted humanitarian status or temporary protection by the State in which they find themselves; those in refugee-like situations; and Palestinian refugees registered with UNRWA. Source: UNHCR (2013). 2012 Global Trends: Refugees, Asylum-seekers, Returnees, Internally Displaced and Stateless Persons. See: www.unhcr.org/statistics.

Refugee population (destination) (end 2012): Persons by country of destination who are recognized as refugees under the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol or under the 1969 Organization of African Unity Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa; those granted refugee status in accordance with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Statute; those granted humanitarian status or temporary protection by the State in which they find themselves; those in refugee-like situations; and Palestinian refugees registered with UNRWA. Sources: UNHCR (2013). 2012 Global Trends: Refugees, Asylum-seekers, Returnees, Internally Displaced and Stateless Persons. See: www.unhcr.org/statistics.

Tertiary students: Student population by country of origin and destination enrolled in programmes with an educational content more advanced than what is offered at ISCED levels 3 and 4. The first stage of tertiary education, ISCED level 5, covers level 5A, composed of largely theoretically based programmes intended to provide sufficient qualifications for gaining entry to advanced research programmes and professions with high skill requirements; and level 5B, where programmes are generally more practical, technical and/or occupationally specific. The second stage of tertiary education, ISCED level 6, comprises programmes devoted to advanced study and original research, and leading to the award of an advanced research qualification. Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Institute for Statistics (2012). http://stats.uis.unesco.org