

## Infosheet No 2

# Migration and Migrants: A Global Overview



This chapter, with its global focus, seeks to assist migration policymakers, practitioners and researchers make sense of the bigger picture of migration. Drawing on sources of global data, and using infographics, graphs and tables, the chapter provides an overview of global data and trends on international migrants (stocks) and international migration (flows). It also provides a discussion of specific migrant groups as well as of remittances. In addition, the chapter highlights the growing body of IOM programmatic data. While these

data are generally not global or representative, they can provide insights into changes that have occurred in relevant IOM programming and operations globally. The chapter also discusses definitional challenges, highlighting issues of fragmentation, lack of uniformity and comparability that make a comprehensive analysis of global migration trends difficult and inhibit the presentation of a truly global picture of all aspects of migration.

### KEY THEMES

- International migrants: numbers and trends
- International migration flows
- Migrant workers
- Remittances
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Internally displaced persons
- Stateless persons
- Human trafficking

### IOM PROGRAMMATIC DATA BOXES

- IOM's global migration data portal
- IOM's missing migrants project
- IOM's assisted voluntary return and reintegration (AVRR) programmes
- IOM's role in resettlement
- IOM's displacement tracking matrix
- IOM's role in the counter trafficking data collaborative

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