



International Organization for Migration



Data Collection and Management

Issues and Challenges



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What is Data ?

New Oxford Dictionary definition :

« facts and statistics collected together for reference or analysis »




What is Data?

In terms of International Migration what does this mean ?

Facts and statistics collected together for reference or analysis to **understand international migration** trends and flows.

For example :

- Data for Labour Migration
- Data for Migration and Development
- Data for Migration and Security
- Data for Trafficking
- And others... Integration, health, border management...


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 Sources and Use of Migration Data


Where does migration data come from ?


- Administrative migration management processes
- National record-keeping
- Activities of International Organizations

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What is migration data used for ?

- Global data
- Regional data
- National data




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Challenges to Collection and Management

What are the challenges?

- Terminology
- Capacity
- Resources
- Data sources
- Systematic collection, collation, storage and sharing




Challenges to Collection and Management

Number of Countries Providing Statistics on Long-Term Emigrants and Immigrants, 1971-2000

	1971-1980		1981-1990		1991-2000	
	Emigrants	Immigrants	Emigrants	Immigrants	Emigrants	Immigrants
Africa (55)*	7	7	3	4	6	4
Americas (51)	8	14	4	7	9	12
Asia (50)	3	5	3	3	8	9
Europe (47)	20	21	23	23	27	28
Oceania (26)	3	5	3	4	2	3
Total (229)	41	52	36	41	52	56

Source: Activities of the United Nations Statistics Division on International Migration, United Nations Statistics Division, July 2002, United Nations Cartographic Section
*Note: Figures are for the total number of countries/territories in 2002.



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What will we be discussing over the next two days?

Today

Panel discussions:

- The Global Perspective: data needs at the global level
- The National Perspective: sources of data and data needs at the national level
- The Regional Perspective: operationalizing the link between data, policy and legislative issues

→ Presentation of a “General model” for the collection, application and sharing of migration data

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What will we be discussing over the next two days?

Tomorrow



Plenary discussion on the elements and characteristics which make data useful.

Working Groups on:

- Data for Migration and Security
- Data for Migration and Development
- Data for Labour Migration
- Data on Migrant Trafficking

 Programme of the Workshop

What do we hope you will take away from this workshop?



IOM - Managing Migration for the Benefit of All

