

MIGRATION STATISTICS. CHALLENGES FOR STATISTICS LITHUANIA

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Many countries are facing demographic challenges manifested not only by declining fertility rate and rapidly ageing population, but also by migration processes. Dynamics and complexity of migration processes influence the formation of migration policy; therefore, over the recent years statisticians have drawn considerable attention to estimate emigration process (or its volume). In recent years, the international statistical community has intensified its efforts to improve availability, quality and comparability of available data on international migration. These efforts often include collection, estimation as well as dissemination of international migration statistics by relevant demographic and socio-economic characteristics.

Particular attention is given to the exhaustive analysis of administrative data sources with the aim to use those data for producing comprehensive return migration statistics. Population registers data and 2011 Population and Housing Census results are also used as a data source for the producing and development of return migration statistics.

The efforts and work undertaken by Statistics Lithuania on improving and developing international migration statistics in current globalization world will be presented.

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