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Developments in International Migration Statistics

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Developments in Migration Statistics

- **Developments in data, reporting and quality**
- **Work underway for future developments**
- **External reviews**
- **Implications of 2011 Census**
- **E-borders**
- **Your turn - migration Products**

Developments in data

- New question on original reason for migrating. Published first time August.
- Shading applied to IPS tables to indicate significant changes

Select Required Year (1975 - 2012 available)



2010

Highlight year on year changes?

Table 3.03b

Series MI1

Long-Term International Migration, estimates from the International Passenger Survey: annual data, 2010

United Kingdom

Country of Last or Next Residence by Age

thousands

Age group	All countries		European Union ¹						Non European Union ²						Other Foreign ⁴			
			European Union ¹		European Union EU15		European Union EU8		All		Commonwealth ³		New ³					
	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI	Estimate	+/-CI		
Inflow																		
All ages	553	31	189	24	103	17	70	15	365	19	212	14	56	8	156	11	152	13
Under 15	27	7	11	6	4	3	5	5	16	4	7	2	1	1	5	2	9	3
15-24	231	20	84	16	41	10	36	12	147	12	81	8	16	4	65	7	66	8
25-44	254	20	78	15	46	12	26	8	176	14	110	10	31	7	79	8	66	9
45-59/64 ⁵	32	9	11	8	8	7	3	3	20	5	11	4	5	2	6	3	10	3
60/65 and over ⁵	10	4	4	3	4	3	0	1	5	2	4	2	3	2	1	1	1	1
Outflow																		
All ages	310	20	119	16	84	14	31	8	191	11	97	7	64	6	34	4	93	9
Under 15	15	5	7	4	3	3	2	3	8	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	5	2
15-24	75	11	30	10	23	9	6	3	45	5	21	3	14	3	6	2	24	4
25-44	186	14	72	12	48	9	22	7	115	9	62	6	40	5	22	3	52	7
45-59/64 ⁵	30	6	9	4	7	4	1	1	21	4	10	2	6	2	4	2	11	3
60/65 and over ⁵	5	2	2	2	2	1	.	.	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Balance																		
All ages	+ 243	37	+ 69	29	+ 19	22	+ 39	17	+ 174	23	+ 115	16	- 7	10	+ 123	12	+ 59	16
Under 15	+ 12	9	+ 4	7	+ 1	4	+ 2	6	+ 8	5	+ 3	3	- 1	1	+ 4	2	+ 4	4
15-24	+ 156	22	+ 54	18	+ 18	13	+ 30	12	+ 103	13	+ 61	9	+ 2	5	+ 59	7	+ 42	9
25-44	+ 68	25	+ 6	19	- 3	15	+ 5	10	+ 61	16	+ 48	12	- 9	8	+ 57	9	+ 13	11
45-59/64 ⁵	+ 2	11	+ 3	9	0	8	+ 2	3	- 1	7	+ 1	4	- 1	3	+ 2	3	- 1	5
60/65 and over ⁵	+ 5	5	+ 2	4	+ 2	4	0	1	+ 3	3	+ 3	2	+ 2	2	0	1	+ 1	1

Developments in Reporting

- Seasonal patterns of migration, May 2013
- International Migration Timeline
- Migration Theme Page
- Short term migration bulletin
- Short stories

Immigration

497,000

year ending December 2012

Emigration

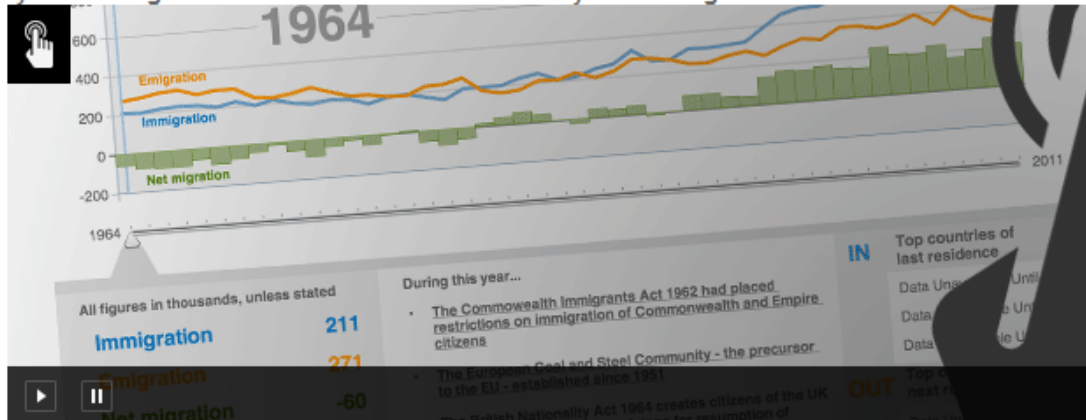
321,000

year ending December 2012

Net migration (UK)

176,000

year ending December 2012



Animated timeline of Long-term migration into and out of the United Kingdom

See the figures in context of GDP, unemployment and key events or developments from 1964-2011



Net migration is stabilising after recent fall, according to latest estimates

ONS estimates of Long-Term International Migration in the year to December 2012



1 in 8 of the usually resident UK population were born abroad

ONS analysis of population by country of birth and nationality from the Annual Population Survey

Behind the scenes

International Migration methodology - including the quality of international migration statistics
 Internal Migration Methodology

External links

Home Office Migration Statistics
 DWP: National Insurance Number Allocations to Adult Overseas Nationals entering the UK
 National Records for Scotland Migration Statistics
 Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency Migration Statistics

Interactive Flow Map of Internal Migration in England and Wales

Requires a web browser capable of supporting HTML5

Developments in quality

- New information note published November 2012 on quality of IPS
- Additional guidance published on confidence intervals and statistical significance.
- Additional information published on comparisons of data sources

Progressing work on

- Timeliness – provisional data available one quarter earlier from Nov 2013
- Improving country groupings available on published tables
- User guide to Migration Statistics
- Progressing on ‘Web Data Access’ project – will allow further detailed breakdowns from IPS
- E-borders

External Reviews

- Public Administration Select Committee hearing on migration statistics
- UK Statistics Authority published results of their IPS Monitoring Review
- National Statistics Assessment of migration statistics taking place during 2013

Implications of 2011 Census

- Revised back series of Mid Year Population Estimates published
 - for England and Wales
 - includes revised migration component
- Analysis suggests partly attributed to under-estimation of net migration during mid 2000s.
- Research report due Autumn 2013

Quality of LTIM research

- IPS coverage
- Intentions versus reality
- Other data sources
- Other qualitative research
- Comparison of 2011 Census question 'address one year ago' with LTIM flows

E-borders - reminder

- Data provided by carriers
- Includes
 - Passport number
 - Name
 - Flight information
 - Date of Birth
 - Nationality

E-borders continued

- Progress during 2013 on legal gateway and setting up Data Access Agreements
- Initial quality assessment planned for Spring 2014
- Potential for weighting the IPS
- Research into potential for using travel histories
- Analysis of matching potential

Practical implications of E-borders for measuring migration

- Time delay – have to wait 12 months before identifying migrants
- 100 million passengers each year arrive into UK (a lot of matching for arrivals and future departures)
- Implications for those who travel on different documents or change nationality or name.
- Cannot replace IPS for detailed characteristics

Your turn ... Migration Outputs

- Migration Statistics Quarterly Report
 - Is it too long or too brief?
 - Which sections are the most useful?
 - Is it still helpful to have different sources brought together?
- Ad hoc reports / Short stories
 - What would be useful or interesting topics for these?



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