

Government Views and Policies

| Population policy variable | 1976 | 1986 | 1996 | 2011 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Population size and growth | | | | |
| View on growth | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory |
| Policy on growth | No intervention | No intervention | No intervention | No intervention |
| Population age structure | | | | |
| Level of concern about working-age population | -- | -- | -- | Major concern |
| Level of concern about ageing of the population | -- | -- | -- | Minor concern |
| Measures to address population ageing* | -- | -- | -- | Neither |
| Fertility | | | | |
| View on fertility level | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Too high | Satisfactory |
| Policy on fertility level | No intervention | No intervention | No intervention | Maintain |
| Level of concern about adolescent fertility | -- | -- | Not a concern | Major concern |
| Policies to reduce adolescent fertility | -- | -- | No | Yes |
| Reproductive health and family planning | | | | |
| Government support for family planning | No support | Indirect support | Direct support | Direct support |
| Grounds on which abortion is permitted** | -- | -- | 1 | 1 |
| Level of concern about violence against women | -- | -- | -- | Minor concern |
| Policies to prevent domestic violence*** | -- | -- | -- | 2 |
| Health and mortality | | | | |
| View on life expectancy at birth | Unacceptable | Unacceptable | Unacceptable | Unacceptable |
| View on under-five mortality | -- | -- | Unacceptable | Unacceptable |
| View on undernutrition in children | -- | -- | -- | Unacceptable |
| View on maternal mortality | -- | -- | -- | Unacceptable |
| Level of concern about overweight and obesity | -- | -- | -- | Minor concern |
| Level of concern about non-communicable diseases | -- | -- | -- | Major concern |
| Level of concern about tuberculosis | -- | -- | -- | Major concern |
| Level of concern about malaria | -- | -- | -- | Major concern |
| Level of concern about HIV/AIDS | -- | -- | Major concern | Major concern |
| Measures to address HIV/AIDS**** | -- | -- | -- | 1,2,3,5,6 |
| Spatial distribution and internal migration | | | | |
| View on spatial distribution | Minor change desired | Minor change desired | Satisfactory | Minor change desired |
| Policy on migration from rural to urban areas | -- | -- | -- | Lower |
| Policy on migration into urban agglomerations | -- | -- | No intervention | Lower |
| International migration | | | | |
| View on immigration | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory |
| Policy on immigration | Maintain | Maintain | Maintain | Maintain |
| Policy on permanent settlement | -- | -- | Maintain | Maintain |
| Policy on temporary workers | -- | -- | No intervention | Maintain |
| Policy on highly-skilled workers | -- | -- | -- | Raise |
| Policy on family reunification | -- | -- | No intervention | No intervention |
| Policy on integration of non-nationals | -- | -- | No | No |
| Policy on naturalization | -- | -- | -- | No |
| Level of concern about irregular migration | -- | -- | -- | Major concern |
| Prgms. to facilitate migrants' return to home countries | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| View on emigration | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory | Satisfactory |
| Policy on emigration | Maintain | Maintain | Maintain | Maintain |
| Policy to encourage the return of citizens | -- | -- | Yes | Yes |
| Acceptance of dual citizenship | -- | -- | -- | No |
| Special governmental unit dealing with diaspora | -- | -- | -- | Yes |
| Measures to attract investment by diaspora***** | -- | -- | -- | -- |

* Measures to address population ageing: (1) change in statutory retirement age in the last 5 years; (2) pension system reform in the last 5 years.

** Grounds on which abortion is permitted: (1) to save a woman's life; (2) to preserve a woman's physical health; (3) to preserve a woman's mental health; (4) in case of rape or incest; (5) because of foetal impairment; (6) for economic or social reasons; (7) on request.

*** Policies to prevent domestic violence: (1) legal provision; (2) policy.

**** Measures to address HIV/AIDS: (1) blood screening; (2) information/education campaigns; (3) antiretroviral treatment; (4) non-discrimination policies (legal measures); (5) distribution of condoms; (6) prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT).

***** Measures to attract investment by diaspora: (1) tax exceptions or breaks; (2) reduction of tariffs on goods or import duties for diaspora companies; (3) preferential treatment in providing credit; (4) preferential treatment in allotment of licenses; (5) streamlined bureaucratic procedures for investment; (6) diaspora bond/mutual fund.