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				Major concern
Measures to address population ageing*				Neither
Fertility				
View on fertility level	Satisfactory	Too low	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
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Policy on fertility level	No intervention	No intervention	No intervention	
Level of concern about adolescent fertility			Minor concern	Minor concern
Policies to reduce adolescent fertility			Yes	Yes
Reproductive health and family planning				
Government support for family planning	Direct support	Direct support	Direct support	Direct support
Grounds on which abortion is permitted**			1,2,3,4,5,6,7	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
Level of concern about violence against women				Major concern
Policies to prevent domestic violence***				1,2
Health and mortality				
View on life expectancy at birth	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable	Acceptable
View on under-five mortality			Acceptable	Acceptable
View on undernutrition in children				Acceptable
View on maternal mortality				Acceptable
Level of concern about overweight and obesity				Major concern
Level of concern about non-communicable diseases				Minor concern
Level of concern about tuberculosis				Minor concern
Level of concern about malaria				Not a concern
Level of concern about HIV/AIDS			Major concern	Major concern
Measures to address HIV/AIDS****				1,2,3,4,5,6
Spatial distribution and internal migration				
View on spatial distribution	Satisfactory	Minor change desired	Minor change desired	Satisfactory
Policy on migration from rural to urban areas				No intervention
Policy on migration into urban agglomerations	Lower	Lower	No intervention	No intervention
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International migration View on immigration	Too high	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Too low
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Policy on immigration	Lower	Lower	Lower	Raise
Policy on permanent settlement			Lower	Raise
Policy on temporary workers			Maintain	Raise
Policy on highly-skilled workers			 Maintain	Raise
Policy on family reunification			Maintain	Maintain
Policy on integration of non-nationals			Yes	Yes
Policy on naturalization				Yes
Level of concern about irregular migration				Minor concern
Prgms. to facilitate migrants' return to home countries				No
View on emigration	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
Policy on emigration	Maintain	Maintain	No intervention	No intervention
Policy to encourage the return of citizens	No		No	No
Acceptance of dual citizenship				Yes
Special governmental unit dealing with diaspora				No
Measures to attract investment by diaspora*****				None of these

^{*} 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.