

Government Views and Policies

Population policy variable	1986	1996	2005	2013
Population size and growth				
View on growth	Too high	Too high	Too high	Too high ^a
Policy on growth	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Population age structure				
Level of concern about working-age population	--	--	Major concern	Major concern ^a
Level of concern about ageing of the population	--	--	Minor concern	Minor concern
Measures to address population ageing*	--	--	--	Neither
Fertility				
View on fertility level	Too high	Too high	Too high	Too high ^a
Policy on fertility level	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Level of concern about adolescent fertility	--	Not a concern	Minor concern	Major concern
Policies to reduce adolescent fertility	--	No	No	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	1,2,3	1,2,3
Level of concern about violence against women	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Policies to prevent domestic violence***	--	--	--	1,2
Health and mortality				
View on life expectancy at birth	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable ^a
View on under-five mortality	--	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
View on undernutrition in children	--	--	--	Acceptable ^a
View on maternal mortality	--	--	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
Level of concern about overweight and obesity	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Level of concern about non-communicable diseases	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Level of concern about tuberculosis	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Level of concern about malaria	--	--	--	Minor concern ^a
Level of concern about HIV/AIDS	--	Major concern	Minor concern	Minor concern
Measures to address HIV/AIDS****	--	--	1,2,3,5	1,2,3,4,5,6
Spatial distribution and internal migration				
View on spatial distribution	Major change desired	Major change desired	Major change desired	Major change desired
Policy on migration from rural to urban areas	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Policy on migration into urban agglomerations	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower ^a
International migration				
View on immigration	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Too high ^a
Policy on immigration	Maintain	Maintain	Maintain	Maintain
Policy on permanent settlement	-- ^a
Policy on temporary workers	--	..	Maintain	Maintain ^a
Policy on highly-skilled workers	--	--	..	Maintain
Policy on family reunification	--	..	Maintain	Maintain ^a
Policy on integration of non-nationals	--
Policy on naturalization	--	--	--	Yes
Level of concern about irregular migration	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Prgms. to facilitate migrants' return to home countries	--	--	--	.. ^a
View on emigration	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Too high ^a
Policy on emigration	Lower	Lower	No intervention	No intervention
Policy to encourage the return of citizens	--	Yes	Yes	Yes ^a
Acceptance of dual citizenship	--	--	--	Yes
Special governmental unit dealing with diaspora	--	--	--	Yes ^a
Measures to attract investment by diaspora*****	--	--	--	None of these

-- Data not collected; .. Data not available or not separately reported.

* 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.

^a Not collected for the 2013 revision. Code refers to 2011.