

Government Views and Policies

Population policy variable	1986	1996	2005	2013
Population size and growth				
View on growth	Too high	Too high	Satisfactory	Satisfactory ^a
Policy on growth	Lower	Lower	Maintain	Maintain
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	Major concern
Measures to address population ageing*	--	--	--	1,2
Fertility				
View on fertility level	Too high	Too high	Satisfactory	Satisfactory ^a
Policy on fertility level	Lower	Lower	Maintain	Maintain
Level of concern about adolescent fertility	--	Not a concern	Minor concern	Major concern
Policies to reduce adolescent fertility	--	No	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	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
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	Acceptable ^a
View on under-five mortality	--	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
View on undernutrition in children	--	--	--	Unacceptable ^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	--	--	--	Minor concern ^a
Level of concern about malaria	--	--	--	Minor concern ^a
Level of concern about HIV/AIDS	--	Minor 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	Minor change desired	Minor change desired	Major change desired	Minor 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	Too high	Satisfactory ^a
Policy on immigration	Maintain	Lower	Lower	Maintain
Policy on permanent settlement	--	Lower	Maintain	Maintain ^a
Policy on temporary workers	--	Maintain	Lower	Maintain ^a
Policy on highly-skilled workers	--	--	Raise	Maintain
Policy on family reunification	--	Maintain	Maintain	No intervention ^a
Policy on integration of non-nationals	--	No	No	Yes
Policy on naturalization	--	--	--	Yes
Level of concern about irregular migration	--	--	--	Major concern ^a
Prgms. to facilitate migrants' return to home countries	--	--	--	Yes ^a
View on emigration	Too low	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory ^a
Policy on emigration	Raise	Maintain	Maintain	Maintain
Policy to encourage the return of citizens	--	No	No	No ^a
Acceptance of dual citizenship	--	--	--	Yes
Special governmental unit dealing with diaspora	--	--	--	Yes ^a
Measures to attract investment by diaspora*****	--	--	--	1,2

-- 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.