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Work programme on international migration

- **Migration Section**
 - Estimates of the international migrant stock (biennial)
- **Population Estimates and Projection Section**
 - Estimates and projections of net international migration flows as part of World Population Prospects (biennial)
- **Policy Section**
 - Monitoring international migration policies (follow-up to ICPD PoA Chapter X; SDG 10.7) as part of World Population Policies (biennial)



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Estimates of the international migrant stock: Evolution of work

- Before 2010: International migrant stock by **country of residence** and **sex** at **regular intervals** (1990, 1995, etc.)
- Since 2010: International migrant stock by country of residence , sex and **five-year age group** (60+)
- Since 2012: International migrant stock by country of residence and **country of birth**
- Since 2015: **Expanded age-groups** (75+)
- (In progress): Estimating **inflows** and **outflows** of international migrants, based on the international migrant stock



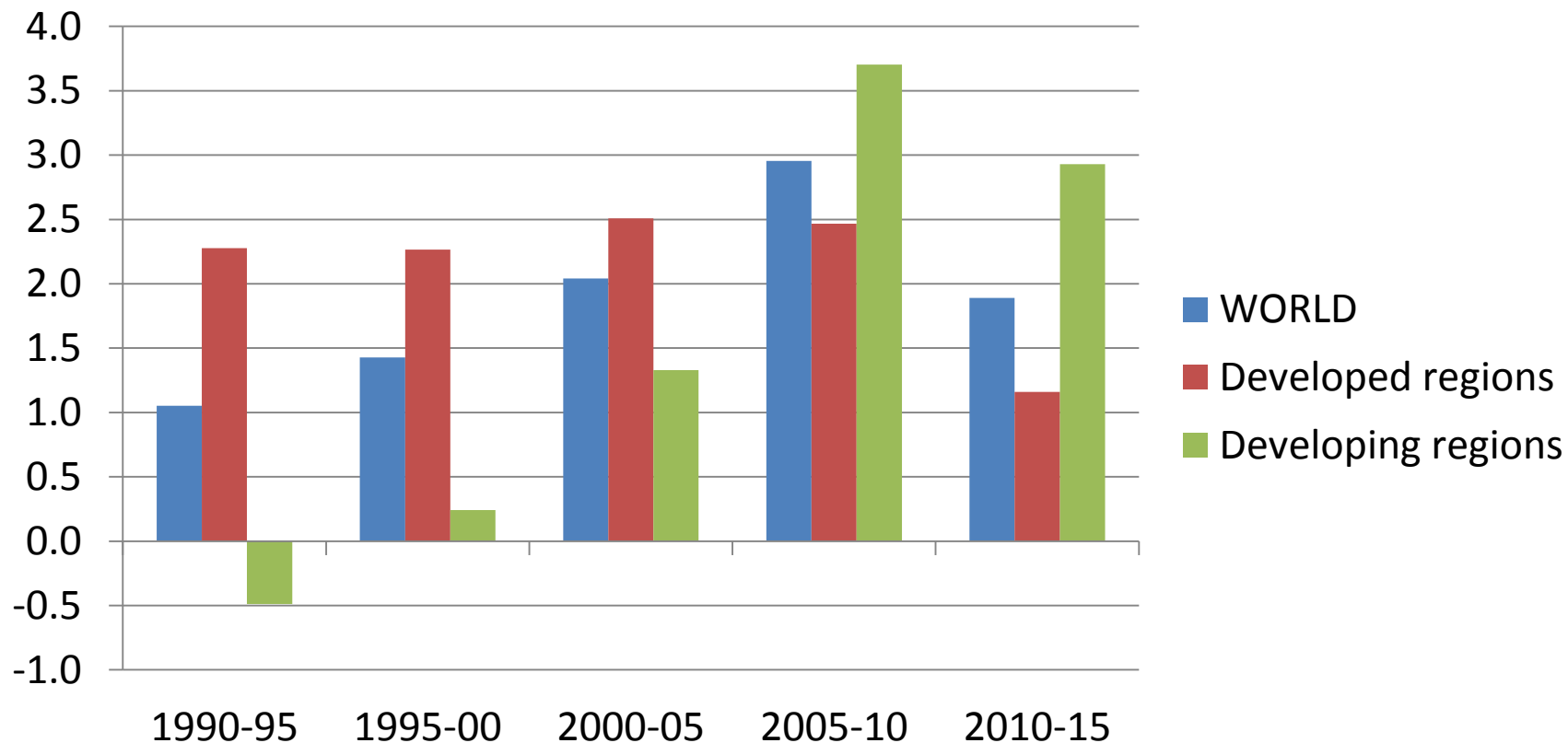
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Annual rate of change of the international migrant stock (%)

1990-1995 to 2010-2015

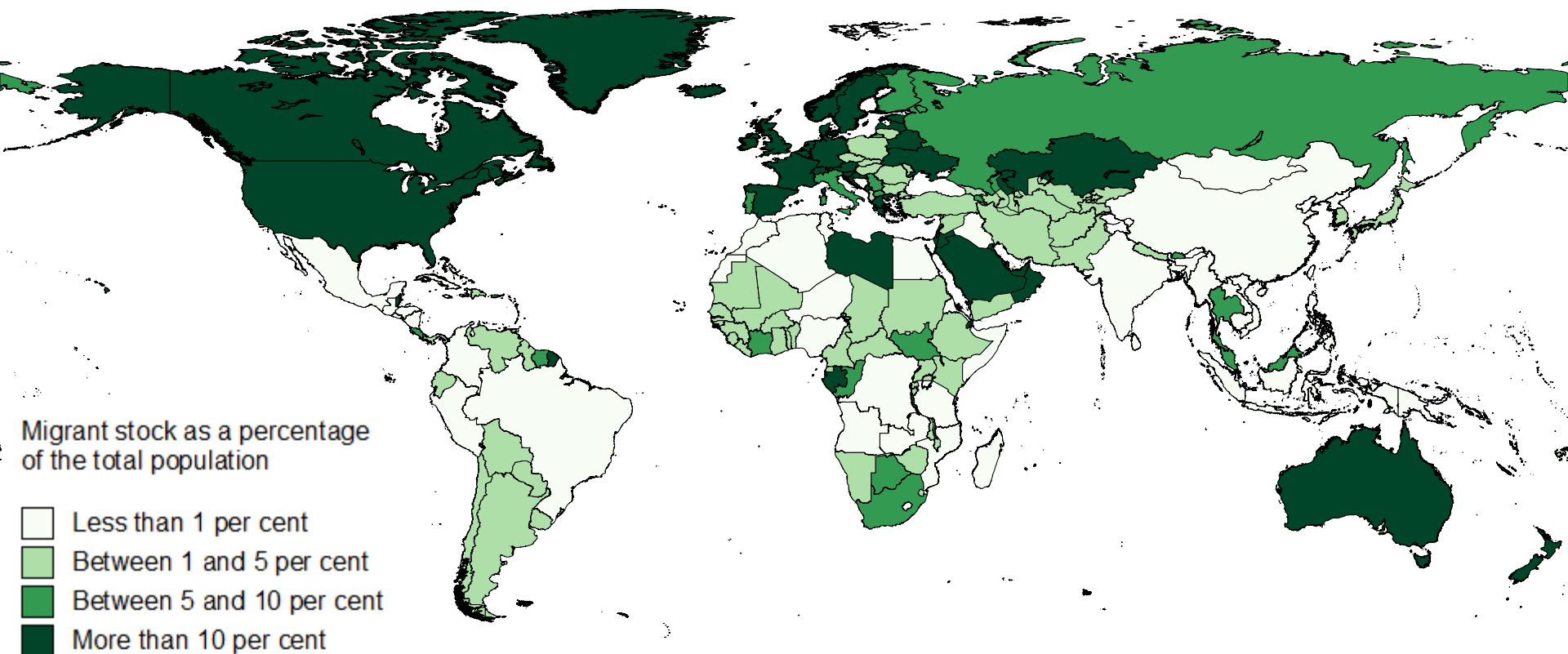


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Share of the international migrant stock in total population, 2015



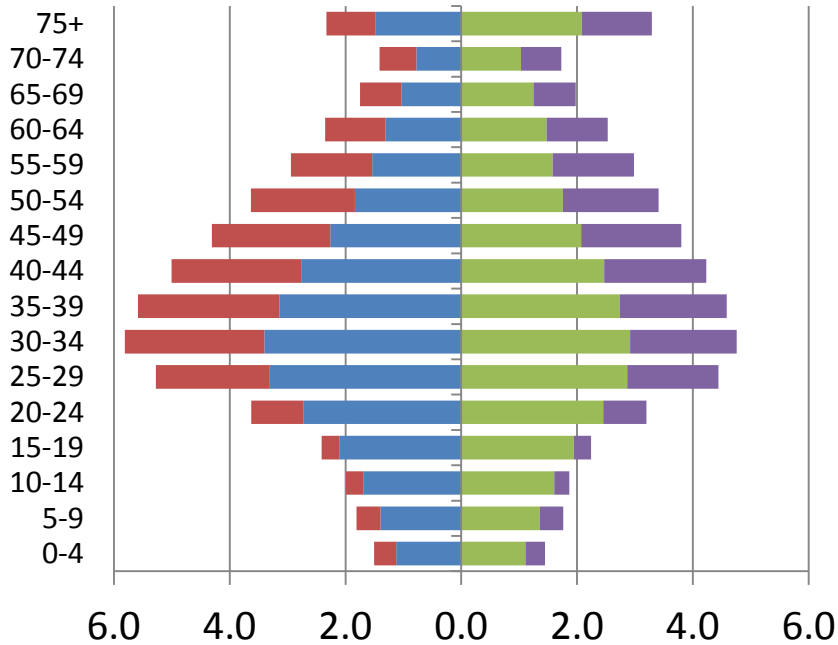
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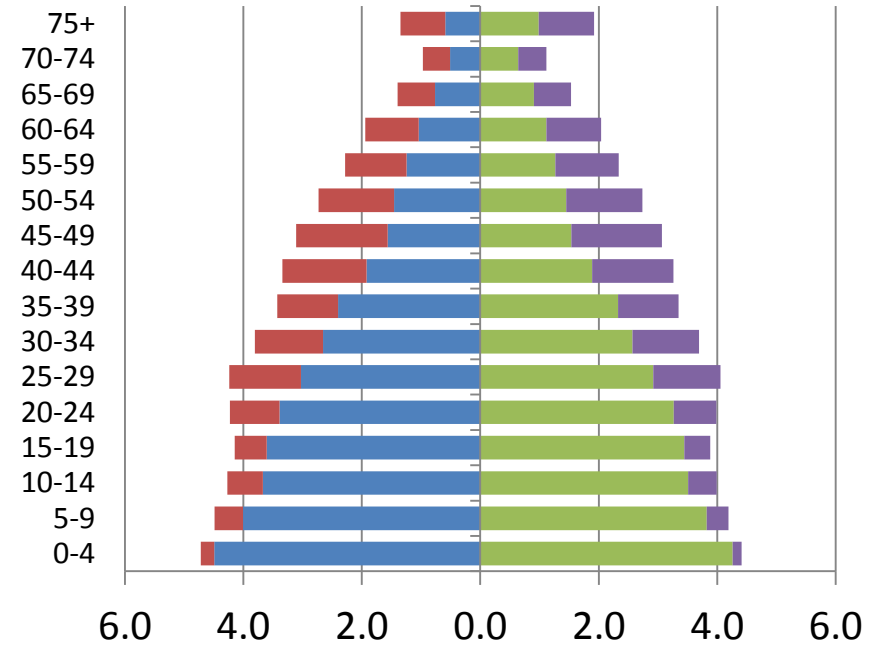
Age distribution of the international migrant stock and the total population, 1990 and 2015

Migrant stock



Male 1990 Male 2015
 Female 1990 Female 2015

Total population



Male 1990 Male 2015
 Female 1990 Female 2015



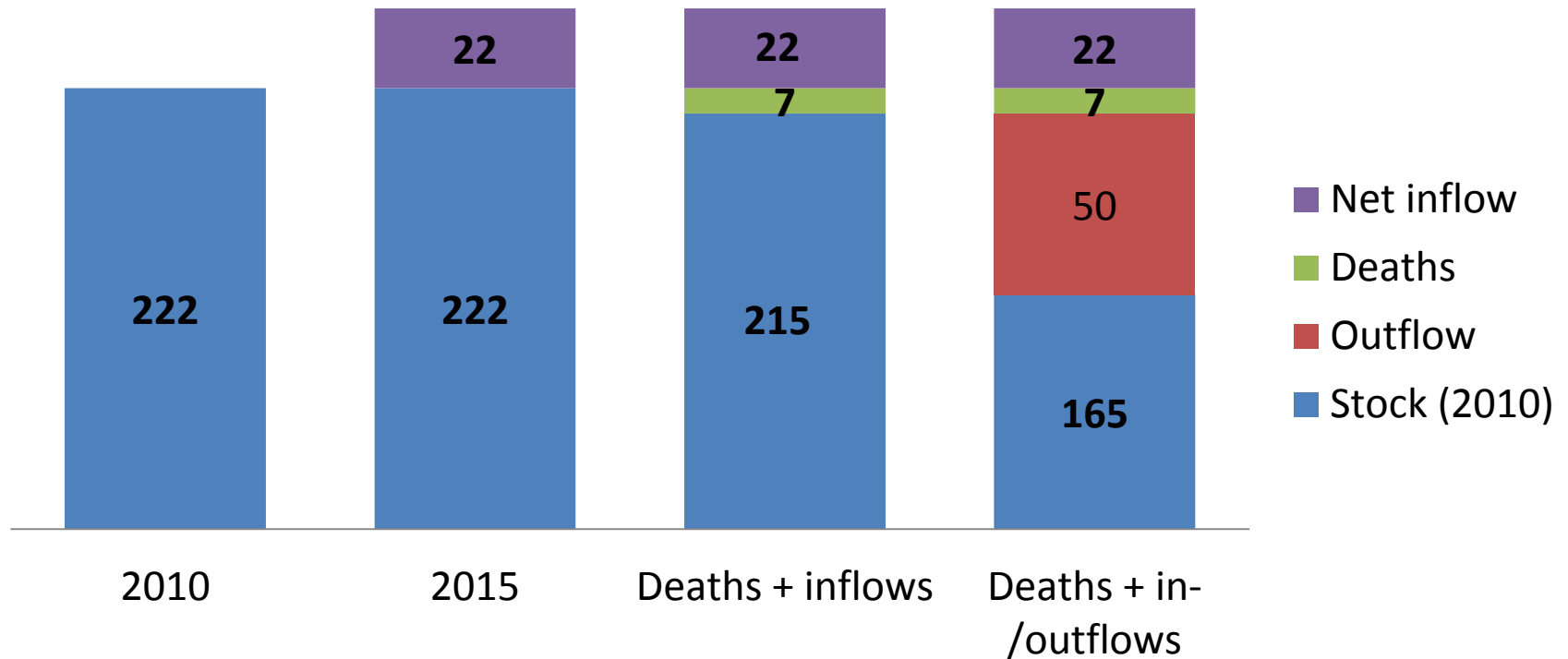
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Estimating migration flows on the basis of the international migrant stock, 2010-2015

(Net inflow: 22 million; actual inflow 79 million)

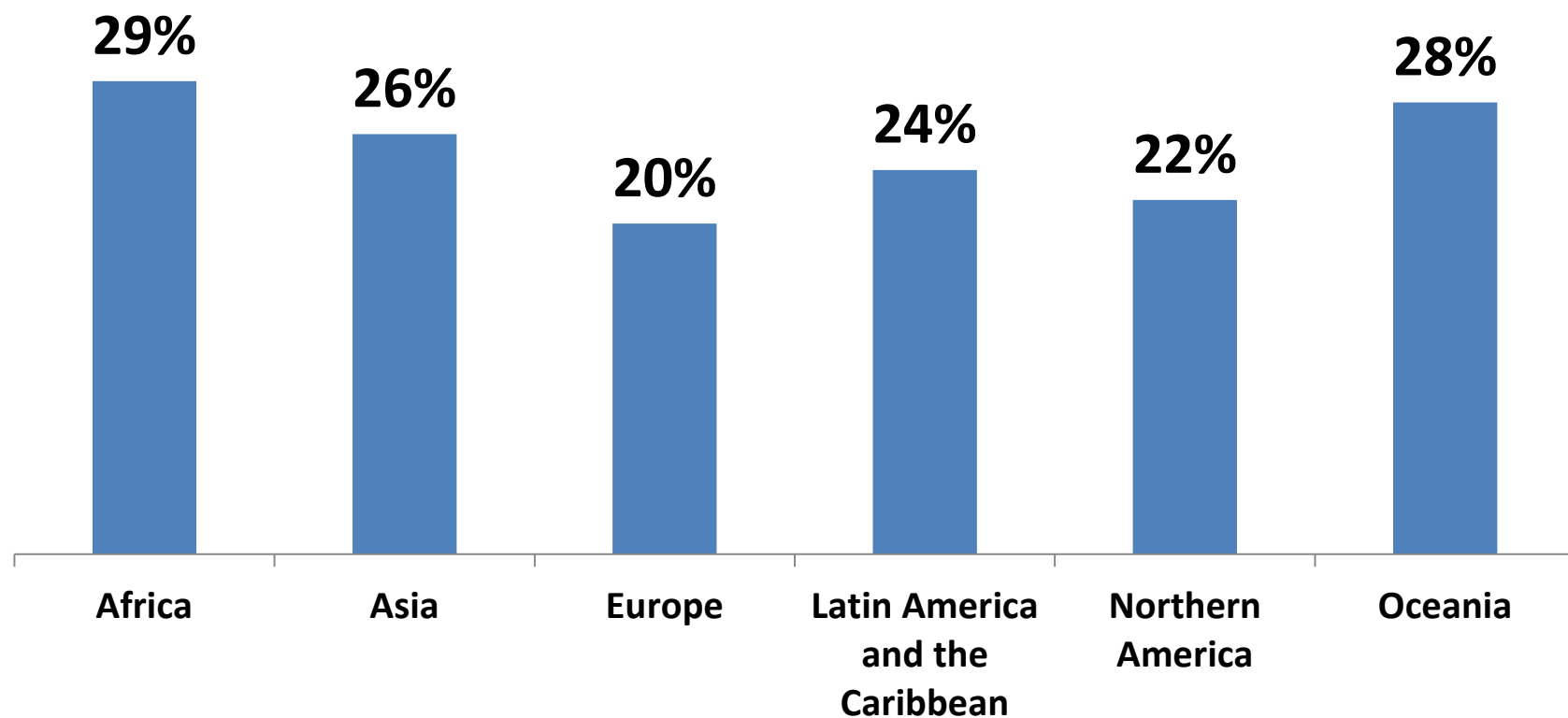


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Outflows as percentage of migrant stock at beginning of period, 2010-2015

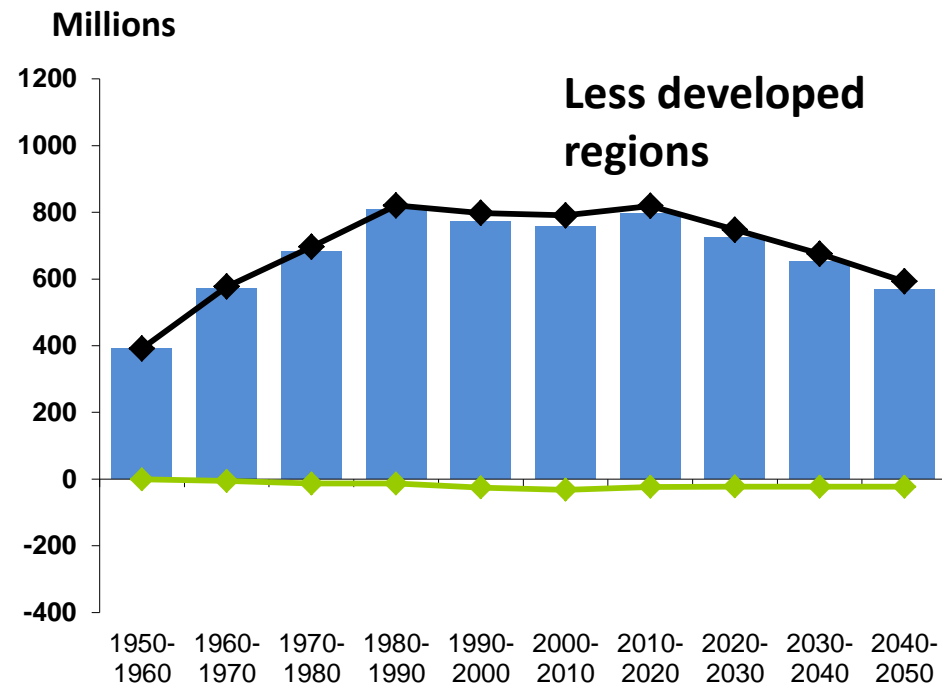
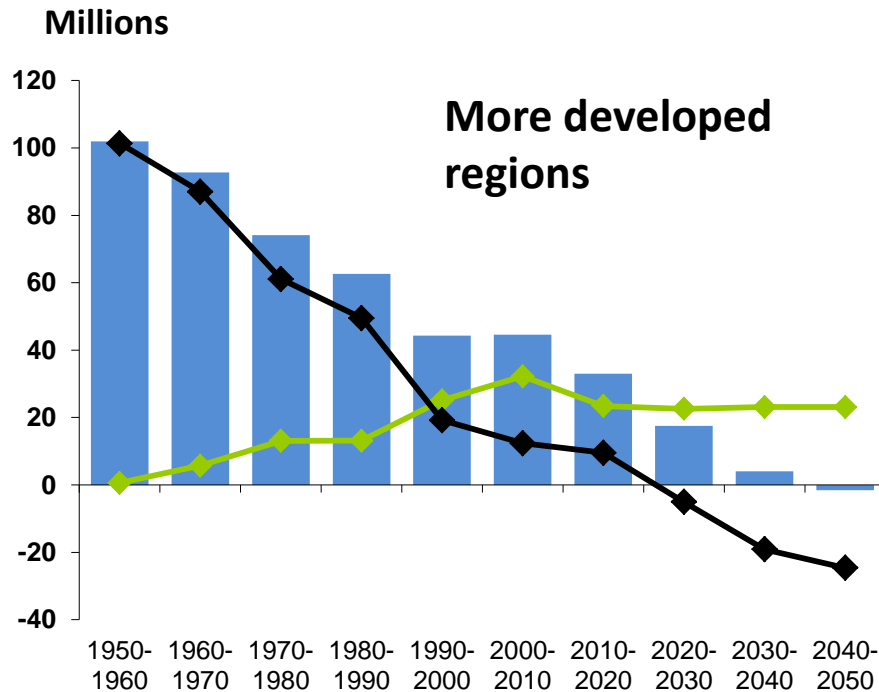


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Role of net international migration flows in overall population change

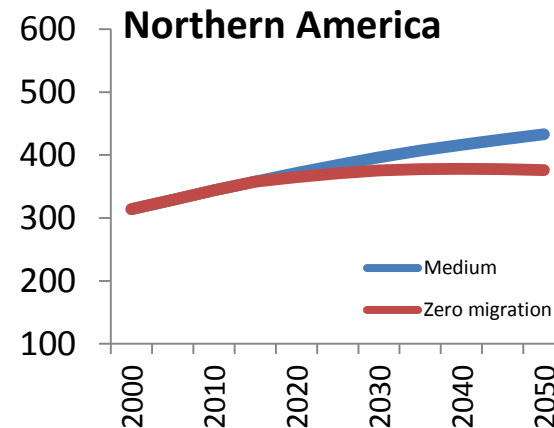
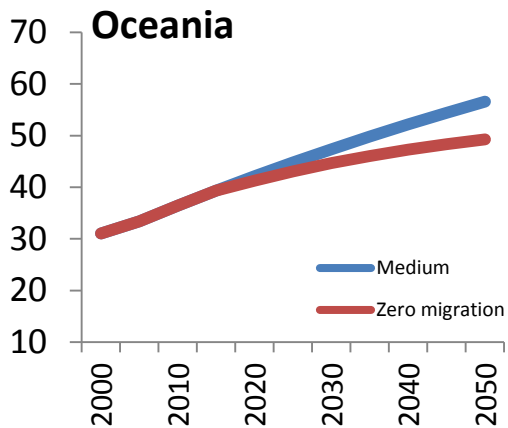
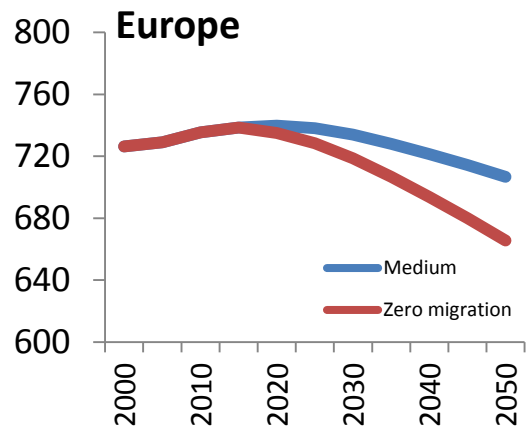
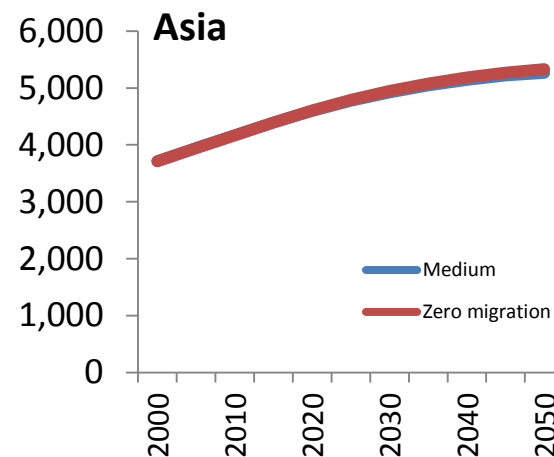
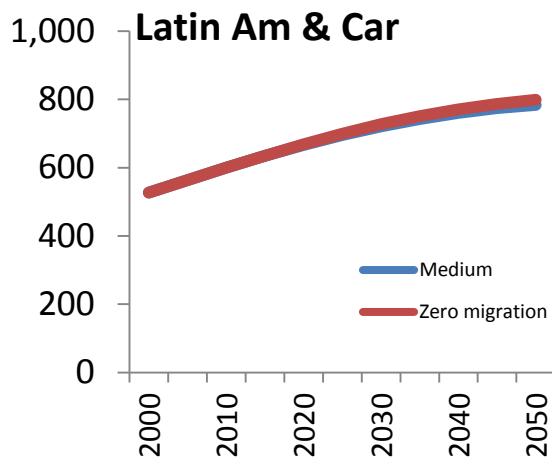
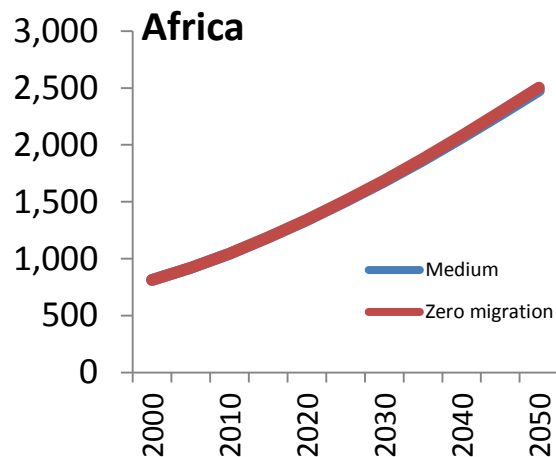


-  **Total net population change**
-  **Immigration-emigration**
-  **Births-deaths**

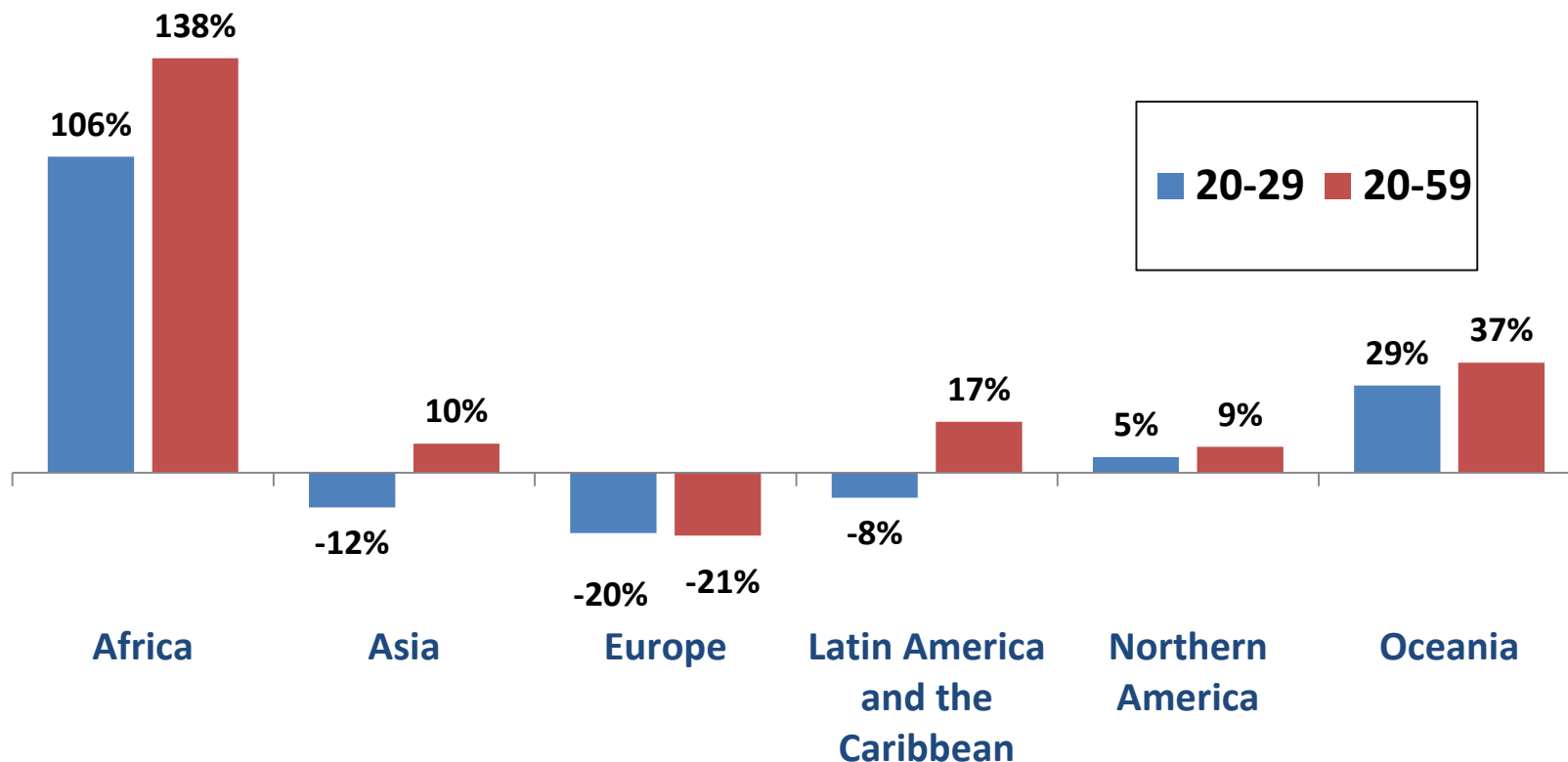
Source: UN, DESA, Population Division (2015).
World Population Prospects: The 2015 Revision



Actual and projected change in total population, with and without migration (millions)



Changes in the population of working age, 2015 – 2050 (%)



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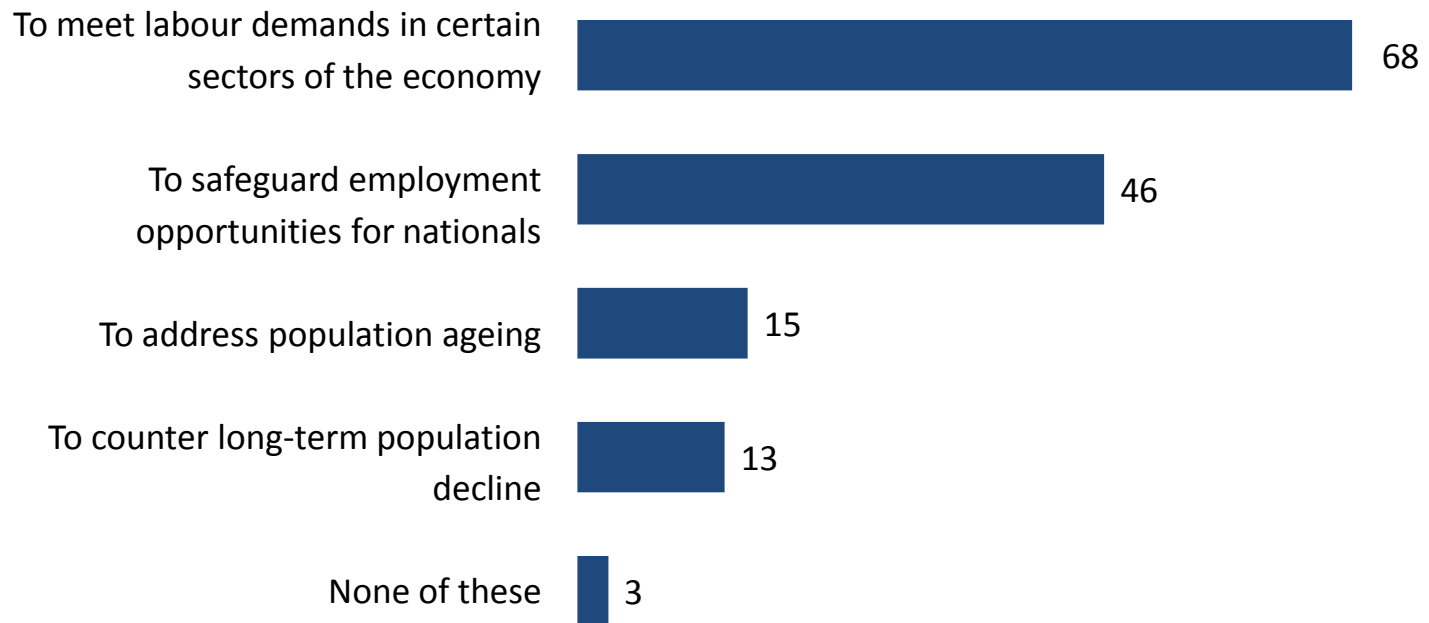
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Meeting labour demands is the prevailing reason for countries' immigration policy

Rationale for current immigration policy among Governments, 2015 (percentage)



Data source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2016). **Note:** Based on 148 countries with available data.



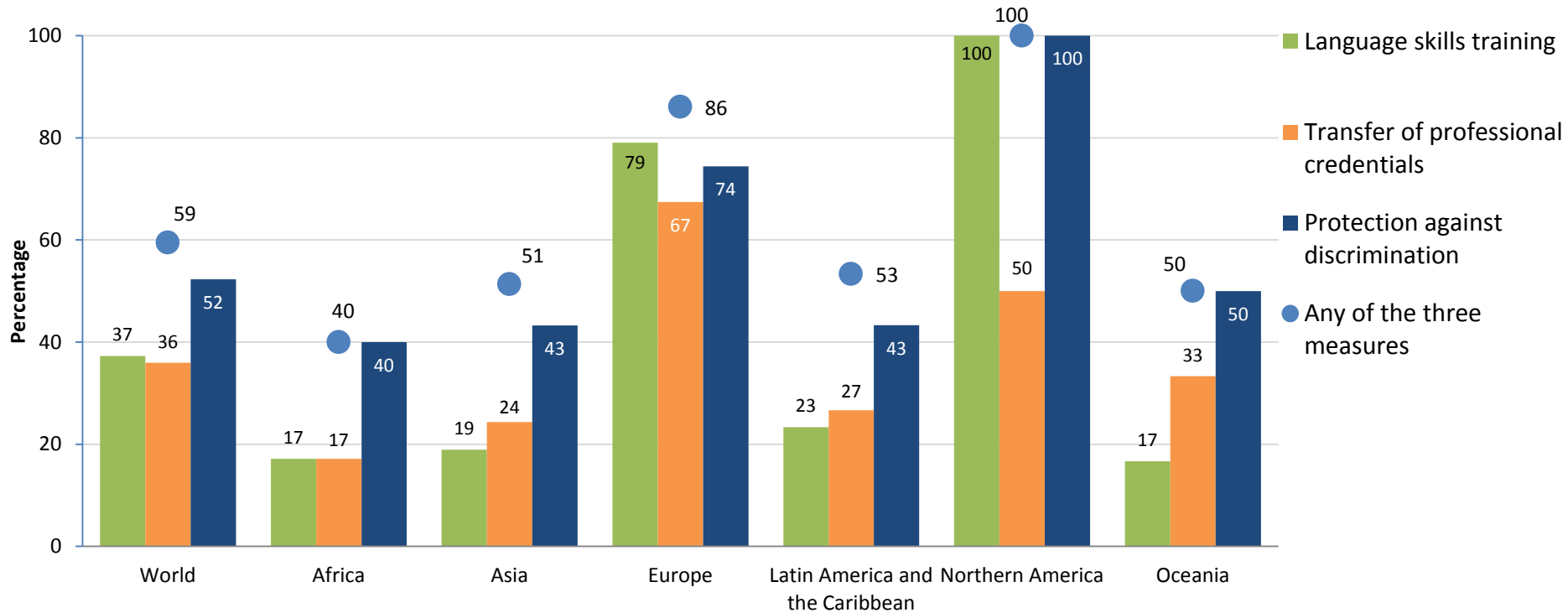
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More than half of all countries have a policy to promote the integration of migrants

Governments with a policy to promote the integration of immigrants, 2015 (percentage)



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