



Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics

international migration data in Egypt

Introduction

- The central Agency for public mobilization and statistics (CAPMAS), as the official national statistical office, undertakes the main role in collecting, evaluating , analyzing and disseminating migration statistics based on data available through censuses, sample surveys and administrative registration of border crossing, residence and work permits .

1- Administrative sources

CAPMAS receives from the relevant ministries data files on the major administrative sources of migration statistics-namely:

Ministry of interior

- * Arrival/Departure cards:
- * Long-term emigration (permanent migration)
- * Short-term emigrants (temporary migration) :
Work permits.

Ministry of manpower and migration

- * Work permits for foreigners to work in Egypt.

- **2-Household surveys**

Household surveys can be used to collect more detailed emigration data such as characteristics of emigrants (age ,sex ,education ,occupation ,etc) as well as the reasons, impacts and motivations of emigration and remittances.

- **Population censuses**
- The November 2006 census included a module on "Egyptians residing abroad on a short-term basis". Questions asked included the number and gender of family members residing abroad on a short term basis for any reason and names of host countries. Another question asked if any neighboring household was wholly residing abroad on a short-term basis, and if "yes" the number of household members and the name of the host countries.