

Government Views and Policies

Population policy variable	1976	1986	1996	2011
Population size and growth				
View on growth	Too high	Satisfactory	Too high	Too low
Policy on growth	Lower	No intervention	Lower	Raise
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	Too high	Satisfactory	Too high	Too low
Policy on fertility level	Lower	No intervention	Lower	Raise
Level of concern about adolescent fertility	--	--	Major concern	Major concern
Policies to reduce adolescent fertility	--	--	Yes	Yes
Reproductive health and family planning				
Government support for family planning	Direct support	Indirect support	Direct support	No support
Grounds on which abortion is permitted**	--	--	1	1
Level of concern about violence against women	--	--	--	Minor concern
Policies to prevent domestic violence***	--	--	--	Neither
Health and mortality				
View on life expectancy at birth	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
View on under-five mortality	--	--	Unacceptable	Unacceptable
View on undernutrition in children	--	--	--	Unacceptable
View on maternal mortality	--	--	--	Unacceptable
Level of concern about overweight and obesity	--	--	--	Major concern
Level of concern about non-communicable diseases	--	--	--	Major concern
Level of concern about tuberculosis	--	--	--	Minor concern
Level of concern about malaria	--	--	--	Minor concern
Level of concern about HIV/AIDS	--	--	Major concern	Major concern
Measures to address HIV/AIDS****	--	--	--	1,2,3,5,6
Spatial distribution and internal migration				
View on spatial distribution	Major change desired	Minor change desired	Major change desired	Minor change desired
Policy on migration from rural to urban areas	--	--	--	Lower
Policy on migration into urban agglomerations	--	Lower	Lower	Lower
International migration				
View on immigration	Too low	Too high	Too high	Too high
Policy on immigration	Raise	Lower	Lower	Lower
Policy on permanent settlement	--	--	Lower	Maintain
Policy on temporary workers	--	--	No intervention	Maintain
Policy on highly-skilled workers	--	--	--	Maintain
Policy on family reunification	--	--	No intervention	..
Policy on integration of non-nationals	--	--	No	..
Policy on naturalization	--	--	--	Yes
Level of concern about irregular migration	--	--	--	Major concern
Prgrms. to facilitate migrants' return to home countries	--	--	--	Yes
View on emigration	Satisfactory	Too high	Satisfactory	Too high
Policy on emigration	Maintain	Lower	Lower	Lower
Policy to encourage the return of citizens	--	--	Yes	Yes
Acceptance of dual citizenship	--	--	--	No
Special governmental unit dealing with diaspora	--	--	--	..
Measures to attract investment by diaspora*****	--	--	--	..

* 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.