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## Foreign-Born Population

### Purpose

To produce harmonised data on the foreign-born population in OECD countries and on expatriates from all countries in the world towards OECD countries. The database includes information on demographics, educational attainment and labour force characteristics.

### Objectives and outputs

In 2005, the limited collection of data, which included only limited information, was expanded to include a broad range of demographic, educational and labour force characteristics. The initial collection resulted in the publication, for the first time, of comparable data on the foreign and foreign-born population in almost all OECD countries, as well as on expatriation to OECD countries by educational attainment. The expanded collection will provide more detailed information by age, sex, year of arrival, occupation, sector of activity, field of study, labour force status. The eventual uses of these are too numerous to mention, but will include, in the first instance, an analysis of migration patterns of health professionals. It is expected that this expanded database will be disseminated in 2007 through the Internet and, resources permitting, through a printed publication as well.

To provide statistical assistance for the work on the economic and social aspects of migration carried out under the auspices of the Working Party on Migration.

To serve as input into the horizontal project on the Management of Migration.

### Databases

Census database on the foreign-born population

### Main Developments for 2007

#### General aspects:

The data collection of foreign-born population using census/population register data has been processed and will be disseminated in 2007.

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## International Migration

### Purpose

To produce consistent and annual international migration data for OECD member countries and some non-member countries and ensure methodological soundness and comparability of international migration data.

### Objectives and outputs

To maintain and update the database on International Migration and to publish an extensive statistical annex in the annual report "International Migration Outlook", which contains the most recent available data on foreign and immigrant populations, foreign workers, migration flows and naturalisations.

To provide statistical assistance for the work on the economic and social aspects of migration carried out under the auspices of the Working Party on Migration.

### Non-member countries involved in the activity:

Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania

### Databases

Migration

### Main Developments for 2007

#### General aspects:

A preliminary set of harmonised statistics on permanent-type migration flows was compiled and published in 2006, disaggregated by migration category. This will be repeated and refined in 2007 and extended, in part to cover temporary movements.

A special data collection on outflows will be carried out in 2007, in support of the horizontal project on managing migration.