



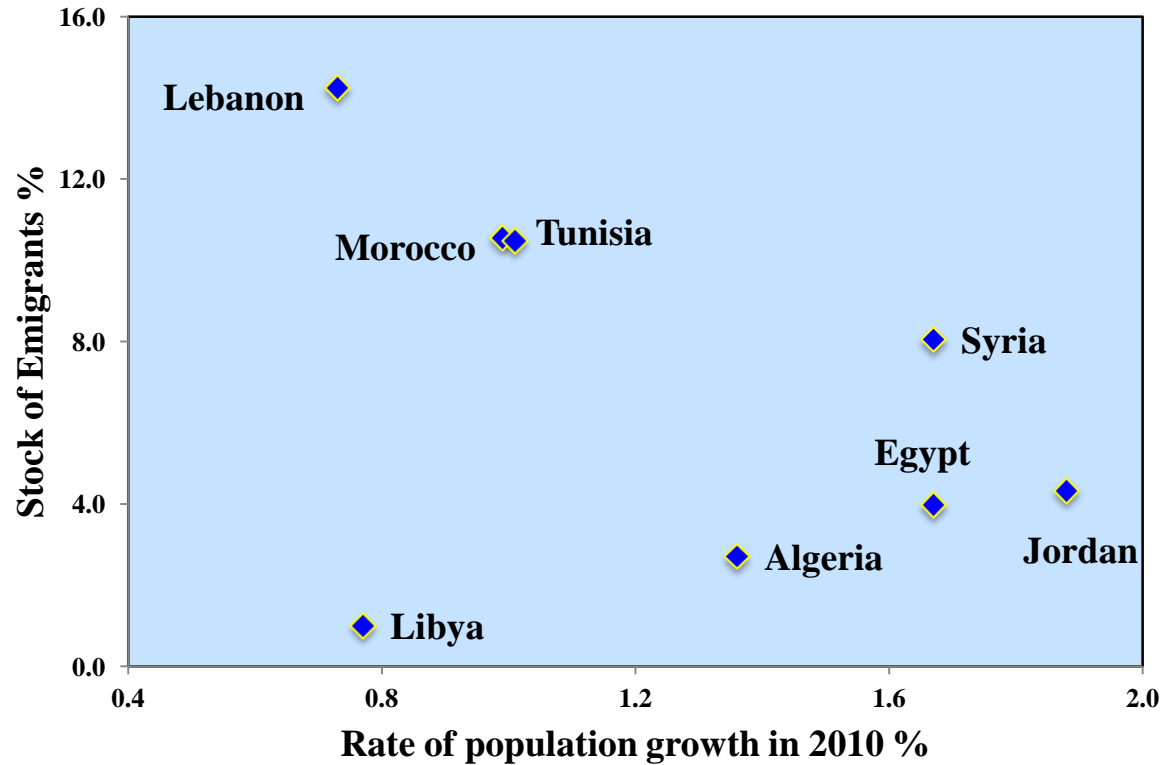
# **Demography, education and international migration in the Arab countries**

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**Figure 1: Population growth and emigration  
ca. 2010**



**Table 1: Migrants originating in Arab Mediterranean countries by region of residence, most recent data available in 2013**

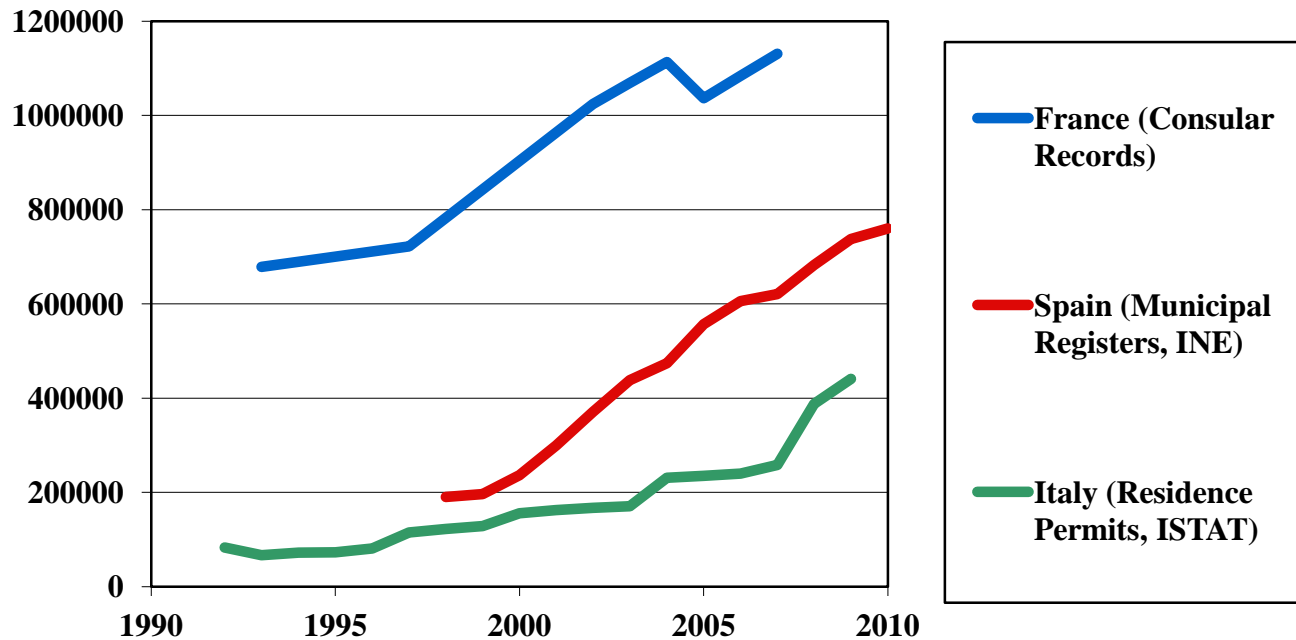
Country of origin	Region of residence			Total	In percentage of total population
	European Union	Arab countries	Other countries		
<b>Maghreb</b>					
Algeria	877,398	11,209	73,243	961,850	2.7%
Libya	43,646	8,963	10,947	63,556	1.0%
Morocco	3,056,109	214,438	101,432	3,371,979	10.6%
Tunisia	911,400	154,900	31,900	1,098,200	10.5%
<b>Sub-total Maghreb</b>	<b>4,888,553</b>	<b>389,510</b>	<b>217,522</b>	<b>5,495,585</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
<b>Mashreq</b>					
Egypt	199,153	2,783,000	238,770	3,220,923	4.0%
Jordan	24,158	158,284	84,591	267,033	4.3%
Lebanon	148,717	162,663	290,900	602,280	14.2%
Palestine*	n.a.	0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Syria**	131,108	1,387,806	124,833	1,643,747	8.1%
<b>Sub-total Mashreq</b>	<b>503,136</b>	<b>4,491,753</b>	<b>739,094</b>	<b>5,733,983</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,391,689</b>	<b>4,881,263</b>	<b>956,616</b>	<b>11,229,568</b>	<b>5.7%</b>

Source: Data combined from consular records of the origin countries and national censuses of the destination countries; migrants are defined as "foreign-born" or "non-nationals" according to countries

\* CBS data on Palestinians abroad include all the Palestinian refugees, a majority of whom are not migrants

\*\* Syrian refugees as of 23 April 2013 are included

**Figure 2: Moroccan Migrants in France, Italy and Spain Stocks 1992-2010**



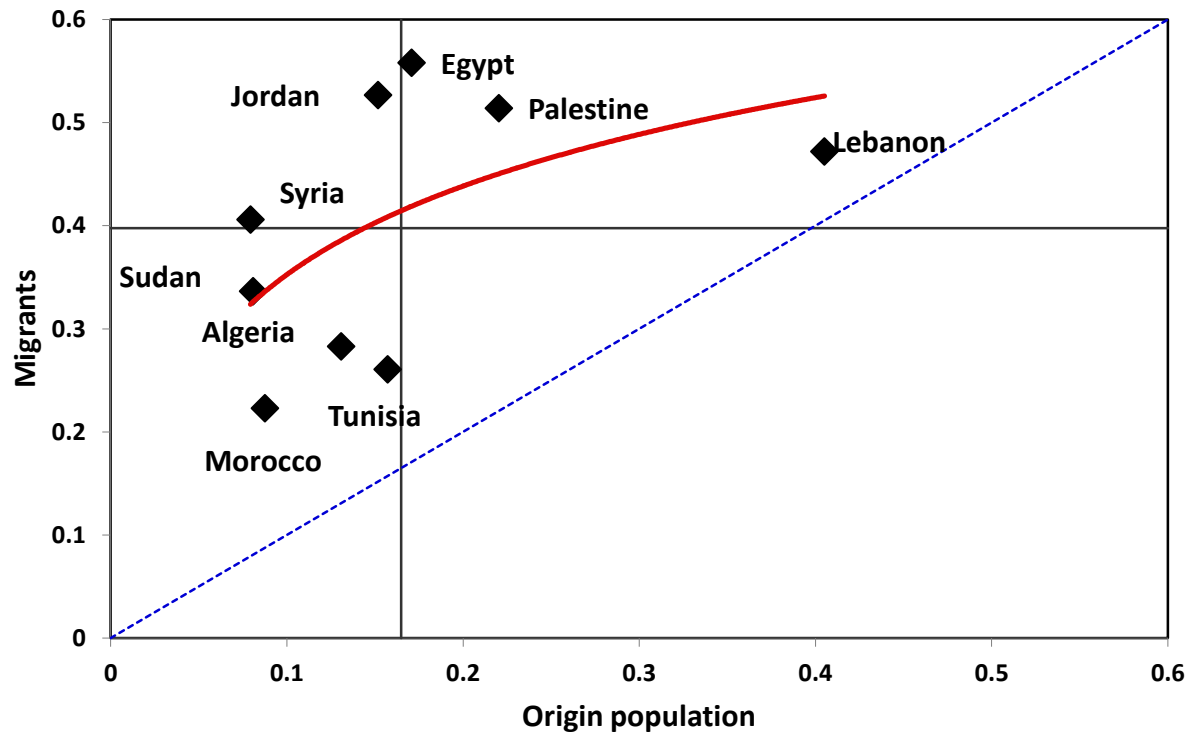
**Table 2: Wish to emigrate among Tunisian youth (15-29 years) 1996-2005 in %**

Individual characteristics		1996	2000	2005
Sex	Male	29	54	84
	Female	14	37	66
Age	15 – 19	21	44	76
	20 – 24	24	47	77
	25 – 29	23	45	74
Instruction	Illiterate	6	3	66
	Primary	19	45	77
	Secondary	26	49	77
	University	24	46	73
Activity	Employed	25	48	77
	Unemployed	31	54	85
	Student	26	48	75
<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>76</b>

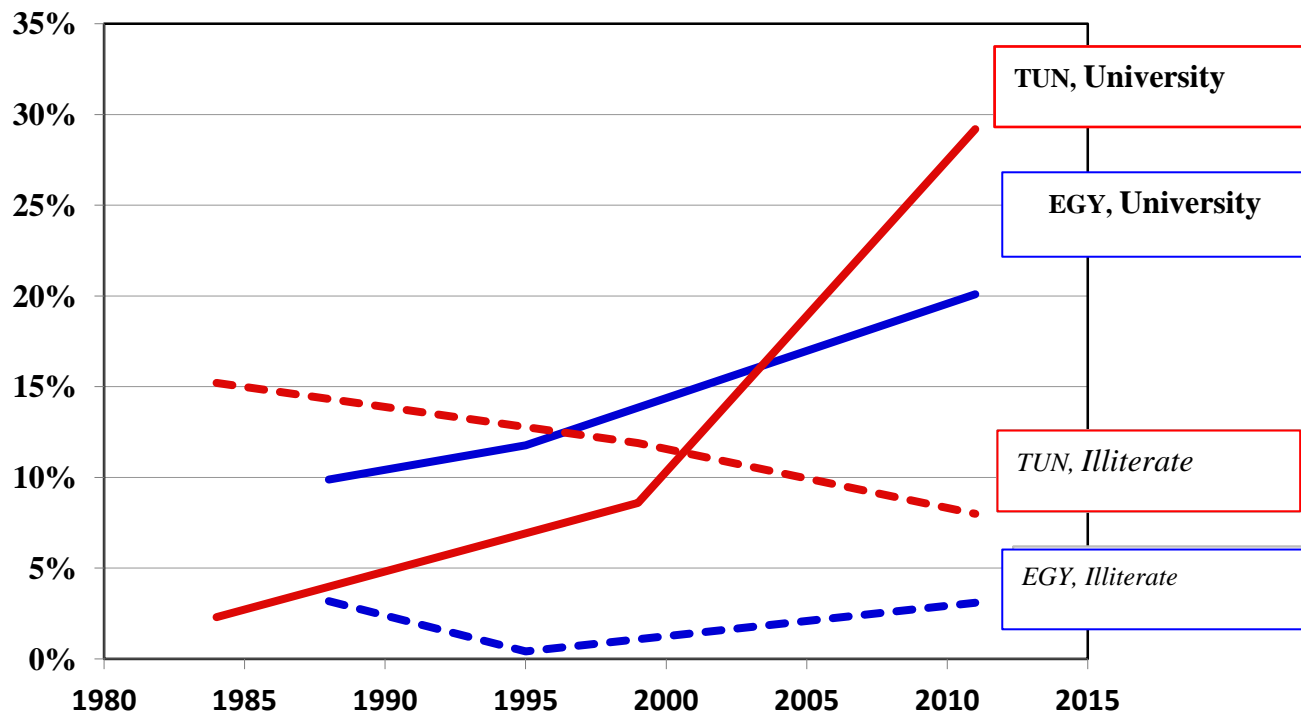
National representative sample [sample size: 20,000 in 1996; 10,000 in 2000; 10,000 in 2005]- Source: Fourati, Habib 2008, Consultations de la jeunesse et désir d'émigrer chez les jeunes en Tunisie 1996 – 2005, CARIM

**Fig 3: Proportion of highly-skilled persons among migrants and the origin population, age group 25-34, ca. 2005**

Own calculation, from OECD data

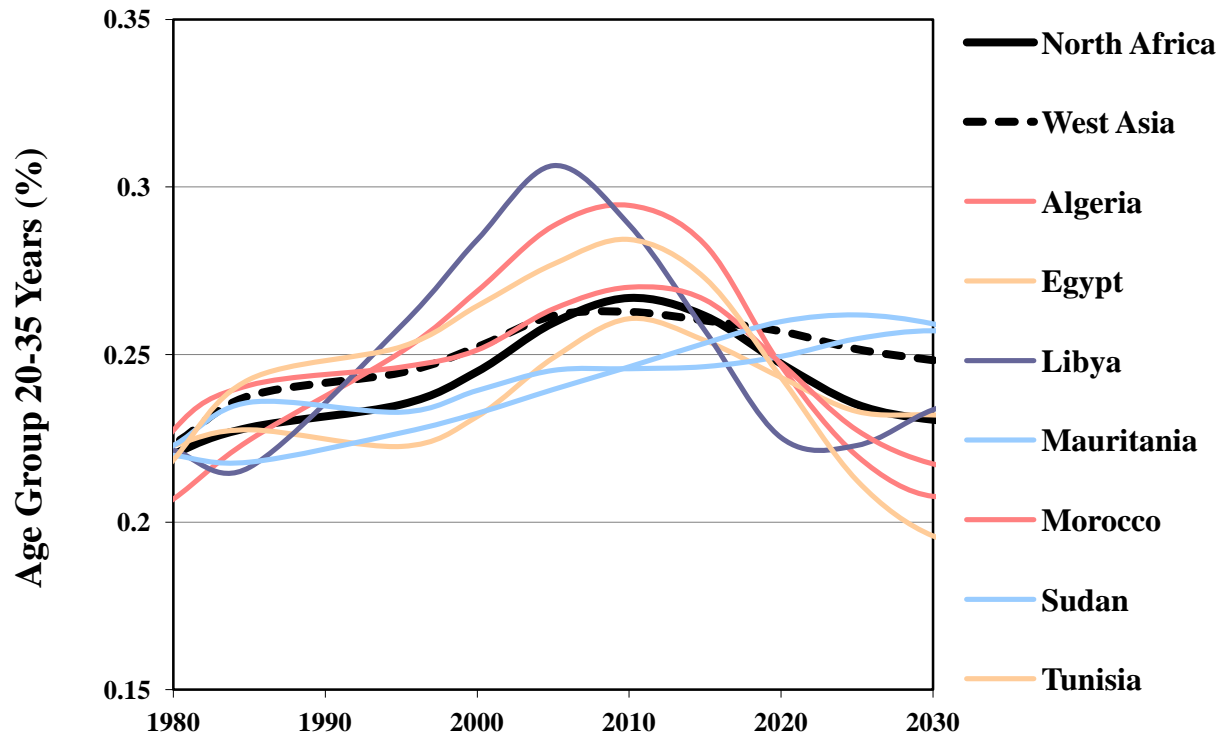


**Figure 4: Unemployment rate among illiterates and graduates in Egypt and Tunisia 1980-2011**



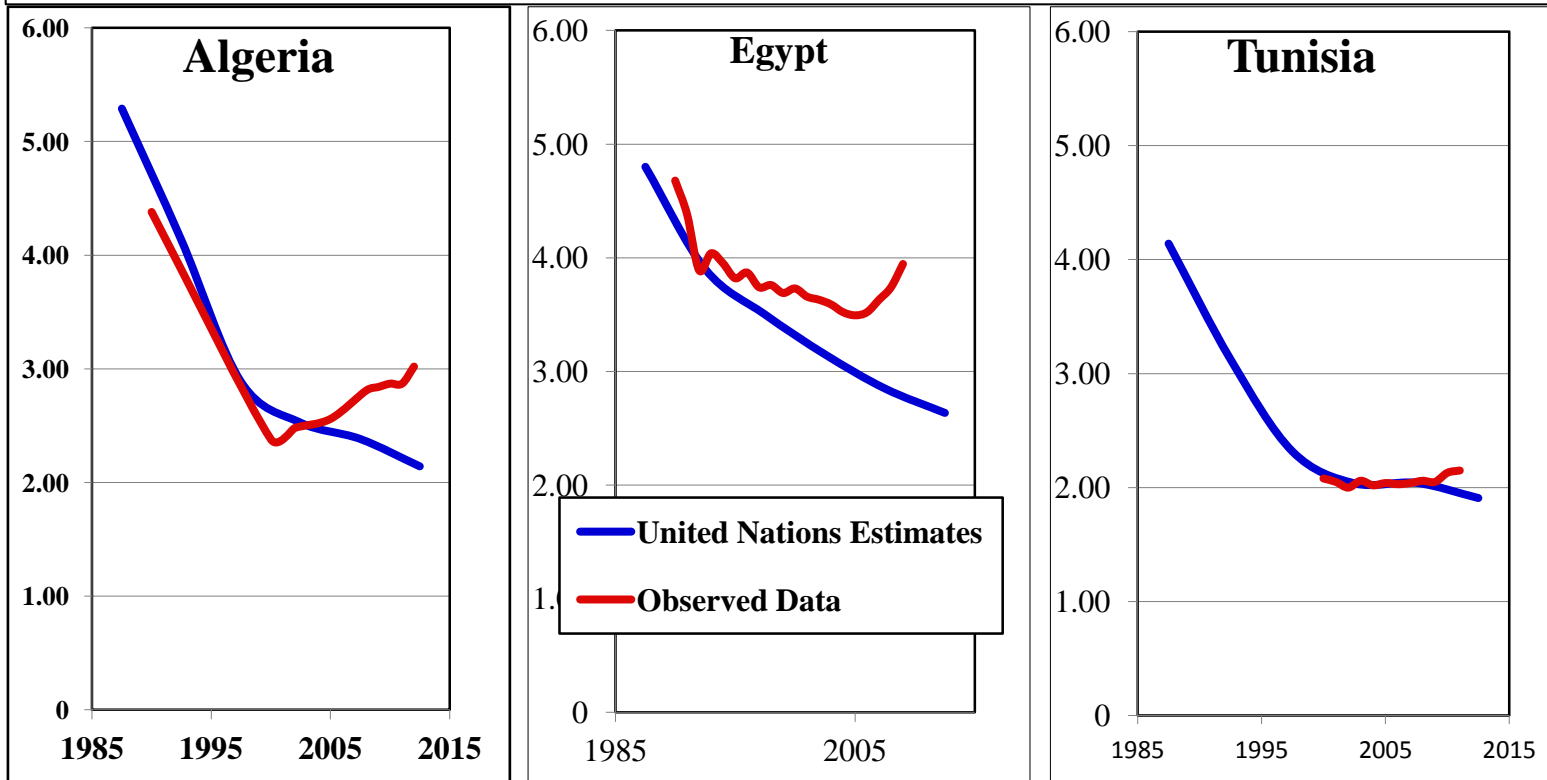
**Figure 5: The Youth Bulge in North Africa**

Source: UN Population Database

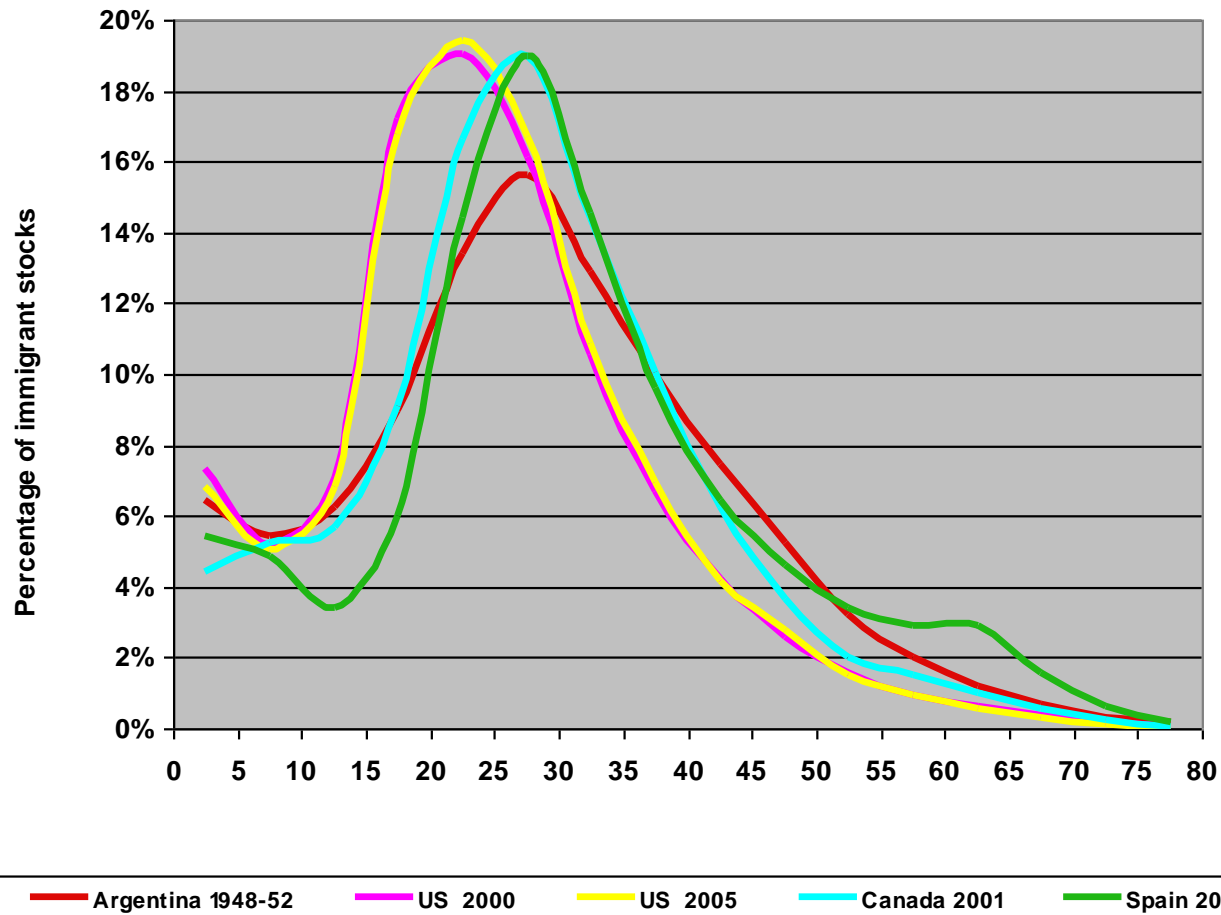




**Figure 6: Recent increases in Total Fertility Rate in selected Arab countries**

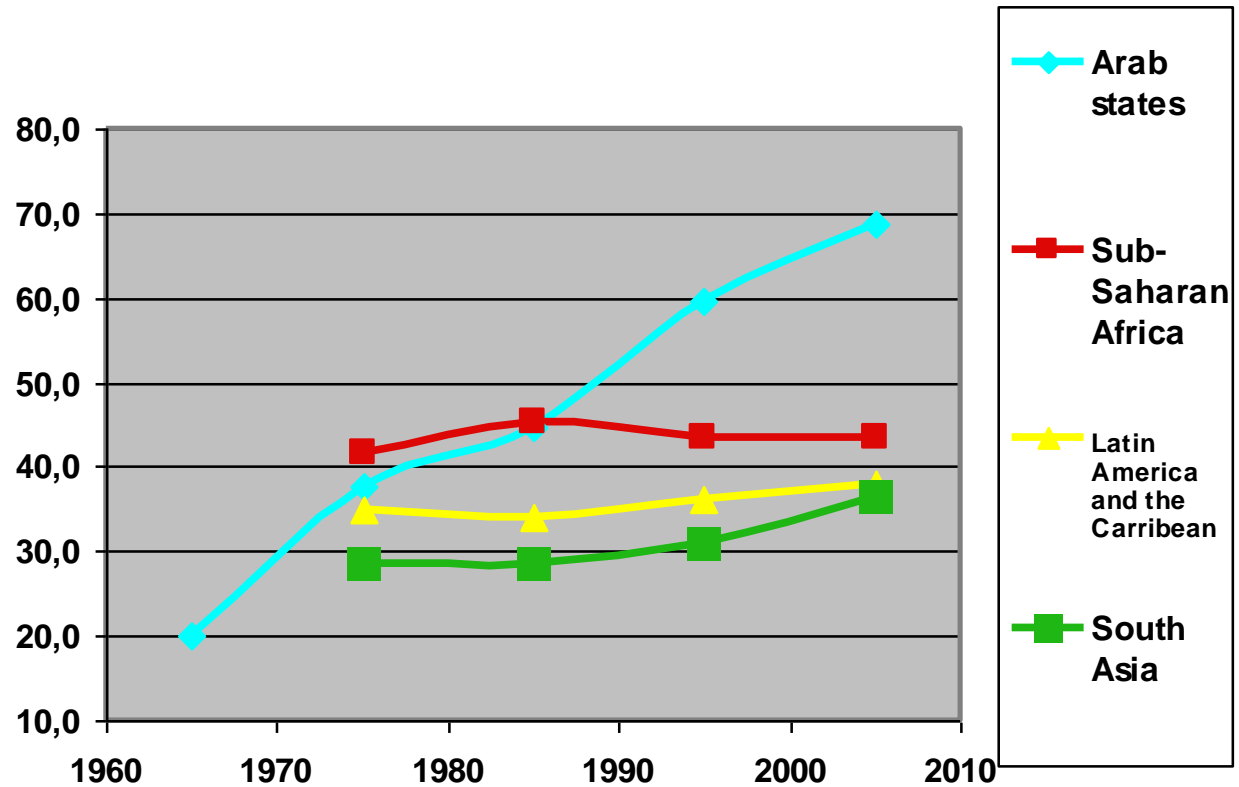


**Figure 4: Age patterns of male international migration  
Selected countries and periods**



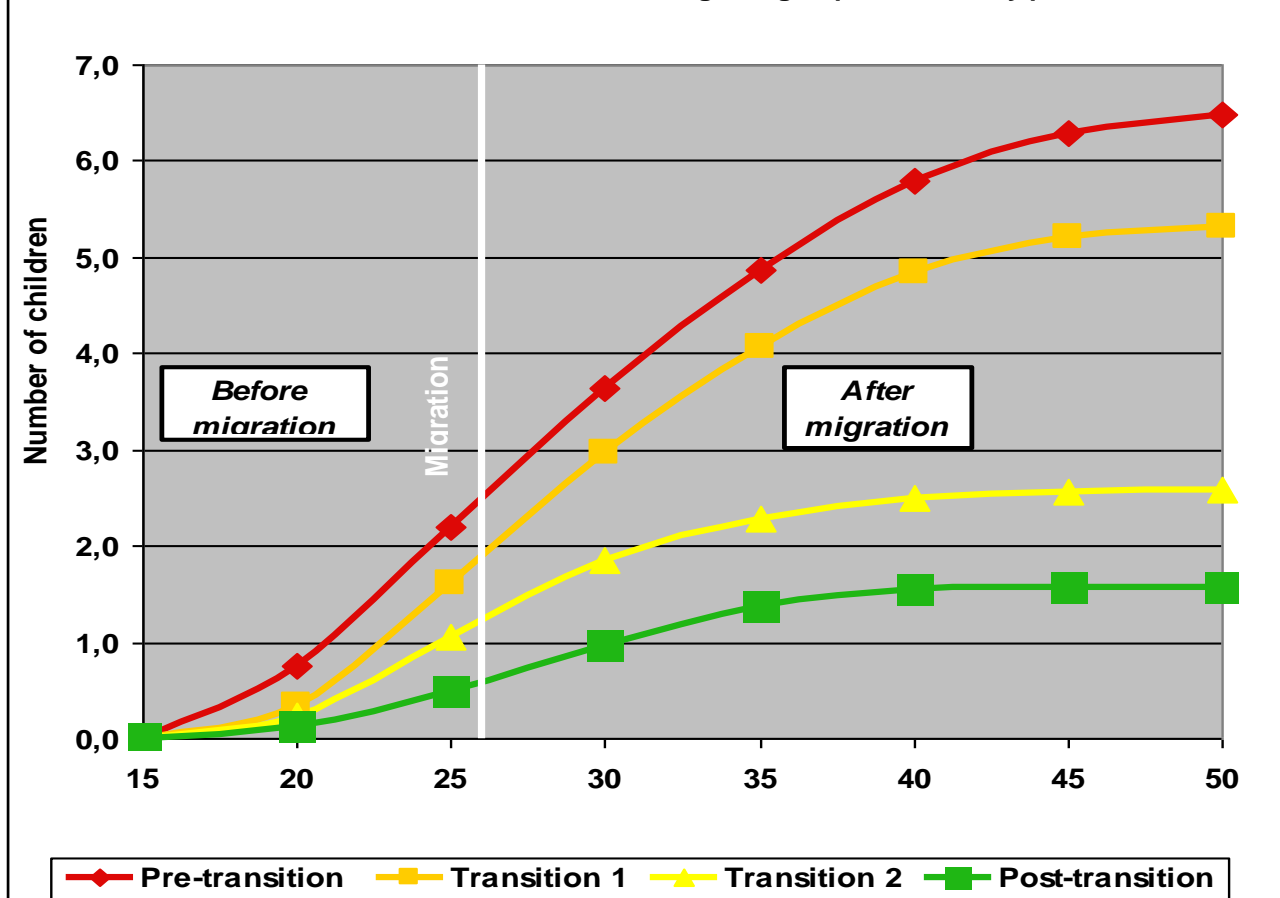
**Figure 5: Proportion of never-married men at the mean age at migration, by region and year (%)**

Source: <http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/WMD2008/Main.html>



**Figure 6: Mean number of children ever-born to migrant men according to the stage of demographic transition**

Source: Author's calculation using UN age specific fertility patterns



**Figure 7: Percentage of Moroccan migrants with a university education by host country and generation**

Source: National censuses, surveys and population registers

