„Labour Mobility within the EU: Causes, Directions and Constraints“

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Past and Present Trends
Net Migration in Europe, 1950-1960 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, 1960-1970 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, 1970-1980 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, 1980-1990 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, 1990-2000 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, 2000-2007 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Net Migration in Europe, proj. 2008-2020 (annual rate per 1000 inhabitants)

Source: Eurostat, UN
Main Drivers
Main drivers of intra-EU labor mobility

Imbalances

- Wages
- Employment opportunities
Regional GDP per capita at PPP, 2005

Source: European Commission
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Source: European Commission
Main drivers of intra-EU labor mobility

Pro-active recruitment policies; for example:
- during the 1960s and 1970s in most parts of North-Western Europe
- since the mid-1990s in the UK and Ireland
- more general, for agricultural labor
Main drivers of intra-EU labor mobility

Path dependency and cultural proximity:

- Past migration trends – to a certain extent – determine current trends
- Cultural and linguistic proximity plays a role
Main drivers of intra-EU labor mobility

Framework

- freedom of settlement within EU 27
- access to labor markets within EU 27 (partly restricted for citizens of EU 10 countries)
European migration regime by citizenship / country of origin and destination country
Current Situation: Country Details
Countries with strong increase of intra-EU migrants

Source: OECD
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Belgium

Netherlands

Source: OECD
Countries with increase of migrants from the neighbourhood

Sweden

Denmark (2005)

Source: OECD
Countries with increase of migrants from the neighbourhood

France

Switzerland

Source: OECD
Countries with increase of migrants from the neighbourhood

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Countries with increase of migrants from the neighbourhood

Czech Republic

Slovakia

Source: OECD
Current Situation: Overview
Major sending countries in Europe

Since 2000
- Romania
- Bulgaria
- Poland
- Estonia, Lithuania
- Slovakia
- Germany

Outside EU 27/EEA
- Ukraine
- Moldova
Intra-EU mobility of labor

Estimated size of CE work force working abroad in EU 15, 2006

Source: WIIW. Eurostat, OECD
Major receiving countries in Europe

Since 2000
- Spain
- UK
- Italy
- Germany
- Ireland
- Austria

Outside EU 27/EEA
- Russia
- Switzerland
Selected Migration Flows in Europe (2006)

Source: Eurostat, National statistics, Berlin Institute
Selected Effects
EU 12 & 15: Total population size 1960-2007 (1960=100)

Source: Eurostat
Employment and GDP growth in Europe (1995 = 100)

Source: wiiw Database
Change in employment levels
2000-2005 in %

(Source: Eurostat; data for Bulgaria, Denmark, and Switzerland available only at national level)

- under − 5
- − 5 to under −1
- − 1 to under 1
- 1 to under 5
- 5 to under 10
- 10 and above

Source: Eurostat, Berlin Institute
Unemployment rates in CE 2000-2007

LFS, annual average (in %)

Source: wiiw Database, Eurostat
Employment rates by citizenship
2007 in %

(Source: Eurostat)

- Nationals
- Citizens of an EU-27 country
- Citizens of a non-EU-27 country

Source: LFS, Berlin Institute
Workers remittances to selected CE + SEE countries (2007 in € bn)

Source: World Bank, IMF, MPI
Woman per 100 men (2006)

Source: Eurostat, Berlin Institute
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