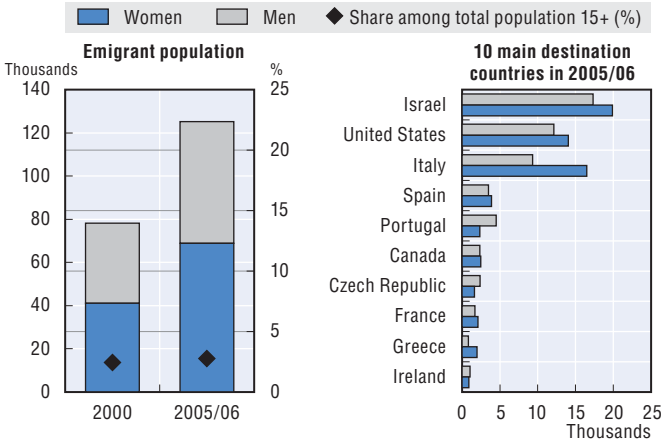
MOLDOVA – Country Notes

Total population 2010 (millions)	3.6
Population growth 2010 (%)	–0.1
GDP per capita 2010 (current USD)	1 631
GDP growth 2010 (%)	6.9
Poverty rate 2008 (USD PPP 2 a day, in %)	12.5

Moldova compared to:	World	Region
Human Development Index (HDI)	111/187	23/26
GDP per capita	133/194	22/27
Emigration rate	113/203	20/28
Emigration rate of the highly educated	79/157	10/19

Age structure of the population 0+ (2010): "0-14": 18%; "15-24": 17%; "25-64": 54%; "65+": 11%.
Level of education of the population 15+ (2010): "Low": 11%; "Medium": 79%; "High": 11%.

Emigrant population living in OECD countries



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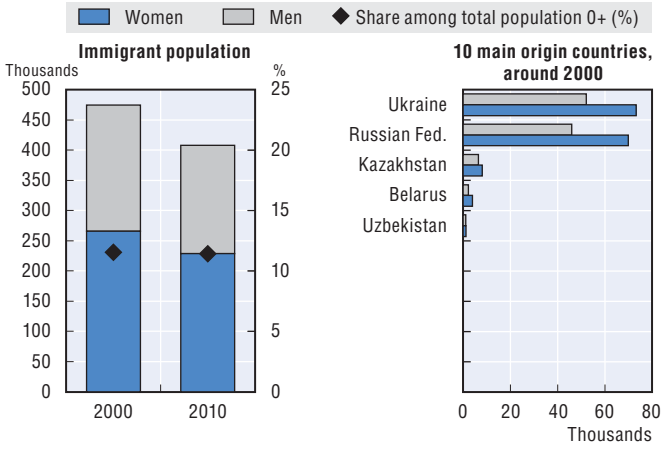


Emigrant population: persons born in Moldova living abroad

	2000						2005/06		
	All destinations			OECD destinations			OECD destinations		
Population 15+	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total
Emigrant population (thousands)	262.2	261.2	523.4	37.1	41.1	78.2	56.2	68.9	125.1
Recent emigrants (thousands)	. .	. .	. .	6.7	10.6	17.2	22.8	29.6	52.4
15-24 (%)	16.2	15.2	15.7	19.3	15.9	17.5	17.4	16.1	16.7
25-64 (%)	73.3	72.1	72.7	64.8	63.7	64.2	73.5	71.1	72.2
65+ (%)	10.5	12.7	11.6	15.9	20.4	18.3	9.1	12.8	11.1
Low-educated (%)	23.6	24.4	24.0	22.9	21.8	22.3	21.8	21.2	21.4
Highly educated (%)	24.7	27.9	26.3	44.0	48.5	46.4	43.7	43.8	43.8
Total emigration rates (%)	15.1	13.5	14.3	2.5	2.4	2.4	3.7	4.0	3.9
Emigration rates of the highly educated (%)	35.4	27.1	30.5	12.1	9.2	10.3	19.7	12.4	14.8

Main destinations in 2005/06

	Total		Recent emigrants	Women	Highly educated	15-24	Total in 2000
Population 15+	Thousands	%	%	%	%	%	Thousands
Israel	37.2	29.7	19.5	53.4	60.2	10.8	39.1
United States	26.2	20.9	25.4	53.6	47.8	24.5	15.7
Italy	25.8	20.6	72.1	63.9	17.7	17.8	3.7
Spain	7.4	5.9	92.2	52.6	54.0	15.8	2.0
Portugal	6.9	5.5	69.6	–	–	–	3.0
Canada	4.8	3.8	53.4	51.2	69.6	17.2	2.0
Czech Republic	4.0	3.2	. .	40.8	17.9	23.6	0.7
France	3.8	3.0	63.9	55.1	41.2	25.6	0.6
Greece	2.8	2.2	–	70.7	–	–	5.8
Ireland	1.9	1.5	78.5	46.0	41.7	15.6	0.9

Labour market indicators of persons born in Moldova living in OECD countries

Population 15-64		2000 Men	2000 Women	2000 Total	2005/06 Men	2005/06 Women	2005/06 Total
Employment-population ratio (%)		73.3	62.0	67.5	78.8	65.3	71.5
Unemployment rate (%)		8.3	10.4	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.6
Participation rate (%)		79.9	69.2	74.4	86.3	71.4	78.2
Total employed (thousands)		**22.4**	**19.8**	**42.2**	**38.1**	**37.7**	**75.8**
Employment rates of the highly educated (%)		81.8	74.0	77.6	93.7	80.0	86.1
Unemployment rates of the highly educated (%)		6.8	6.7	6.7	2.6	9.3	6.0
Highly educated in low- and medium-skilled jobs (%)		47.7	47.5	47.6	68.4	67.1	67.8
Highly educated employed (thousands)		**11.4**	**12.3**	**23.7**	**19.2**	**18.8**	**37.9**
Distribution of employment by occupation (%), population 15+	Legislators, senior officials and managers	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.5	1.3	2.4
	Professionals	7.5	10.4	8.7	3.9	2.9	3.4
	Life science and health professionals	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.4	0.6
	Teaching professionals	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2
	Technicians and associate professionals	6.8	13.4	9.3	1.9	5.1	3.5
	Clerks	1.8	11.0	5.4	1.2	7.1	4.3
	Service, shop and market sales workers	5.3	24.1	12.6	3.9	28.9	16.9
	Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	1.6	1.0	1.4	0.8	0.7	0.7
	Craft and related trades workers	39.6	5.8	26.5	52.4	3.3	27.0
	Plant and machine operators and assemblers	10.6	4.2	8.1	18.9	3.5	10.9
	Elementary occupations	23.8	26.8	25.0	13.7	47.2	31.0

Persons born in Moldova and their native-born children, population 15+

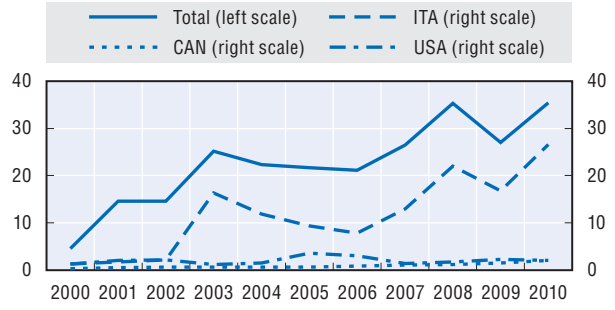
Living in:	Europe	United States	Australia
2008	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Native-born children	5.4	4.7	. .
Foreign-born	118.4	13.3	. .
Total	123.9	17.9	. .

International students from Moldova in OECD countries

Five main destinations	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Italy	122	197	331	488	685	951
France	463	519	634	751	794	884
Germany	. .	. .	. .	. .	540	591
United States	266	298	372	373	418	477
Turkey	153	160	162	179	165	176
Total	1 179	1 339	1 754	2 112	2 954	3 561

Legal migrant flows to the OECD

Thousands



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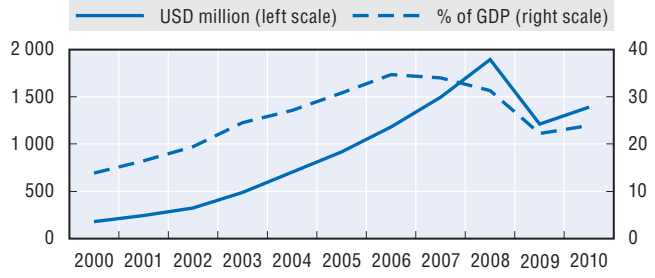

Ten main countries of destination for legal migrants in 2010 (numbers, % of total flows to the country): ITA (26591, 6.3%), CAN (1985, 0.7%), USA (1981, 0.2%), ESP (1126, 0.3%), DEU (776, 0.1%), TUR (575, 1.9%), PRT (503, 1.4%), CZE (354, 1.4%), POL (353, 0.9%), FRA (314, 0.2%).

Desire to emigrate, 2008-10

	Women	15-24	Highly educated	Total	Regional total
Persons who would move permanently, if they had the opportunity to do so (%)	35	56	37	34	19
Of which: Persons who are planning to move permanently in the next 12 months (%)				11	7
Of which: Persons who have already done some preparations for this move (*e.g.* visa application) (%)					. .

Three main countries of desired destination: Russian Federation (25%), Italy (14%), United States (8%).

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