INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS
Globally, 281 MILLION PEOPLE were estimated to be international migrants - people who were born in another country and/or held foreign citizenship - at mid-year 2020.


FEMALE MIGRANTS
An estimated 48 PER CENT of the total number of international migrants at mid-year 2020 were girls and women.


CHILD MIGRANTS
An estimated 13 PER CENT of the total number of international migrants in 2020 were children below 18 years of age.

Source: UNICEF, 2021; estimates based on UN DESA data.

YOUNG MIGRANTS
An estimated 11 PER CENT of the total number of international migrants at mid-year 2020 were between 15 and 24 years of age.


LABOUR MIGRANTS
An estimated 169 MILLION INTERNATIONAL MIGRANT WORKERS – defined as international migrants of working age in the labour force – made up 62 PER CENT of the total number of international migrants in 2019.


REMITTANCES
In 2023, remittances to low-and middle-income countries (LMICs) are estimated to have increased by 0.7 per cent compared to 2022 and reached USD 656 billion. Remittance flows exceeded Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) flows to LMICs by more than USD 270 billion in 2023.

Source: Ratha et al., 2024.

MISSING MIGRANTS
Between 2014 and 2023, at least 63,344 people lost their lives while migrating internationally. In 2024, another 3,366 migrant DEATHS AND DISAPPEARANCES were recorded globally as of 25 June 2024.

Source: IOM’s Missing Migrants Project, 2024.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS
Over 206,000 VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS of trafficking have been identified by or reported to Counter Trafficking Data Collaborative (CTDC) partners between 2002 and 2022.

Source: Counter Trafficking Data Collaborative (CTDC), 2024.

REFUGEES & ASYLUM-SEEKERS
At the end of 2023, there were an estimated total of 37.6 MILLION REFUGEES and 6.9 MILLION ASYLUM-SEEKERS worldwide.


RESETTLED REFUGEES
According to government statistics, 158,700 REFUGEES were resettled in 2023. Though this number is 39 per cent higher than during the same period in 2022, it accounts for only 8 per cent of the estimated resettlement needs.

Source: UNHCR, 2024.

INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS
At the end of 2023, an estimated total of 75.9 MILLION people remained displaced within the borders of their own country - 68.3 million as a result of conflict and violence and 7.7 million as a result of disasters.


NEW INTERNAL DISPLACEMENTS
In 2023, there were an estimated 46.9 MILLION NEW INTERNAL DISPLACEMENTS - 26.4 million as a result of disasters and 20.5 million due to conflict and violence. New internal displacements due to conflict and violence in 2023 was 28 per cent lower than in 2022. However, the global figure in 2023 was 70 per cent higher than the past decade's annual average.

Source: IDMC, 2024.