



The Demographic Profile of Mauritania



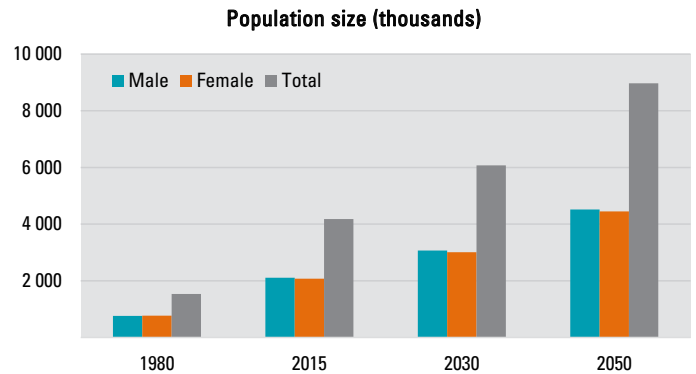
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Population Trends

Population size (thousands)

Year	Male	Female	Total
1980	764.277	769.804	1 534.085
1985	882.081	887.862	1 769.942
1990	1 012.198	1 017.953	2 030.140
1995	1 159.734	1 167.347	2 327.075
2000	1 354.129	1 355.236	2 709.359
2005	1 568.249	1 562.468	3 130.720
2010	1 812.440	1 797.102	3 609.543
2015	2 106.193	2 076.145	4 182.341
2020	2 413.069	2 370.696	4 783.767
2025	2 734.654	2 682.053	5 416.711
2030	3 068.379	3 008.291	6 076.668
2035	3 415.621	3 350.708	6 766.329
2040	3 774.674	3 707.732	7 482.408
2045	4 142.200	4 076.019	8 218.228
2050	4 513.805	4 451.193	8 965.000

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).



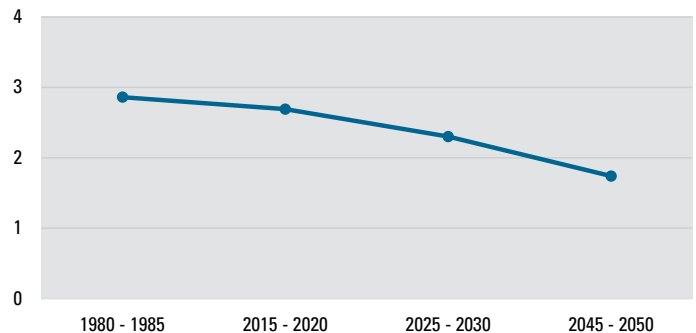
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Population growth rate (percentage)

Year	Average annual rate of population change
1980 - 1985	2.86
1985 - 1990	2.74
1990 - 1995	2.73
1995 - 2000	3.04
2000 - 2005	2.89
2005 - 2010	2.85
2010 - 2015	2.95
2015 - 2020	2.69
2020 - 2025	2.48
2025 - 2030	2.30
2030 - 2035	2.15
2035 - 2040	2.01
2040 - 2045	1.88
2045 - 2050	1.74

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Average annual rate of population change (percentage)



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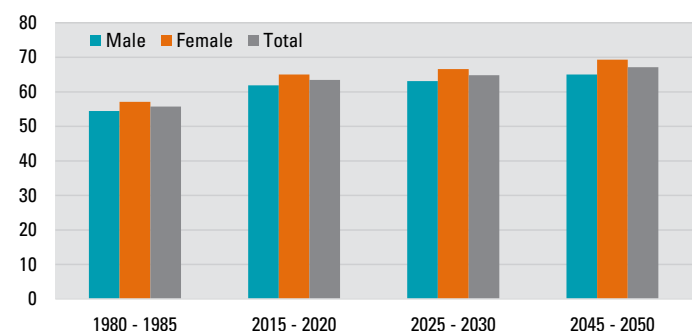
Mortality

Life expectancy at birth (years)

Year	Male	Female	Total
1980 - 1985	54.42	57.08	55.76
1985 - 1990	56.48	59.03	57.77
1990 - 1995	57.50	60.23	58.89
1995 - 2000	58.27	61.36	59.84
2000 - 2005	58.63	61.87	60.27
2005 - 2010	59.76	62.85	61.32
2010 - 2015	61.19	64.08	62.64
2015 - 2020	61.89	64.99	63.43
2020 - 2025	62.52	65.83	64.15
2025 - 2030	63.09	66.61	64.82
2030 - 2035	63.63	67.35	65.44
2035 - 2040	64.11	68.03	66.02
2040 - 2045	64.56	68.69	66.57
2045 - 2050	65.01	69.33	67.11

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Life expectancy at birth (years)



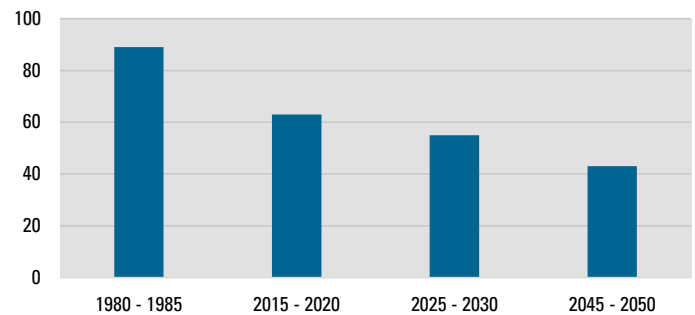
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Infant mortality rate (per 1 000 live births)

Year	Total
1980 - 1985	89
1985 - 1990	83
1990 - 1995	80
1995 - 2000	76
2000 - 2005	76
2005 - 2010	72
2010 - 2015	68
2015 - 2020	63
2020 - 2025	59
2025 - 2030	55
2030 - 2035	52
2035 - 2040	48
2040 - 2045	46
2045 - 2050	43

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Infant mortality rate
(infant deaths per 1 000 live births)



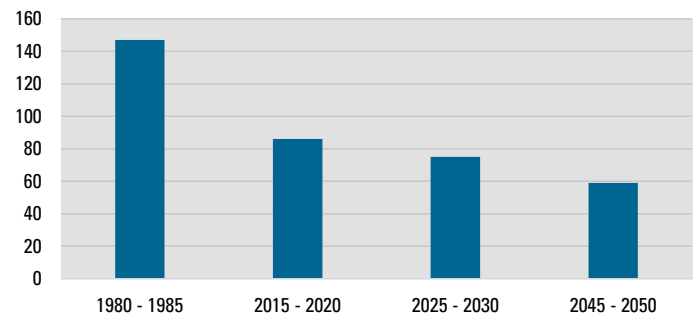
Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Under-5 mortality rate (per 1 000 live births)

Year	Total
1980 - 1985	147
1985 - 1990	130
1990 - 1995	122
1995 - 2000	114
2000 - 2005	112
2005 - 2010	104
2010 - 2015	93
2015 - 2020	86
2020 - 2025	81
2025 - 2030	75
2030 - 2035	71
2035 - 2040	67
2040 - 2045	63
2045 - 2050	59

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Under-5 mortality rate
(deaths under age 5 per 1 000 live births)



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Maternal mortality ratio (maternal deaths per 100 000 live births)

1990	2015
856	602

Source: World Health Organization, Global Health Observatory Data Repository. Available from <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.MATMORT?lang=en> (accessed 5 October 2017).

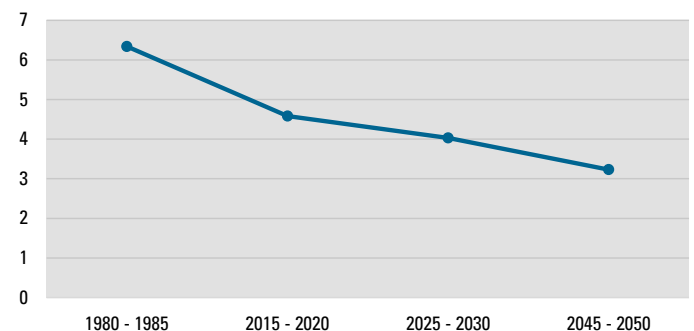
Fertility

Fertility rate (children per woman)

Year	Total
1980 - 1985	6.34
1985 - 1990	6.15
1990 - 1995	5.91
1995 - 2000	5.61
2000 - 2005	5.31
2005 - 2010	5.07
2010 - 2015	4.88
2015 - 2020	4.58
2020 - 2025	4.29
2025 - 2030	4.03
2030 - 2035	3.79
2035 - 2040	3.58
2040 - 2045	3.40
2045 - 2050	3.23

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Total fertility rate (children per woman)



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Contraceptive prevalence/Any method of contraception (percentage)

	1980	2015	2030
15-49 Married/In-Union Women	2.7	15.6	26.3

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Model-based Estimates and Projections of Family Planning Indicators 2017.

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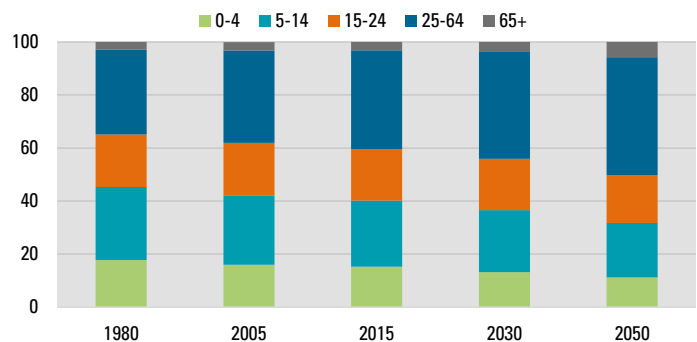
Age Structure

Population age composition (thousands)

Year	0-4	5-14	15-24	25-64	65+
1980	273.370	422.279	303.699	490.853	43.884
1985	311.132	484.883	352.112	568.667	53.148
1990	353.026	555.494	403.930	654.569	63.121
1995	395.770	635.216	465.024	757.136	73.929
2000	447.058	721.685	544.509	910.475	85.632
2005	502.390	815.314	625.434	1 089.443	98.139
2010	565.967	920.751	711.293	1 299.399	112.133
2015	640.167	1 042.769	811.324	1 558.420	129.661
2020	696.985	1 181.236	915.534	1 835.500	154.512
2025	750.001	1 310.407	1 034.337	2 131.547	190.419
2030	801.765	1 419.355	1 170.220	2 450.429	234.899
2035	854.893	1 523.769	1 298.155	2 800.910	288.602
2040	908.626	1 628.566	1 406.646	3 185.257	353.313
2045	958.987	1 735.380	1 510.692	3 585.161	428.008
2050	1 003.867	1 839.626	1 615.151	3 994.801	511.555

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Population by age group (percentage)



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Proportion of young age groups (percentage)

	Age	1980	2015	2030	2050
Male	15-19	11.1	10.4	10.3	9.4
	20-24	9.2	9.2	9.1	8.7
	25-29	7.1	8.1	8.0	8.1
Female	15-19	10.6	10.2	10.2	9.3
	20-24	8.8	9.0	9.0	8.6
	25-29	6.9	7.9	7.9	8.0
Total	15-19	10.8	10.3	10.2	9.3
	20-24	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.7
	25-29	7.0	8.0	7.9	8.1

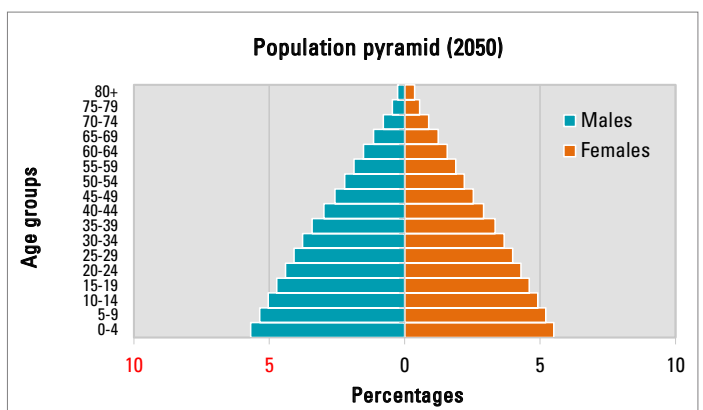
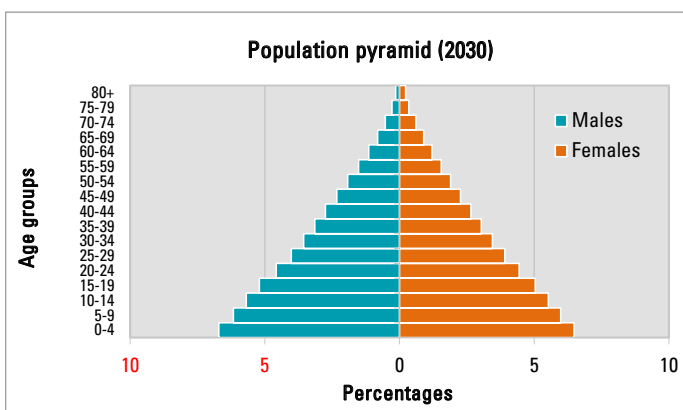
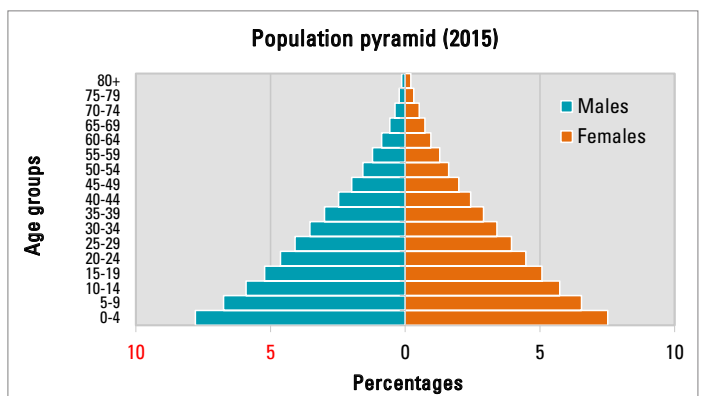
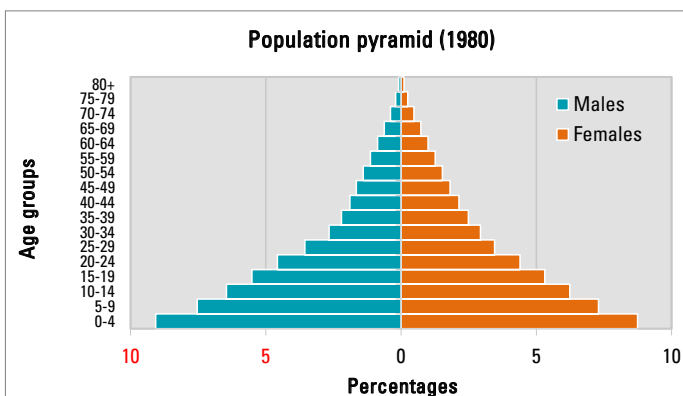
Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Proportion of old age groups (percentage)

	Age	1980	2015	2030	2050
Male	60+	4.3	4.4	5.8	8.3
	65+	2.6	2.6	3.5	5.3
	80+	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5
Female	60+	5.1	5.5	6.7	9.3
	65+	3.1	3.6	4.2	6.1
	80+	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.7
Total	60+	4.7	4.9	6.2	8.8
	65+	2.9	3.1	3.9	5.7
	80+	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Population pyramid

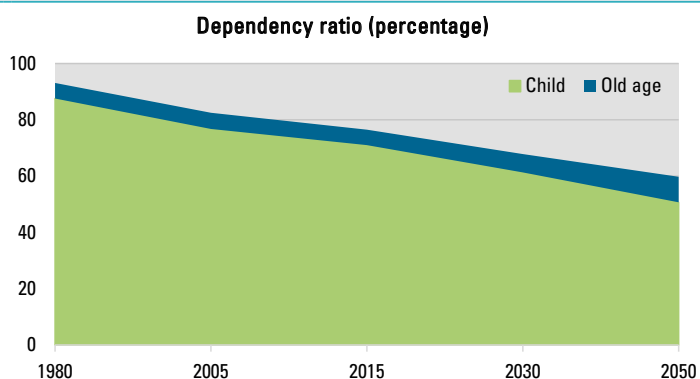


Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

Dependency ratios (percentage)

Year	Child	Old age	Total
1980	87.6	5.5	93.1
1985	86.5	5.8	92.2
1990	85.8	6.0	91.8
1995	84.4	6.0	90.4
2000	80.3	5.9	86.2
2005	76.8	5.7	82.6
2010	73.9	5.6	79.5
2015	71.0	5.5	76.5
2020	68.3	5.6	73.9
2025	65.1	6.0	71.1
2030	61.3	6.5	67.8
2035	58.0	7.0	65.1
2040	55.3	7.7	62.9
2045	52.9	8.4	61.3
2050	50.7	9.1	59.8

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).

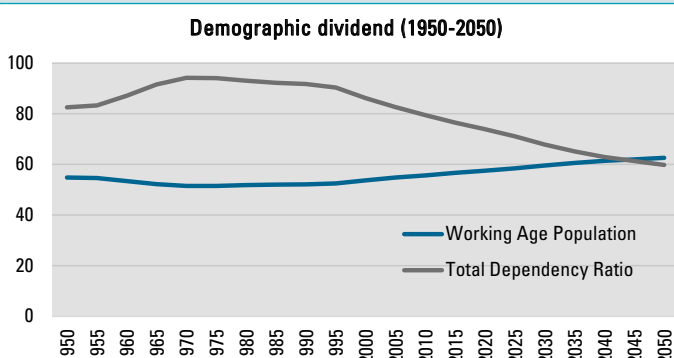


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Demographic dividend (percentage)

Year	Working-age population	Year	Working-age population
1950	54.8	2005	54.8
1955	54.6	2010	55.7
1960	53.4	2015	56.7
1965	52.2	2020	57.5
1970	51.5	2025	58.4
1975	51.5	2030	59.6
1980	51.8	2035	60.6
1985	52.0	2040	61.4
1990	52.1	2045	62.0
1995	52.5	2050	62.6
2000	53.7		

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision (2017).



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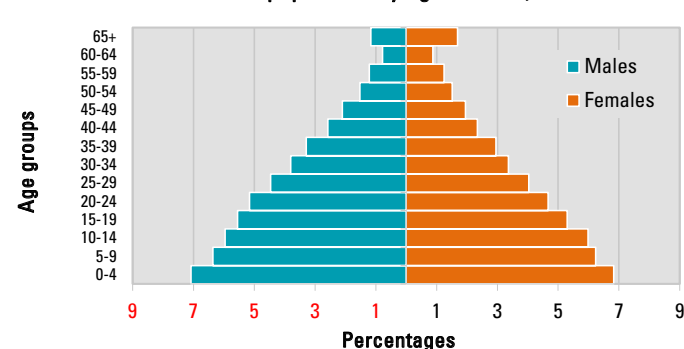
Urbanization

Urban population by age and sex, 2015 (thousands)*

Age	Male	Female	Total
0-4	172.984	166.841	339.825
5-9	155.333	152.290	307.623
10-14	145.434	146.175	291.609
15-19	135.473	129.440	264.913
20-24	126.001	114.052	240.053
25-29	108.888	98.496	207.384
30-34	92.703	82.246	174.950
35-39	80.401	72.073	152.473
40-44	62.901	57.221	120.122
45-49	51.251	47.613	98.864
50-54	37.235	37.058	74.293
55-59	29.570	30.479	60.049
60-64	18.935	21.562	40.497
65+	28.346	41.381	69.727
Total	1 245.455	1 196.927	2 442.382

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Urban and Rural Population by Age and Sex: 1980-2015 (2014).

Urban population by age and sex, 2015



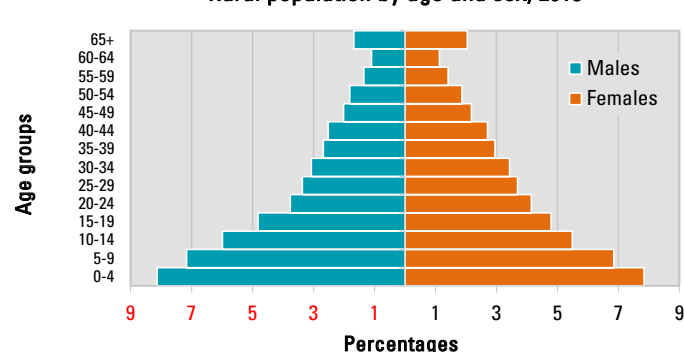
Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Urban and Rural Population by Age and Sex: 1980-2015 (2014).

Rural population by age and sex, 2015 (thousands)*

Age	Male	Female	Total
0-4	133.160	128.521	261.681
5-9	117.376	112.254	229.630
10-14	98.133	89.980	188.113
15-19	78.973	78.464	157.437
20-24	61.567	67.936	129.503
25-29	55.079	60.498	115.577
30-34	50.314	56.265	106.578
35-39	43.858	48.381	92.240
40-44	41.159	44.317	85.476
45-49	32.913	35.719	68.632
50-54	29.597	30.624	60.221
55-59	22.064	23.256	45.320
60-64	18.014	18.453	36.467
65+	27.410	33.557	60.967
Total	809.617	828.225	1 637.842

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Urban and Rural Population by Age and Sex: 1980-2015 (2014).

Rural population by age and sex, 2015



Source: ESCWA based on United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Urban and Rural Population by Age and Sex: 1980-2015 (2014).

* Findings are consistent with the size of the total population of each country as estimated or projected in the 2012 Revision of World Population Prospects (United Nations, 2013).

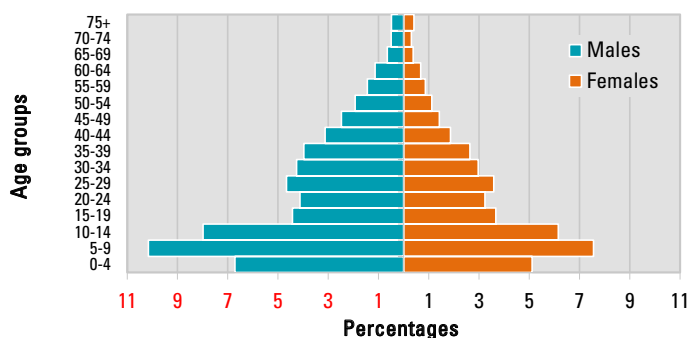
International Migration

International migrant stock by age and sex, 2015

Age	Male	Female	Total
0-4	9 280	7 062	16 342
5-9	14 034	10 435	24 469
10-14	11 028	8 502	19 530
15-19	6 112	5 064	11 176
20-24	5 702	4 467	10 169
25-29	6 442	4 955	11 397
30-34	5 892	4 094	9 986
35-39	5 488	3 638	9 126
40-44	4 315	2 570	6 885
45-49	3 425	1 963	5 388
50-54	2 675	1 546	4 221
55-59	2 005	1 189	3 194
60-64	1 564	932	2 496
65-69	903	529	1 432
70-74	689	426	1 115
75+	676	560	1 236
Total	80 230	57 932	138 162

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Trends in International Migrant Stock: Migrants by Age and Sex (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2015).

International migrant stock by age and sex, 2015



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Trends in International Migrant Stock: Migrants by Age and Sex (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2015).

Migrant stock by origin, 2015

Top 3 countries or areas of origin	
Mali	56 557
Senegal	38 574
Guinea	3 105
Total	138 162

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Trends in International Migrant Stock: Migrants by Destination and Origin (United Nations database, POP/DB/MIG/Stock/Rev.2015).

Migrant stock by destination, 2015

Top 3 countries or areas of destination	
Senegal	51 490
France	17 768
Mali	17 189
Total	119 334

Source: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2016 (2017). Available from <http://www.unhcr.org/statistics/unhcrstats/5943e8a34/global-trends-forced-displacement-2016.html>.

Remittances (millions of US dollars)

Inflows (2015)	..
Outflows (2015)	172
Inflows as share of GDP (percentage)	..

Source: World Bank, Annual Remittances Data (April 2017). Available from <http://www.worldbank.org/en/topic/migrationremittancesdiasporaisues/brief/migration-remittances-data> (accessed 26 September 2017).

Note: World Bank staff calculation based on data from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Balance of Payments Statistics database and data releases from central banks, national statistical agencies, and World Bank country desks. Outflow data based on numbers reported by country authorities to IMF Balance of Payments.

Refugee population, end 2016

Total	48 148
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Source: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2016 (2017).

Internally displaced persons*, end 2016

Total	..
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Source: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2016 (2017). Available from <http://www.unhcr.org/statistics/unhcrstats/5943e8a34/global-trends-forced-displacement-2016.html>.

* Reflect Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) protected/assisted by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, including people in IDP-like situations.

Education and Youth Unemployment

Net primary school enrolment rate (percentage)

	2000	2010	2015
Male	60.79	68.65	77.41
Female	58.88	71.22	81.06
Total	59.85	69.92	79.21

Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Institute for Statistics. Available from <http://data.uis.unesco.org> (accessed 16 November 2017).

Net secondary school enrolment rate (percentage)

	2000	2010	2015
Male	25.10
Female	23.53
Total	24.33

Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Institute for Statistics. Available from <http://data.uis.unesco.org> (accessed 16 November 2017).

Gross tertiary school enrolment ratio* (percentage)

	2000	2010	2015
Male	..	6.27	7.44
Female	..	2.54	3.74
Total	..	4.43	5.62

Source: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Institute for Statistics. Available from <http://data.uis.unesco.org> (accessed 16 November 2017).

* The net rate is not available.

Youth unemployment rate (percentage)

	2000	2010	2015
Male	28.6	14.7	15.4
Female	35.5	21.9	22.9
Total	30.9	17.1	18.0

Source: International Labour Organization, ILOSTAT, ILO Modelled Estimates, November 2016. Available from http://www.ilo.org/ilostat/faces/wcnav_defaultSelection?_afLoop=279635711213797&_afWindowMode=0&_afWindowId=null#%40%3F_afWindowId%3Dnull%26afLoop%3D279635711213797%26_afWindowMode%3D0%26_adf.ctrl-state%3D8mvi1mek2_4 (accessed 27 September 2017).



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