
Key messages about advances in migration statistics

Progress has been made in collecting, analysing, and disseminating data on international migration and on migrants' contributions and vulnerabilities, but persistent data gaps remain a challenge.

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The pandemic provided an opportunity for **exploring new tools and data sources**, improving **data linkages and integration**, establishing or strengthening partnerships.

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Collaboration across countries and **data sharing** within national statistical systems is recognized as vital to ensure well-integrated data systems based on harmonized concepts and processes.

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The significance of understanding demographic characteristics - in particular **age and sex** - as key determinants of migration in order to design effective operational and policy responses.

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A **human rights approach** is highlighted as essential during the collection, compilation, production, dissemination, analysis, use and communication of data on migration and migrants.

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The benefits of using **all types of available data** to produce international statistics on migration and migrants are highlighted, acknowledging their various strengths and limitations.

