International Migration

XII Population Census and VII Housing Census, Guatemala 2018

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Guatemala’s Characteristics

- Located in the extreme north of Central America
- **Transit country** for migrants traveling to North America
- **Origin country** for international migrants to North America

Fuente: https://www.google.com/maps/@24.5824448,-90.5589831,4z?hl=es
1. In the last 10 years, has anyone from this house moved to permanently live in another country.
   Yes…. 1
   No…..2

2. How many men?

3. How many women?
Census Questions 2018 – Chapter V International Emigration

PCH15 Alguna persona de este hogar ¿Recibe remesas con regularidad por parte de personas que viven en el extranjero?

Sí ... 1  ○
No ... 2  ○

Does any person in this house receive regular remittances from someone who lives abroad?

- 1 - Yes
- 2 - No
### Census Questions 2018 – Chapter V International Emigration

**Table of Emigration Questions:**

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<td>A partir del año 2002, ¿alguna persona que pertenecía a este hogar, se fue a vivir a otro país y aún no ha regresado?</td>
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<td>PEI2</td>
<td>¿Cuál es el total de personas que se fueron y aún no han regresado?</td>
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<td>PEI3</td>
<td>¿Cuál es el sexo de la persona que se fue?</td>
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<td>PEI4</td>
<td>¿Qué edad tenía la persona cuando se fue?</td>
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<td>PEI5</td>
<td>¿En qué año se fue?</td>
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**Emigration of household members since 2002 (yes/no)**

**Number of emigrants**

**Characteristics of emigrants:**

**Sex**

**Age**

**Year of departure**

### Table: Emigration of Household Members Since 2002

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hombre</th>
<th>Mujer</th>
<th>Edad</th>
<th>Año de salida</th>
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Main results

Percentage of households with members who left to permanently live in another country. Guatemala, 2002 & 2018 Census

Census 2002: 6
Census 2018: 5.95
Main Results

Percentage of households by number of emigrants. Guatemala, 2002 and 2018 census

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<th>Number of Emigrants</th>
<th>2002</th>
<th>2018</th>
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<td>1</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>18.9</td>
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<td>7.5</td>
<td>6.7</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>3.4</td>
<td>2.9</td>
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<td>5 or more</td>
<td>5.1</td>
<td>2.2</td>
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Percentage of households reporting international migration, by department (2002 Census)

Percentage of households reporting international migration, by department (2018 Census)
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Guatemala: Foreign immigrants by country of residence in 2013 and 1996 (%)
Conclusions

✔ For INE, it is important to collect migration data (emigrant and immigrant) from different data sources, as it provides a broad view of the demographic dynamics and the composition of the population.

However, due to the significant prevalence of irregular migration, the officially registered information does not adequately capture the entirety of migration flows.
The census has the potential to identify the main variables on regular and irregular international migration but not all of the information is shared by households.

Due to the sensitivity of the questions, households may not share complete information.
Thank you for your attention!

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