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One of the main contributions of the revised conceptual framework is the emphasis on consistency between flows and stocks: International migration flows and immigrants’ population stock; international temporary mobility and national temporary population.

Furthermore, it addresses the main purpose of measuring population at specific time and space; i.e. census-like statistics at any point of time to detect patterns over time, used for planning and providing services to be consumed by individuals, wherever they are.

The challenges reside in the implementation of the relevant definitions, finding sources of information and providing good enough estimates. Israel has detailed borders crossing data on the individual level. The Central Bureau of Statistics receives these data on a daily basis, and therefore can provide the required information at any point of time. Yet, administrative data are less accurate with regard to temporary absent population either individuals or families of citizens staying abroad. International cooperation is required to address this challenge.

Moreover, administrative data are less accurate with regard to geographic location of temporary population within the country (mainly foreigners/tourists). Future censuses may have to address this issue.

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