

# Exploring Human Mobility Through the Lens of Social, Political, and Economic Dynamics

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**Migration** has shaped human behaviors and lifestyles in several ways. The hunter-gatherers settling into agricultural societies, rise and fall of kingdoms, industrial revolution, displacement of indigenous populations, changes in the population composition (gender, religion, age groups), to mention some, can be ascribed to migration. To further understand the trends, causes, and consequences of human mobility in the modern world, this research utilized the data from OECD Migration Portal<sup>1</sup> and KNOMAD<sup>2</sup>, the Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development. Migration patterns were studied through the lenses of economy, socio-political conflicts, and human rights of displaced populations.

## Emigrating Population

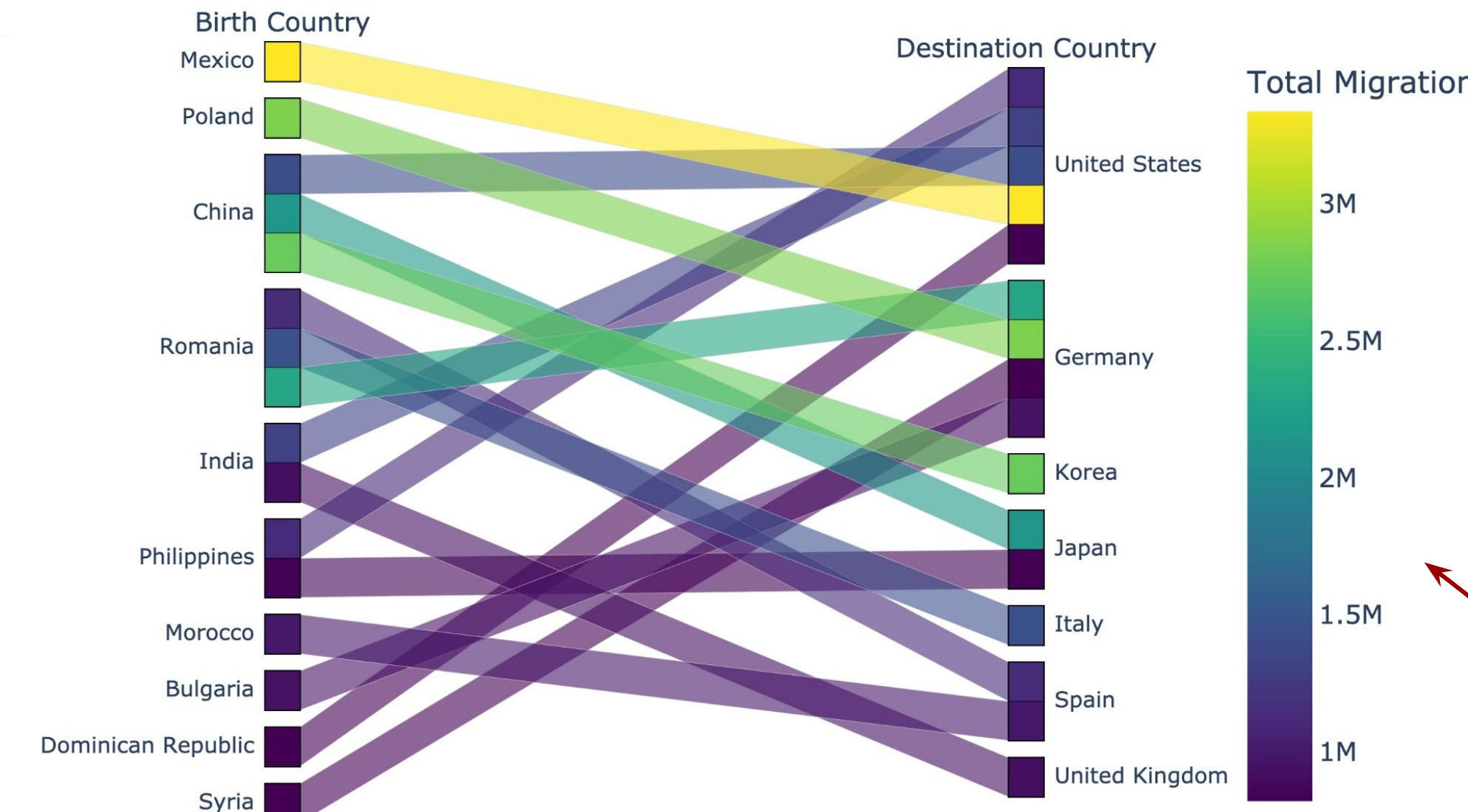
Top 20 Migration Inflows in 2020



European nations mostly see continental migrations while other nations mostly migrate intercontinental.

During 2015 European Migrant Crisis, people migrated from Syria, Iraq, and Libya in huge numbers to flee civil wars or political unrest in their countries.

Top 10 Population Leaving their Birth Country in 2000-2020

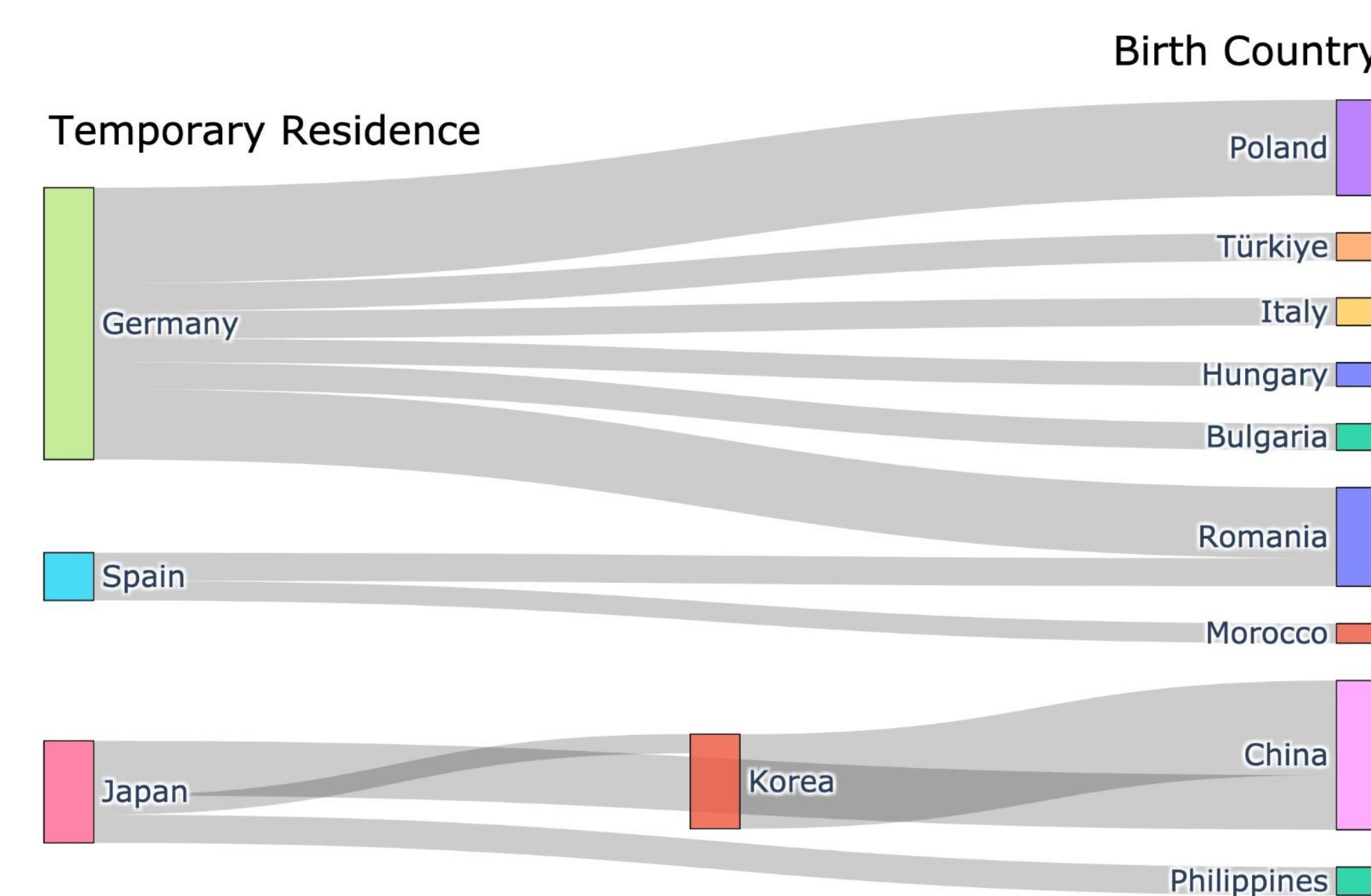


Continental migrations tend to have higher return rates compared to intercontinental migrations.

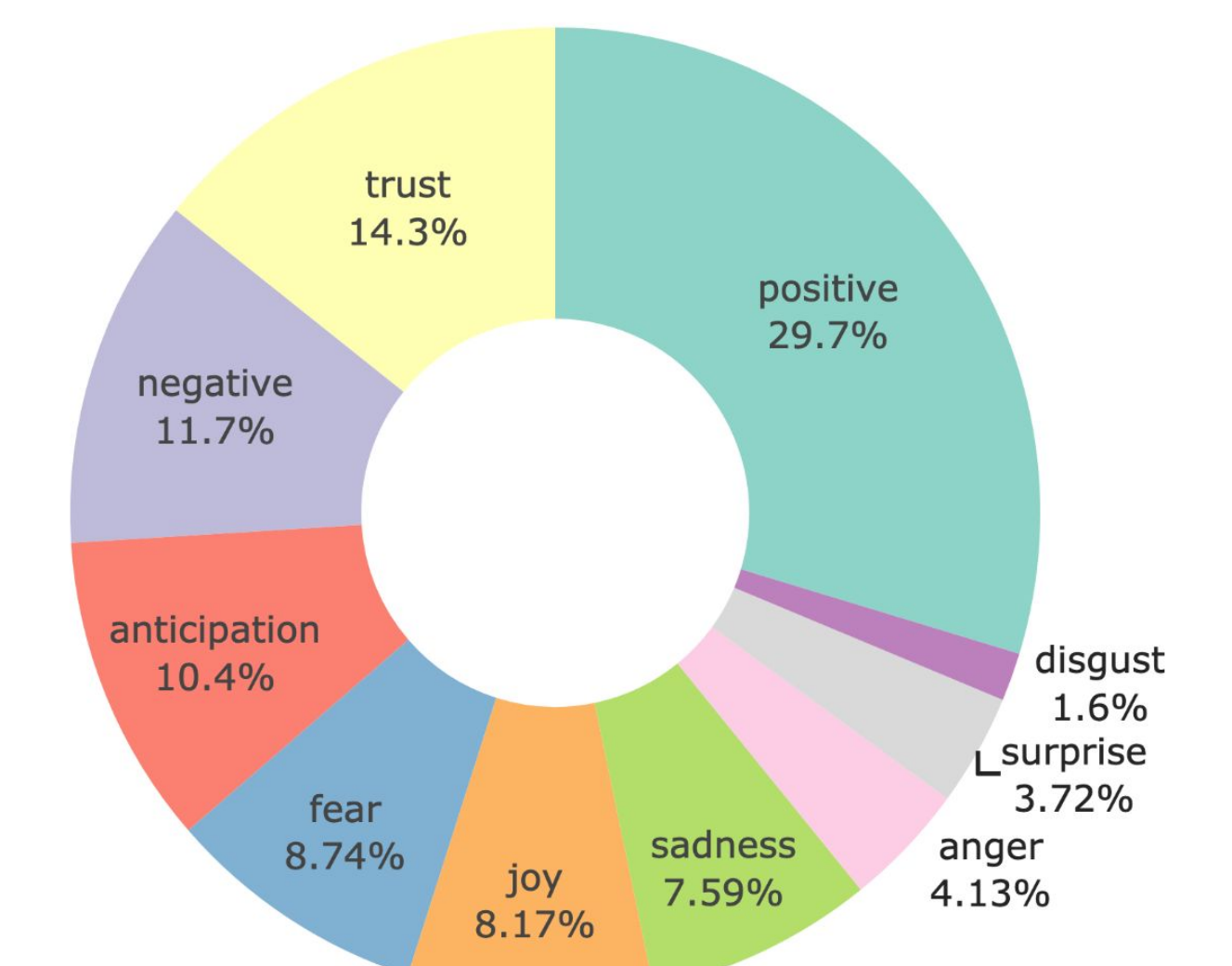
Countries with highest outflowing populations tend to receive large capital from their native populations working abroad.

## Returning Population

Top 10 Population Return in 2000-2020



## Sentiments Related to Migration



## Findings and Conclusions

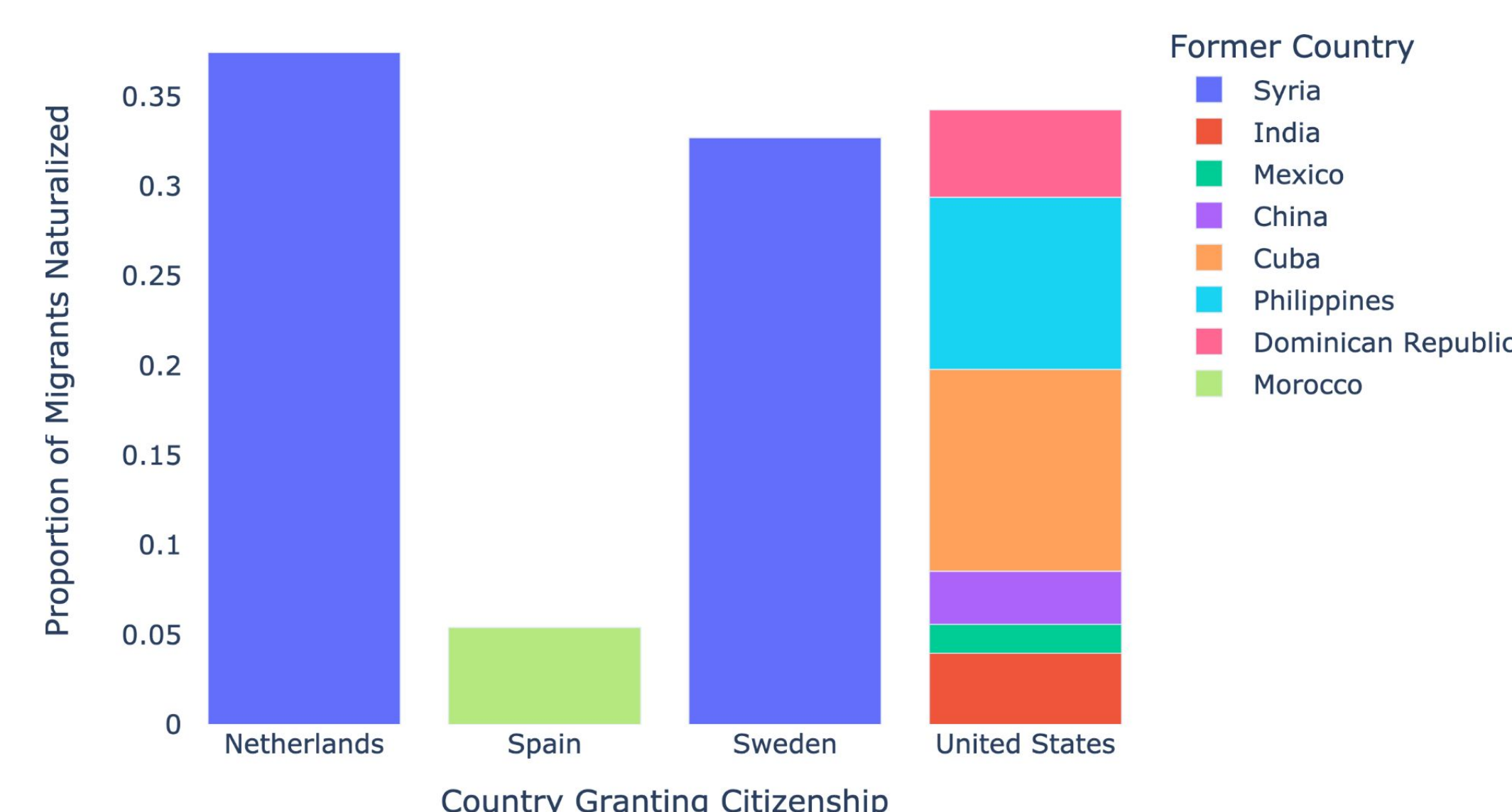
- US and Germany were top destinations for migrants of different origins.
- Migrants fleeing political unrest and economic instability seek naturalization while migrants from stable countries tend to return in general.
- Employment rate among the foreign-born populations tend to increase over time except in Italy.
- In the research papers related to migration that were analyzed, mostly positive sentiments were found.

## Limitations and Future Research

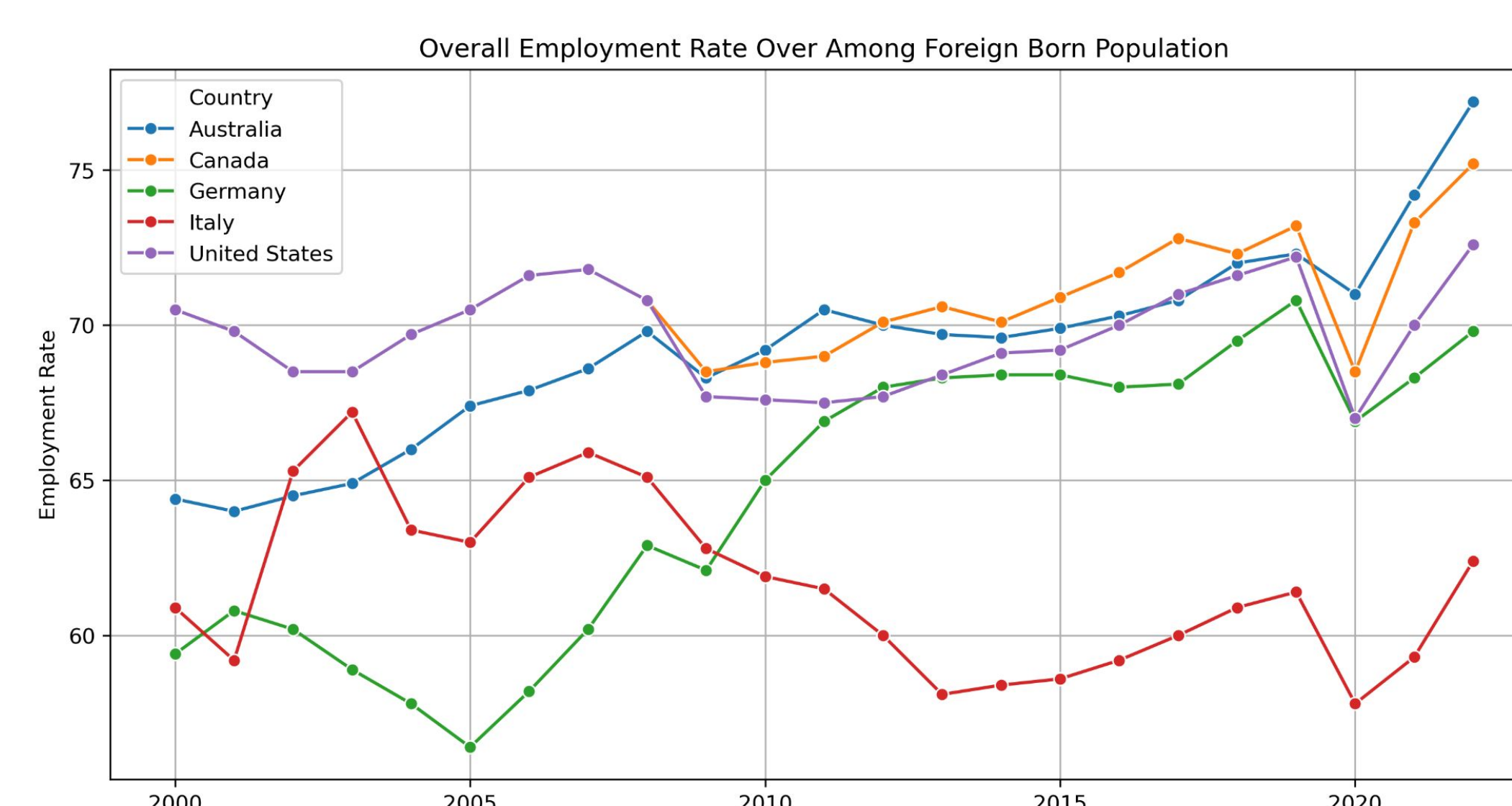
- Data collected during/after the COVID years is not complete.
- Data on undocumented migrations was not studied for this research.
- Migration among Schengen and other areas will be compared.
- Migrating populations and future trends will be studied using machine learning models.

## Migrants Seeking Citizenship

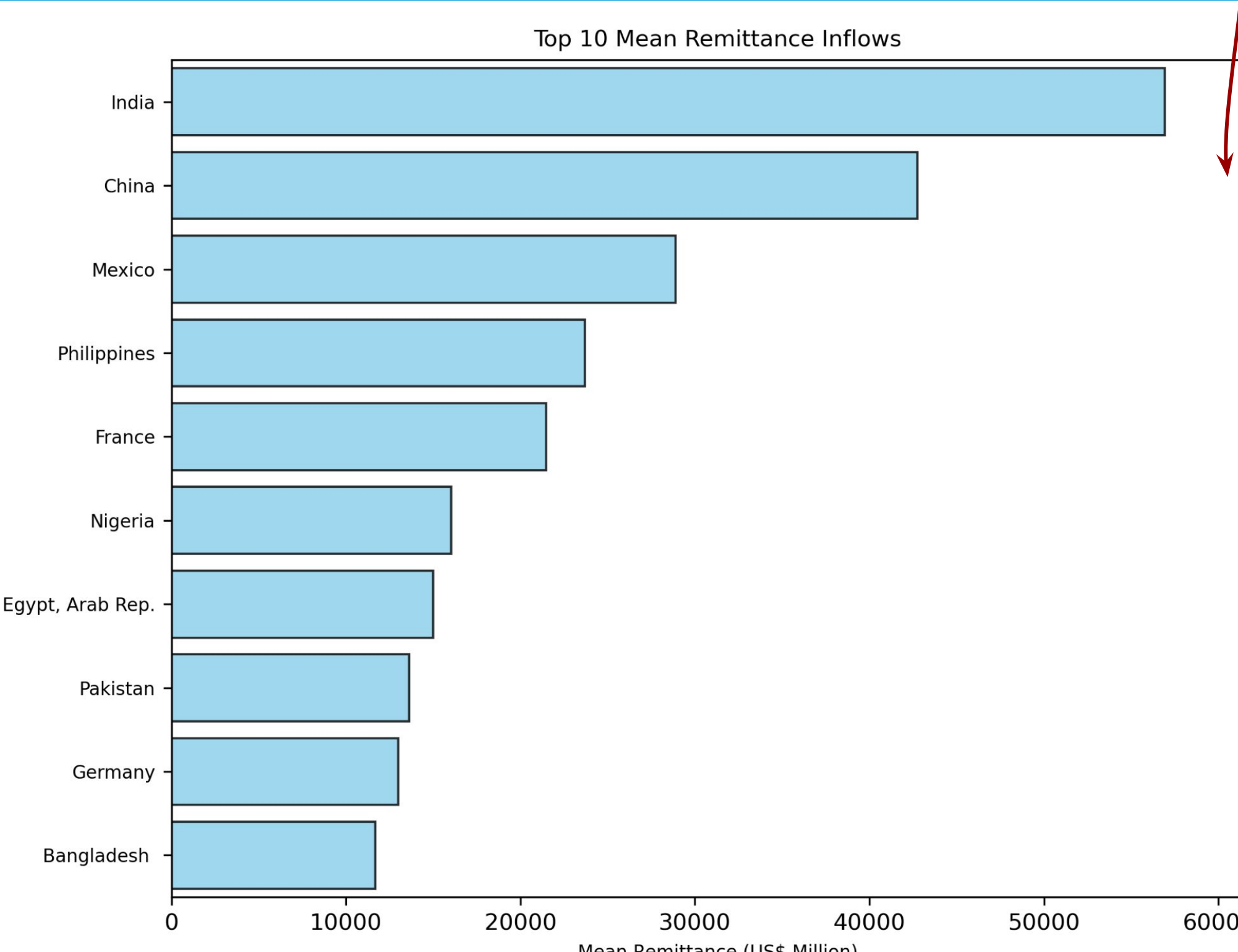
Top Naturalizations in 2021



## Employment Rate Among Migrants and Remittance



Employment rate decreased during the 2008 financial crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic.



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