

A rising tide of mass migration?

Lack of comparable data on global migration flows. Cross-national variation in way of measurement.

For every 1,000 people worldwide, how many move over 5-year periods?



Estimating flows from stocks

UN stock data

lifetime transitions

static snapshot of immigrant population

1990, 2000, 2010

~220 countries

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New flow estimates

5-year transitions

dynamic movements

over time

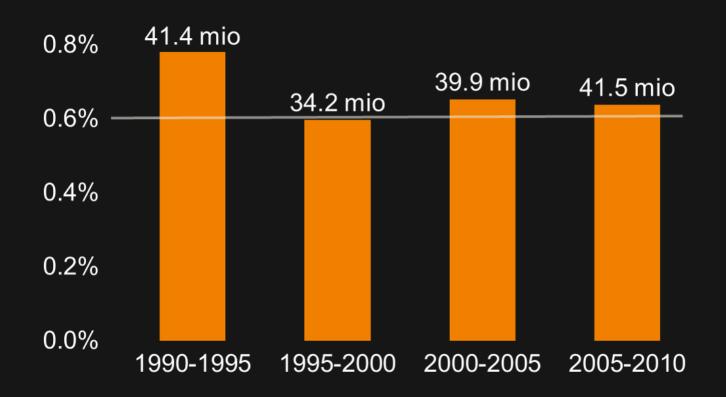
1990-95 to 2005-10

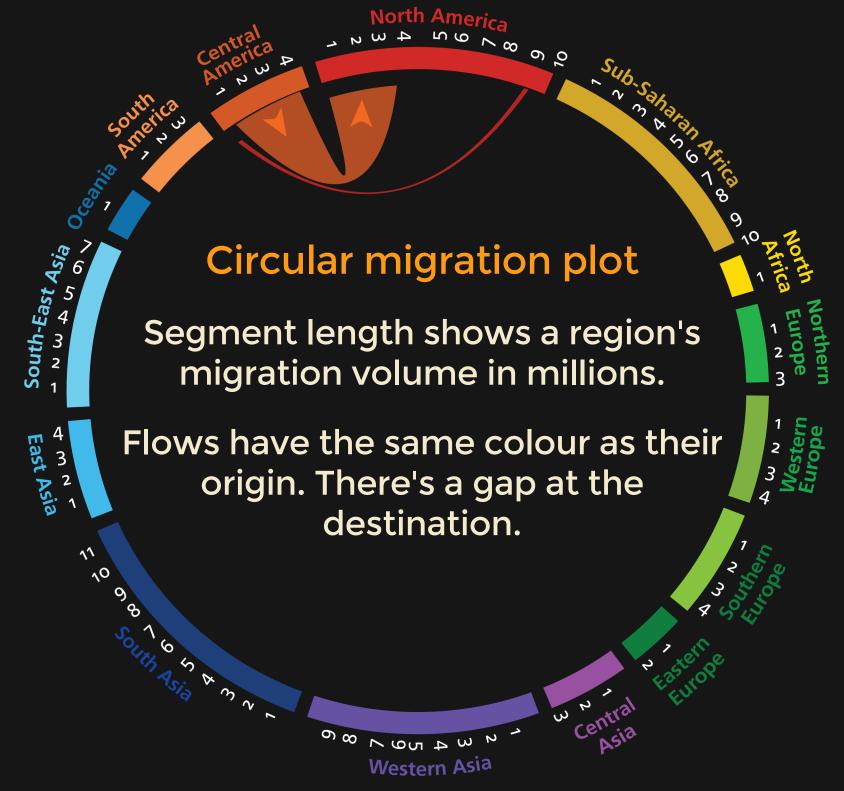
196 countries

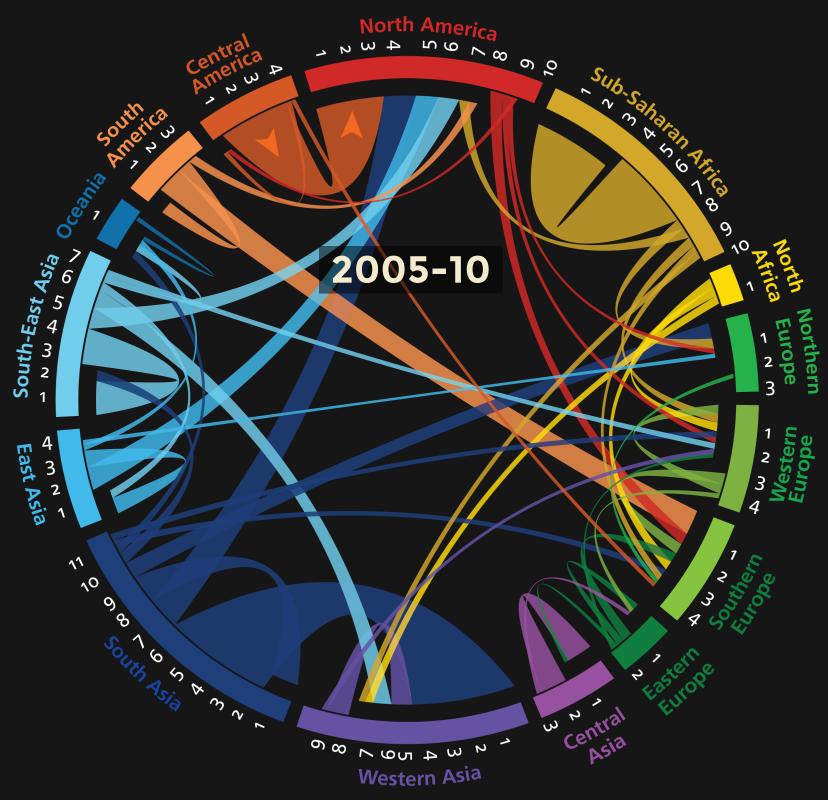
Estimates include legal migration and refugee movements (UNHCR). They do not take into account recent developments in Syria, Libya and Yemen.

No rising tide of migration

For every 1,000 people, 6 move between countries.







Spatial patterns

Continuing attractiveness of the US and Europe as destinations.

Most migrants move over short distances within the same region or between neighbouring regions.

Trends over time

Early 1990s: Violent conflicts in Rwanda/ Afghanistan, and the fall of the Iron Curtain triggering migration.

Early 2000s: The rise of Asia as a global migration hub.

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