RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Region: Europe and Central Asia

Income group: Upper-middle income

Summary: Russia has reported 3 metadata sources, which collect information on international labour migration statistics. There are two survey based sources such as National Population Census and Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour, which are carried out by the Federal State Statistics Service and one administrative register of the Automated System of Analytical Reporting held by the Federal Migration Service.

Geographically all of the sources cover whole country and the following population groups such as:

- Nationals (citizens) in the country (covered by the National Population Census).
- Nationals (citizens) employed in the country (covered by the National Population Census and the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour).
- Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the National Population Census), and
- Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour and the Automated System of Analytical Reporting).

Periodicity of data collection varies depending on the type of sources. The National Population Census in Russia was last processed in 2010; the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour was carried out for the first time in September 2014; and the Automated System of Analytical Reporting is held every three months starting from 1994.

Age coverage also varies depending on the type of sources and labour related characteristics. For instance, in the National Population Census persons aged 15-72 are covered. Whereas, the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour do not define the age of migrant workers and the Automated System of Analytical Reporting collects information on persons starting from 18 years.

The five essential demographic characteristics covered by the National Population Census are age, gender, marital status, educational attainment, and household size. In the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour, the data on household size can be found. In the Automated System of Analytical Reporting information on the sex and age is generated. All three available sources provide statistics on the country of citizenship. The other migration related questions are asked from each source. Labour related characteristics collected through the National Population Census include employment status and status in employment. In the Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour statistics on industry/economic sector are available and in the Automated System of Analytical Reporting the occupation of persons examined is covered.

Definitions of “international migrant workers”, “national living abroad”, and “employment” are used in the sources. The National Population Census uses the definition of “employment” according to the standard ILO definition.

The classifications used for occupation, industry, status in employment, and education in the sources are both internationally and nationally adapted classifications.

Micro data files can be available for research and analysis with limitations.
Findings:

The National Population Census in Russia was carried out in 2010 by the Federal State Statistics Service covering the country’s entire population. There are four population groups examined in the National Population Census:

- **Nationals (citizens) in the country,**
- **Nationals (citizens) employed in the country,** and
- **Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country.**

The National Population Census obtains detailed data on demographic characteristics of these population groups. The questions raised in the assessment on the topic of international migration related characteristics, comprise of country of birth, country of citizenship, and second country of citizenship. In addition to demographic characteristics, the National Population Census covers labour related characteristics of household members aged 15-72 years such as employment status and status in employment.

“International migrant workers” are defined as persons who are temporarily living on the territory of Russia (up to one year) with a purpose of work and permanently living abroad. “Nationals living abroad” are defined as (a) Russian citizens sent to work abroad by authorities for a period of one year or longer, (b) Russian citizens left to work abroad under the contracts with companies and organizations for one year or longer, (c) refugees and asylum seekers are reported as resident population. “Employment” refers to persons who (1) work at least one hour of work for pay or profit (b) were temporarily at work, but having a formal attachment to the place of work.

To classify status in employment and education in Russia, internationally and nationally adapted classifications are applied such as:

- ICSE-1993; and
- National adaptation of ISCED.

Micro-data are unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

The Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour in Russia was first time processed in September 2014 by the Federal State Statistics Office. A completed sample size of the examination is 86,500 households with 86,500 individuals. It geographically measures the whole country covering two population groups such as:

- **Nationals (citizens) employed in the country**
- **Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country.**

The Sample Survey on the Use of Migrant Labour retrieves the data on the size of households. Statistics on international migration characteristics such as country of citizenship and foreign workers in the country are
collected. For the population groups assessed in the survey, the data on labour related characteristics is available, particularly for industry/economic sector.

To measure “International migrant workers”, the source uses definition of “migrant workers”, which are defined as persons, regardless of age, were employed by the household and entrepreneurs (members of households performing business activity) and performed paid household work in Russia as citizens of other states (foreign) or Russian citizens permanently (usually) living in the other regions of the country.

To classify occupation and industry both internationally and nationally adapted classifications are applied such as:

- Classification of work (services); and,
- ISIC Rev 3(where one digit is used to release the data).

Micro data from the source are unavailable outside the agency.

The Automated system of analytical reporting is a register of work permits issued to foreign workers. It is initially commenced in 1994 and is held every three months by the Federal Migration Service. Geographically, it analyses the whole country and accumulates information on foreigners (non-citizens) working and living in the country from 18 years old.

The register obtains demographic characteristics of the persons examined such as sex and age. International migration related statistics that can be found include:

- Country of citizenship,
- Year of arrival,
- Time allowed to stay,
- Reason for coming to the country,
- Year of departure,
- Intended duration of stay, and
- Foreign workers in the country.

The register amasses information on the occupation of persons examined in the source.

“International migrant workers” refer to foreign nationals who were engaged in labour activities in the Russian Federation, and received a working permit or a patent to work. To classify occupations the ISCO – 88, where two digits are used to release the data, is applied.

Micro-data are unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

Q1. Population Census

**SOURCE**

- **Title of source:** National Population Census 2010
- **Year of last census:** 2010
- **Agency responsible:** Federal State Statistics Service (Rosstat)

**COVERAGE**

- **Geographical coverage:** Whole country
- **Population groups covered:** Nationals (*citizens*) living in the country, nationals (*citizens*) employed in the country, foreigners (*non-citizens*) living in the country, even if arrived recently
• Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered: Nationals (citizens) living in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country, foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, even if arrived recently

TOPICS COVERED

Demographic characteristics: Age, marital status, household size, sex, educational attainment

International migration related characteristics: Country of birth, country of citizenship, second country of citizenship

• Coverage for international migration related characteristics:
  o All persons - country of birth, country of citizenship;
  o Not for all - second country of citizenship

• Exceptions for international migration related characteristics: Second country of citizenship - only for Russian citizens.

Information about household members left to live abroad: No

Labour related characteristics of all current household members: Employment status, status in employment.

• Age coverage: 15-72 years old

Remittances related characteristics: N.A.

Information on immigrants and return migrants: No

Data collected and not published/disseminated: No

CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Definition of international migrant workers: It refers to persons who are temporarily living on the territory of Russia (up to 1 year) with a purpose of work and permanently living abroad. Persons living on the territory of Russia (1 year or more) are taken into the account in the population Census.

Definition of national (citizen) living abroad: It is defined as (a) Russian citizens sent to work abroad by authorities for a period of one year or longer, (b) Russian citizens left to work abroad under the contracts with companies and organizations for one year or longer, (c) refugees and asylum seekers are reported as resident population

Definition of employment: It refers to persons who (1) work at least one hour of work for pay or profit (b) were temporarily at work, but having a formal attachment to the place of work.

CLASSIFICATION

Classification used for occupation: N.A.

• Number of digits used to release occupation data: N.A.

Classification used for industry: N.A.

• Number of digits used to release industry data: N.A.

Classification used for status in employment: ICSE-1993

Classification used for status in education: National adaptation of ISCED

DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION

Data collection method: Face-to-face interview by census enumerator using paper questionnaire (PAPI)
Q2. Household Survey

**Source**

**Title of survey:** Sample survey on the use of migrant labour

**Agency responsible:** Federal State Statistics Service (Rosstat)

**Periodicity and Coverage**

**Periodicity of data collection:** Irregularly or only once, the last one was carried out in 09.2014

**Year the survey first started:** 2014

**Geographical coverage:** Whole country

**Population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) employed in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country

- **Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered:** Nationals (citizens) employed in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country

**Age coverage:** Age of migrant workers is not defined

**Topics Covered**

**Demographic characteristics:** Household size

**International migration related characteristics:** Country of citizenship, foreign workers in the country

- **Coverage for international migration related characteristics:** All persons - country of citizenship
- **Exceptions for international migration related characteristics:** No

**Information about household members left to live abroad:** No

**Labour related characteristics of all current household members:** Industry/economic sector

**Benefits received from the employer:** N.A.

**Remittances related characteristics:** No

**Information on immigrants and return migrants:** No

- **Information on the situation of the person prior to leaving the country of residence is obtained:** No

**Data collected and not published/disseminated:** No

Compulsory participation of households: No

Official estimate of under-coverage rate: No

Dissemination of results: Printed publications; Electronic format; Web site – www.gks.ru

Metadata has been prepared and disseminated: Yes

Micro-data is available outside NSO/responsible agency: Yes

- **Limitations:** Data need anonymising
- **Cost of obtaining micro-data:** Free of charge
Information on persons who left to live or work abroad (recruitment, communication, assistance etc.): No

CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Definition of international migrant workers: Migrant workers refers to persons, regardless of age, were employed by the household and entrepreneurs (members of households performing business activity) and performed paid household work in Russia as citizens of other states (foreign) or Russian citizens permanently (usually) living in the other regions of the country.

Definition of national (citizen) living abroad: N.A.

Definition of employment: N.A.

CLASSIFICATION

Classification used for occupation: Classification of work (services) performed by migrant workers was used in this survey (solely for this survey)

- Number of digits used to release occupation data: N.A.

Classification used for industry: ISIC Rev 3

- Number of digits used to release industry data: 1

Classification used for status in employment: Not applied in this survey

Classification used for status in education: Not applied in this survey

DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION

Data collection method: Face-to-face interview by census enumerator using paper questionnaire (PAPI)

Compulsory participation of households: No


Metadata has been prepared and disseminated: Yes

Micro-data is available outside NSO/responsible agency: No

SAMPLE DESIGN

Sample frame used: Population Census

Completed sample size

- Total households – 86,500
- Total individuals – 86,500.

Evaluation of the overall response rate or refusal rate: No

Q6. Administrative Sources

SOURCE

Title of source: Automated system of analytical reporting

Agency responsible: The Federal Migration Service

Kind of source: Register of work permits issued to foreign workers
PERIODICITY AND COVERAGE

Periodicity of data release: Every 3 months
Year the source first started: 1994
Geographical coverage: Whole country
Population coverage: Foreigners (non-citizens) living and working in the country
  - Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered: Foreigners (non-citizens) living and working in the country
Age coverage: From 18 years

DATA COLLECTED ON PERSONS IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCE

Demographic characteristics: Age, sex
Migration related characteristics: Country of citizenship, year of arrival, time period allowed to stay, reason for coming to country, year of departure, foreign workers in the country
Labour related characteristics: Occupation
Data collected and not published/disseminated: No

CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Definition of international migrant workers: It refer to foreign nationals who were engaged in labour activities in the Russian Federation, and received a working permit or a patent to work.
Definition of short-term migrant worker: N.A.
Definition of a national (citizen) living abroad: N.A.
Definition of employment: N.A.
Definition of individual earnings: N.A.

CLASSIFICATION

Classification used for occupation: ISCO-88
  - Number of digits used to release occupation data: 2
Classification used for industry: Since 2011 the data is not developed
  - Number of digits used to release industry data: N.A.
Classification used for status in employment: Not used
Classification used for status in education: Not used

DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION

Compulsory registration for the population groups covered: Yes
Official estimate of coverage rate: N.A.
Metadata has been prepared and disseminated: Yes
Micro-data is available outside NSO/responsible agency: No