



# World Migration Report 2024

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The **World Migration Report 2024** was launched by the [International Organization for Migration \(IOM\)](#), revealing significant shifts in global migration patterns. World Migration Report is IOM's flagship report released biennially.

- The report highlighted that **Mexico, China, the Philippines, and France** were the other four nations in the top five remittance recipient countries, with **India being the top country** receiving remittances in **2010, 2015, 2020, and 2022**.
- International remittances increased by 650% from **USD 128 billion to USD 831 billion** between 2000 and 2022 with **India receiving the highest remittances at USD 111 billion** in 2022 followed by Mexico.
  - **USD 647 billion** of the total remittances were sent by migrants to low- and middle-income countries.
- Despite remittances acting as a crucial source of income for many South Asians, migrant workers from the region remain vulnerable to various challenges.
  - These challenges include **financial exploitation, excessive debt** incurred due to migration costs, **xenophobia** (hostility towards foreigners), and workplace abuses.
  - The **number of displaced people** hit a record high by the end of 2022 at **117 million**.
- **India is the origin of the largest number of international migrants** in the world (nearly 18 million), with large diasporas in countries like the UAE, the US, and Saudi Arabia.
  - According to the report, India has a slightly **higher share of female immigrants than males**. Countries with a significantly high proportion of **male emigrants** include India, Bangladesh and Pakistan.
- [Gulf Cooperation Council \(GCC\)](#) countries remain significant destinations for migrant workers, **especially from India**, Egypt, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, and Kenya, employed in sectors like construction, hospitality, security, domestic work, and retail.

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