EU Twinning Project

Component 2: Demographic Statistics

Assessment of the current situation for migration statistics

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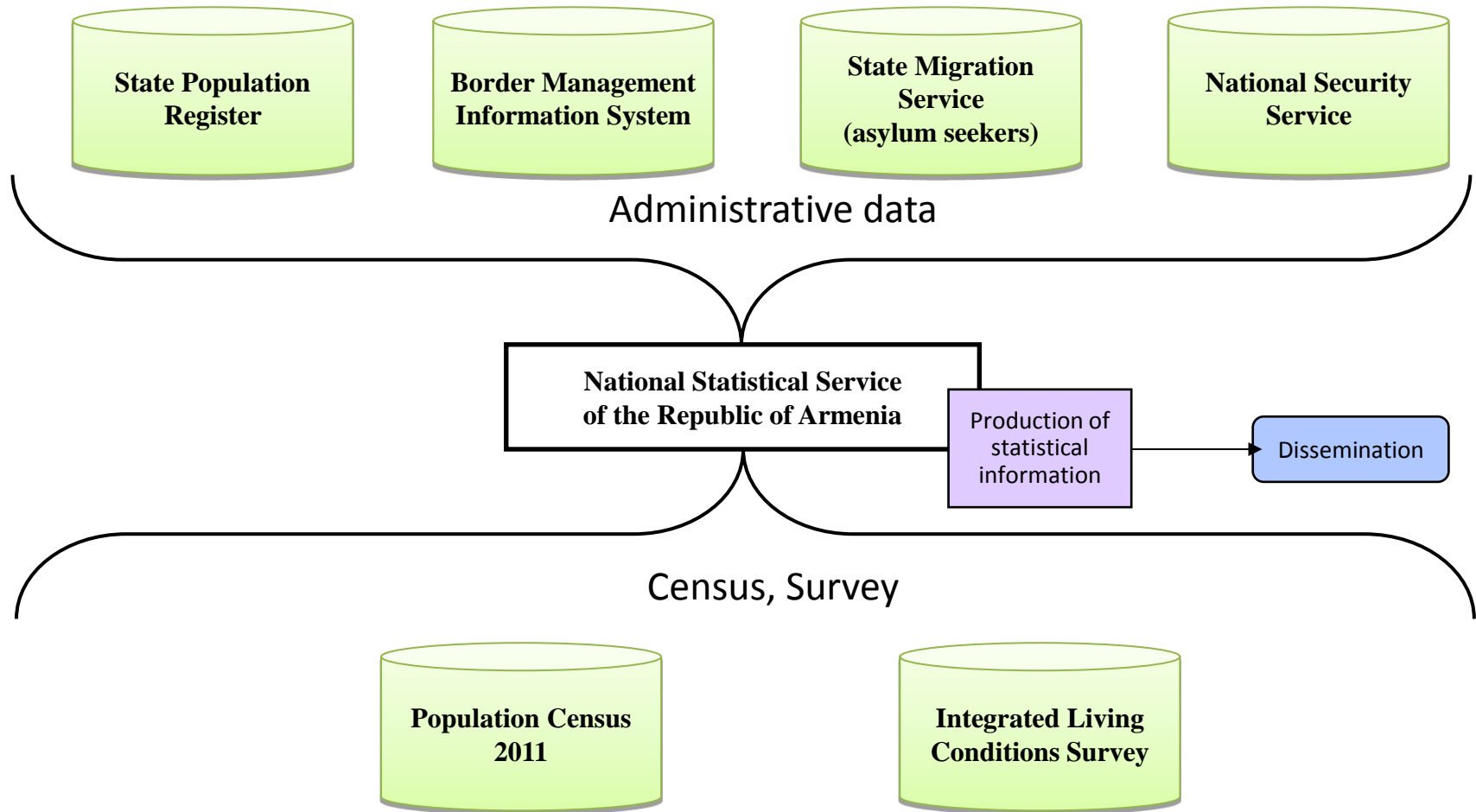
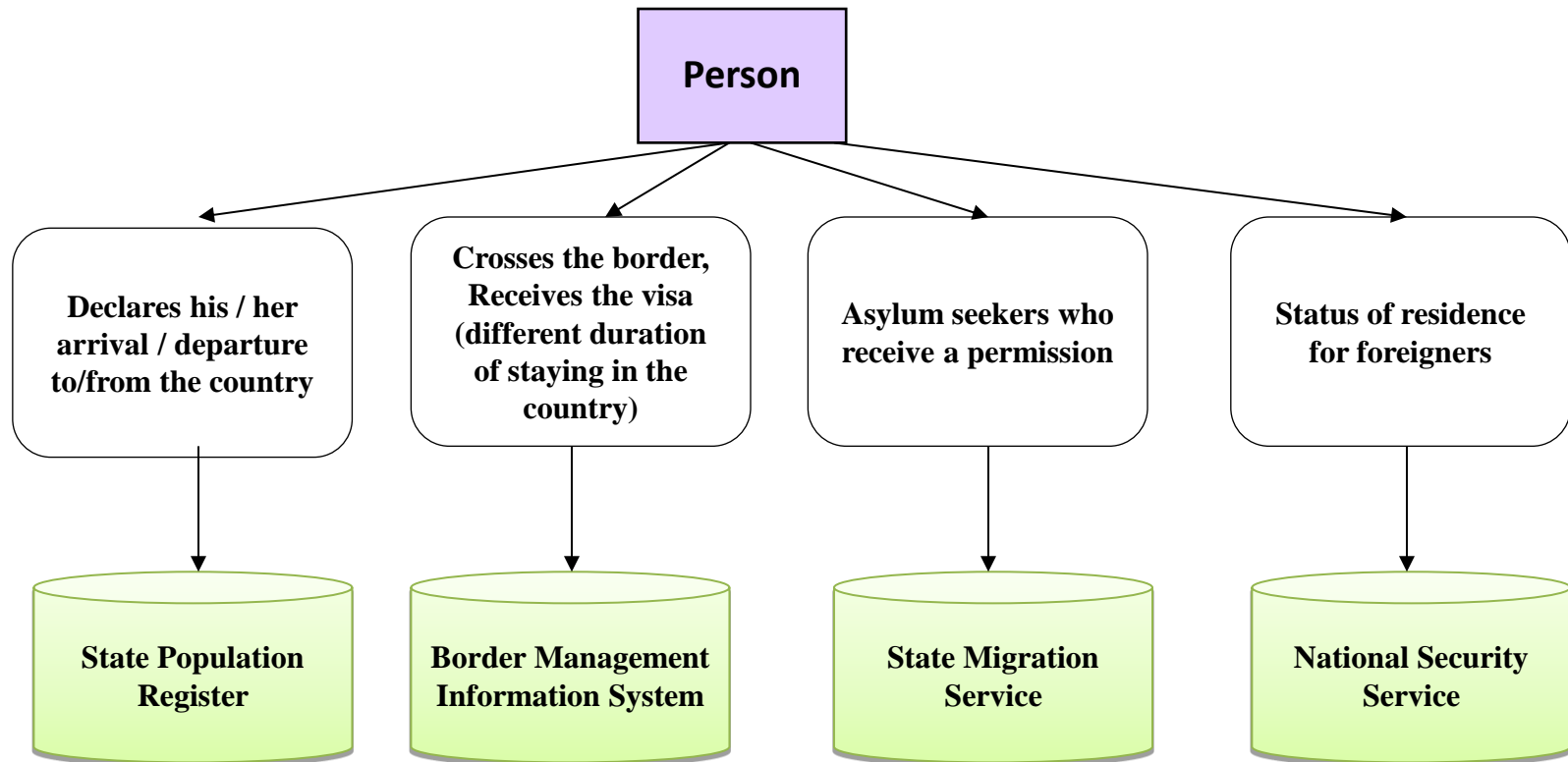Inga Masiulaitytė-Šukevič – Statistics Lithuania

Legal basis

- Law on State Statistics
- Law of Three-year Program of State Statistical Work
- Law on State Register of Population
- Law on Foreigners
- Law on Refugees and Asylum

Statistical data flows on migration processes

Data about migration
from administrative data sources

State Population Register

Responsible

- Visa and Passport department of the Police

Strong points

- Data of the State Population Register have a legal value and are based on the personal documents
- All persons receive the personal ID
- Obtained data of citizens of the Republic of Armenia
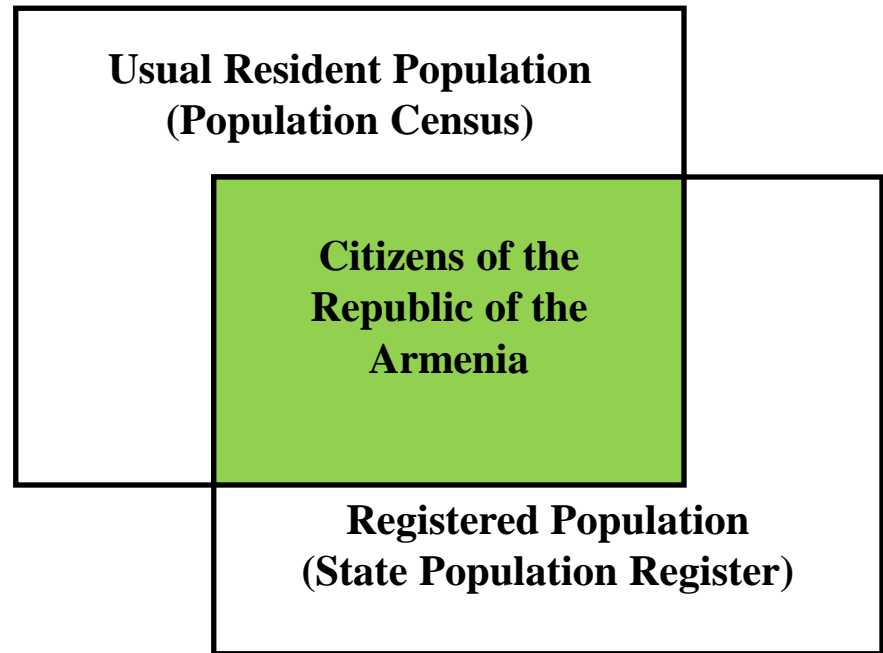- Obtained data of persons' declaration of changing of the place of residence

Weak points

- Persons who arrive / departure to / from the country do not declare his / her arrival / departure
- Persons do not declare the change of place of resident in the country
- There is no enough motivation for persons to declare their changes of the place of residence

State Population Register

Potential Improvements

- Data on the personal level should help to improve the quality of:

    Migration statistics;

    Population statistics.

- Data on the personal level need for the comparison for two databases: Population Census and State Population Register

- Need some motivation mechanism for persons to declare his / her change of the place of residents (movements abroad, through the country)

Usual Resident Population (Population Census)

Citizens of the Republic of the Armenia

Registered Population (State Population Register)

Border Management Information System

Responsible

National Security Service of RA

Strong points

- Obtained data on the personal level (personal ID, sex, age, citizenship and etc.)
- Obtained data on the all movements in / out of the country. Full-coverage.
- Obtained data on received visas

Weak points

- Persons have several citizenships, several passport. They can cross the border with different passports
- Statistics Armenia receives the data on the aggregated level. Not possible to identify the movements of particular person and his / her duration of staying abroad / in the country for longer than 12 months

Border Management Information System

Potential Improvements

- Data on the personal level on the movements of the particular person and its duration of staying could be provided for estimation of number of emigrants and immigrants by different breakdown: age, sex, citizenship and etc.

  If there is no possibility to obtain the data on the personal level, the aggregated information according to the provided methodology will also help to improved the quality of the data.

- The data on the movements could be link with the data from State Population Register for identifying persons who declare of the changes of the place of residence.

State Migration Service

Strong points

- Obtained data on the personal level (personal ID, sex, age, citizenship and etc.)
- Obtained data on the all application of the asylum seekers

Weak points

- ???

National Security Service

Strong points

- Obtained data on the personal level (personal ID, sex, age, citizenship and etc.)
- Obtained data on residency status of the foreigners

Weak points

- ???

Integrated Living Conditions Survey

The main data sources for estimation migration flows.

Questions have been used for identify the emigrant / immigrant person.

Strong points

- Obtained data on the main reason of emigration / immigration, year of the emigration / immigration, employment status.

Weak points

- Sample size of the survey is not enough to have very precise estimates of the emigrants / immigrants by age, sex, more detailed territorial level.

Potential Improvements

- The additional information (from the State Population Register, Border Management Information System) should be used for improvement of the quality of the estimates.

Population Census

Strong points

- Obtained data on the personal level about person's migration experience, age, sex and very detailed information
- Revised the inter-census data of population and migration statistics

Weak points

- Data available once every ten years

Some results

International Migration

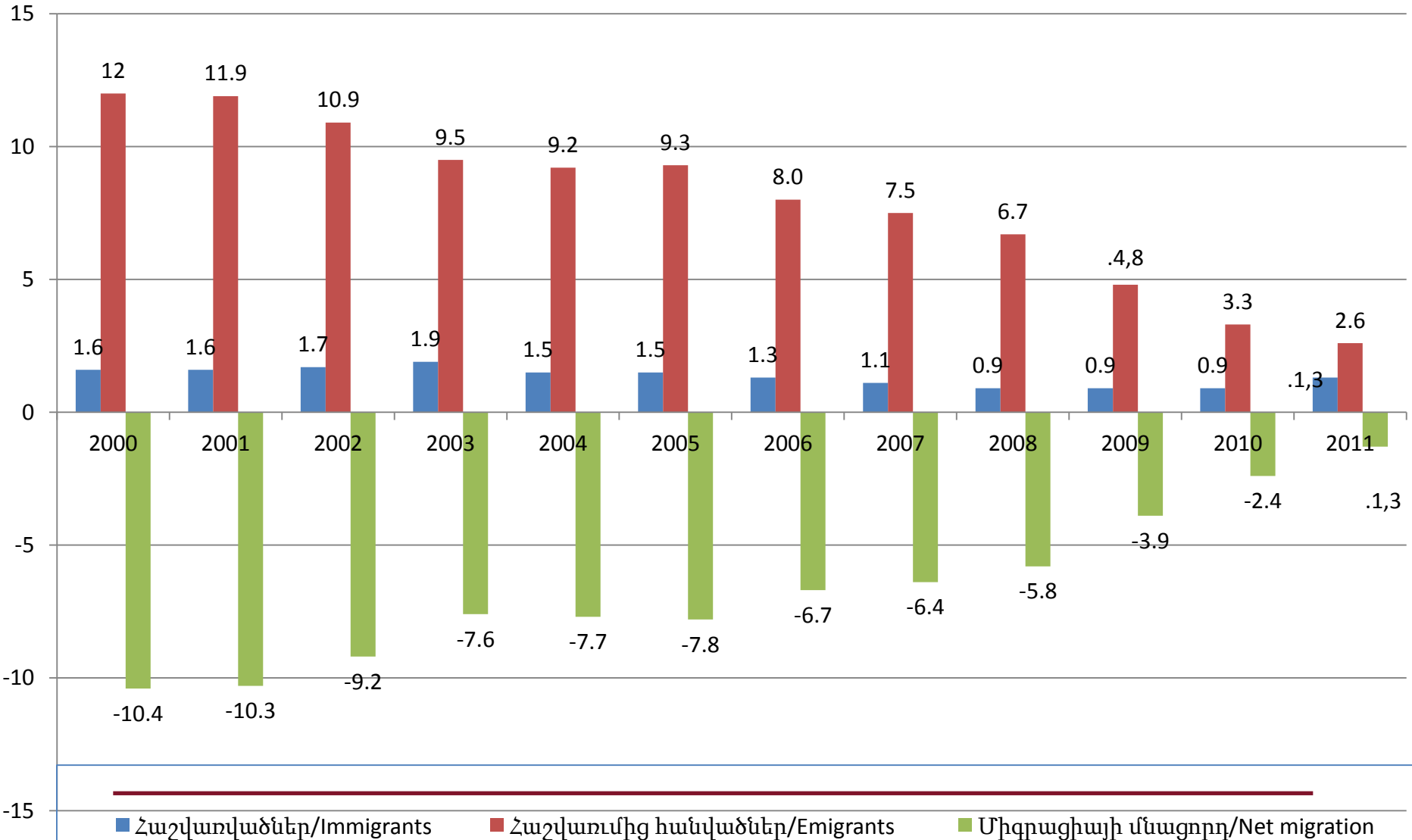## (Integrated Living Conditions Survey 2013, thousand)

	Immigrants	Emigrants	Net migration
2011	9.2	18.6	-9.4
2012	7.3	31.7	-24.4
2013	6.5	28.3	-21.8

Interstate Migration
(Visa and Passport department of the Police, thousand)

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Հաշվառվածներ/Immigrants	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9	.1,3
Հաշվառումից հանվածներ/Emigrants	12	11.9	10.9	9.5	9.2	9.3	8.0	7.5	6.7	.4,8	3.3	2.6
Միգրացիայի մնացորդ/Net migration	-10.4	-10.3	-9.2	-7.6	-7.7	-7.8	-6.7	-6.4	-5.8	-3.9	-2.4	.1,3

Boarder Crossing

	Մուտք/ Entry	Ելք/ Exit	Հաշվեկշիռ/ Balance
2010	1 754 214	1 800 898	-46 684
2011	1 945 118	1 988 938	-43 820
2012	2 191 895	2 234 706	-42 811

Persons Received Visas of the Republic of Armenia

	2010	2011	2012
Number of received visas	207 276	245 429	232 447

Time for discussion!