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Population (millions, 2009) 9.7
Population growth (avg. annual %, 2000-09) -0.4
Population density (people per km², 2008) 46.7
Labor force (millions, 2008) 4.9
Unemployment rate (% of labor force, 2008) —
Urban population (% of pop., 2009) 73.9
Surface area (1,000 km², 2008) 207.6
GNI (US$ billions, 2009) 59.8
GNI per capita, Atlas method (US$, 2009) 5,540
GDP growth (avg. annual %, 2005-09) 7.7
Poverty headcount ratio at national poverty line (% of pop., 2005) 0.0
Age dependency ratio (2009) 39.5

Migration

EMIGRATION, 2010

- Stock of emigrants: 1,778.9 thousands
- Stock of emigrants as percentage of population: 18.6%
- Top destination countries: the Russian Federation, Ukraine, Poland, Kazakhstan, Israel, Lithuania, the United States, Germany, Latvia, Estonia

SKILLED EMIGRATION, 2000

- Emigration rate of tertiary-educated population: 3.2%
- Emigration of physicians: 165 or 0.4% of physicians trained in the country (Source: Bhargava, Docquier, and Moullan 2010)

IMMIGRATION, 2010

- Stock of immigrants: 1,090.4 thousands
- Stock of immigrants as percentage of population: 11.4%
- Females as percentage of immigrants: 54.2%
- Refugees as percentage of immigrants: 0.1%
- Top source countries: the Russian Federation, Poland, Ukraine, Armenia, Lithuania, Azerbaijan, Germany, Moldova, Georgia, Latvia

Remittances

US$ millions

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a. For comparison: net FDI inflows US$2.2 bn, net ODA received US$0.1 bn, total international reserves US$3.1 bn, exports of goods and services US$37.3 bn in 2008.

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