

# Cameroon

Sub-Saharan Africa

LOWER MIDDLE INCOME

Population (millions, 2009)	19.5
Population growth (avg. annual %, 2000-09)	2.3
Population density (people per km <sup>2</sup> , 2008)	40.6
Labor force (millions, 2008)	6.9
Unemployment rate (% of labor force, 2008)	–
Urban population (% of pop., 2009)	57.6
Surface area (1,000 km <sup>2</sup> , 2008)	475.4
GNI (US\$ billions, 2009)	21.6
GNI per capita, Atlas method (US\$, 2009)	1,170
GDP growth (avg. annual %, 2005-09)	3.0
Poverty headcount ratio at national poverty line (% of pop., 2005)	27.5
Age dependency ratio (2009)	80.1

## Migration

### EMIGRATION, 2010

- Stock of emigrants: **279.2 thousands**
- Stock of emigrants as percentage of population: **1.4%**
- Top destination countries: France, Chad, Gabon, the United States, Nigeria, Germany, Italy, the Central African Republic, Spain, the United Kingdom

### SKILLED EMIGRATION, 2000

- Emigration rate of tertiary-educated population: **17.2%**
- Emigration of physicians:
  - (a) **106** or **8.0%** of physicians trained in the country (*Source: Bhargava, Docquier, and Moullan 2010*)
  - (b) **845** or **45.6%** of physicians born in the country (*Source: Clemens and Pettersson 2006*)
- Emigration of nurses: 1,163 or 18.9% of nurses born in the country

### IMMIGRATION, 2010

- Stock of immigrants: **196.6 thousands**
- Stock of immigrants as percentage of population: **1.0%**
- Females as percentage of immigrants: **45.7%**
- Refugees as percentage of immigrants: **24.2%**
- Top source countries: Nigeria, Chad, France

## Remittances

US\$ millions	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010e
<b>Inward remittance flows*</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>148</b>
<i>of which</i>								
Workers' remittances	61	98	67	118	152	129	129	–
Compensation of employees	15	5	10	12	15	15	18	–
Migrants' transfers	0	–	0	–	–	0	–	–
<b>Outward remittance flows</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>–</b>
<i>of which</i>								
Workers' remittances	29	23	20	48	42	20	58	–
Compensation of employees	28	20	36	44	48	36	37	–
Migrants' transfers	0	–	0	–	–	–	–	–

a. For comparison: net ODA received US\$0.5 bn, total international reserves US\$3.1 bn, exports of goods and services US\$6.9 bn in 2008.

The Migration and Remittances Factbook 2011 is compiled by Dilip Ratha, Sanket Mohapatra, and Ani Silwal, Migration and Remittances Unit, World Bank. More information on other countries and regions are available at [www.worldbank.org/prospects/migrationandremittances](http://www.worldbank.org/prospects/migrationandremittances).