Introduction

 The central Agency for public mobilization and statistics (CAPMAS), as the official national statistical office, undertakes the main role in collecting, evaluating, analyzing and disseminating migration statistics based on data available through censuses, sample surveys and administrative registration of border crossing, residence and work permits.

1- Administrative sources

2-Household surveys

Household surveys can be used to collect more detailed emigration data such as characteristics of emigrants (age, sex, education, occupation, etc) as well as the reasons, impacts and motivations of emigration and remittances.

Population censuses

 The November 2006 census included a module on "Egyptians residing abroad on a short-term basis".
Questions asked included the number and gender of family members residing abroad on a

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