

EMIGRATION FROM ROMANIA IN THE EARLY 21ST CENTURY

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(Abstract)

One of the key features of structural and social change of post-communist Romania, together with the country's integration into global economy, is the mass migration that has become crucial in the life of Romanian society in the early 2000s. As the EU lifted its visa requirements for Romanian nationals in 2002, more than two million Romanians left the country, either for a shorter or a longer period of time. The migratory trends from Romania show a heterogeneous picture. Different ethnicities (Romanian, Hungarian, Roma) and socio-demographic groups tend to show different patterns. Also the migratory careers are different: some of them have returned due to the economic crisis that has been unfolding since 2008, while others have remained in western Europe. Also the Moldavian-Romanian double citizens are taking part in this complex process.

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