2.11 Forced and Voluntary Migration

Objective and Essential Learning

2.11 Describe different types of forced and voluntary migration.

- Forced migrations include slavery and events that produce refugees, internally displaced persons, and asylum seekers.
- Types of voluntary migrations include transnational, transhumance, internal, chain, step, guest worker, and rural-to-urban.



Types of Migration



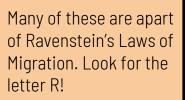
Voluntary Migration: People migrate due to

their own choices.

Involuntary (Forced) Migration: People relocate due to fears of violence or survival.

Types of voluntary migrations include:

- a. Transnational
- b. Transhumance
- c. Internal
- d. Chain
- e. Step
- f. Guest worker
- g. Rural-to-urban

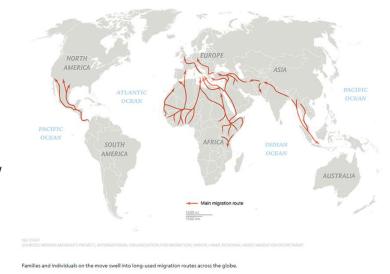






Transnational: Migration from one country to another country.

- Immigrants to a new country retain strong cultural, emotional, and financial ties to their country of origin.
- Remittances: Money sent back to migrants' country of origin- major economic flow.
- Three major flows:
 - Latin America to North America
 - Southwest Asia to Europe
 - Asia to North America





Internal: Migrants that travel within a country's borders. Much more likely than transnational migration.



- <u>Distance Decay:</u> The further apart two places are, the less likely it is that people will migrate between those two places.
- Example: Rustbelt to Sunbelt Migration in the US after WWII.
 - Push factors factories closed in the industrial Northeast and Midwest.
 - Pull factors low taxes, inexpensive land, nice weather.



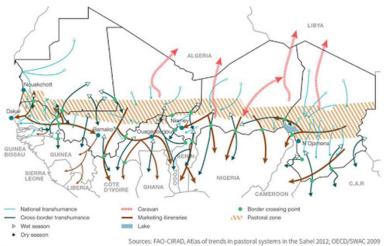


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Transhumance: Traditional migration of nomadic herders that move their livestock from high elevations in the summer and lower elevations in the winter.

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Chain: Immigrants migrate to a location based off of the recommendation of or reunification with family members, friends, or community members that have previously migrated to that location.

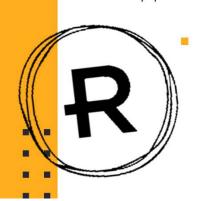


Step: Migration typically occurs in steps, migrants reach their eventual destination through a series of smaller movements.



 Step migration happens due to intervening opportunities and obstacles.





Example: Migration from a rural area to a city, then a larger city, then finally to a metropolis.



Rural to Urban: Most typical kind of migration trend, up to 55% of people live in urban areas today.

Economic push & pull factors jobs and economic opportunity in
cities.



Guest Worker: Migrants who travel internationally in order to find work as temporary laborers - typically a short period of time because the jobs cannot be filled by a country's own labor force.



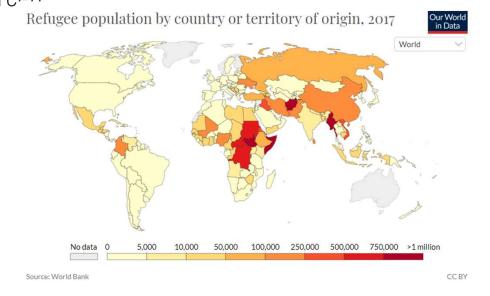
Types of involuntary migrations include:

- a. Refugees
- b. Internally Displaced Persons
- c. Asylum Seekers
- d. Enslaved Persons



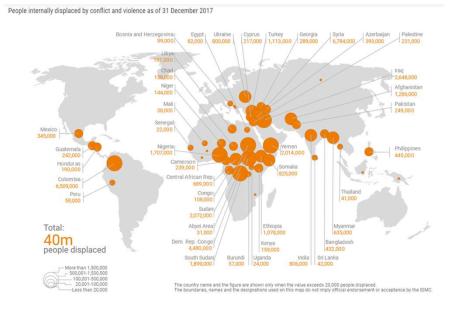
Refugees: Someone who has been forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war or violence.

- Causes: War and ethnic, tribal and religious violence, environmental disasters.
- 68% of refugees come from five countries: Syria, Venezuela, Afghanistan, South Sudan and Myanmar



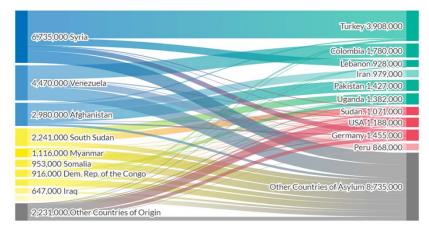
Internally Displaced Persons: someone who has been forced to flee their home but never crosses an international border.

- Same causes as refugees.
- Large groups of IDPs are located in Colombia, Syria, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Yemen



Asylum Seekers: When people flee their own country and seek sanctuary in another country, they apply for asylum – the right to be recognized as a refugee and receive legal protection and material assistance. An asylum seeker must demonstrate that his or her fear of persecution in his or her home country is well-founded.





Source: UNHCR Refugee Population Statistics Database
*Excludes Palestine refugees, who fall under the mandate of UNRWA

Enslaved Persons:

- Historical: Atlantic Slave Trade
 - 16th-19th Centuries
 - □ 10-12 million people
- Modern Day: The United Nations estimates that about 21 million people are enslaved today.
 - Oftentimes referred to as human trafficking.

