

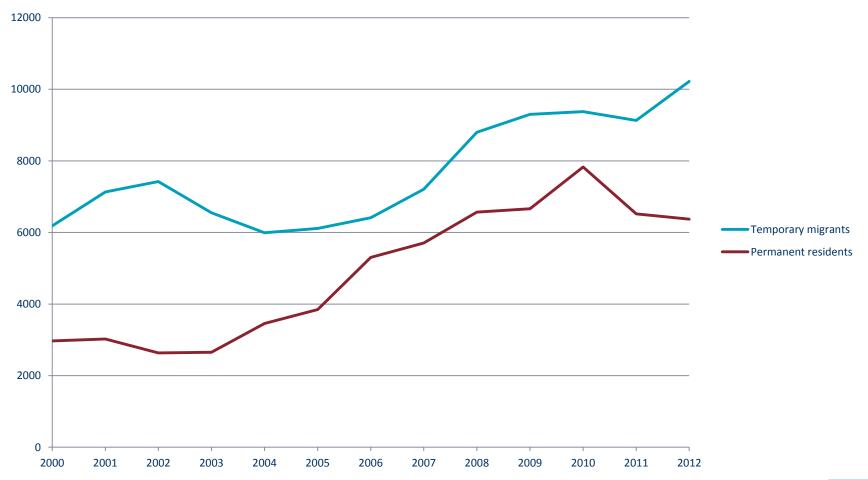
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Temporary Migrants in Atlantic Canada: Some trends and issues

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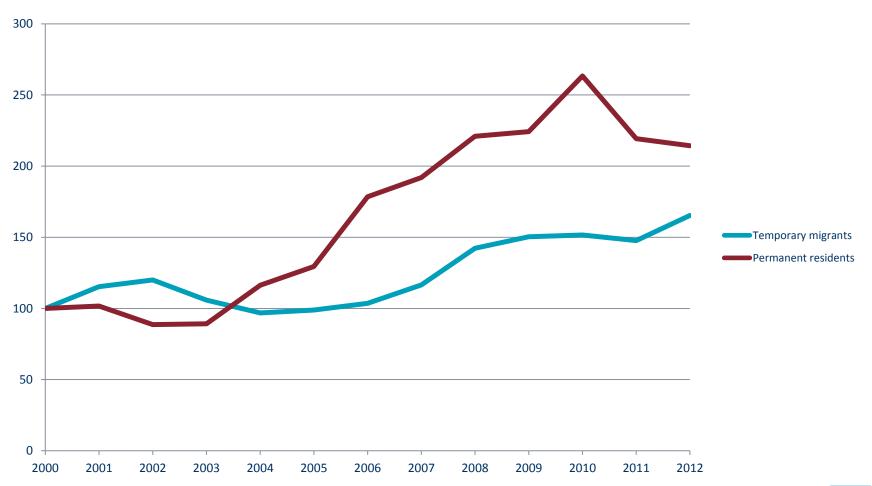
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Entries of Permanent residents and temporary migrants in Atlantic Canada



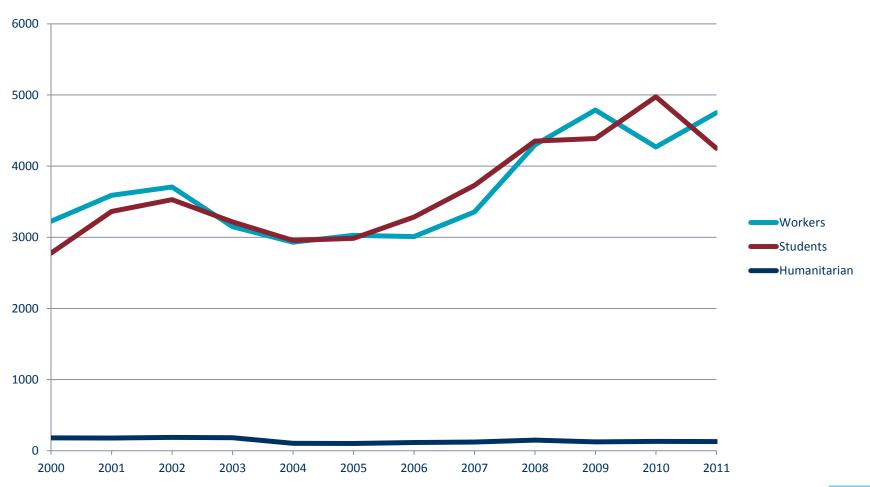


Growth in Permanent residents and temporary migrants in Atlantic Canada (2000 = 100)





Entries of temporary migrants by category in Atlantic Canada





Top five destinations of temporary foreign workers in Atlantic Canada

Destination	Year: 2000		Year: 2013
Halifax	1168	Halifax	1509
St. John's	285	Charlottetown	746
Fredericton	248	Fredericton	595
Moncton	191	St. John's	501
Saint John	155	Moncton	466



Top five source countries of temporary foreign workers arriving in Atlantic Canada

Source country	2000	Source country	2013
United States of America	1,112	United States of America	1,078
United Kingdom and Colonies	757	Philippines	718
Norway	116	United Kingdom and Colonies	551
Federal Republic of Germany	113	People's Republic of China	250
France	112	India	221



Top five source countries of temporary foreign workers resident in Atlantic Canada

Source country	Year: 2000	Source country	Year: 2013
United States of America	811	Philippines	2,109
United Kingdom and Colonies	712	United States of America	1,727
Norway	102	People's Republic of China	1,547
Japan	95	United Kingdom and Colonies	1,148
Federal Republic of Germany	87	India	612



Top five source countries of international students arriving in Atlantic Canada

Source country	Year: 2000	Source country	Year: 2013
People's Republic of China	333	People's Republic of China	1,283
United States	318	United States of America	526
United Kingdom and Colonies	177	India	213
Republic of Korea	157	Republic of Korea	197
Japan	151	Mexico	158



Top five source countries of international students resident in Atlantic Canada

Source country	Year: 2000	Source country	Year: 2013
United States of America (NB Excluded)	585	People's Republic of China	5,593
People's Republic of China	542	Saudi Arabia	2,657
United Kingdom and Colonies (NB Excluded)	482	India	845
Japan	251	United States of America	629
Malaysia	242	Republic of Korea	541



Issues relating to temporary migrants

- TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKERS
- Need for them:
 - To meet short-term labor shortages
 - Program was initially designed to meet shortages of high-skilled workers,
 but has been expanded to include low-skilled workers
- Some issues and challenges:
 - Affect on employment of Canadians
 - Potential for exploitation of TFWs
 - Retention in smaller provinces upon transition to permanent residence
 - Potential for long-term reliance on the program
 - Smaller provinces are more likely to be prone to this because of problems in retaining permanent residents.



Issues relating to temporary migrants (contd.)

- INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
- Need for them:
 - Provide a potential pool of skilled workers
 - Address the excess capacity issue at Canadian postsecondary institutions
- Some issues and challenges:
 - Affect the employment of Canadians
 - Adaptation to international culture and values in classrooms
 - Retention in smaller provinces
 - Social integration on and off-campus



Issues relating to temporary migrants (contd.)

- HUMANITARIAN POPULATION
- Need for them:
 - Fulfill Canada's obligation to Geneva Convention on Refugees and asylum seekers
- Some issues and challenges:
 - Affect on Canadian public treasury
 - Housing
 - Healthcare
 - Income assistance
 - Border security issues
 - Retention after permanent resident status

