

OAS **Space for Cooperation** in the Americas

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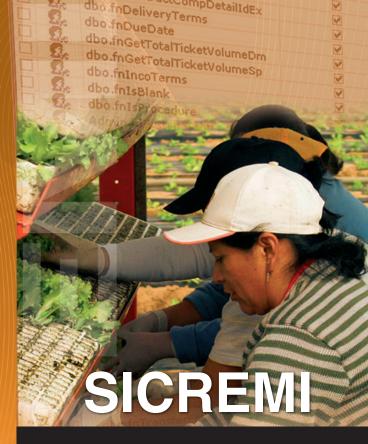




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Continuous Reporting System on **Labour Migration** of the Americas



What is SICREMI?

The Continuous Reporting System on Labour Migration (Spanish acronym SICREMI) is a continuous reporting system of standardized and up-to-date information on labour migration for the Americas. It is designed based on the model of SOPEMI (the French acronym) created by the OECD for its member states.

The SICREMI Project aims to develop an information system that allows for a greater understanding of the magnitude and characteristics of migration flows generated in the countries of the Hemisphere. The system contains information on migratory trends and monitors changes in the demographic profiles of migrants through indicators such as gender, age, education, country of origin and destination, labour sector and others, providing an up-to-date picture of the migration phenomenon in the region.

Data used to populate the system is obtained from diverse national sources and transferred to a standardized database in order to generate up-to-date and comparable information on labour migration for all member states of the Organization.

SICREMI emerges from the joint efforts of the OAS and the OECD in response to the urgent need for standardized and current information to inform public policy makers about the migration phenomenon in the region. International organizations such as the International Organization of Migration (IOM), the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), have been invited to collaborate in this effort.

Coordination of the SICREMI database will be managed by the OAS and will involve the creation of a network of national correspondents responsible for submitting information according to pre-established guidelines.





- Develop a Continuous Reporting System on Labour Migration that harmonizes data collected from different sources, providing an up-to-date, flexible and standardized picture of migration in the OAS member states.
- Support the strengthening and updating of labour migration information in OAS member states.
- Provide a space for the sharing of experiences and knowledge throughout the implementation of the system.
- Train the personnel within member state institutions in charge of migration information systems.
- Increase knowledge of the migration phenomenon for the formulation of public policy.

The implementation of the system will be phased as follows:

Phase I: Pilot Program

Information will be collected from the first 10 countries invited to this pilot phase, taking into account two main prerequisites: first, that the country has information systems that facilitate management and that compile standardized information, and second, that the country serves as a site of migration flows of origin, transit or destination in the Hemisphere. These invited countries are: Argentina, Belize, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico and Uruguay.

Phase II

Expansion of the system to include 10 additional countries.

Phase III

Incorporation of all 34 member states within the system.