



# Developing ageing policies in Moldova

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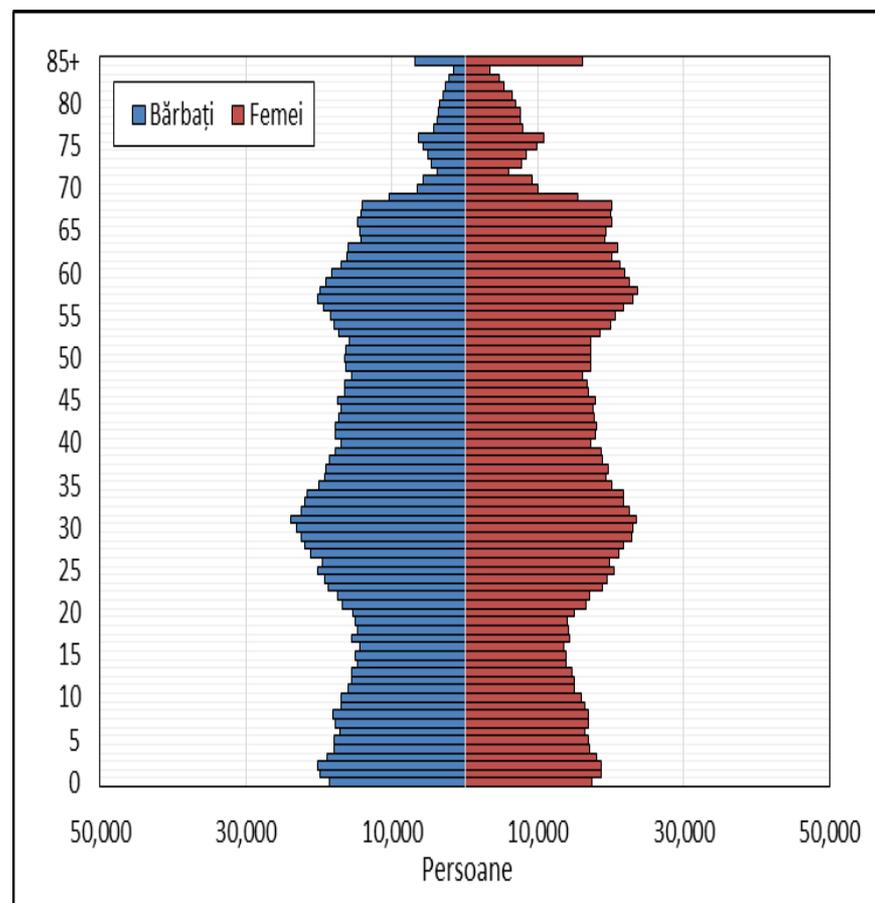
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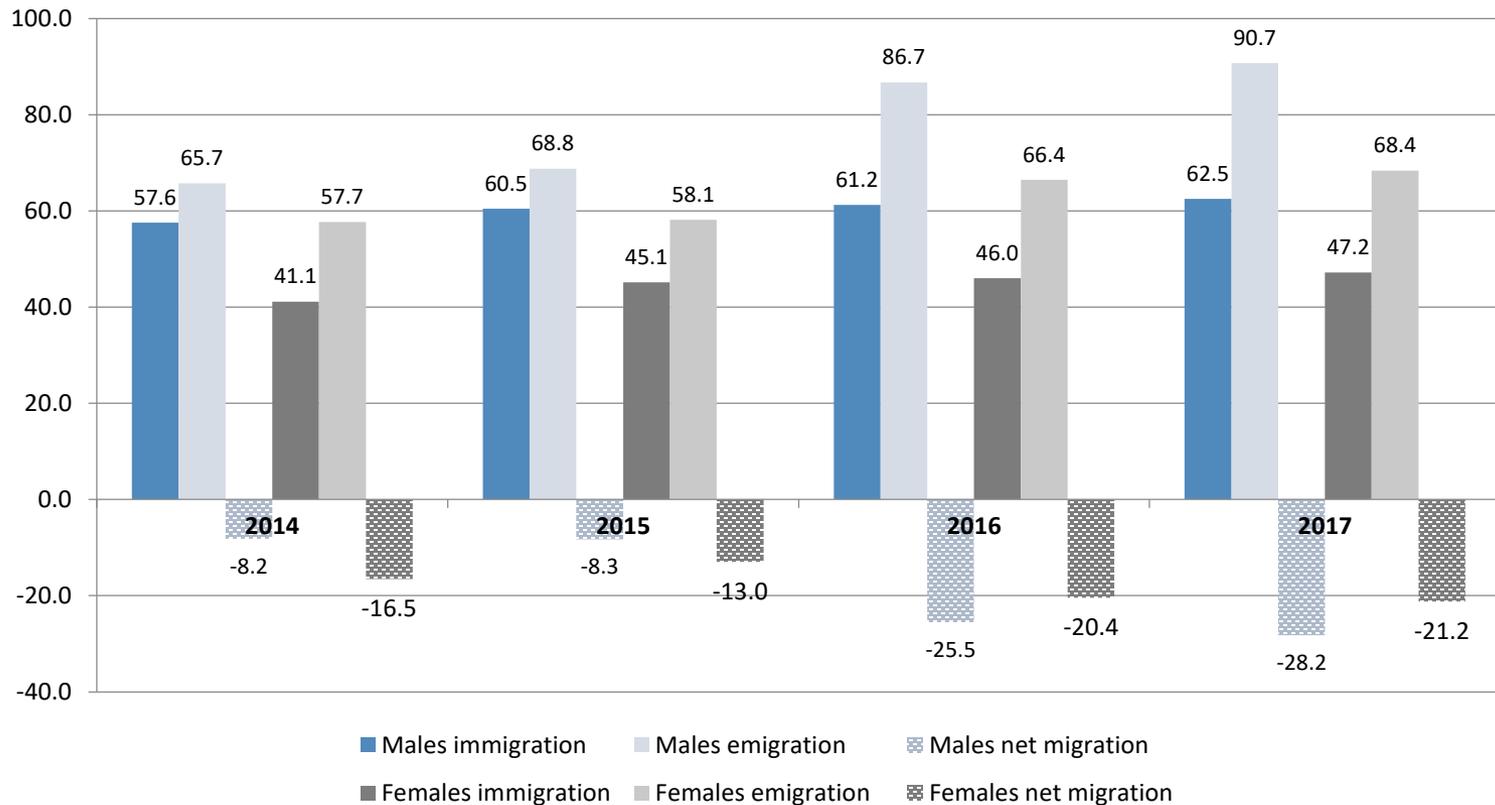
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## Moldova's demographic structure is rapidly changing due to out-migration of young people

- 2,68 million with a projected decrease to 2,08 million by 2035 – with one of the highest population decrease in the world (1.8% annually)
- 20.8% of population is over 60 years old projected to increase to 30% by 2030
- A relatively stable total fertility rate of 1.82 child per woman
- Life expectancy of men is shorter (66 years), while women are living longer (75 years), but not necessarily healthier.



# Every year, around 1.8% of Moldova's population is leaving the country



# A life-course approach to demographic changes (1)

- In 2016, Government approved a Concept Vision on Population and Development – to shift from “demographic security” to “rights-based demographic policies”
- Desired fertility, ageing, migration of working-age population and low life expectancy are part of this concept vision.

# A life-course approach to demographic changes (2)

- In 2017 for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, Government allocated domestic resources for demographic and ageing policies.
- In 2018, Government allocated 500,000 USD to UNFPA to implement the Generations and Gender Programme – aimed to develop rights-based demographic policies, based on the results of the Generations and Gender Survey



# Sectorial results: active ageing

- Domestic budget is financing the implementation of the Road Map on Ageing and its Action Plan
- A special methodology on mainstreaming ageing into sectorial policies.
- Piloted a set of concepts to promote active ageing:
  - Adult Skills Guarantee Program (based on EU Youth Gurantee Programme)
  - Integration of aging in local policies (250 representatives trained)
  - Friendly workplaces for the elderly women and men
  - Community mobilizers
  - Volunteer Program for Older people



# Sectorial results: active ageing

- Active Ageing Index
- Demographic Barometers and Policy Papers on economic implications of population changes, ageing and low fertility
- Empowerment of older people through participative Platform for active ageing



# Sectorial results: active ageing

Grants Programme on Active Ageing for grassroots organizations





## National Award for the Elderly "For an active life at any age"



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