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## Global migration and health

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Migration is a major global phenomenon involving the movement of people and families both between (external) and within (internal) countries. Today, there are an estimated 232 million external and 740 million internal migrants, including an estimated 60 million refugees and internally displaced persons. The major causes of global migration are all projected to increase, including smuggling and trafficking of migrants for work and migration because of climate change. We will discuss the status and demographics of global migration today, the various mechanisms of migration and their influence on the settlement outcomes of migrants and the implications for public health.

### Key questions

Who is migrating?

What is the future for climate change refugees in the Asia Pacific region?

Who are the victims of human trafficking and what are the health impacts?

How do migrants fare in occupational health and safety compared with native-born Australians? Does ethnicity compound the risks?

