



Total Departures for Foreign Employment by Country 2003 - 2007*

Country	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Saudi Arabia	76,095	36.26	71,297	33.21	76,210	32.95	61,424	30.42	60,222	27.71
Kuwait	38,623	18.41	36,782	17.13	36,157	15.63	34,697	17.18	40,883	18.81
U.A.E.	32,334	15.41	32,890	15.32	36,371	15.73	33,797	16.74	38,755	17.83
Qatar	23,798	11.34	30,015	13.98	35,953	15.54	31,458	15.58	38,728	17.82
Lebanon	13,207	6.29	17,852	8.31	16,402	7.09	6,889	3.41	6,890	3.17
Jordan	7,082	3.37	8,907	4.15	8,276	3.58	8,136	4.03	8,386	3.86
Oman	4,131	1.97	3,474	1.62	3,562	1.54	4,273	2.12	3,871	1.78
Bahrain	3,731	1.78	3,827	1.78	3,751	1.62	4,400	2.18	5,103	2.35
Maldives	3,193	1.52	2,532	1.18	2,738	1.18	3,467	1.72	3,700	1.70
Cyprus	3,043	1.45	3,138	1.46	2,234	0.97	2,346	1.16	3,001	1.38
South Korea	2,036	0.97	1,304	0.61	4,850	2.10	3,653	1.81	2,676	1.23
Singapore	1,069	0.51	990	0.46	1017	0.44	954	0.47	940	0.43
Malaysia	239	0.11	241	0.11	1168	0.50	3,584	1.77	1,035	0.48
Hong Kong	228	0.11	163	0.08	171	0.07	256	0.13	314	0.14
Mauritius	185	0.09	353	0.16	1057	0.46	891	0.44	944	0.43
Seychelles	128	0.06	52	0.02	596	0.26	378	0.19	326	0.15
Egypt	118	0.06	161	0.07	176	0.08	116	0.06	191	0.09
Libya	58	0.03	35	0.02	37	0.02	27	0.01	52	0.02
Israel	58	0.03	106	0.05	174	0.08	236	0.12	828	0.38
Greece	55	0.03	85	0.04	25	0.01	18	0.01	62	0.03
North Yemen	16	0.01	6	-	8	-	9	-	3	-
South Yemen	38	0.02	14	0.01	5	-	2	-	31	0.01
Ghana	1	-	-	-	13	0.01	1	-	-	-
Ethiopia	2	-	-	-	10	-	11	0.01	8	-
Denmark	6	-	-	-	12	0.01	-	-	-	-
Djibouti	-	-	-	-	-	-	332	0.16	4	-
United Kingdom	32	0.02	29	0.01	24	0.01	11	0.01	17	0.01
Ireland	31	0.01	10	-	15	0.01	23	0.01	3	-
Pakistan	27	0.01	41	0.02	25	0.01	78	0.04	61	0.03
Sudan	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	0.02	5	-
Syria	27	0.01	38	0.02	22	0.01	21	0.01	25	0.01
Kenya	24	0.01	11	0.01	4	-	11	0.01	7	-
South Africa	23	0.01	29	0.01	29	0.01	119	0.06	28	0.01
Madagascar	13	0.01	2	-	5	-	-	-	3	-
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	73	0.04	-	-
Mongolia	-	-	-	-	22	0.01	28	0.01	16	0.01
Swaziland	17	0.01	-	-	16	0.01	1	-	2	-
China	11	0.01	6	-	3	-	7	-	2	-
Italy	6	-	16	0.01	64	0.03	7	-	24	0.01
Brunei	10	-	5	-	4	-	5	-	15	0.01
United States	3	-	5	-	1	-	4	-	1	-
Thailand	2	-	3	-	1	-	3	-	1	-
Japan	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
Spain	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botswana	7	-	2	-	8	-	15	0.01	15	0.01
Switzerland	1	-	12	0.01	-	-	-	-	2	-
India	8	-	2	-	17	0.01	58	0.03	18	0.01
Vietnam	12	0.01	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	-
Uganda	22	0.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others	95	0.05	270	0.13	57	0.02	82	0.04	95	0.04
Total	209,846	100.00	214,709	100.00	231,290	100.00	201,948	100.00	217,306	100.00

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The statistics of the above show that the percentage of through direct sources was 32 per cent while the registered sources take the rest 68 percent. During the year 2006 this was 30 percent and 70 percent respectively.

It is also very clear that, number of foreign employment through registered source, had been increased from 141,177 in 2006 to 146,031 in 2007.