

Arizona Migration Sources

The State of Arizona does not produce a migration product at this time. The information available for migration is sourced through the United State Census Bureau.

Migration and geographic mobility both refer to the movement of people from one location to another. *Migration* typically refers to moves that cross a boundary, such as a county or state line, and is either *domestic migration* (movement within the U.S.) or *international migration* (movement between the U.S. and other countries). *Mobility* includes both short and long-distance moves.

The Census Bureau collects, produces, and publishes a range of statistics on geographic mobility and migration using multiple data sources. For more information about these data sources and the types of data they produce on geographic mobility, see the Surveys/Programs page.

Another component that measures migration/geographic mobility is place of birth. Place of birth (domestic) focuses on the native population, as defined by the Census Bureau, includes U.S. residents who were born in the United States or an outlying area of the United States and U.S. residents who were born in a foreign country but who had at least one parent who was a U.S. citizen. All other residents of the United States are classified as foreign born.

Place of birth (domestic) data compares people's birth state with where they lived at the time of the survey. The data will provide a breakdown of the population for those born in state of residence; born in another state in the U.S.; Native, born outside the U.S.; and Foreign born by selected characteristics. Detailed information about the foreign-born is covered under citizenship and nativity.

-- United State Census Bureau

Currently, the Census Bureau offers migration data from the following main data sources:

- American Community Survey - See table: [S0701 Geographic Mobility](#) by Selected Characteristics in the United State
- Migration/Geographic Mobility – See Main page at: <http://www.census.gov/topics/population/migration.html>

Another source of data which uses IRS Tax information to research migration flows, the [Missouri Census Data Center](#) has a web application that will generate a migration profile with data regarding movement into and out of the chosen country based on tracking movement reflected in IRS tax returns in consecutive tax years. Please note that this data is not a one-hundred percent migration flow count, but can indicate a possible migration trend. It can be found at the following link:

- http://mcdc.missouri.edu/data/irsmig/Migration_Profiles/Arizona.html

Please be sure to read all the relevant documentation on this and the other datasets so that you understand the best way to view and use the data.