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Philippine migration and national development

■ The Philippines is mainly an out-migration country



1400's
trade with
China &
Mexico

Pre-World
War 150,000
plantation
workers to
Hawaii

1960's family
reunification
and jobs in
the US after
its
immigration
reforms

1970's to
date with
increased
mobility and
demand for
foreign
workers

8.579 million stock estimate of Filipinos abroad (2009)



4.056 M –
Permanent migrants

3.864 M -
Temporary migrants

658 thousand -
irregulars

Top Destinations



Permanent:

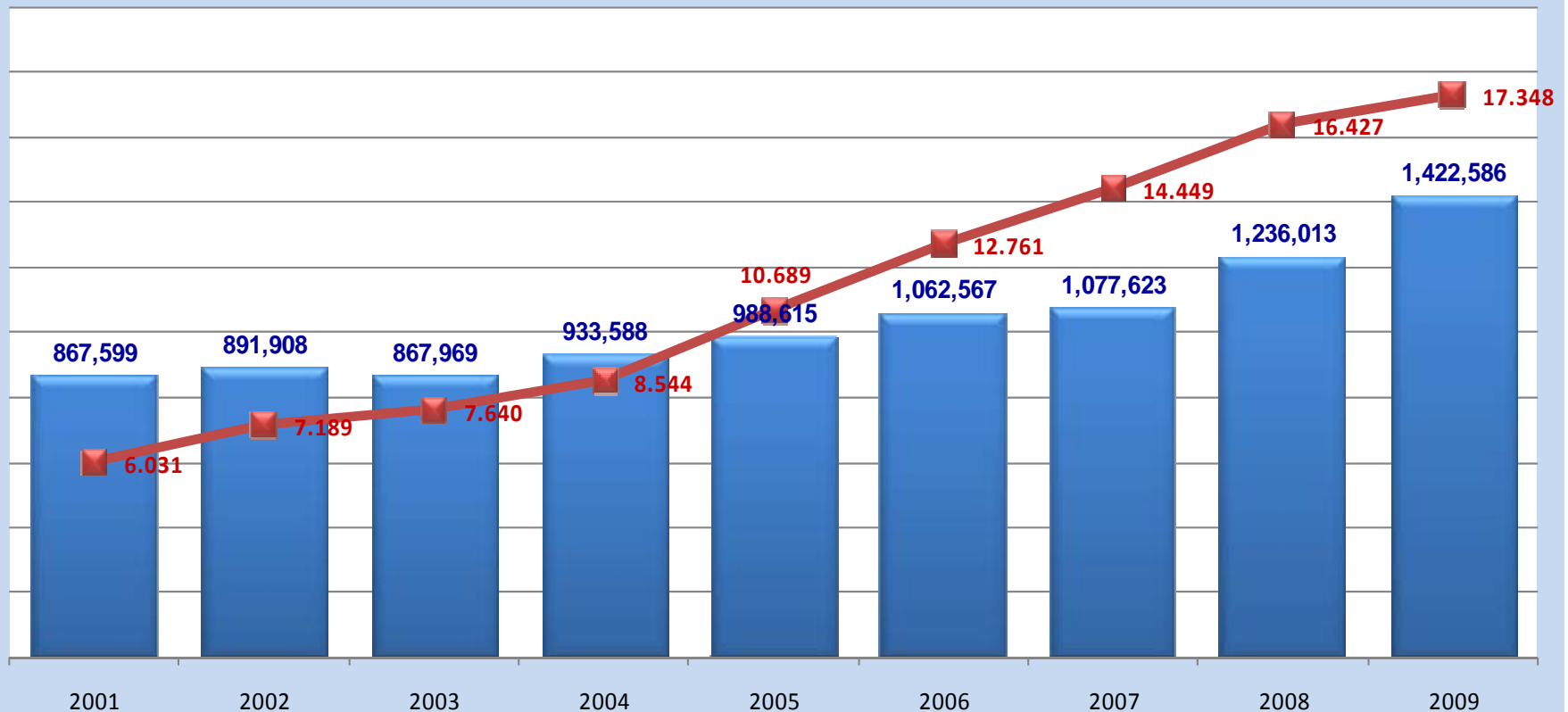
USA,
Australia,
Canada, Spain

Temporary:

KSA, UAE,
Qatar, Kuwait,
USA and HK

Migration is a key feature of the Philippine labour market

Deployment and
Remittances (in US\$ Billions)
2001-2009

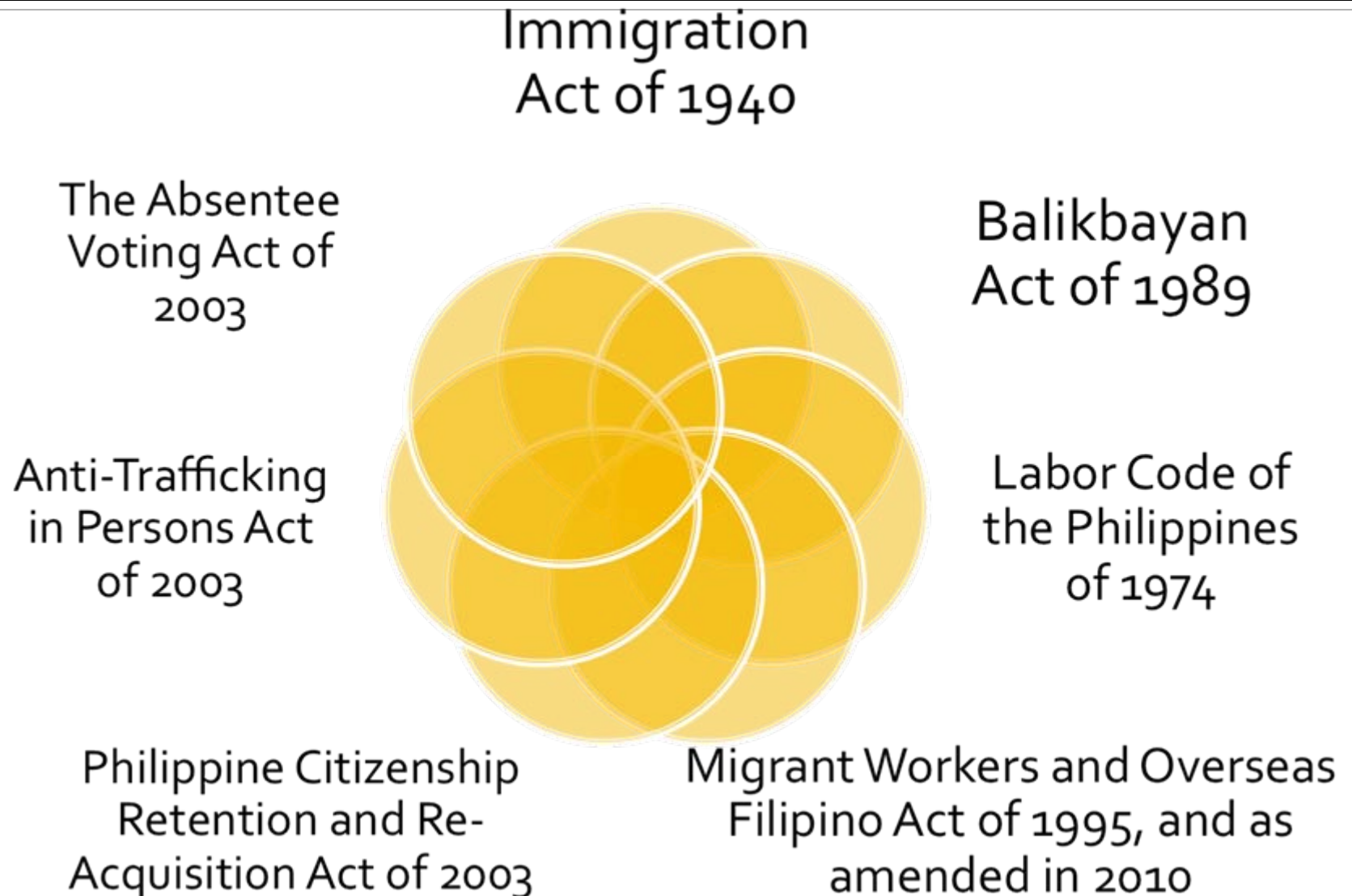


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An extensive network of government agencies on migration

- **Department of Foreign Affairs**
 - Philippine Embassies/ Mission
- **Department of Labor and Employment**
 - Philippine Overseas Employment Administration
 - Overseas Workers' Welfare Administration
 - 38 Philippine Overseas Labor Offices
 - **Bureau of Immigration**
- **Commission on Filipino Overseas**
 - **Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas**
 - **Department of Tourism**

An extensive institutional and legal framework



An extensive use of migration information for decision making

Figure - Overseas Employment: 1972-2004

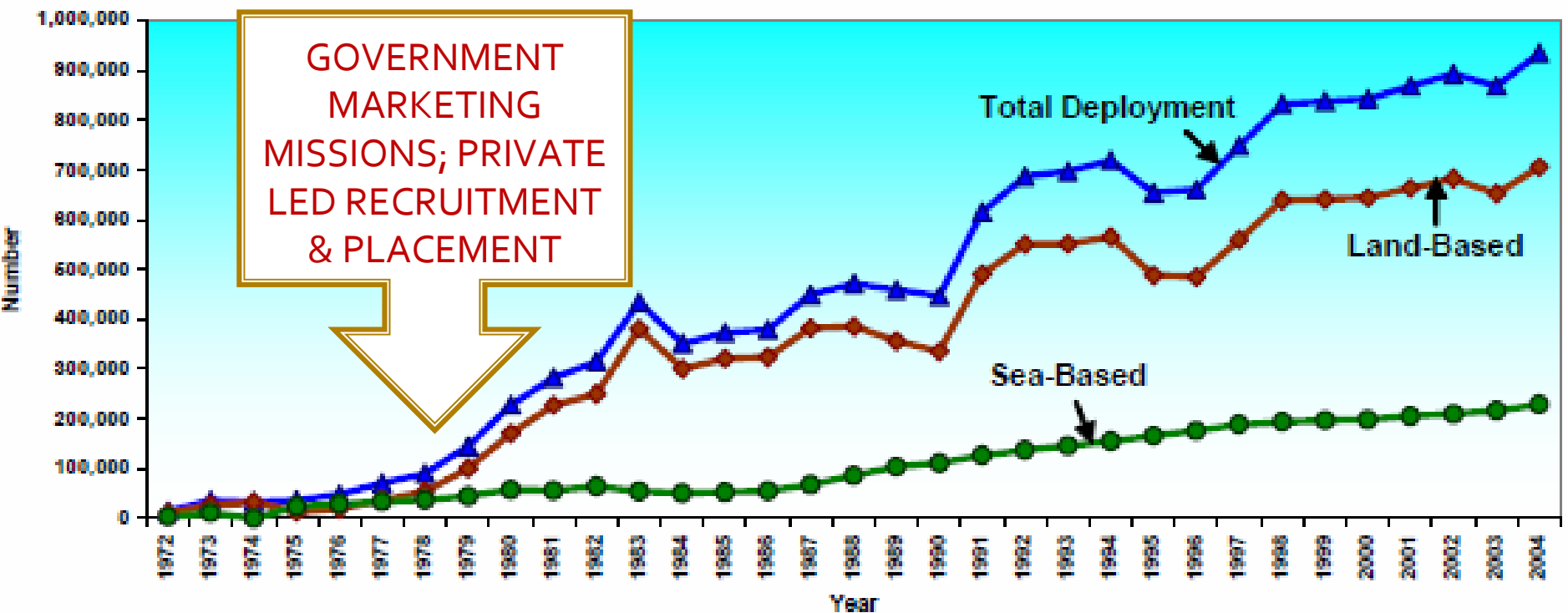
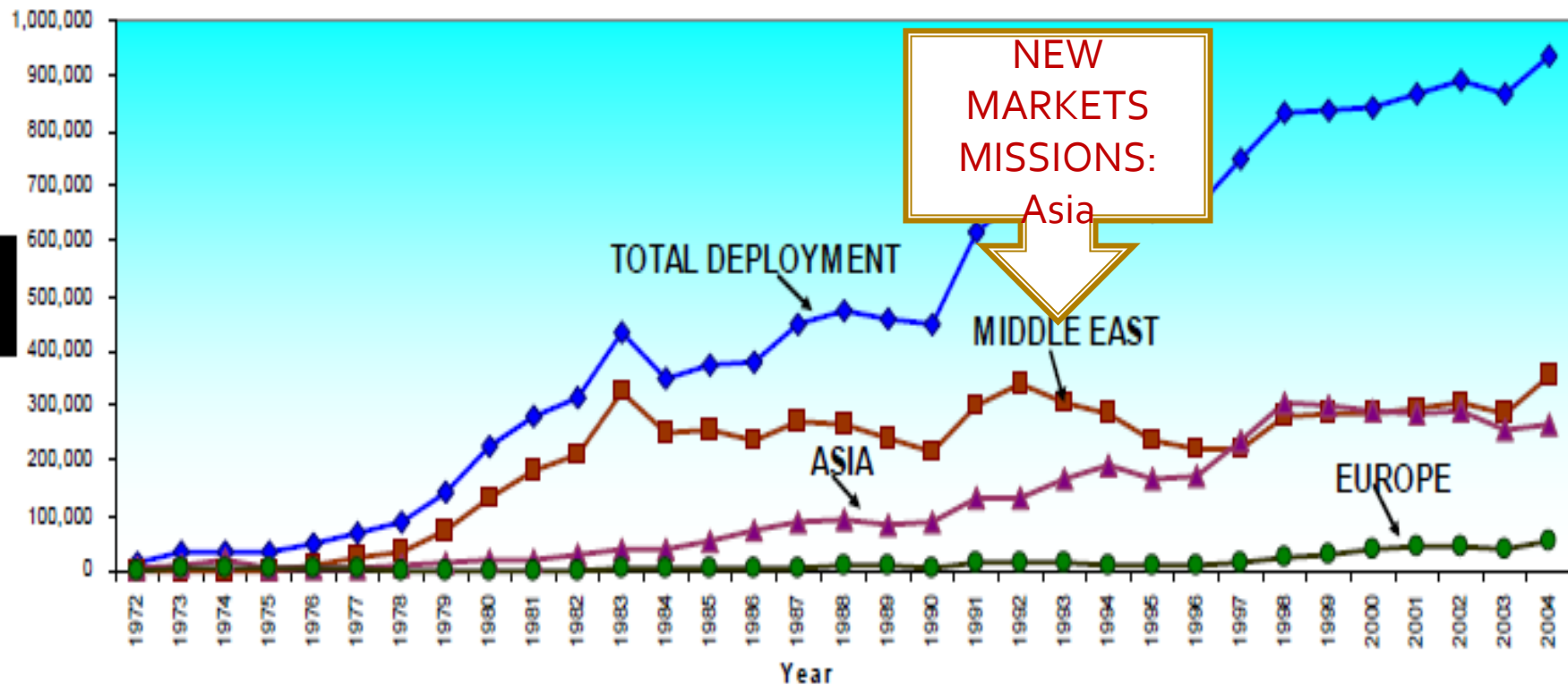


Figure OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR REGION OF DESTINATION: 1972-2004

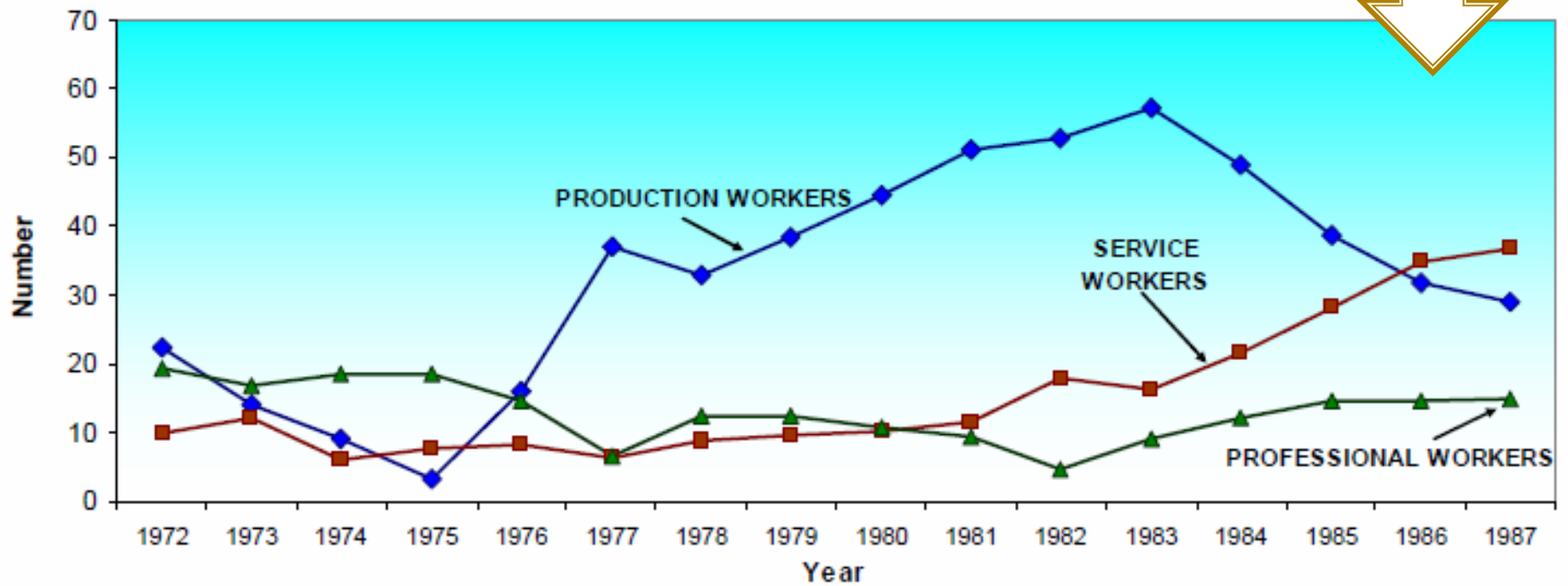


Increasing deployment =
Increasing welfare concerns:

- Establishment of Overseas Workers Welfare Administration and Philippine Overseas Labor Offices

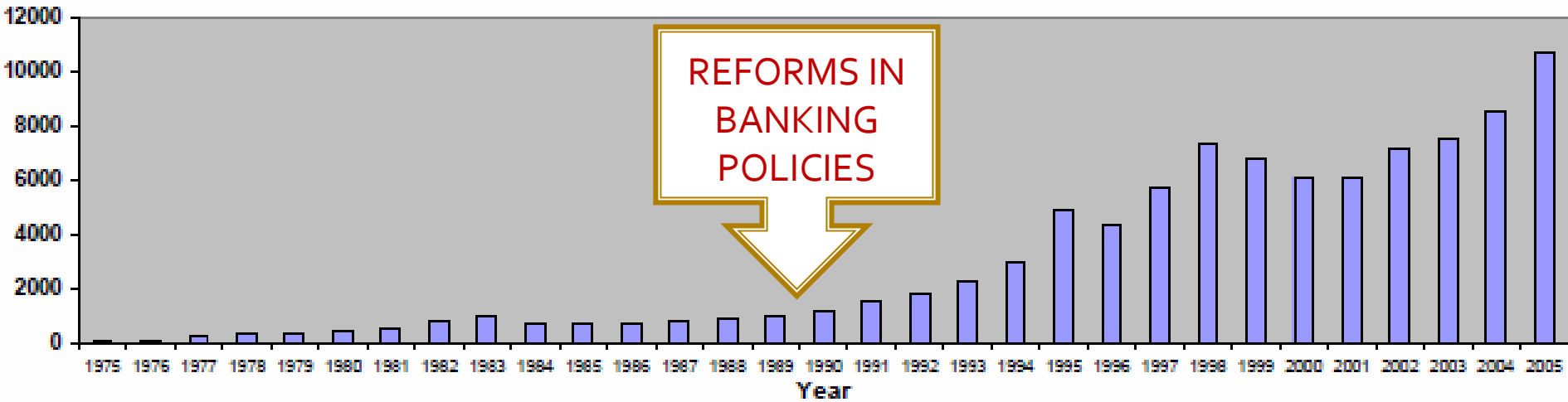
Figure 1 - PERCENT SHARE BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP TO TOTAL DEPLOYMENT: 1972-1987

SHIFT IN OCCUPATIONS



Annual Remittances Inflow, Philippines: 1975-2005

(in million US \$)



Laws that mandates data sharing and annual report of information on movement and conditions of Filipino nationals

- Government-shared Information System
- Semi-Annual Report to Congress

THE PHILIPPINE MIGRATION PROFILE: AN ONGOING PROCESS

Actions Taken

- **IOM's** technical expertise and assistance in drawing up the Philippine Migration Profile
- **Government** assessment of need for Migration Profile, identification of gaps and issues on implementation

- **Government** building up on its 50-year gain on data collection, integration, analysis and utilization for planning and policy making
- **Government** preparing to examine the broader context and impact of migration on development

- **International Organizations** providing technical cooperation and support
- **Government** doing consultative meetings to develop and plan the implementation of Migration Profile, based on social dialogue with its tripartite partners, stakeholders and partners