

ROMA MIGRATION TO → AND ← FROM CANADA → ←



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→ The migration and asylum seeking of Central Eastern European Roma to Canada started in the 1990s when several thousands of Roma moved to Canada. The factors impelling migration were social, political as well as economic. We could distinguish the pioneers from the laggards in the migration process. Pioneers were migrants who were from wealthier families and many had earlier migration experiences; they were the ones who would leave, come back, and some would try to leave again. The latter - the laggards - were often the failed migrants, those whose return left them in a more desperate situation than they had been in before leaving.