



AROUND 400,000 PAKISTANIS

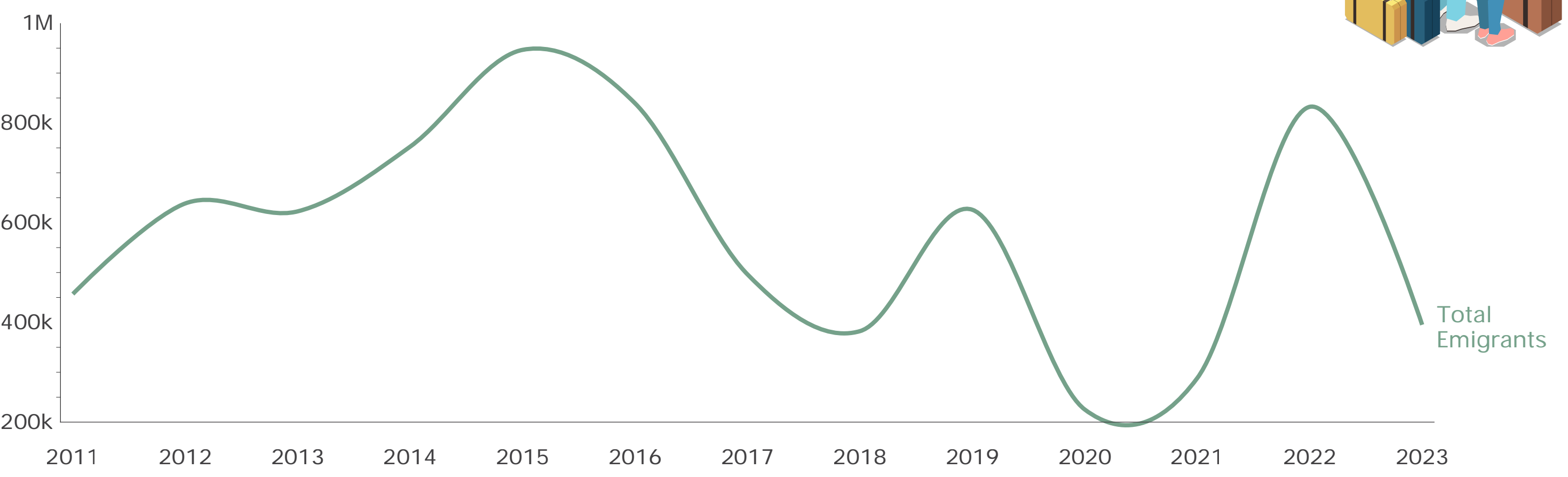
have sought opportunities abroad in 2023 so far, in a bout of mass emigration



Trend in Emigration (2011-2023)

The low cost of emigration makes the Middle East an attraction for unskilled labor in Pakistan.

No. of Emigrants

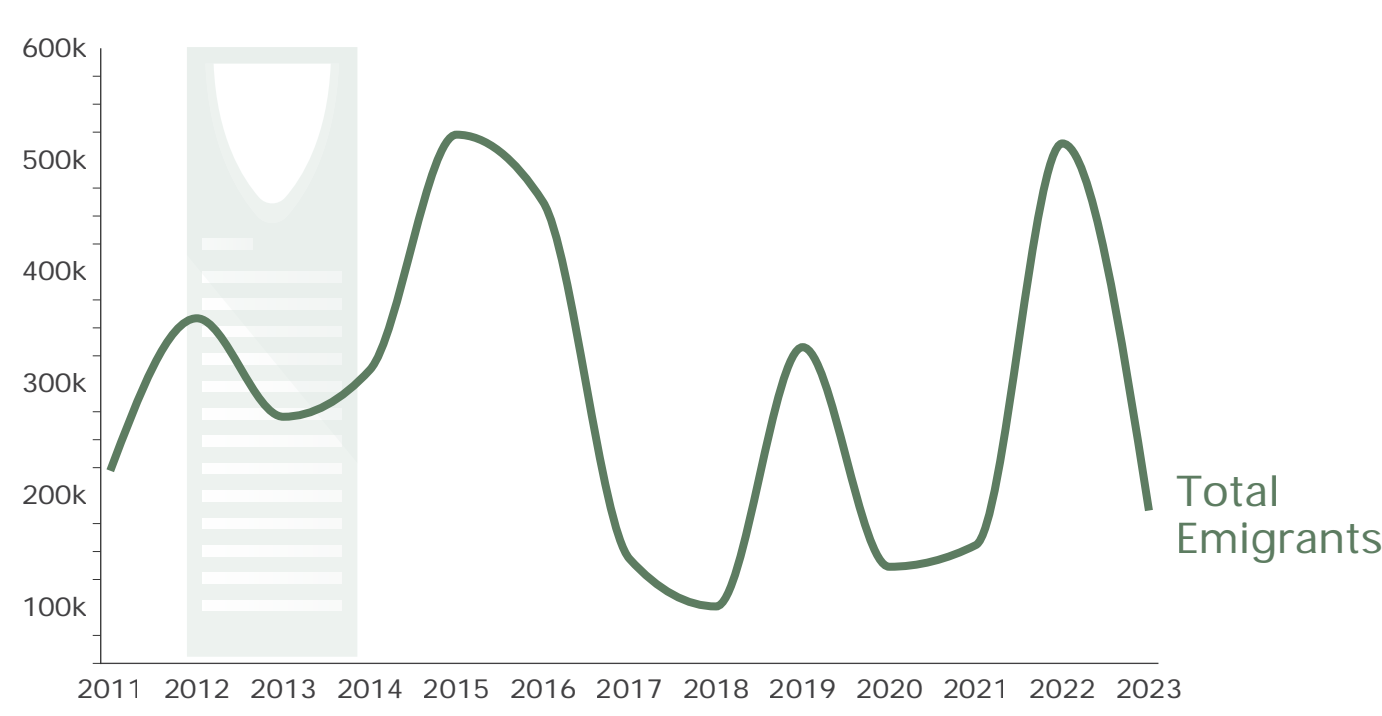


Source: Bureau of Emigration & Overseas Employment



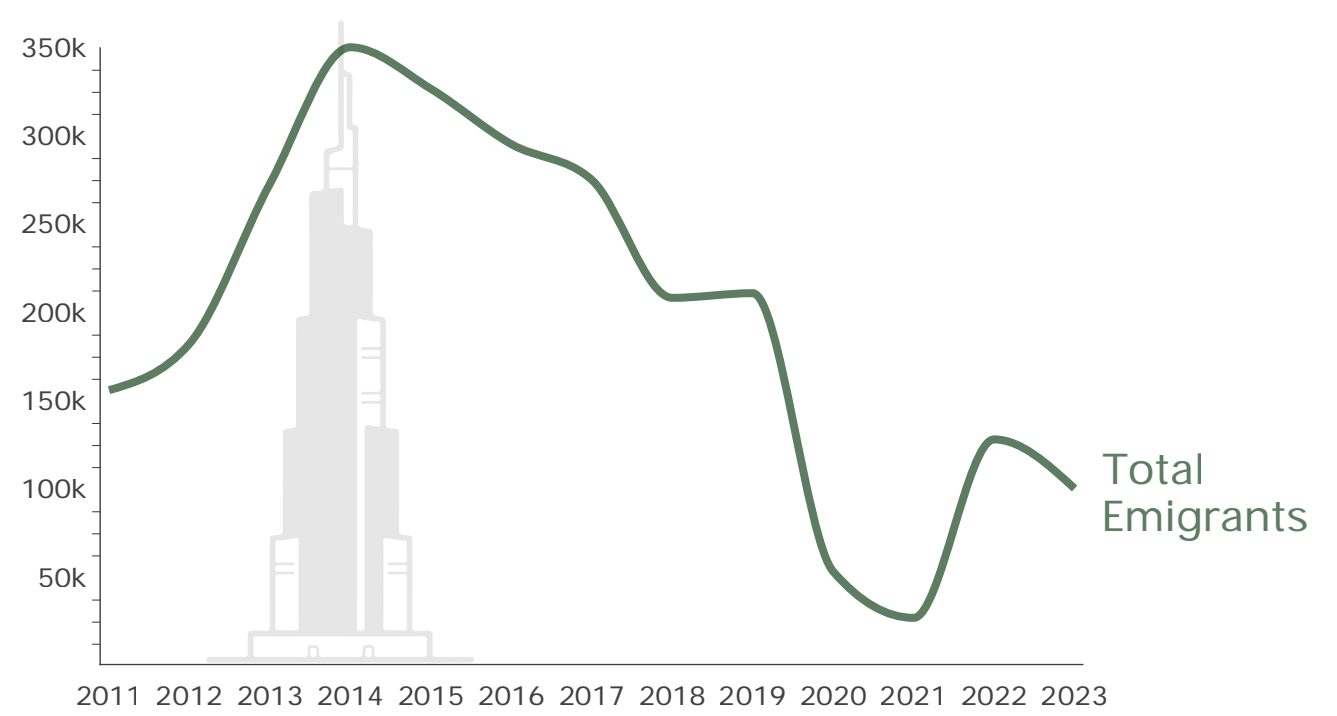
Saudi Arabia

No. of Emigrants to Saudi Arabia



UAE

No. of Emigrants to UAE

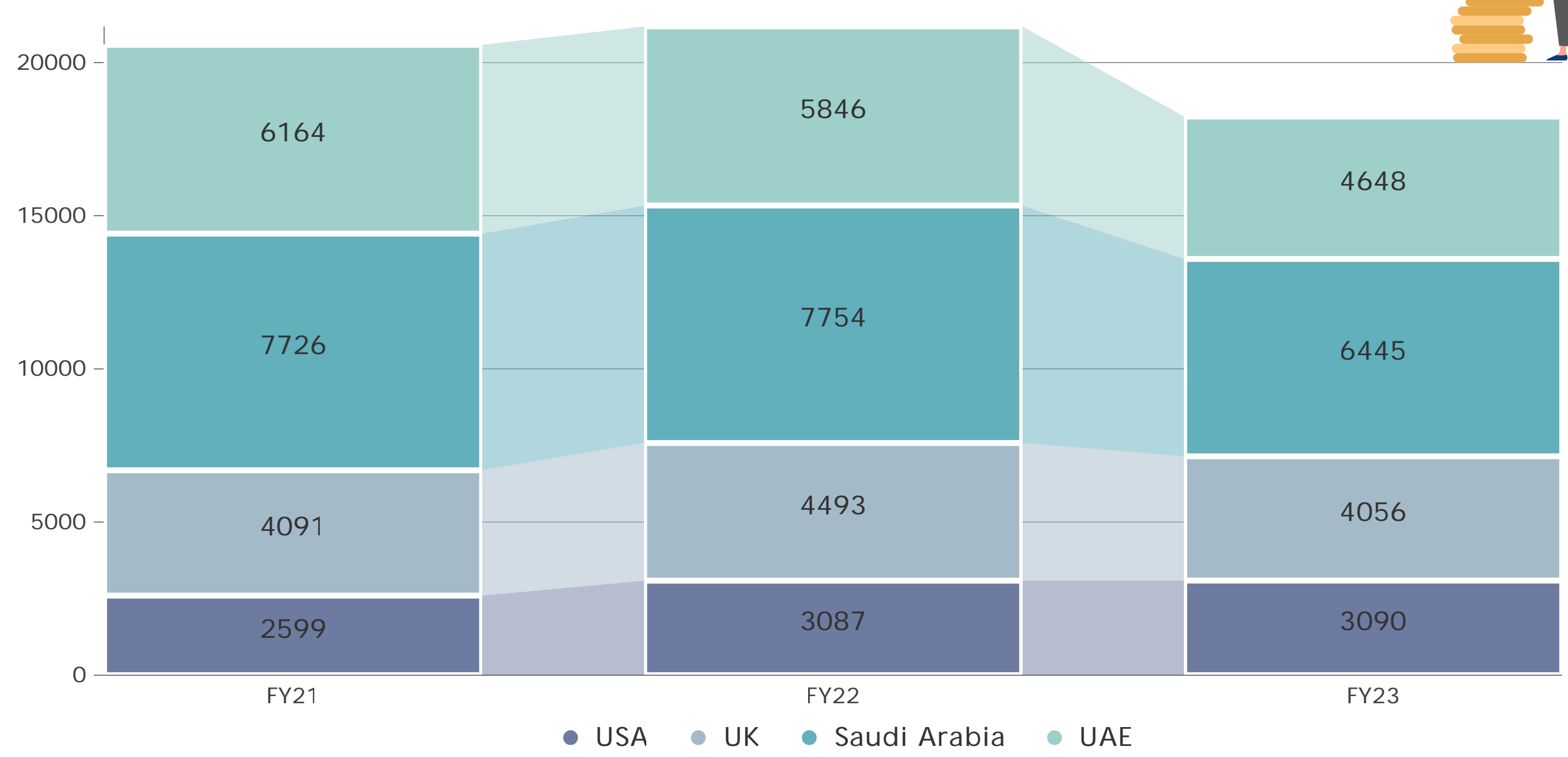


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Saudi Arabia Remains the Biggest Source

The trend is mirrored in the origin of remittances, with Saudi Arabia and the UAE taking the lead.

Million US\$

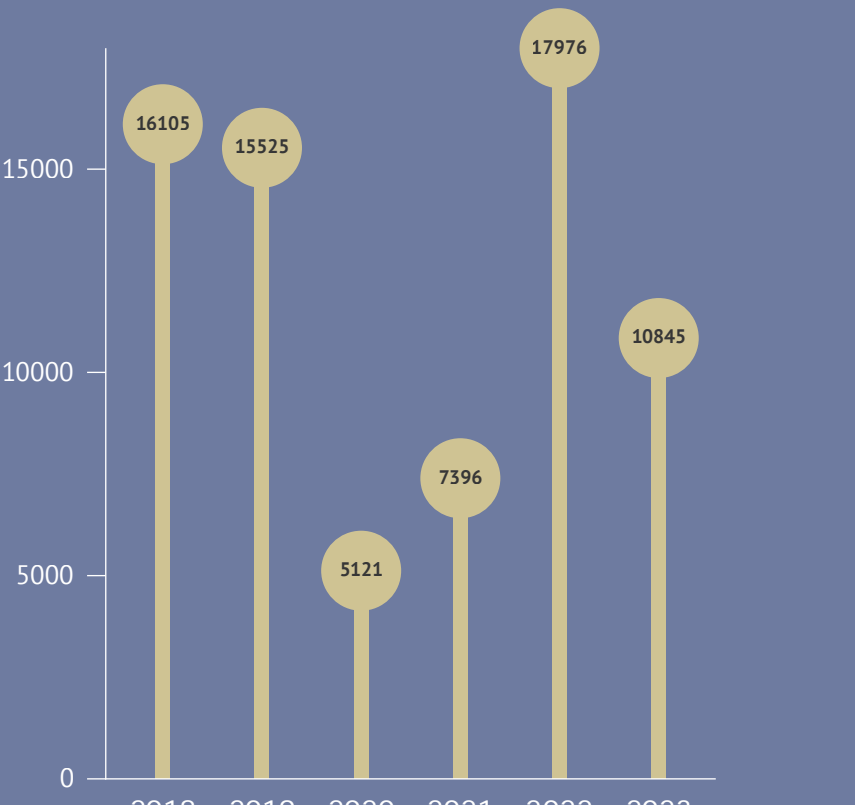


Source: State Bank of Pakistan

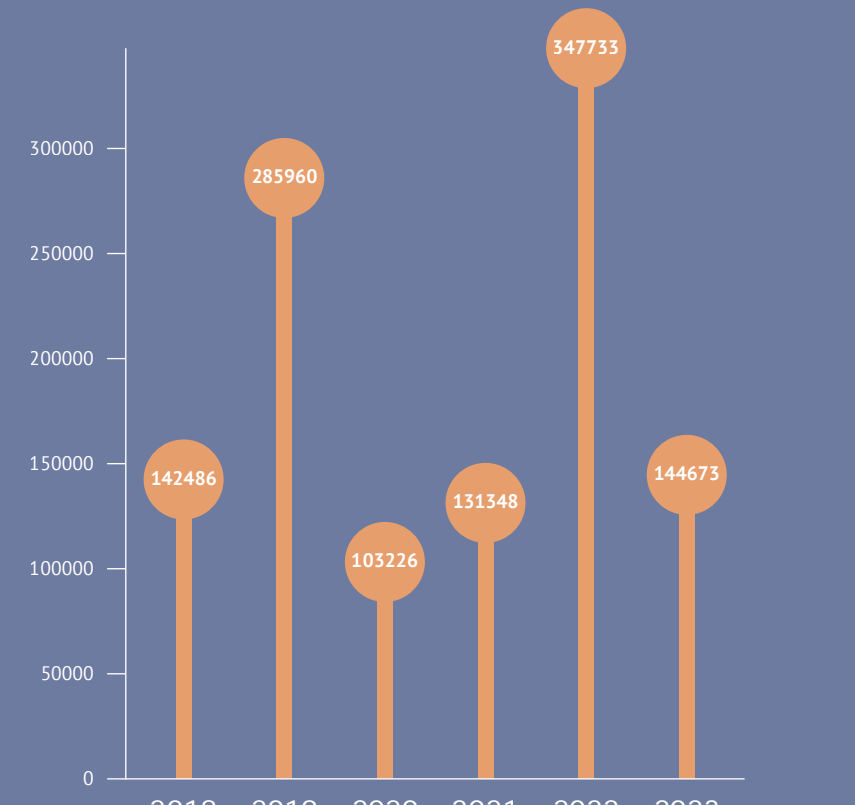
Emigrants by Skill (2018-2023)

A majority of the emigrants are unskilled, indicating a lack of human capital development in Pakistan

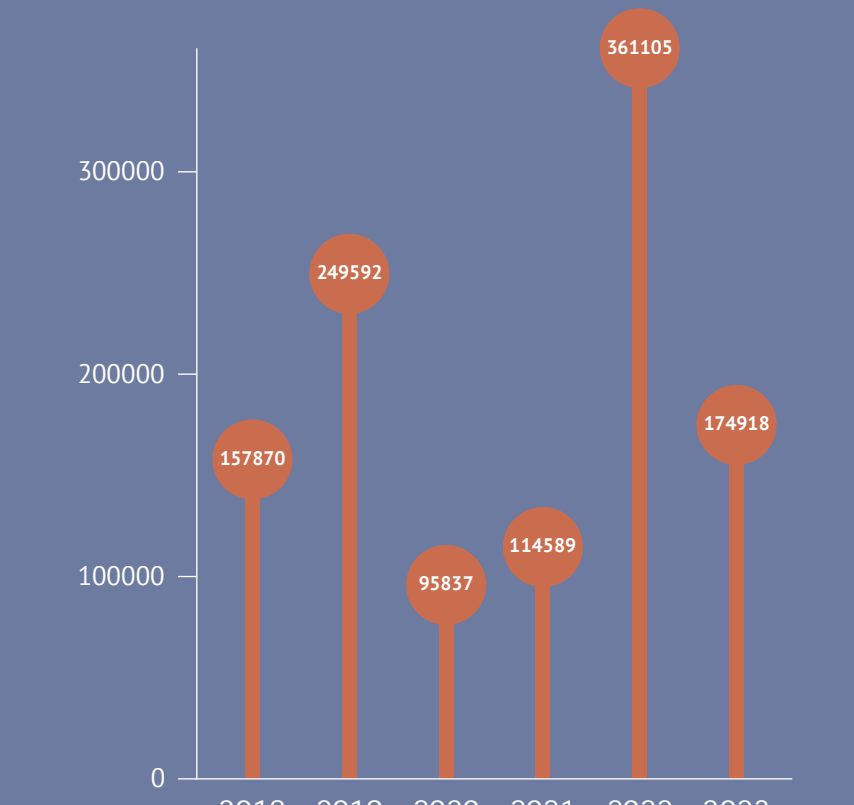
Highly Qualified



Skilled



Un-skilled



Source: Bureau of Emigration & Overseas Employment



The unemployment rate in Pakistan is estimated to be 7% in 2023.

Source: World Economic Outlook, IMF



Furthermore, 31% of university graduates are currently unemployed

Source: PIDE

Due to sky-high inflation in Pakistan, opportunities have diminished, leading people to seek employment elsewhere.

Pakistan's human capital score is significantly lower at **0.41** compared to the regional average of **0.48**, rendering Pakistanis less employable.

Source: Pakistan Human Capital Review, World Bank.



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