Population distribution and interregional migration in Kazakhstan

Abstract:
As a consequence of considerable regional disparities in socio–economic development the incidence of migration varies substantially between sections of the Kazakhstani population, between parts of the national territory and over time. In this diploma thesis we attempt to find out the recent evidence concerning variations in mobility within Kazakhstan and the way these variations have an effect on population distribution. The aim is to try to outline the major trends of migration between regions and determine main push and pull factors of the interregional migration, especially the case of rural to urban movements. Among the key features identified are the changing importance of the various spatial patterns of population localization and wide differential in migration propensities and patterns between people according to age and gender, position in the family, life cycle, occupation and education.

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