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## Internal and international migrations: opinion of the South Urals

*The presented article shows the results of implementation of the project «Ethno-demographic processes in the Asian Russia: the current situation, forecasts and risks» on the materials of the Chelyabinsk region. This region is one of the most densely populated, the regional center is a large Russian city with a million population. Significant industrial and scientific potential is concentrated on the territory of the South Urals, and the agro-industrial complex is highly developed. However, in recent years, there has been an intensive outflow of population from the region due to the deterioration of the environmental situation, as well as a tangible decline in the living standards. At the same time, immigrants from the Central Asia are playing more and more important positions in the regional labor market. Empirical basis of the study is the results of two sociological surveys (mass and student youth). Methodological framework of the article is the theory of mobility and transnationalism. These methods applied in combination have shown significant cognitive potential. They make it possible to understand the internal Russian and international migration as a complex scientific and practical problem interconnected with the dynamics of internal Russian migrations in general, and the functioning of the Eurasian migration system in particular. The results of sociological sections carried out clearly demonstrated that the Chelyabinsk region is losing its attractiveness for the life of population, which gives a tangible impetus to the growth of migration moods. This is especially true for the younger generation. At the same time, the population is increasingly showing a wary attitude towards migrants from the Central Asia in general, from Tajikistan in particular. Despite the fact that there are no obvious signs of intergroup hostility, there are certain aggravations in the relationship between the host and migrants*

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