FEATURES OF GEO-ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC CONDITIONS IN VOLYN REGION

Molchak Ya.O.
Doctor of Geographical Sciences, Professor,
Lutsk National Technical University

Androshchuk I.V.
Candidate of Agricultural Sciences, Associate Professor,
Lutsk National Technical University

Myskoves I.Ya.
Candidate of Geographical Sciences, Associate Professor,
Lutsk National Technical University

For the developing ways to improve relationships between society and economy, in this article, there is represented a complex of the researches, which are about the relationship of demographic and geo-economic potential, give a scientific assessment, and present theoretical-applied bases, approaches, and methods, territory planning schemes, in the modern conditions, is creating a prospective program of using the region territory on the basis of its optimal organization.

Today science, as well as all local community, should solve important problems of the transformation of demographic and economic problems so that, on the one hand, to increase the productivity of the economy, exploit the existing able-bodied potential, reduce the social, demographic, and environmental stresses.

Development of new approaches and relationships between man and production and at the same time the formation of the new mechanism is due to geo-economic development and balanced functioning of natural and industrial potential in the region.

The population of the region on 01.01.2014 was 1041.3 people (2.3% of the population in Ukraine) including 543.7 people or 52.2% of the urban population or 47.8% of the rural population.

Almost 72% of the population is concentrated in the central and southern parts of the region where the density reaches 76 persons per 1 square km (the average for Ukraine – 75 people). The northern part of Volyn is populated less 22–36 people per 1 square km, and the average for the region, the figure is 52 people per 1 square km.

Among the regions, the most populous town is Lutsk (5000 people per 1 square km); the least populated is Turiysk area (22 people per 1 square km).

There are 1087 settlements in Volyn region, including: urban settlements – 33, rural settlements – 1054. The administrative and territorial system of the region is, in general, typical for Ukraine. Regions are in most similar to each other but they are completely differentiated by the population and population density. Low urbanization and low population density especially of peripheral areas create additional problems of regional development, which are connected with the limited manpower, spreading local governments and institutions that provide services to the local population.