

What migration is?

Word „migration” derives from latin word *migratio* and means territorial movement of country or region inhabitants.



The reasons of migration

- economical- the change of the living place is caused by need to improve living conditions.
- non-economic:
 - political - migration caused by war, authorities oppression, change of political borders, a new state creation;
 - religious- migration is caused by religious persecution;
 - social - migration is caused by peoples' need to change social environment;
 - family reasons - the change is a result of family reunion, marriage;
 - other - natural disasters (flood, draught, volcanic eruption)

In Poland, the most frequent reason of migration is a job search (economical reason)

People migrate because:

- They are looking for a better job opportunity
- They leave for educational reasons (studies)



environmental migrants

people who are forced to leave their home region due to sudden or long-term changes to their local environment.



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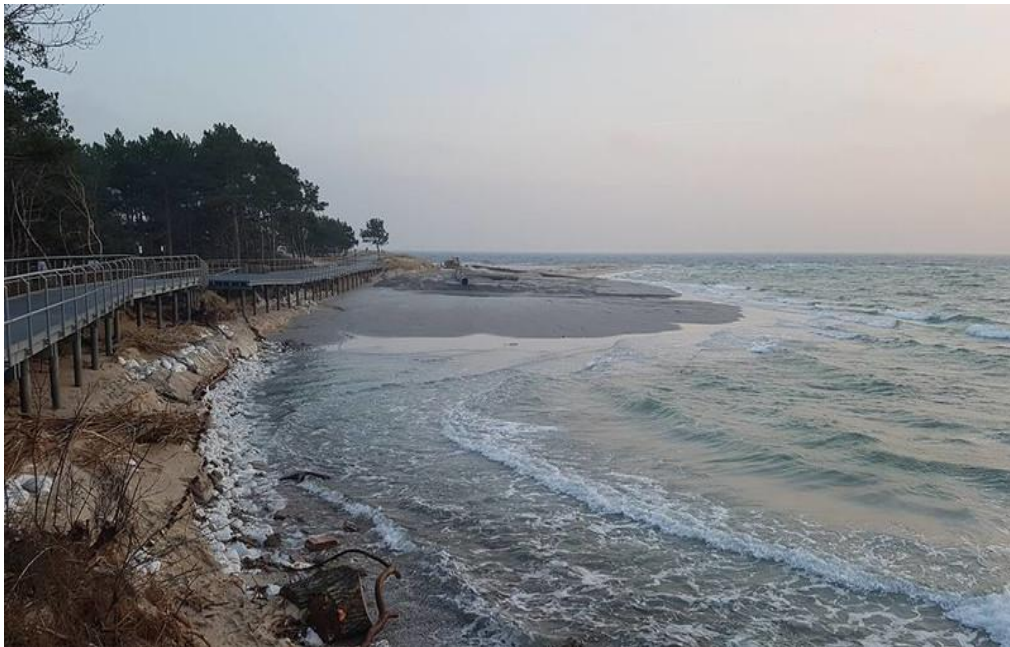
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environmental migration in Poland

- Baltic Sea takes beaches and seaside areas. Erosion systematically affects whole coast and more than a half of it is affected intensively. In some places half of a metre of the land is taken by the sea every year.
- Actions are taken to protect the shore against the expansive sea.





Silesia region

- Silesia region is an area of vastly degraded natural environment, caused mostly by intensive exploitation and following it processing of natural resources (coal), industrial development, transportation and urban development.

Air pollution, sanitation and industrial sewage, heavy metals soil pollution and other environmental issues cause increase in frequency of lungs and cancer diseases.

People migrate from this area because of:

- air and water pollution;
- soil pollution (farming hardship);
- health issues.







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