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## Psychological research of age characteristics, valuable sphere of titular ethnos of Kazakhstan

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### Abstract

To date, the psychological literature can be found few studies of ethnic values of the titular ethnic group of Kazakhstan as a whole, and ethnic values of other nations. On the one hand, a small number of studies valuable sphere of the titular ethnic group in Kazakhstan in psychology associated with the recent history of Kazakhstan; on the other hand, it's associated with the objective difficulties of objective measurement of value sphere, which is most often studied in philosophy, cultural studies, and anthropology, using descriptive or qualitative approaches. Novelty of this work is due to poorly understood and the lack of experimental data regarding ethnic values of titular ethnic group in Kazakhstan. The methods used: value questionnaire (VQ) of Schwarz, method of studying the value orientations of M. Rokeach, modification of Kuhn technique "Who am I?". The results of diagnostic value sphere of different age groups of the titular ethnic group in Kazakhstan showed  $U_{critical} = 1010$  for  $p \leq 0,05$ ,  $U_{critical} = 912$  for  $p \leq 0,01$ . This shows the generality of these indicators of valuable sphere of Kazakhs, regardless of age. For youth Kazakhs values-goals more associated with social success and recognition than for adult Kazakhs, whose values-goals are related to health and family:  $t_{critical} = 2,00$  for  $p \leq 0,05$ ,  $t_{critical} = 2,66$  for  $p \leq 0,01$ ,  $t_{critical} = 3,46$  for  $p \leq 0,001$ . In general, summarizing the results of the comparative analysis of the features of valuable sphere of youth and adult Kazakhs, it should be noted as having similarities and significant differences of values. Formation of national identity based on values is a long process, which is definitely for the period beginning Kazakhstan's recent history has not been completed.

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## 1. Introduction

At present research of values of the titular ethnic group is regarded as one of the most important and topical areas of ethnic psychology.

Despite numerous studies of this problem, unified approach has not yet formed to the interpretation of the concept of ethnic values.

In our work, we take the view of U.V. Chernyavskaya, who understand the ethnic values as a set of attitudes, orientations, ideals, purposes, and cultural traditions that members of the ethnic group consider as the most characteristic and important for them and, ultimately, for human destiny in general.

Over the long history of its development the Kazakh people have created their own traditions and customs that have been passed down from generation to generation, contributing to the establishment of its ethical values and value sphere as a whole.

The need for communication among the Kazakhs is a spiritual, life-purpose need and value, satisfying this need is a mental health condition. Nomad gave a kind of mandate for descendants: "If you meet a person, gladden him, maybe you see him for the last time." This mandate reflects the value of genuine hospitality of the Kazakhs.

Vividly describes the nomadic Kazakhs mentality tradition of hospitality.

In the Kazakh mentality the self-knowledge of the person is inseparable from human identity him as the representative of the community, clan or tribe. In the system of values of Kazakhs concept of "Ata Meken", "Ata konys" (tribal territory) occupy a central place.

Speaking of ethnic values, it should be noted that there is a special term "ethnophor", denoting a particular individual as a carrier of ethnic consciousness.

Various classifications of ethnic values present in ethnic psychology.

One of the first studies to apply mathematical methods to the study of values is a study in the early 60s. by F. Kluckhohn and F. Strodbek, exploring variants of cultural dominants, which may be expressed in different ways and at different levels of social life and rooted in basic values, which is the main characteristic of culture that distinguish it from any other.

Our research is devoted to the problem of research of valuable sphere of representatives of youth and adulthood titular ethnos of Kazakhstan. Thus they are as differences as well as similarities in the value field, due to various economic and socio-cultural conditions of formation of their national identity.

## 2. Methods

In our study there were compared the characteristics of value spheres of different age groups of the titular ethnos of Kazakhstan under develop standardized complex of techniques, allowing holistically consider various indicators of valuable sphere, including studies of the governing principles of life and the value of their importance, values-goals and values-tools, internal conflict or internal vacuum between the availability and importance of values, the values of belonging to a national group.

The purpose of the research was to study the value sphere of representatives of youth and adulthood age titular ethnic group in Kazakhstan.

The study involved 100 representatives of the titular ethnic group of Kazakhstan (50 Kazakhs aged 20 - 30 years (group 1), and 50 Kazakhs in age from 31 to 55 years (group 2).

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## 3. Results of research

Consider the results of the diagnostic of value sphere for each procedure in groups 1 and 2, and compare the results by statistical criteria such as the U-Mann-Whitney test and t-test for independent samples.

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