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# ECONOMIC SECURITY OF THE REGION IN THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

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Abstract. The region's economic security is an integral element of the country's economic security, since the region, being a single socio-economic territorial entity, at the same time is a part of the socio-economic system of the whole state, which implies the need to maintain a balance, regional and national interests' equality. In this article, the author develops the theoretical aspects of ensuring the region's economic security on the example of the Tambov region. The "economic security of the region" definition analysis available in the scientific literature is presented, their shortcomings are identified, and the author's definition is proposed, designed to overcome these shortcomings. The available methods, criteria and indicators for assessing the regional economic security's level are analyzed, it is revealed that the proposed methods do not contain evidence-based threshold values of economic security indicators. Threats to the economic security of the Tambov region in the social, economic and environmental spheres have been identified; threats are identified, the prevention of which is of paramount importance for the regional economy. It is noted that the transition to digital transformation, which consists in the public services range formation for the consumer of the economic system, is of particular importance for ensuring the region's economic security.

**Keywords:** economic security; threats; regional security; digital transformation; indicators of economic security.

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