Information Guide

Poland

A guide to information sources on the Republic of Poland.

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- **Poland – External / Internal / Regions**

**General information**

- Poland: [Government portal](#)
- European Union: European Countries: [Poland](#)
- United Nations: Data: Country Profiles: [Poland](#)
- Wikipedia: [Poland](#)
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Country profile: [Poland](#)
- United States: CIA: World Factbook: [Poland](#)
- United States: Department of State: [Poland](#)
- BBC News: Country Profiles: [Poland](#)
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: [Poland](#)
- The Guardian: World news: [Poland](#)
- Google: Search for websites on [Poland](#)
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: [Poland](#)
- UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies Library: [Internet resources on Poland](#)

**Agricultural information**

- Poland: [Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development](#) (Ministerstwo Rolnictwa i Rozwoju Wsi)
- European Commission: DG Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural Development Plans 2016-2020: [Poland](#)
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development: [Poland](#)
- AgroWeb Poland: [Homepage](#)
- FAO: Country profile: [Poland](#)
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: [Poland](#)
- Organic Europe: Organic farming in European Countries: [Poland](#)

**Competition policy information**

- Poland: [Office for Competition and Consumer Protection](#) (Urząd Ochrony Konkurencji i Konsumentów)
- OECD: Competition: [Poland](#)
- CUTS International: Competition Regimes in the World: [Poland](#)

**Culture and language information**

- Poland: [Ministry of Culture and National Heritage](#) (Ministerstwo Kultury i Dziedzictwa Narodowego)
- European Commission: Programmes: Creative Europe: Tools: Creative Europe Desks: [Poland](#)
- CRAMLAP: [Celtic, Regional and Minority Languages Abroad Project](#) [select language provision]
- Council of Europe/ERICarts: Cultural Policies in Europe: [Poland](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: [Poland](#)
- SIL International: Ethnologue: [Languages of Poland](#)
- University of the Highlands and the Islands: [European Minority Languages](#)
Defence and security information

- Poland: Ministry of National Defence (Ministerstwo Obrony Narodowej)
- Poland: Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Poland to NATO: Poland in NATO

Economic information

- ESO: Poland: Economic situation
- Poland: Ministry of Finance (Ministerstwo Finansów)
  - Ministry of Tresury (Ministerstwo Skarbu Państwa)
  - Ministry of Economic Development (Ministerstwo Rozwoju)
- Poland: National Bank
- European Commission: Europe 2020 in Poland
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
  - Economies of the Member States: Poland
  - Assessment of Convergence Programmes 2017
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Europe 2020: Measuring performance:
  Country Factsheets: Poland
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: Taxation and customs duties in Poland
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development: EBRD in Poland
- International Monetary Fund: Poland and the IMF
- OECD: Country List: Poland
- UNIDO: Country profile: Poland
- WTO: Poland and the WTO

Education information

- Poland: Ministry of Science and Higher Education (Ministerstwo Nauki i Szkolnictwa Wyższego)
- Poland: Ministry of National Education (Ministerstwo Edukacji Narodowej) (in Polish)
- Council of Europe/European Union: Youth Partnership: Knowledge / EKCYP: Countries: Background information on youth policy: Poland
- European Commission: Education & training: Study in Europe: European Higher Education in Poland
- European Commission: Programmes: Erasmus+: Tools: National agency in Poland
- Eurydice: Eurypedia - The European Encyclopedia on National Education Systems: Poland
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Education [select topic then country]
- Council of Europe/UNESCO/European Commission: ENIC: Country profiles: Poland
- OECD: Education: Poland
- UNESCO Institute for Statistics: Education in Poland
- World Bank: EdStats: Summary Education Profile
- EuroEducation: European Education Directory: Education System in Poland
- Wikipedia: Education in Poland
Employment information

- Poland: Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy (Ministerstwo Pracy i Polityki Społecznej)
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: Poland
- European Commission: EURES: Living & Working: Poland
- Eurofound: Home: Observatories: European Observatory of Working Life - EurWORK: Industrial relations country profiles: Poland
- European Trade Union Institute: Reforms Watch: Poland
- European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations: Poland
- Federation of European Employers: Pay and working conditions across Europe: Poland
- OECD: Key Employment Statistics: Poland
- International Labour Organization: NATLEX: Country

Energy information

- Poland: Energy Regulatory Office (Urząd Regulacji Energetyki)
- European Commission: DG Energy:
  - Energy Figures by Country
  - Energy Statistical Pocketbook
  - National Renewable Energy Action Plan: Poland
- European Commission: ManagEnergy: Energy Agencies in Poland
- International Energy Agency:
  - Countries: Poland
  - Statistics and Balances: Poland
- United States: Energy Information Administration: Poland

Environmental information

- Poland: Ministry of the Environment (Ministerstwo Środowiska) [pol]
- Poland: Chief Inspectorate of Environmental Protection
- European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE: Poland
- European Environment Agency:
  - EIONET - European Environment Information and Observation Network: Poland
  - SERIS - State of the Environment Reporting Information System: Poland
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: Poland
- FAO: Country Profiles: Poland
- OECD: Environment: Poland
- Friends of the Earth International: Poland
- Greenpeace: Poland

European policies and relations with the European Union

- Poland: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Poland: National Bank of Poland: Cooperation with the EU
- Poland: National Bank of Poland: SORBNET – EURO system
- Poland: National Bank of Poland: EURO [in Polish]
- Poland: Permanent Representation to the European Union
- European Union: Member Countries: Poland
- European Union: Europe Direct Information Network: [Poland](https://europa.eu)  
- European Commission: Representation in [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu) [in Polish]  
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:  
  - Economies of the Member States: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
  - [Poland and the Euro](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Cohesion policy: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- European Investment Bank: Finance Contracts Signed in: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- OECD: [Poland](https://www.oecd.org)  
  - Poland: Permanent delegation to the OECD  
- OSCE: [Poland](https://www.osce.org)  
  - Poland: Permanent delegation to the OSCE

**Geographic information and maps**

- FAO: Forestry Country Information Maps: [Poland](https://www.fao.org)  
- Lonely Planet: Map of [Poland](https://www.lonelyplanet.com)  
- Maps of the World: [Poland](https://www.mapsoftheworld.com)  
- University of Texas: Perry-Castañeda Library: Map Collection: [Poland](https://www.lib.utexas.edu)  

**Health information**

- Poland: [Ministry of Health](https://www.gov.pl)  
- European Commission: DG Health and Food Safety: Public health: [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):  
  - Country Overview: [Poland](https://www.emcdda.europa.eu)  
  - Legal Profile: [Poland](https://www.emcdda.europa.eu)  
  - Drug treatment profiles: [Poland](https://www.emcdda.europa.eu)  
  - National drugs strategies: [Poland](https://www.emcdda.europa.eu)  
- OECD: Health: [Poland](https://www.oecd.org)  
- World Health Organization:  
  - Countries: [Poland](https://www.who.int)  
  - Regional Office for Europe: [Poland](https://www.who.int)  
  - European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: [Poland](https://www.who.int)  

**Human rights information**

- Poland: [Commissioner for Human Rights](https://www.gov.pl)  
- Council of Europe:  
  - European Social Charter: National Reports: [Poland](https://www.coe.int)  
  - European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: [Poland](https://www.coe.int)  
- European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI): Report on [Poland](https://ec.europa.eu)  
- European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on Country  
- European Court of Human Rights:  
  - Country Profiles: [Poland](https://www.coe.int)  
  - Violation by Article and by State 1959-2015  
  - Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010
• United Nations:
  o Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: OHCHR in [Poland]
  o RefWorld: Country Information Collection: [Poland]
• United States: Department of State:
• Amnesty International: Country Report: [Poland]
• Human rights Watch: [Poland] [2015]
• Reporters Without Borders: Freedom of Information in [Poland]

**Intellectual property information**

• Poland: [Patent Office](Urząd Patentowy Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej)[pol]
• European Patent Office: Patent Information Centre: [Poland]
• World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member States: [Poland]

**Investment information**

• Poland: [Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency](Polska Agencja Informacji i Inwestycji Zagranicznych S.A.)
• Poland: [Trade and Investment Promotion Sections of Polish Ambassies]
• OECD: Investment: [Poland]
• OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: [Poland]
• World Bank: Countries and Economies: [Poland]
• United Kingdom: UK Trade & Investment: Country Profile: [Poland]
• United States Commercial Service: Doing business in [Poland]

**Justice and home affairs information**

• Poland: [Ministry of Justice](Ministerstwo Sprawiedliwości)
• Poland: [Ministry of Interior](Ministerstwo Spraw Wewnętrznych)
• European Commission: DG Justice: Data Protection: [Poland documents]
• European Commission: DG Home Affairs: European Web Site on Integration: [Governance / Indicators: Poland]
• Council of Europe:
  o European Commission for Democracy through Law/Venice Commission: Documents on [Poland]
  o Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): [Evaluation and Compliance Reports: Poland]
• OECD: Bribery and Corruption: [Poland]
• United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: [Poland]
• University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: Countries: [Poland]

**Living and Working Information**

• Poland: [Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy](Ministerstwo Rodziny, Pracy i Polityki Społecznej)
• European Commission: DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion: EURES: Living & Working: [Poland]
• European Commission: DG Press and Communication: [Your Europe]
• European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working conditions:
  o [Homepage](#)
  o European Working Conditions Observatory (EWCO): [Poland](#)
• United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Travel and Living Abroad: [Poland](#)
• United States: State Department: Bureau of European & Eurasian Affairs: Country reports: [Poland](#)
• JustLanded.com: Living, Working or Studying in [Poland](#)

**Media information**

• Poland: [National Broadcasting Council](#) (Krajowa Rada Radiofonii i Telewizji)
• European Broadcasting Union (EBU): [Broadcasting Organisations](#)
• European Journalism Centre: Media Landscape: [Poland](#)
• ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: [Poland](#)
• Guardian News & Media Ltd: World News Guide: [Poland](#)
• Newslink: European newspapers: [Poland](#)
• Onlinenewspapers.com: [Poland](#)
• Radiomap.eu: Radio Stations in [Poland (Warsaw)](#) [in Polish]

**Political information (including Elections)**

• ESO: Poland: [Political situation](#)
• ESO: Poland: Political situation: [Elections](#)
• Poland: [Government portal](#)
• Poland: [Constitution](#)
• Poland: [Cabinet and Ministers](#)
• Poland: [Press Office](#)
• Poland: [Parliament (Lower Chamber) – Sejm](#)
• Poland: [Parliament (Higher Chamber) – Senate](#)
• Poland: [President](#)
• Poland: [Prime Minister](#)
• Poland: [National Election Commission](#) [in Polish]
• Bertelsmann Stiftung: Sustainable Governance Indicators: [2016](#)
• OECD: Public governance: [Poland](#)
• OECD: Regulatory reform: [Poland](#)
• International Foundation for Electoral Systems: Election Guide: [Poland](#)
• NCCR Democracy: [Democracy Barometer: Poland](#)
• Parties and Elections in Europe: [Poland](#)
• United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: [Poland](#)
• Wikipedia: [Politics of Poland](#)
• Wikipedia: Elections in [Poland](#)

**Public management information**

• Poland: [Institute of Public Affairs](#) (Instytut Spraw Publicznych)
• European Commission: Interoperability Solutions for European Public Administrations (ISA): Joinup:
  o Communities: National Interoperability Framework Observatory (Nifo): [eGovernment Factsheets: Poland](#)
• European Data Portal: Reports: [Poland](#)
• OECD: Public Governance: [Poland](#)
R&D information

- Poland: Ministry of Science and Higher Education (Ministerstwo Nauki i Szkolnictwa Wyższego)
- Poland: Ministry of National Education [pol] (Ministerstwo Edukacji Narodowej)
- European Commission: Community Research and Development Information Service (CORDIS): National R&D Information Service: Poland [Archived]
- European Commission: CORDIS: Projects and Results: Poland
- European Commission: DG Research & Innovation:
  - European Research 2004-2009: Poland
  - Participants Portal: National Contact Points: Poland
- European Commission: Innovation Union:
- European Commission: DG Growth: Industry: Innovation:
  - European Innovation Scoreboard: Poland
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Poland
- OECD: Innovation: Poland
- OECD: Science and technology: Poland

Regional information

- Poland: Polish regions [select region]
- European Commission: Eurostat: Eurostat Regional Yearbook 2017
- European Commission: European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF): Poland
- Committee of the Regions: Polish Regions: Europe in my Region: Poland
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network: ERRIN Members: Poland
- Council of Europe: Congress of Local and Regional Authorities: National Delegations: Poland
- OECD: Regional rural and urban development: Poland
- Kuyavia and Pomerania Region / Kujawsko-Pomorskie
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
- Łódź Region / Łódzkie
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
  - Representation in Brussels
- Lower Silesia Region / Dolnośląskie
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
- Lubelskie Region / Lubelskie
  - East Poland House in Brussels
  - Region and the EU
- Lubuskie Region / Lubuskie
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
  - Representation in Brussels [in Polish]
- Malopolska Region / Małopolskie [in Polish]
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
- Mazovia Region / Mazowieckie
  - Region and the EU
- Opole Region / Opolskie
  - Region and EU [in Polish]
- Podkarpackie Region / Podkarpackie [in Polish]
  - East Poland House in Brussels
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
- Podlaskie Region / Podlaskie
  - Region and the EU
  - East Poland House in Brussels
- Pomorskie Region / Pomorskie
  - Region and the EU
Social information

- Poland: Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy (Ministerstwo Rodziny, Pracy i Polityki Społecznej)
- European Commission:
  - DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: Your Social Security Rights in Poland
  - MISSOC Secretariat: Organisation of Social Protection in Poland (2013)
  - DG Regional Policy: InfoRegio: European Social Progress Index
- Council of Europe: European Social Charter: Country Factsheets: Poland [information currently unavailable]
- OECD: Insurance and Pensions: Poland
- OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: Poland
- UNICEF: Information by Country: Poland
- United States: Social Security Administration:
  - Research, Statistics & Policy Analysis: Poland
  - Social Security Online: Social Security Programs Throughout the World: Poland [2016]

Statistical information

- Poland: National Bank of Poland (Narodowy Bank Polski)
- Poland: Central Statistical Office (Główny Urząd Statystyczny)
- Eurostat: Country Profiles: Poland
- OECD: Country Statistical Profile: Poland
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: Poland
- United Nations: Statistics Division: Country Profiles: Poland
- World Bank: Data: Countries and Economies: Poland
- Nation Master: Nations of the World: Statistics on Poland

Tourism information

- Poland: Poland Travel
- Guardian Newspaper Ltd.: Guardian Unlimited Travel: Poland
- The Telegraph: Destinations: Poland
- Lonely Planet: Introducing Poland
- Rough Guides: Poland
- Tripadvisor.co.uk: Europe Tourism: Poland
Transport information

- Poland: Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction (Ministerstwo Infrastruktury i Budownictwa)
- Poland: Flag Carrier Airline
- Poland: National Railway
- European Commission: DG Mobility & Transport:
  - EU Transport in Figures: Statistical Pocketbook (2016)
  - Road Safety How is your country doing? (2015)
- Wikipedia: Transport in Poland

Weather information

- Poland: Institute of Meteorology and Water Management (Instytut Meteorologii i Gospodarki Wodnej)
- BBC: Country Guide: Poland
- World Meteorological Organization: World Weather Information Service: Poland

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