

## Information Guide



### Poland

**A guide to information sources on the Republic of Poland.**

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## 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 Treasury](#) (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](#)
- OECD: Economic Survey: [Poland](#) [Latest edition, 2016]
- UNIDO: Country profile: [Poland](#)
- UNCTAD/WTO: International Trade Centre: [Poland](#)
- WTO: [Poland](#) and the WTO
- United States: US Commercial Service: Country Commercial Guide 2011: [Poland](#)

## 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 Environment Agency: EPANET - European Network of the Heads of Environment Protection Agencies: [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](#)
- European Commission: Representation in [Poland](#) [in Polish]
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: [Poland](#)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
  - Economies of the Member States: [Poland](#)
  - [Poland and the Euro](#)
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Cohesion policy: [Poland](#)
- European Commission: DG Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural Development Policy 2014-2020: [Poland](#)
- European Parliament: Parliament information office in [Poland](#)
- European Investment Bank: Finance Contracts Signed in: [Poland](#)
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Poland](#)
- OECD: [Poland](#)
  - Poland: [Permanent delegation to the OECD](#)
- OSCE: [Poland](#)
  - Poland: [Permanent delegation to the OSCE](#)

## Geographic information and maps

- FAO: Forestry Country Information Maps: [Poland](#)
- Lonely Planet: Map of [Poland](#)
- Maps of the World: [Poland](#)
- University of Texas: Perry-Castañeda Library: Map Collection: [Poland](#)

## Health information

- Poland: [Ministry of Health](#)
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in [Poland](#)
- European Commission: DG Health and Food Safety: Public health: [Poland](#)
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):
  - Country Overview: [Poland](#)
  - Legal Profile: [Poland](#)
  - Drug treatment profiles: [Poland](#)
  - National drugs strategies: [Poland](#)
- OECD: Health: [Poland](#)
- World Health Organization:
  - Countries: [Poland](#)
  - Regional Office for Europe: [Poland](#)
  - European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: [Poland](#)

## Human rights information

- Poland: [Comissioner for Human Rights](#)
- Council of Europe:
  - European Social Charter: National Reports: [Poland](#)
  - European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: [Poland](#)
- European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI): Report on [Poland](#)
- European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on [Country](#)
- European Court of Human Rights:
  - Country Profiles: [Poland](#)
  - [Violation by Article and by State 1959-2015](#)
  - [Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010](#)

- United Nations:
  - Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: OHCHR in [Poland](#)
  - RefWorld: Country Information Collection: [Poland](#)
- United States: Committee for Refugees and Immigrants: World Refugee Survey: [Country](#) (2009)
- United States: Department of State:
  - Country Reports on Human Rights Practices: [Poland](#) (2016)
  - Reports on International Religious Freedom: [Poland](#) (2016)
- 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:
  - European Commission for Democracy through Law/Venice Commission: Documents on [Poland](#)
  - 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:
  - [Homepage](#)
  - 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:
  - 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:
  - [Research and Innovation performance in 2014: Poland](#)
- 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]
- [Małopolska 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](#)



- [Silesian Region / Śląskie](#)
  - [Region and the EU](#)
- [Swietokrzyskie Region / Świętokrzyskie](#)
  - [Region and the EU](#) [in Polish]
  - [East Poland House in Brussels](#) [in Polish]
- [Warminsko-Mazurskie Region / Warmińsko-Mazurskie](#)
  - [Region and the EU](#) [in Polish]
  - [East Poland House in Brussels](#)
- [Westpomeranian Region / Zachodniopomorskie](#) [in Polish]
  - [Region and the EU](#) [in Polish]
- [Wielkopolskie Region / Wielkopolskie](#)
  - [Region and the EU](#)
  - [Representation in Brussels](#)

## 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 \(2013\)](#)
  - MISSOC Secretariat: [Social Protection of the Self-Employed in Poland \(2014\)](#)
  - 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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