Information Guide

Poland

A guide to information sources on the Republic of Poland, with hyperlinks to information within European Sources Online and on external websites

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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)
- 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: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
  - Economies of the Member States: Poland
  - Assessment of Convergence Programmes 2016
- 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
- UNCTAD/WTO: International Trade Centre: Poland
- WTO: Poland and the WTO

Education information

- Poland: Ministry of Education and Science (Ministerstwo Nauki i Szkolnictwa Wyższego)
  - Poland: Ministry of National Education (Ministerstwo Edukacji Narodowej) (in Polish)
- European Commission: Study in Europe: Higher Education in Poland
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: Youth Policy in Poland
- Eurydice: Europedia - The European Encyclopedia on National Education Systems: Poland
- 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
- Nation Master: Education in Poland: Statistics
- Wikipedia: Education in Poland

Employment information

- Poland: Ministry of Labour and Social Policy (Ministerstwo Pracy i Polityki Społecznej)
- 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
  - National Renewable Energy Action Plan
- European Commission: ManagEnergy: Energy Agencies in Poland
- International Energy Agency:
  - Countries: Poland
- United States: Energy Information Administration: Poland

Environmental information

- Poland: Ministry of Environment (Ministerstwo Środowiska) [pol]
- European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE: Poland
- European Environment Agency:
  - EIONET - European Environment Information and Observation Network: Poland
  - State of the Environment Reporting Information System: Poland
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: Poland
- FAO: Country Profiles:
  - Specialised Country Profiles: Poland
  - Food Security and Safety: Country Profiles: Poland
  - Forestry Department: Country Information: Poland
  - Water Management: Country Information: 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 (Ministerstwo Spraw Zagranicznych)
- 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
- 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 2007-2013: 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

Geographic information and maps

- European Union: DG Press and Communication: Poland
- FAO: Forestry Country Information: 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 (Ministerstwo Zdrowia)
• European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in Poland
• European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):
  o Country Overview: Poland
  o Drug treatment profiles: Poland
  o Legal Profile: Poland
  o National drugs strategies: Poland
• OECD: Health: Poland
• World Health Organization:
  o Countries: Poland
  o Regional Office for Europe: Poland
  o European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: Poland

Human rights information

• Poland: Comissioner for Human Rights (Rzecznik Praw Obywatelskich)
• Council of Europe:
  o Council of Europe Against Racism and Intolerance: Report on Poland
  o Council of Europe for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission):
    Poland
  o European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits:
    Poland
  o 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:
  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
- Council of Europe:
  - European Commission for Democracy through Law/Venice Commission: Documents on Poland
  - Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): Evaluation and Compliance Reports: Select Country
- OECD: Bribery and Corruption: Poland
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: Poland
- University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: Countries: Poland
- EUDO Observatory on Citizenship: Citizenship laws and policy: Poland

**Living and Working Information**

- Poland: Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy (Ministerstwo Rodziny, Pracy i Polityki Społecznej)
- 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
- European Newspaper Publishers Association: ENPA Members: Poland
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: 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
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- Poland: Government portal
- Poland: Constitution
- Poland: Cabinet and Ministers
- Poland: Press Office [in Polish]
- Poland: Parliament (Lower Chamber) – Sejm
- Poland: Parliament (Higher Chamber) – Senate
- Poland: President
Poland: Prime Minister
Poland: National Election Commission [in Polish]
OECD: Public governance: Poland
OECD: Regulatory reform: Poland
NCCR Democracy: EU Profiler
Parties and Elections in Europe: Poland
Wikipedia: Politics of Poland
Wikipedia: Elections in Poland

Public management information

- Poland: Institute of Public Affairs (Instytut Spraw Publicznych)
- European Commission: ePractice: Factsheet: eGovernment: 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: Innovation Union
  - Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2014
  - Research and Innovation in Country 2014
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Poland
- OECD: Innovation: Poland
- OECD: Science and technology: Poland

Regional information

- Poland: Polish regions: Select region
- Committee of the Regions: Polish Regions: Europe in my Region: Poland
- Assembly of European Regions: AER Member Regions: 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 [in Polish]
  - Region and the EU [in Polish]
  - Representation in Brussels [in Polish]
- 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 [in Polish]
• Opole Region / Opolskie
  o Region and EU [in Polish]
  o Representation in Brussels
• Podkarpackie Region / Podkarpackie
  o East Poland House in Brussels
  o Region and the EU [in Polish]
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  o Region and the EU
  o East Poland House in Brussels
  o Representation in Brussels
• Pomorskie Region / Pomorskie
  o Region and the EU
• Silesian Region / Śląskie
  o Region and the EU
• Świętokrzyskie Region / Świętokrzyskie
  o Region and the EU [in Polish]
  o East Poland House in Brussels
• Warmińsko-Mazurskie Region / Warmińsko-Mazurskie
  o Region and the EU
  o East Poland House in Brussels
• Westpomeranian Region / Zachodniopomorskie
  o Region and the EU [in Polish]
• Wielkopolskie Region / Wielkopolskie
  o Region and the EU
  o 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
• Council of Europe: European Social Charter: Country Factsheets: Poland
• OECD: Insurance and Pensions: Poland
• OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: Poland
• UNICEF: Information by Country: Poland
• United States: Social Security Administration:
  o Research, Statistics & Policy Analysis: Poland
  o 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
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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