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LABOUR MARKET

Average employment in Warsaw in enterprise sector in February 2014 amounted to 953.5 thousand people and was by 1.0 thousand people lower than in January 2014 and by 10.5 thousand people, i.e. 1.1% higher than in February 2013.

At the end of February 2014 the number of **registered unemployed persons** was 56088 and was by 79 persons, i.e. 0.1% higher than at the end of January 2014 and by 2281 persons, i.e. 4.2%, higher than during the similar period of the year 2013.

The number of **unemployed women** amounted to 26709 which constituted 47.6% of all unemployed residents (in the previous month 47.9% and in the previous year 48.0%).

The registered unemployment rate was 4.9% (4.9% in January 2014, and 4.7% in February 2013).

TRADE

Retail sales in trade and non-trade enterprises in February 2014 (in current prices) were 2.3% lower than in January 2014 and 6.0% higher than in February 2013.

Between January and February 2014, in comparison with the same period of the year 2013, retail sales increased by 4.9%.

Wholesale in trade enterprises in February 2014 (in current prices) was 7.5% higher than in January 2014, and 7.0% higher in comparison with February 2013 and in wholesale enterprises it was higher by 2.3% and 1.3%, respectively.

In the period from January to February 2014 wholesale in trade enterprises increased by 3.1% compared to the previous year, while in wholesale enterprises it decreased by 1.2%.

INDUSTRY AND CONSTRUCTION

Sold production of industry in February 2014 amounted to (in current prices) 9537.5 million zl (2282.5 million EUR¹) and was 10.5% higher (in constant prices) compared to February 2013.

In the period from January to February 2014 sold production of industry reached 19410.7 million zl (4645.2 million EUR1)(in current prices) and was (in constant prices) 11.5% higher than over the same period of 2013.

Sold production of construction in February 2014 stood at (in current prices) 2006.8 million zl (480.3 million EUR¹) and was 50.0% higher than in January 2014, and 16.9% higher than in the same period of the previous year.

Between January and February 2014 sold production of construction reached 3474.1 million zl (831.4 million EUR1),i.e. 6.6% less than in the analogous period of 2013.

WAGES AND SALARIES

Average monthly gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector in February 2014 amounted to 5081.09 zl (1215.98 EUR¹) and were 1.7% higher than in January 2014, and 5.1% higher than in the similar period of 2013.

HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

According to preliminary data, 2490 dwellings were completed in Warsaw in the period January–February 2014 (31.7% more than in the similar period of 2013).

In the period January–February 2014 construction of 3222 dwellings was initiated (246.1% more than during the similar period of 2013).

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150th anniversary of Statistics in Warsaw

The year 1864 was the beginning of statistics in Warsaw.

The Administrative Division of
Warsaw Town Hall appointed

Józef Trzebiecki as the first town
councillor for statistical activities
in the city's history.

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¹ Average monthly exchange rate for February 2014 as published by the National Bank of Poland 1 EUR = 4.1786 zt;

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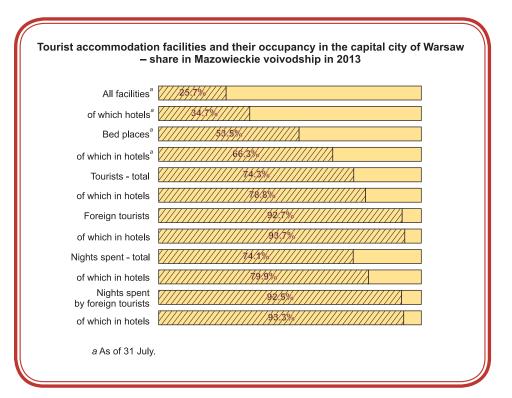
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TOURISM IN WARSAW

Warsaw as the capital and a city with many institutions of culture, company headquarters and historical architecture sites (also ones of the highest class, included by UNESCO in the World Cultural Heritage list) is a popular destination for tourists, both domestic and foreign.



According to preliminary data, in the end of July 2013 in Warsaw there were 124 tourist accommodation facilities offering 25.2 thousand places. Majority of these facilities – 69, i.e. 54.8% were hotels; the proportion of bed places in hotels in the total number of accommodation places in Warsaw was 79.6%. The occupancy rate of accommodation facilities in the capital city was 52.1%, and of hotels – 53.6%; this means an increase in comparison with the previous year by 4.5 and 3.4 percentage points, respectively.

In 2013 the tourist accommodation facilities in Warsaw were used by 2711.8 thousand persons, including 1068.7 thousand (i.e. 39.4%) foreign tourists. In comparison with the last year the number of tourists increased by 216.4 thousand, and foreign tourists – by 78.4 thousand (i.e. 8.7% and 7.9%, respectively). Among the non-residents, Europeans amounted to 72.3%, Asians – 10.4% and visitors from North America – 9.3%. The most numerous nationalities, almost the same as a year ago, were: British – 117.1 thousand (decrease by 3.2% with respect to the previous year), Germans – 104.2 thousand (increase by 8.8%), US citizens – 88.3 thousand (up by 16.8%), French – 63.0 thousand (down by 4.7%), Russians – 55.7 thousand (4.7% drop) and Italians – 53.9 thousand (up by 13.9%). Among all foreign tourists visiting Warsaw 94.1% chose hotels for their accommodation.

In 2013 in Warsaw there were 4633.9 thousand overnight stays in accommodation facilities, of which 1946.4 thousand nights (i.e. 42.0%) were spent by foreign tourists, which meant an increase since the preceding year by 307.7 thousand (7.1%) for residents and 153.6 thousand (8.6%) for non-residents. Mean duration of stay in Warsaw tourist accommodation facilities has not changed since the preceding year and amounted to 1.7 days for all tourists, and 1.8 days for the foreign ones.