



### Statistical Office in Warsaw

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#### LABOUR MARKET

**Average employment** in Warsaw in enterprise sector in February 2015 amounted to 961.8 thousand people and was by 4.6 thousand people lower than in January 2015 and by 8.3 thousand people, i.e. 0.9% higher than in February 2014.

At the end of February 2015 the number of **registered unemployed persons** was 49581 and was by 425 persons, i.e. 0.8% lower than at the end of January 2015 and by 6507 persons, i.e. 11.6%, lower than during the similar period of the year 2014.

The number of **unemployed women** amounted to 23635 which constituted 47.7% of all unemployed residents (in the previous month 48.1% and in the previous year 47.6%).

**The registered unemployment rate** was 4.4% (4.4% in January 2015, and 4.9% in February 2014).

#### TRADE

**Retail sales** in trade and non-trade enterprises in February 2015 (in current prices) were 4.5% lower than in January 2015 and 6.0% lower than in February 2014.

Between January and February 2015, in comparison with the same period of the year 2014, retail sales decreased by 5.9%.

**Wholesale** in trade enterprises in February 2015 (in current prices) was 5.0% higher than in January 2015, and 3.5% higher in comparison with February 2014 and in wholesale enterprises it was higher by 5.1% and 9.0%, respectively.

In the period from January to February 2015 wholesale in trade enterprises increased by 4.5% compared to the previous year, while in wholesale enterprises by 7.5%.

#### INDUSTRY AND CONSTRUCTION

**Sold production of industry** in February 2015 amounted to (in current prices) 9358.5 million zł (2255.3 million EUR<sup>1</sup>) and was 3.4% lower (in constant prices) compared to February 2014.

In the period from January to February 2015 sold production of industry reached 18579.8 million zł (4477.6 million EUR<sup>1</sup>) (in current prices) and was (in constant prices) 6.3% lower than over the same period of 2013.

**Sold production of construction** in February 2015 stood at (in current prices) 2042.0 million zł (492.1 million EUR<sup>1</sup>) and was 33.9% higher than in January 2015, and 1.8% higher than in the same period of the previous year.

Between January and February 2015 sold production of construction reached 3638.3 million zł (876.8 million EUR<sup>1</sup>), i.e. 4.7% more than in the analogous period of 2014.

#### WAGES AND SALARIES

**Average monthly gross wages and salaries** in enterprise sector in February 2015 amounted to 5299.02 zł (1277.03 EUR<sup>1</sup>) and were 3.2% higher than in January 2015, and 4.3% higher than in the similar period of 2014.

#### HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

According to preliminary data, 1754 dwellings were completed in Warsaw in the period January–February 2015 (32.5% less than in the similar period of 2013).

In the period January–February 2015 construction of 1543 dwellings was initiated (52.1% less than during the similar period of 2014).

<sup>1</sup> Average monthly exchange rate for the end of February 2015 as published by the National Bank of Poland 1 EUR = 4.1495 zł

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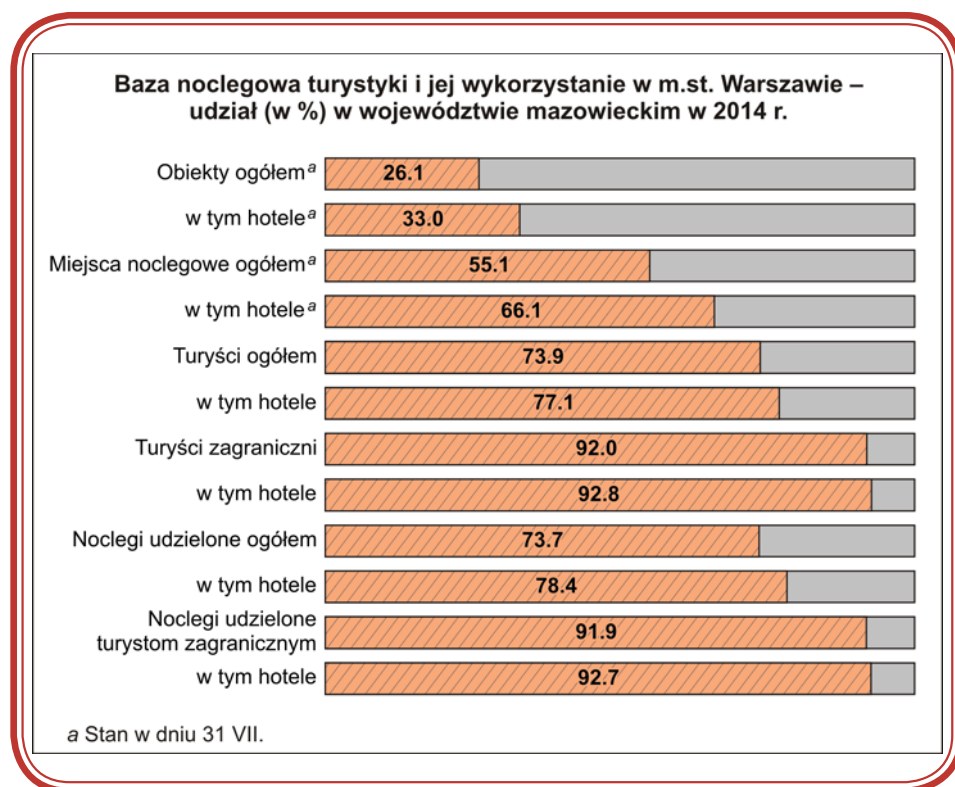
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**TOURISM IN WARSAW**

Warsaw being both a capital city and a centre of business, finance, education, politics and culture is a destination place for domestic as well as for foreign tourists. Due to its functions the city has at its disposal well developed and various accommodation facilities.



Due to preliminary data as of the end of July 2014, there were 124 tourist accommodation establishments in Warsaw offering 26.4 thousand beds. Majority of the establishments – 70, i.e. 56.5% represented hotels, and a share of hotel beds in the overall number of beds made up 81.0%. The occupancy rate of beds in total establishments reached 52.0%, and in hotels - 54.3%, which marked respectively a 0.1 p. p. drop and a 0.7 p. p. rise compared with a previous year.

In 2014 in Warsaw 2858.2 thousand persons used tourist accommodation facilities, of these 1071.7 thousand (37.5%) were foreign tourists. Compared with a previous year a total number of tourists went up by 146.4 thousand, and guests from abroad – by 3.0 thousand (i.e. by 5.4% and 0.3% respectively). Among foreign tourists majority were Europeans – in 2014 their share in the total number of tourists using beds in Warsaw amounted to 71.8%; there were 11.6% of tourists from Asia, and 9.7% from North America. The most numerous group of foreigners who visited the capital city were the British – 106.2 thousand (a 9.3% decrease over a year), the Germans – 98.5 thousand (a decrease by 5.5%), the USA citizens – 93.1% (an increase by 5.5%), and further the French – 60.7 thousand (a 3.7% drop), the Spanish – 53.3 thousand (increase by 11.4%), Israel citizens – 50.8 thousand (an increase by 14.2%), Italians – 49.9 thousand (a 7.4% drop), Russians – 48.6% (a 12.8% drop) and Ukrainians – 40.6% (a 22.6% increase). From among total foreign tourists visiting Warsaw 93.4% chose hotels as an accommodation facility.

In 2014 the number of overnight stays of tourists visiting Warsaw reached 4849.1 thousand, of these 1944.2 thousand (i.e. 40.1%) – were overnight stays of foreign tourists. The total number of overnight stays increased by 215.2 thousand (by 4.6%) over a year, and the number of overnight stays of foreign tourists decreased by 2.2 thousand (by 0.1%). An average length of stay of foreign tourists in accommodation establishments in Warsaw has remained unchanged for years and equaled 1.7 day, and in case of foreign tourists – 1.8 day.