

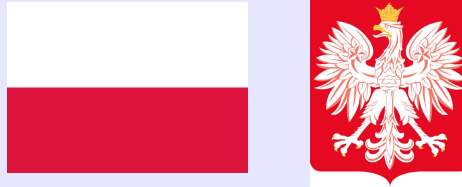
# COUNTRY PROFILE & FACTS

## Country

Poland, Republic of Poland (long form)

## Flag and national emblem

two equal horizontal bands of white (top) and red; colours derive from the Polish emblem - a white eagle on a red field



## Nationality

noun: Pole(s) adjective: Polish

## Capital

Warsaw

## Largest Cities

Warsaw, Kraków, Łódź, Wrocław, Poznań, Gdańsk, Szczecin

## Languages

Polish

## Population

38,533,299 (in 2012)

## Total Area

312,685.00 sq km (120,728.35 sq mi)

## Border countries

Belarus, Czech Republic, Germany, Lithuania, Russia (Kaliningrad Oblast), Slovakia, Ukraine

## Administrative divisions

16 provinces

## Religions

Roman Catholic 95%, Eastern Orthodox, Protestant, and other 5%

## Independence

11 November 1918 (republic proclaimed); A.D. 966 (adoption of Christianity, traditional founding date)

## Government Type

republic

## Currency

1 zloty (PLN) = 100 groszy

## Natural Resources

coal, sulfur, copper, natural gas, silver, lead, salt, arable land

## Climate

temperate with cold, cloudy, moderately severe winters with frequent precipitation; mild summers with frequent showers and thundershowers

## International Dial Code

+48