

PREFACE

The Statistical Office in Kraków is pleased to present you the elaboration entitled "Tourism in Małopolskie voivodship in 2008". It is the seventh edition of the title in the present administrative division.

The main goal of this publication is to provide receivers with the major data on tourism in Małopolskie voivodship, collected by public statistics. Prevailing part of the publication consists of tables elaborated on the basis of the CSO survey conducted on forms KT-1 and KT-1a, presenting state, structure and occupation of collective tourist accommodation establishments in 2008. These data have been run by voivodship, subregions, powiats, and selected information by gminas.

The basic subject matter is supplemented by information coming from:

- the CSO statistical survey concerning the activity of museums and paramuseum institutions (a report K-02),*
- departmental surveys of following organizations: PTTK (the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society), GOPR (the Volunteer Mountain Rescue Service) and TOPR (the Volunteer Tatra-Mountain Rescue Service),*
- non-statistical sources provided by different institutions.*

The elaboration consists of methodological notes, analytical part and tables.

Methodological notes include sources, methods of surveys as well as major definitions.

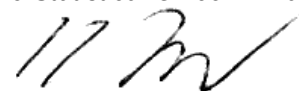
The analytical part describes state, structure, occupation and distribution of collective tourist accommodation establishments. Like the previous editions, the present one includes also information on selected tourist attractions. This time, tourist values of the Tatra National Park are described. Information regarding the Wieliczka Salt Mine is also presented, because the year 2008 was exceptional for the mine. In September passed the 30th anniversary of inscribing this priceless monument on the UNESCO First List of World Cultural and Natural Heritage.

The tabular part begins with a review table which includes general information regarding collective tourist accommodation establishments in 2000, 2005, 2007 and 2008. Apart numeric tables describing tourist boarding facilities of Małopolska there are also data concerning the activity of: PTTK (the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society), GOPR (the Volunteer Mountain Rescue Service), TOPR (the Volunteer Tatra-Mountain Rescue Service), WOPR (the Volunteer Water Rescue Service), rafting on the Dunajec and Poprad rivers, tourism in national parks and so-called cultural tourism (activity of museums).

For better presentation of data and passing processes, the whole elaboration was enriched by numerous graphs and maps.

Presenting this publication, I express my gratitude to all institutions for provided information, which enriched its content.

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