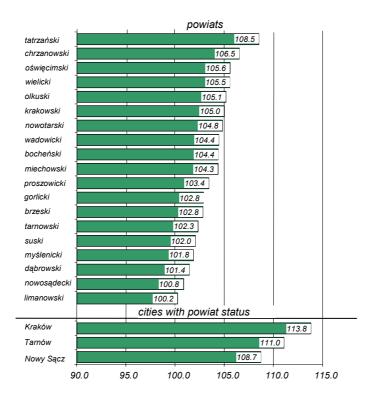
Population by sex and age

Among residents of the Małopolskie voivodship, females outnumber males - 51.5% at the end of 2007. Since the beginning of the 21st century this tendency has slightly strenghtened. The feminization rate, that is the number of females per 100 males, amounts to 106 since 4 years. It is overstated because of a high disproportion of sexes in Kraków, where there are 114 females per 100 males. In Tarnów the relation of sexes is also very disturbed, because the feminization rate amounts to 111. In Nowy Sącz, where there are 109 females per 100 males, the situation is a liittle better. In landed powiats proportions of sexes are definitely more favourable.

In the voivodship's scale the year 2007 was the consecutive one, in which the **pre-working age population** considerably decreased, although for 3 years the pace of this decrease slowed down. At the end of 2007 this population numbered **681.9 thousand persons** and decreased by 2.1% in comparison with the previous year. The number of the **working age population** has been still increasing. At the end of last year there were **2076.7 thousand residents** in this age group. In relation to the end of 2006 their number increased by 0.7%.

In the voivodship there were **520.4 thousand persons at post-working age** and in comparison with the corresponding period of the previous year this population increased by 1.4%.

FEMALES PER 100 MALES IN MAŁOPOLSKIE VOIVODSHIP BY POWIATS IN 2007



Dynamics of population by economic age groups and median of age indicate the growing pace of ageing processes in 7-year period. At the end of 2007 the share of the pre-working age population in total population amounted to 20.8% and was lower by 4.7 percentage points than in 2000. Next, at the end of 2007 the post-working age population accounted for 15.9% of total and during 7 years its share increased by over 1 percentage point.

In 2007 a statistical resident of the voivodship was 36 years old, i.e. over 1 year older than in 2000. The median of age of females, almost 38, was considerably higher than of males - less than 34.5. Seven years before a statistical female resident of the voivodship was 35.5 years old and male - 31.5 years old. In a territorial breakdown ageing of population is advanced in a very diverse degree.

The less favourable distribution of population by age occurs in miechowski powiat, where the share of children and youth aged up to 17 is lower than the share of post-working age population. Such relation of pre-working and post-working age is characteristic for big cities, and in voivodship, apart miechowski powiat, it occurs only in Kraków. In the voivodship's scale the share of persons at pre-working age was higher by 5 percentage points than the share of persons at post-working age. The median of age in miechowski powiat exceeds 39 and it is the highest in voivodship.

The more favourable situation in this scope was in limanowski powiat, where the share of pre-working age population exceeded twice the share of post-working age population, and a statistical resident in 2007 was 32 years old.

MEDIAN OF AGE AND AGE STRUCTURE IN MAŁOPOLSKIE VOIVODSHIP BY POWIATS IN 2007

