PREFACE

The Statistical Office in Kraków presents a publication which contains a comprehensive set of data regarding the population, vital statistics and migration in the Ma opolskie voivodship in 2007. This elaboration is the eighth edition published with a similar layout since 1999.

Numerical data presented in the elaboration, were prepared on the basis of balance tables concerning size, vital statistics and migration of the population, supplemented by result tables from individual branches of demography for 2000–2007.

The publication consists of methodological notes, a descriptive part and a tabular part.

Data in statistical tables are preceded by methodological notes containing definitions used in demographic surveys as well as results of surveys - synthesis, which includes characteristics of subregions and powiats of Ma opolska.

In the tabular part review tables include main information on voivodship, subregions and Poland, and detailed tables include data on size, vital statistics and migration of population by subregions, powiats and gminas. Divorces and separations adjudicated as well as international migration for temporary stay are presented by subregions and powiats.

Comparing to the last year's edition, the following changes have been introduced into the publication:

- The range of information on migration has been enriched, of which, for the first time, by data regarding international migration for temporary stay.
- In the review tables the range of data has been broadened in retrospection since 2000.
- An annex has been added, presenting data in a new spatial breakdown (NTS 3), being in force since 2008, i.e., by five subregions.

Since 2006 the title has been prepared only in electronic version, available at website or on CD.

Presenting this publication, I express my conviction, that it will be useful for persons and institutions interested in demographic situation of the Ma opolskie voivodship.

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