

Basic information







- ➤ Capital city Katowice
- ➤ Area 12 333,09 km²
- Number of cities with county rights 19
- Number od counties 17
- Number of municipalities 49
- ➤ Population 4 559 164
- ➤ Working age population 2 818 424



Perspective sectors







Information and communication technologies



Information technology (IT)



Energetics



Automotive



Medical industry



Environmental protection

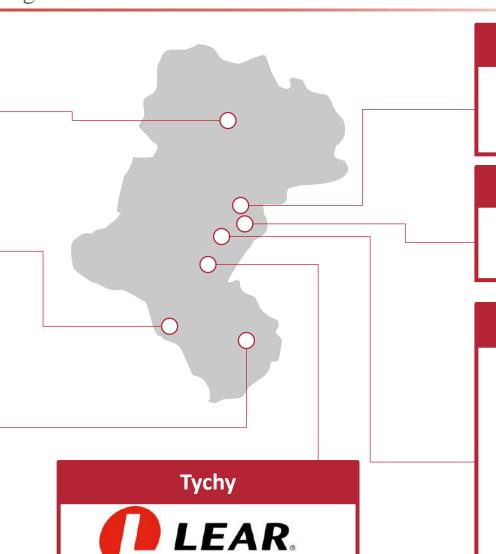


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The largest companies/ investors in the region











Sosnowiec









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Special Economic Zones (until 2018)

Katowice Special Economic Zone

Katowice SEZ Inc. covers the Silesian Voivodeship and 4 counties of the Opolskie Voivodeship. Currently, there are over 300 enterprises operating within, which have invested approximately PLN 31 billion and created over 76.000 workplaces. The Katowice Special Economic Zone was recognized as the best economic zone in Europe in 2015 - 2017 - by FDI Business Financial Times.





Mielec Special Economic Zone

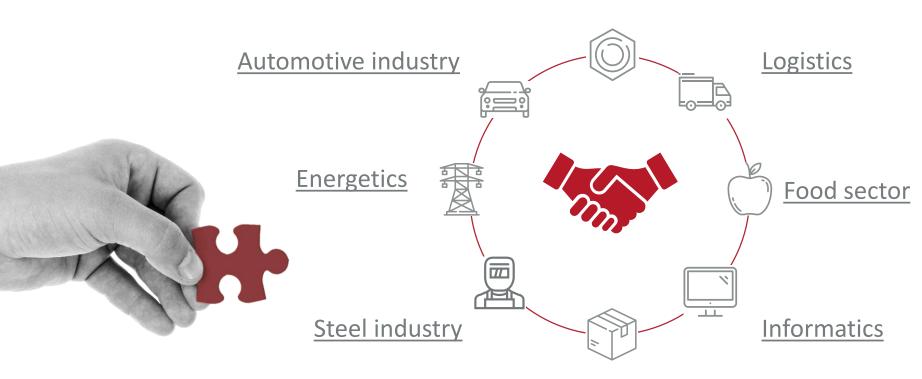
The EURO-PARK MIELEC Special Economic Zone was established as the first in Poland in 1995. Today, it has a special place on the economic map of Poland. Its values are appreciated by many foreign and domestic investors who build new factories here. SEZ EURO-PARK MIELEC is an area with exceptional conditions for entrepreneurs who expect quick return on investment and effective management, offering long-term tax exemptions and facilities.







Metal industry





Packaging sector



Infrastructure





Katowice International Airport in Pyrzowice - regional airport of the Silesian Voivodeship

Częstochowa - Rudniki Airport – post-military airport

Kaniów Airport – civil airport

Katowice-Muchowiec, Bielsko-Biała Aleksandrowice, Lotnisko Gliwice-Trynek Airports - civil recreational airport

Rybnik-Gotartowice, Lotnisko Żar Airports - recreational airport

Silesian Voivodeship – high potential for the development of road transport

In the voivodship, the routes of the A1 motorway linking the Tricity with Gorzyczki on the Polish-Czech border and the A4 motorway between the western and eastern polish borders intersect. The network of motorways is supplemented with express roads S1, S11, S52 and S86. On national roads in the Silesian voivodship, there is the highest car traffic intensity in Poland (20.000 vehicles per day), and in terms of traffic intensity on voivodeship roads, the region ranks second in the country (about 5.5 thousand vehicles per day).





The railway network in the voivodeship is undergoing constant modernization

Until 2023, several key projects will be implemented, the total value of which will amount to approximately PLN 5 billion. Among them, an important role will be played by works on the C-E 65 railway line, whose estimated value will amount to over PLN 2 billion. It is also planned to modernize and rebuild a partially out of service railway line no. 182 connecting the Katowice agglomeration with the Katowice-Pyrzowice airport. Moreover, efforts will be made to achieve the Silesian Agglomeration Railway as soon as possible.



Higher Education











Strenghts (based on the voivodeship's strategy)



Significant position of industry, ICT and energy, medicine, automotive and environmental protection sectors that use and create the new technologies.

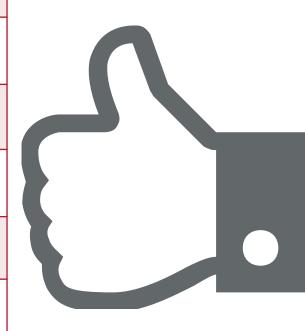
High investment attractiveness and favorable investment conditions considering transport accessibility

Developed railway, road and air network (MPL in Pyrzowice) - hub location

A strong scientific center, concentration of academic staff and a large number of R&D institutions

Large area and communication accessibility of investment areas

Cross-border location at the intersection of the main transport corridors of european importance





Tourist attractions



Gliwice

- Radio station
- Piastowski Castle
- Church St. Bartholomew
- Former Main Post Office
- Department of Artistic Casting





- > Sanctuary and Pauline Monastery at Jasna Góra
- Church of St. Andrew and Saint. Barbara
- Miniatur Golden Mountain Park
- Match Museum



Żywiec

- Old Castle
- The Habsburg Palace
- Cathedral Church Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



- Palace of the Goldstein brotl
- Silesian Theater
- Municipal Bath
- Church of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary







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