

Active enterprises in the second quarter of 2026

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 **1.6%**

Increase in the number of active enterprises in the second quarter of 2026 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year

In the second quarter of 2026, there were 2 896 481 active enterprises in Poland. With regard to the kind of economic activity, the largest population were enterprises from section trade; repair of motor vehicles (16.5% of total). The largest number of active enterprises had their registered offices in the Mazowieckie voivodship (20.2% of total).

Basic information on active enterprises

In the second quarter of 2026, compared to the same period in 2025, there was an increase of 1.6% in the number of active enterprises. Micro entities (i.e. with up to 9 persons employed) accounted for 96.0% of all active enterprises, and compared to the second quarter of 2025, their number increased by 1.8%. Small entities (i.e. with 10 to 49 persons employed), medium entities (i.e. with 50 to 249 persons employed), and large entities (i.e. with 250 or more persons employed) accounted for 3.3%, 0.6%, and 0.2% of all active enterprises, respectively. In these three size classes, a decrease in the number of enterprises was observed compared to the second quarter of 2025: for small enterprises by 1.1%, medium-sized enterprises by 1.0% and large enterprises by 0.3%.

The share of micro entities increased year-on-year to 96.0% of active enterprises

Table 1. Number of active enterprises by size classes

Quarter	Active enterprises				
	total	by the number of persons employed (size classes)			
		up to 9 persons	10-49	50-249	250 and more persons
Q2 2026	2 896 481	2 779 281	95 785	17 245	4 170
Q2 2025	2 849 617	2 731 152	96 862	17 420	4 183

Active enterprises by kind of economic activity

In the second quarter of 2026, the majority of enterprises operated in the sections: trade; repair of motor vehicles (16.5% of all active enterprises), construction (15.1%), and professional, scientific and technical activities (13.9%). The smallest share was held by enterprises in the mining and quarrying section (0.1%).

Compared to the same period in 2025, the largest increase in the number of enterprises was recorded in the administration and support service activities section (10.3%).

In populations of large and medium-sized enterprises, the largest share was held by manufacturing enterprises, accounting for 42.3% and 34.5%, respectively. Among small enterprises, the largest share was held by entities in the trade; repair of motor vehicles (22.3%), manufacturing (21.6%), and construction (14.2%).

In the number of micro entities, the largest share was noticed, similarly to enterprises in general, in the sections: trade; repair of motor vehicles (16.3%), construction (15.2%), and professional, scientific and technical activities (14.2%).

The largest increase in the number of active enterprises was observed in administration and support service activities section

Chart 1. Number of active enterprises

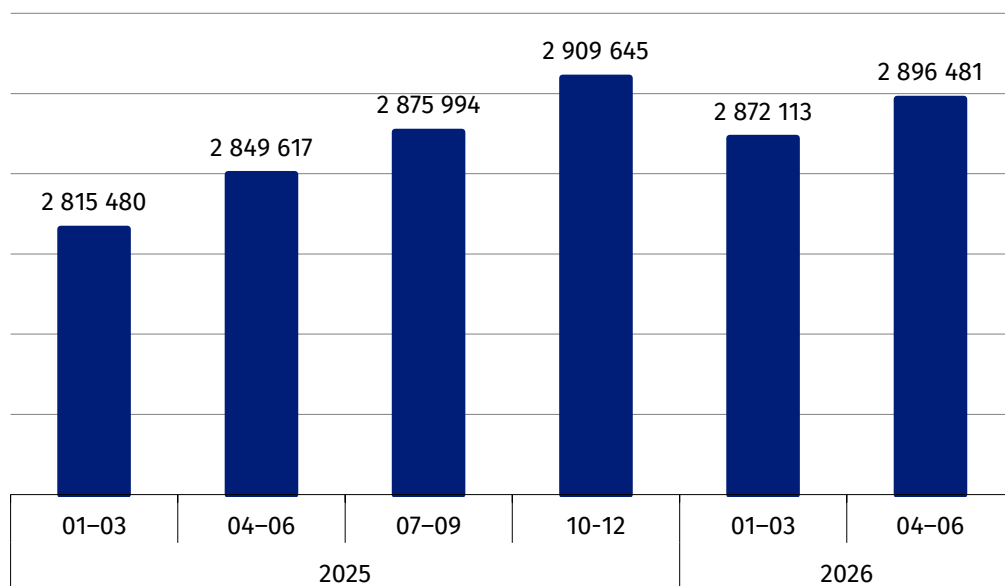


Table 2. Number of active enterprises by size classes and NACE Rev. 2 section in the second quarter of 2026

Specification	Active enterprises				
	total	by the number of persons employed (size classes)			
		up to 9 persons	10-49	50-249	250 and more persons
Total	2 896 481	2 779 281	95 785	17 245	4 170
Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	24 708	22 557	1 694	439	18
Mining and quarrying	2 434	1 970	327	105	32
Manufacturing	235 557	207 186	20 665	5 941	1 765
Energy generation and supply	9 591	9 063	314	165	49
Water supply; sewage and waste management	8 422	6 340	1 321	663	98
Construction	438 358	423 502	13 563	1 167	126
Trade; repair of motor vehicles	477 290	452 390	21 335	3 037	528
Transportation and storage	168 224	156 805	9 786	1 336	297
Accommodation and catering	81 694	76 557	4 720	332	85
Information and communication	241 724	238 423	2 463	624	214
Financial and insurance activities	57 922	56 239	1 077	470	136
Real estate activities	77 888	75 474	1 981	399	34
Professional, scientific and technical activities	401 178	395 006	5 151	770	251
Administrative and support service activities	136 743	131 865	3 644	900	334
Education	90 298	87 542	2 406	320	30
Human health and social work activities	257 408	252 640	4 169	454	145
Arts, entertainment and recreation activities	33 154	32 673	405	63	13
Other service activities	153 888	153 049	764	60	15

Active enterprises by registered office

In the second quarter of 2026, the largest number of active enterprises (according to the place of registered offices) was in the Mazowieckie (20.2% of all active enterprises), as well as in the Wielkopolskie (10.3%), Śląskie (10.2%), and Małopolskie (10.0%) voivodships. The smallest number of enterprises were located in the Opolskie voivodship (1.9% of active entities).

Compared to the same period in 2025, the largest increase in the number of active enterprises was recorded in the Dolnośląskie (2.4%), Mazowieckie (2.5%) and Małopolskie (2.1%) voivodeships, the smallest increase was in the Świętokrzyskie, Lubuskie, Kujawsko-Pomorskie, Zachodniopomorskie, and Opolskie voivodships (the percentage did not exceed 1.0%). The decrease in the number of active enterprises was noticed in the Warmińsko-Mazurskie voivodship (0.2%).

In the population of large entities, the largest share was held by enterprises based in the Mazowieckie (27.2%), Śląskie (11.7%), and Wielkopolskie (10.9%) voivodships. In the population of micro-entities, the highest percentage of entities was recorded in the Mazowieckie (20.2%), Wielkopolskie (10.2%), Śląskie (10.2%), and Małopolskie (10.1%) voivodships.

In the second quarter of 2026, the highest number of active enterprises per 1000 population was recorded in the Mazowieckie (106.1), Wielkopolskie (85.7), Pomorskie (85.4), Małopolskie (84.8), and Dolnośląskie (83.2) voivodships. The lowest number was observed in the Warmińsko-Mazurskie voivodship (57.1).

In the powiats that are not cities with powiat status, the highest number of active enterprises per 1000 population was observed in the powiats: piaseczyński (127.7), pruszkowski (116.3), and warszawsko zachodni (114.4). The lowest number of active enterprises per 1000 population occurred in the powiats: chełmski (33.8), przemyski (35.5) and hrubieszowski (36.1).

Chart 2. Structure of active enterprises by voivodships in the second quarter of 2026

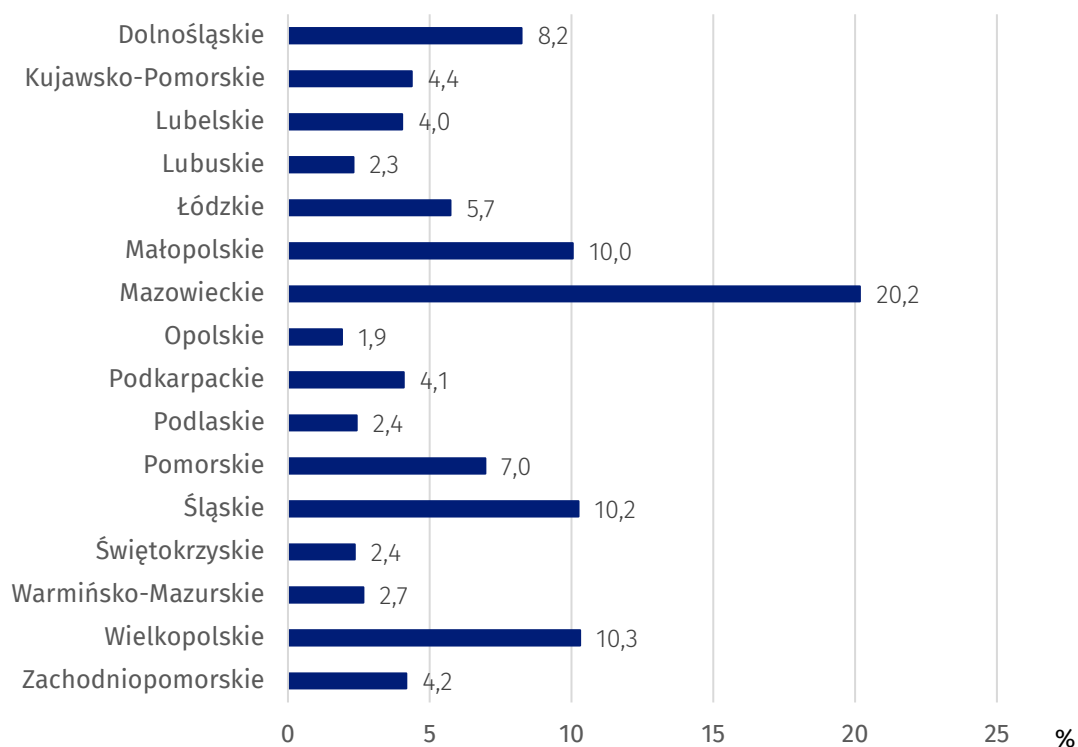
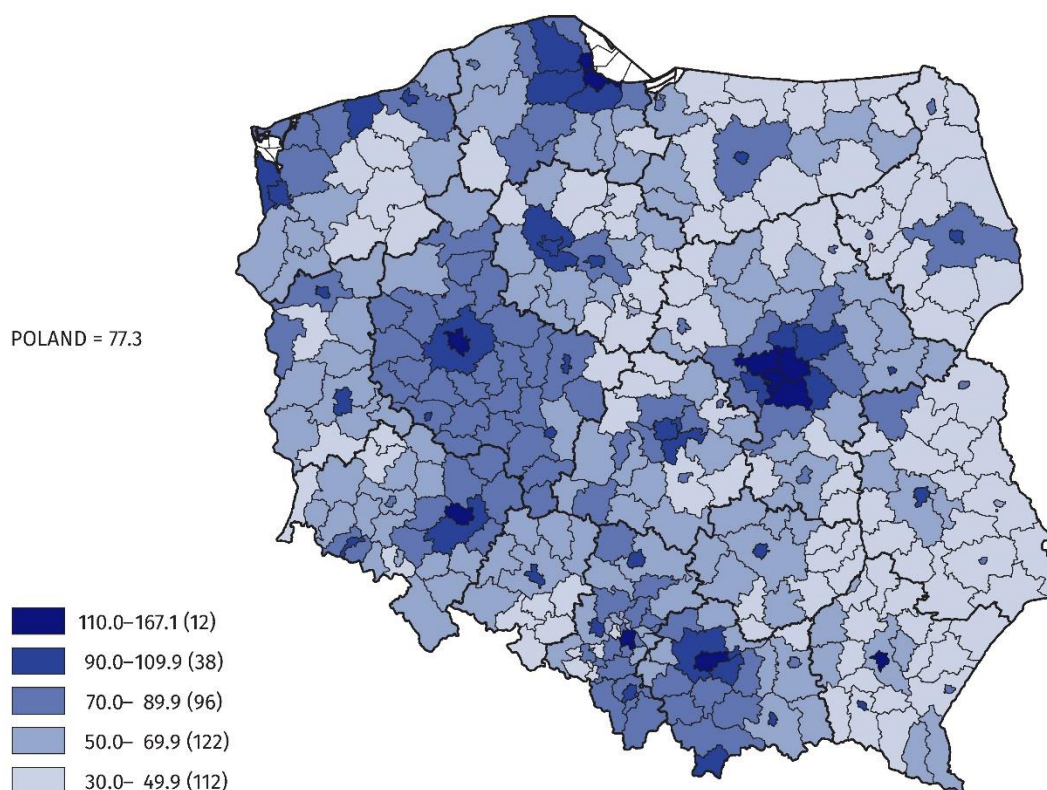


Table 3. Number of active enterprises by size classes and voivodships in the second quarter of 2026

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Map 1. Number of active enterprises by powiats per 1 000 population in the second quarter of 2026



The data presented in this news release concern active enterprises (understood as a one legal unit) regardless of the size class by number of persons employed and the kind of accounting record kept. The data include entities of the national economy which are market producers, for which the predominant activity is classified according to the NACE Rev. 2 to section A (excluding individual agricultural holdings), B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, P, Q, R, S (excluding division 94).

The enterprises method was used for preparing the data, and this method involves taking entire enterprises as the basic for grouping data according to classifications and territorial divisions.

An enterprise is considered to have been active in the quarter if it conducted economic activity at least in one month of that quarter (regardless of the number of days of activity conducted).

In this news release, abbreviated names of some sections of NACE Rev. 2 were used; the list of letter symbols of the section (code), full names and abbreviated names is as follows:

Code	Full name	Abbreviation
A*	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	–
B	Mining and quarrying	–
C	Manufacturing	–
D	Electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air conditioning manufacturing and supply	Energy generation and supply
E	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	Water supply; sewage and waste management
F	Construction	–
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles including motorcycles	Trade; repair of motor vehicles
H	Transportation and storage	–
I	Accommodation and food service activities	Accommodation and catering
J	Information and communication	–
K	Financial and insurance activities	–
L	Real estate activities	–
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	–
N	Administrative and support service activities	–
P	Education	–
Q	Human health and social work activities	–
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation activities	–
S**	Other service activities	–

* Section A– excluding individual agricultural holdings

** Section S – excluding division 94 Activities of membership organisations

An integral part of this news release are tables in XLSX format (downloadable files) with a set of tables presenting data in detailed breakdown, including by NACE Rev. 2 groups and by powiats.

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