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### **Information concerning the prison population in the Republic of Poland**

Polish Prison Service undertook a number of activities, which were aimed at decreasing the population in the correctional institutions. One of the first measures taken was to create new living cells through building new places of accommodation as well as the adaptation of other rooms which used to serve a different function.

Since the beginning of 2006 through the implementation of the government approved *“Programme for creating 17. 000 places in the correctional institutions in the period 2006-2009”* 15 791 new places of accommodation have been created.

In 2010 an additional number of 1 318 new places were created (with 1275 places planned originally). In this year the following investments were implemented:

- Building of the accommodation unit in Koronowo Prison (100 places);
- Building of the half-open penitentiary unit in Żytkowice Prison (162 places)
- Building of the half-open penitentiary unit in an Outside Institution in Warsaw Bemowo (182 places)
- Expansion of the Outside Institution in Zamość (150 places);
- Building of the closed penitentiary unit in Pińczów Prison (242 places);
- Building of the half-open penitentiary unit in Czerwony Bór Prison (172 places);
- Building of the closed penitentiary unit in Kluczbork Prison (258 places);
- Conversion of a storage building into the accommodation unit in Remand Prison in Starogard Gdański (50 places);



- Alteration of the living cells and their adaptation to the needs of the inmates from “N” category (dangerous, maximum security) in Remand Prison in Lublin (2 places).

Further decreasing of the level of overpopulation in Polish correctional institutions was achieved by the introduction of the possibility to serve the sentence of imprisonment outside the correctional institution within the system of electronic monitoring.

Within the system of electronic monitoring it is possible to:

- execute the imprisonment outside of the correctional institution, which is aimed at fulfilling the obligations imposed by the penitentiary courts,
- control if the inmate remains in a designated time and place,
- control if the convicted persons obey the obligation not to approach defined persons or remain in a designated places, with the possibility of updating the current defining and registration of the convict’s place of stay.

On December 30<sup>th</sup> , 2010 - 587 sentenced persons were serving their sentence in the system of electronic monitoring. Out of that number 401 are still serving and 186 have already served their sentence.

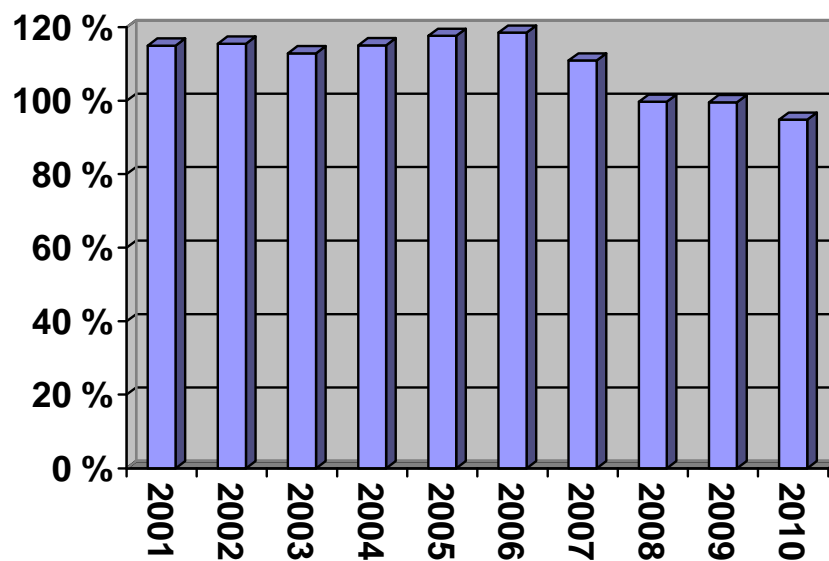
On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011 the System of Electronic Monitoring was extended to the possibility of serving the sentence for additional 2000 sentenced persons.

Population of the correctional institutions in the period 2008-2010

Date	Capacity	Total population
31.12.2008	83 112	82 882
31.12.2009	84 118	83 791
31.12.2010	84 852	80 522



Data statistics concerning the prison population in the Republic of Poland



Below the detailed data concerning the specific years.

2001 – 115 %

2002 – 115,5 %

2003 – 112,9 %

2004 – 115,1 %

2005 – 117,6 %

2006 – 118,5 %

2007 – 110,9 %

2008 – 99,7 %

2009 – 99,6 %

2010 – 94,8 %



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