

## *Preface*

*The Statistical Yearbook of Poznań City 2005 is the successive edition of an elaboration, which provides since many years basic information on socio-economic situation of the capital of Wielkopolska. Statistical portrait of the city was here established using selected indices and numerical characteristics describing social, demographical and economic phenomena.*

*Owing to two-year editorial cycle, the statistical issue presented in this edition of the Yearbook concerns years 2003–2004. In order to presentation of directions of development and intensity of transformation processes, the tables were enriched by data for years 2000 and 2002; moreover, some issues were presented retrospectively, from year 1975.*

*On the account of structure and subject content, the Statistical Yearbook of Poznań City 2005 is correlated with its counterpart for the voivodship. Similarly as in previous editions, the Yearbook consists of two parts. First of them is a collection of review tables, which contain main information on Poznań observed in the time interval between years 1975 and 2004, present basic indices describing the city in 2004 in relation to respective values for voivodship and for the country; they present also the capital of Wielkopolska against the background of cities with 300 thousands and more inhabitants. The second and simultaneously fundamental part of the publication consists of subject matter tables collected in 22 subject chapters. The information collected in them describe in much detailed way life conditions of inhabitants and level of economic development of the city. Each chapter is prefaced by general notes containing explanations of basic definitions and specifying source and scope of presented results as well as informing about used nomenclatures and classifications.*

*Graphs illustrating some features, phenomena and observed tendencies are, as a supplement of results, presented in tables.*

*Recommending you Statistical Yearbook of Poznań City 2005, I would like to express my hope, that it will satisfy expectations of readers interested in numerical description of modern history of the capital of Wielkopolska. By the way I would like to thank all persons and institutions, whose cooperation has aided in realization of this edition and has contributed to enrichment of content of the publication.*

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