

Inland waterways transport statistics in Poland

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Overview

- Data sources;
- Data scope;
- Goods classification;
- Port to port data;
- Difficulties, solution applied.



National legal basis

- Article 30, point 3 of an Act on Official Statistics of 29 June 1995 (Journal of Laws of 2012, item 439);
- Regulation of the Council of Ministers on Official Statistics Programme of Statistical Surveys.



Aims of surveys:

To obtain information about:

- Quantity and structure of carriage services;
- Carriage potential;
- Inland waterways network.



Data sources

- T-11/k Report on inland waterways fleet and transport;
- T-11/u Report on inland waterways fleet;
- TWS-1 Report on inland waterways length and number of lock crossings;
- TWA List of vessel owners.



Objective scope of surveys

- T-11/k Corporate entities, non-corporate entities, natural persons conducting economic activities concerning inland waterways transport of goods or passengers, regardless of the number of employees;
- T-11/u Inland Navigation Offices;
- TWS-1 Regional Water Management Authorities;
- TWA Inland Navigation Offices.



Objective scope of a survey in numbers

2017		Number of reporting units	of which provided data	in %
T-11/k	Q1	159	157	98,7
	Q2	160	158	98,8
	Q3	161	159	98,8
	Q4	226	220	97,3



Subjective scope of a survey

Inland waterways fleet:

- barges (self-propelled, not self-propelled);
- tanker barges (self-propelled, not self-propelled);
- towing fleet (tugs, pushers);
- passenger vessels.

by load capacity

by year of construction



Subjective scope of a survey

Transport of goods (in tonnes and tonne-kilometers):

- by groups of goods (NST 2007);
- by origin/ destination (with separated transport on Polish waterways, of which by sea);
- by type of packaging (goods in containers, goods not in containers);
- by type of vessel.



Subjective scope of a survey

Transport of passengers:

- number of passengers;
- transport performance in passenger-kilometers;
- number of cruises.



Type of goods

- Data collection based on NST 2007 3-digit level for all product groups;
- 3-digit codes or encoded clear text on an electronic form;
- Encoded clear text on a paper form.



Type of cargo

Data collection based on:

- Information on number and size of containers transported - for containers and swap body cargo category;
- Information on type of goods transported (clear text) + on type of vessel (barge, tanker barge) - for liquid bulk, dry bulk cargo category.



Distance classes

Data collection based on:

- NUTS 2 codes + port ID or encoded clear text (name of loading/unloading port) - on an electronic form;
- encoded clear text (name of loading/unloading port) - on a paper form;
- distance between loading and unloading port.



Distance classes

Selection of the most probable route based on:

- All possible connections between loading and unloading port;
- Distance (in km) set by data providers;
- Additional information, e.g. on temporary closing of an inland waterway section (weather conditions, hydrologic conditions, repair works.



Difficulties-foreign vessels on Polish waterways

- Difficulty to report data on IWT vessel traffic on national territory by a foreign vessel operator to the statistical office;
- Difficulty to collect and report data on IWT vessel traffic (including foreign) by port authorities to the statistical office.



Applied solution

Cooperation with Federal Statistical Office of Germany resulting in data on foreign IWT vessels which entered/left Poland by inland waterways:

- flag of the vessel;
- number and type of vessel (self-propelled, not selfpropelled);
- type of goods transported (NST 2007);
- tonnes transported;
- name of the Polish loading/unloading port.



Shortage of data

For foreign IWT vessels which entered/left Poland by inland waterways:

- lack of name of a foreign loading/unloading port;
- lack of transit data.



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