ICAC Research Associate Program
“Risk Management in the Cotton Industry”

Poland – Its Textile Sector and Cooperation with the ICAC

Area: 312,685 sq km.
Population: 38,484,000 (2014)
GDP per capita: $25,100 (2014 est.)
GDP growth rate: 3.4% (2014)
Public debt: 49.5% of GDP (2014)
Currency: zloty (PLN) 1 EUR = 4.10 PLN; 1 USD = 3.60 PLN

Real GDP growth rate

-8 -6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6 8
2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014

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EU-28 Germany Poland USA
### Production of textiles in Poland (2009-2014)

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<tr>
<td>Non-combed cotton yarn – weaving and knitting</td>
<td>1 739</td>
<td>1 319</td>
<td>1 266</td>
<td>1 052</td>
<td>771</td>
<td>783</td>
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<td>Flax yarn</td>
<td>2 521</td>
<td>4 382</td>
<td>3 835</td>
<td>3 148</td>
<td>2 679</td>
<td>3 143</td>
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<td>Cotton fabrics</td>
<td>45 745</td>
<td>37 086</td>
<td>18 780</td>
<td>12 076</td>
<td>8 468</td>
<td>9 848</td>
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<td>Terry, coated fabrics, towels</td>
<td>27 676</td>
<td>24 442</td>
<td>15 732</td>
<td>12 782</td>
<td>11 534</td>
<td>17 784</td>
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<td>Bed-linen</td>
<td>17 237</td>
<td>18 153</td>
<td>18 336</td>
<td>16 021</td>
<td>16 171</td>
<td>17 309</td>
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<td>Fabrics from synthetic yarns and man-made from filament fibres</td>
<td>130 123</td>
<td>132 642</td>
<td>130 948</td>
<td>125 276</td>
<td>120 950</td>
<td>130 439</td>
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<td>Carpets</td>
<td>9 140</td>
<td>9 211</td>
<td>6 340</td>
<td>6 674</td>
<td>6 719</td>
<td>8 521</td>
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<td>Runners</td>
<td>1 348</td>
<td>1 696</td>
<td>2 879</td>
<td>2 553</td>
<td>3 026</td>
<td>3 090</td>
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<td>Fitted floor carpets</td>
<td>1 116</td>
<td>1 049</td>
<td>1 126</td>
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### Production of clothing in Poland (2009-2014)

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<tr>
<td>Men’s/boys’ suits and apparel sets</td>
<td>1 459</td>
<td>1 365.5</td>
<td>1 286.3</td>
<td>1 121</td>
<td>1 147</td>
<td>1 156</td>
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<td>Men’s/boys’ jackets and loose jackets</td>
<td>761.1</td>
<td>783.7</td>
<td>724.8</td>
<td>802</td>
<td>743</td>
<td>795</td>
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<td>Men’s trousers, breeches and shorts</td>
<td>7 558.3</td>
<td>7 371.2</td>
<td>5 381</td>
<td>5 136</td>
<td>5 197</td>
<td>4 885</td>
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<td>Ladies/girls’ overcoats and the like</td>
<td>648.4</td>
<td>528.4</td>
<td>479.8</td>
<td>441</td>
<td>379</td>
<td>449</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ladies/girls’ jackets</td>
<td>1 658.8</td>
<td>1 191.6</td>
<td>1 186.9</td>
<td>1 166</td>
<td>884</td>
<td>894</td>
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<td>Ladies’ dresses, skirts</td>
<td>2 760.9</td>
<td>2 825.5</td>
<td>2 545.8</td>
<td>2 307</td>
<td>2 099</td>
<td>2 148</td>
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<td>Men’s/boy’s shirts</td>
<td>3 514</td>
<td>2 505</td>
<td>2 600</td>
<td>2 450</td>
<td>2 224</td>
<td>2 171</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ladies/girls’ shirts, blouses</td>
<td>3 715</td>
<td>3 086</td>
<td>2 670</td>
<td>2 593</td>
<td>2 184</td>
<td>2 338</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hosiery - incl. tights and body stocking in mln. pairs</td>
<td>238.4</td>
<td>260.4</td>
<td>285.6</td>
<td>218</td>
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**Imports of textiles and clothing to Poland**

Main directions of imports of clothing (value shares):
- China: 34%
- Bangladesh: 14%
- Turkey: 7%
- Germany: 6%
- India: 5%
- Vietnam: 5%

Main directions of imports of textiles (value shares):
- European Union: 56%
- China and other Asian countries: 30%
- Turkey: 7%

**Exports of textiles and clothing from Poland**

Main directions of exports of clothing (value shares):
- European Union: 85%
- Russia, Ukraine, and CIS countries: 6%

Main directions of exports of textiles (value shares):
- European Union: 71%
- Russia, Ukraine, and CIS countries: 11%
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More information on cotton sector in Poland

Employment

/ in thousands /

Sold Production

/ in million zl /

Investments Outlays

/ in million zl /

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Activities of the Gdynia Cotton Association

Established in 1935

Mission of the GCA:
to create an economically and structurally strong cotton sector in Poland and on the international arena, by enhancing both the activities of its members and also those of the institutions, authorities and organisations interested in cotton and other fibres

International co-operation of the GCA:

- International Cotton Advisory Committee (since 1991);
- Universal Cotton Standards Conference (since 1958);
- Committee for International Co-operation between Cotton Associations (since 1978);
- European Cotton Confederation (since 1998);
- EUROCOTON – Committee of the Cotton and Allied Textile Industries of the EU (since 2005).
Activities of Gdynia Cotton Association

✓ dissemination of ‘By-laws and Rules’ of the GCA which are the basis for international contracts for sale-purchase of cotton;
✓ promotion of the frame contract for selling-buying cotton in Polish and English, whose clauses are concordant with the ‘By-laws and Rules’ of the GCA;
✓ settling of quality and technical disputes arising from contracts of sale-purchase of cotton by the Court of Arbitration at the Gdynia Cotton Association;
✓ granting licenses for domestic and international cotton emblems;
✓ testing of cotton in quality assured Laboratory;
✓ organisation of cotton classification courses in Polish, English, and Russian;
✓ maintaining contacts and co-operation with international cotton institutions and organisations;
✓ representation of interests of its members before state authorities, international institutions and other organisations.

THE GCA COOPERATION WITH THE ICAC

Since 1991, the Gdynia Cotton Association has been closely cooperating with the International Cotton Advisory Committee.

➢ The GCA representatives take part in the works of the following ICAC panels:
  ✓ Private Sector Advisory Panel (PSAP)
  ✓ Task Force on Commercial Standardization of Instrument Testing of Cotton (CSITC)
  ✓ International Forum For Cotton Promotion (IFCP)

➢ The Gdynia Cotton Association was the organiser of the 62ND PLENARY MEETING OF THE ICAC, which was held in Gdansk, Poland, in 2003.
  The Meeting was attended by ca. 500 delegates from 42 countries.
  [Link to the meeting]

Thank you !!!

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