

# Activity of art galleries in 2023

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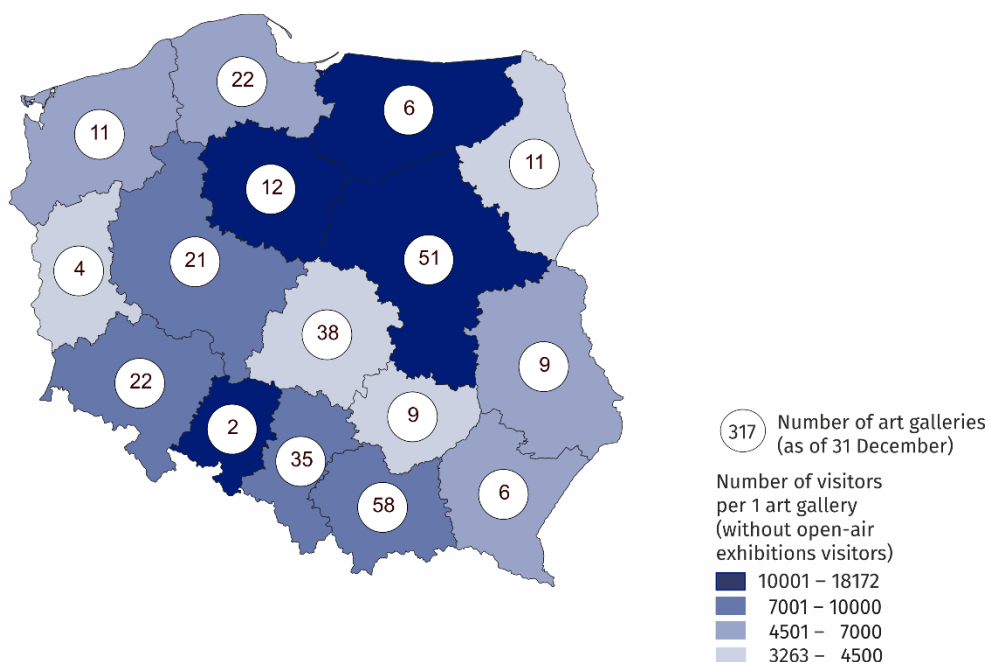
An increase in the number of organised exhibitions in Poland in comparison to 2022

In 2023, 317 art galleries were operating in Poland, which organised 3.7 thousand exhibitions for 4.0 million visitors. In comparison to the previous year, the number of exhibitions increased by 5.2%, and the number of visitors – by 34.9%.

Most of galleries were located in Małopolskie Voivodship (58) and in Mazowieckie (51), and the fewest in Opolskie Voivodship (2). More than half of all visitors (54.6%) visited art galleries in Małopolskie and Mazowieckie Voivodship (1.2 million and 1.0 million people, respectively). The fewest visitors were recorded in Lubuskie Voivodship (32.0 thousand people). Public art galleries attracted 91.9% of visitors. Of the total number of visitors, 32.7% were people, who visited open-air exhibitions.

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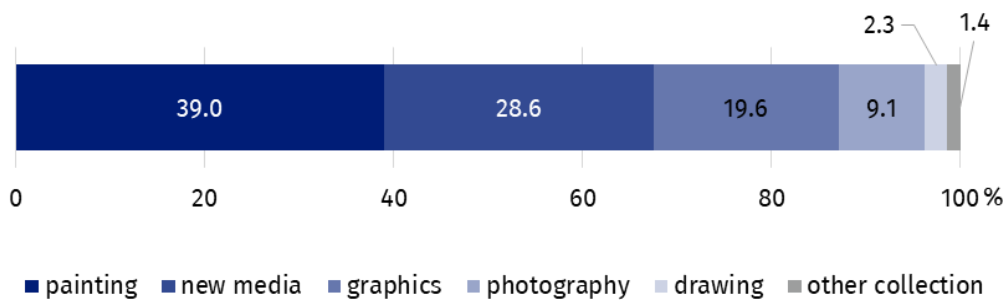
Map 1. Art galleries in 2023



Art galleries organised 3,731 exhibitions of which: national exhibitions (3,353), international (237) and exhibitions from abroad (141). In addition, Polish art galleries organised 55 exhibitions abroad.

**Chart 1. The structure of public art galleries own collections in 2023**

As of 31 December



State and local government art galleries had 1.1 million own collections (3.3% more than in 2022), the largest part of which was painting (39.0%). Objects from the category of new media, graphics and photography together constituted more than half of the own collections of public galleries (57.3%).

Most of art galleries conducting exhibition activities in Poland belonged to the public sector (63.1%), of which 87.0% of art galleries were organised by local government units.

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