



POLAND

Relationship with ICAO

- ➔ One of the original 52 signatories to the Chicago Convention of 1944
- ➔ Member of the Council – 2013 to the present
- ➔ Chair of the Central European Rotation Group comprised of Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia
- ➔ Maintains a permanent mission at ICAO Headquarters



State Statistics

Capital	Warsaw
Official Language	Polish
Area	312 679 km ²
Population	38.5 million
Gross Domestic Product*	USD 490 billion USD 12 721 per capita

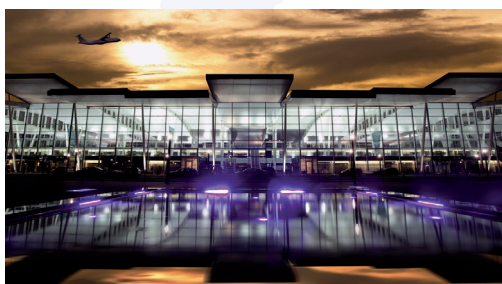
*Source: World Bank 2012

Air Transport Statistics

International Airports	13
International Passenger Traffic	20.9 million passengers 31 billion revenue passenger-kilometres
International Cargo Traffic	90 175 metric tonnes 120.6 million freight tonne-kilometres
National Airlines with International Services	15
Foreign Airlines	197

Historical Footnote

Stanisław Skarżyński flew the Polish-made single engine airplane, RWD-5bis, over the Atlantic Ocean on 8 May 1933. The flight lasted 17 hours and 15 minutes; it broke the world record for tourist aircraft in the under 450 kg category.



Quick Facts

- ➔ The Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air signed in Warsaw in 1929 is one of the oldest air conventions still in use.
- ➔ LOT Polish Airlines, founded in 1929, celebrated its 85th anniversary in 2014.
- ➔ The largest Polish International Airport, Warsaw Chopin Airport, celebrated its 80th anniversary in 2014.
- ➔ LOT Polish Airlines was the first European Airline to fly the Boeing 787 Dreamliner.
- ➔ The Civil Aviation Authority of the Republic of Poland and the Polish Air Navigation Services Agency both organized in 2013, in Gdansk, the International Air & Space Law Conference attended by international experts from around the world.
- ➔ Two new Polish International Airports, Warsaw Modlin Airport and Lublin Airport were opened in 2012.

Did You Know...

In 2012, glider pilots Sebastian Kawa and Zbigniew Nieradka won Gold Medals at World Gliding Championships in the 15m and 18m classes. Both occupy the top two positions in the ranking of the FAI International Gliding Commission (IGC).