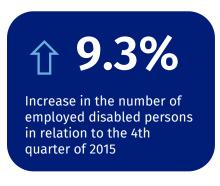


Disabled persons on the labour market of Opolskie Voivodship in 2022

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The number of employed disabled persons in Opolskie Voivodship at the end of 4th quarter of 2022 amounted to 6.3 thousand and in annual terms it decreased by 2.8% and in relation to the corresponding period of 2015 it increased by 9.3%. At the end of December 2022, in Opolskie Voivodship, 1.9 thousand disabled persons had an unemployed person status, i.e. more by 5.4% than in December 2021 and less by 22.9% compared to December 2015.

Employed disabled persons

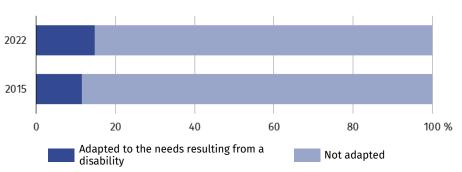
In Opolskie Voivodship, there were 6.3 thousand employed disabled persons at the end of 4th quarter of 2022, i.e. fewer by 2.8% compared to the corresponding period of 2021, while more by 9.3% in relation to the 4th quarter of 2015. Among the total number of the employed in the voivodship, the percentage of employed disabled persons amounted to 2.6% at the end of 4th quarter of 2022, i.e. similarly as in the previous year, while in relation to the 4th quarter of 2015 it was higher by 0.1 percentage point.

Table 1. Employed disabled persons as of the end of 4th quarter

SPECIFICATION	2015	2021	2022		
	in absolute numbers			2015=100	2021=100
TOTAL	5771	6491	6310	109.3	97.2
Of which in the private sector	4071	4637	4338	106.6	93.6

As in previous years, vast majority of employed disabled persons found employment in the private sector. At the end of 4th quarter of 2022, 68.7% disabled persons worked in the said sector. This share, in relation to the corresponding period of 2021, decreased by 2.7 percentage point, while in relation to the 4th quarter of 2015 – by 1.8 percentage points.

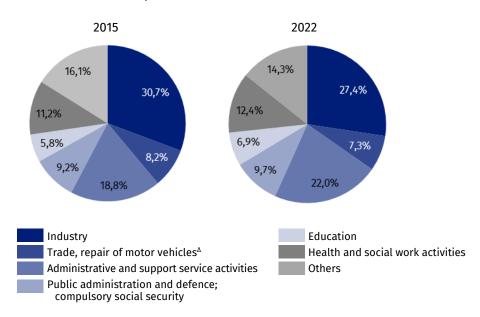
Chart 1. Structure of employed disabled persons by the nature of the workstation as of the end of 4th quarter



At the end of 4th quarter of 2022, on average, every 38th employed person was disabled At the end of the 4th quarter of 2022, on average, every seventh working disabled person in Opolskie Voivodship was employed at a workstation specifically adapted to the needs resulting from their disability, in the 4th quarter of 2021 it concerned every thirteenth working disabled person, while in the 4th quarter of 2015 – every ninth.

In 2022, among the total employed disabled persons in the voivodship, the most found employment in the industry. Share of this section at the end of 4th quarter of 2022 was higher by 2.1 percentage points than in the corresponding period of 2021, while lower by 3.3 percentage points versus 4th quarter of 2015.

Chart 2. Structure of employed disabled persons by section as of the end of 4th quarter



The lowest number of employed disabled persons, both at the end of 4th quarter of 2022, as well as corresponding periods of 2021 and 2015, was recorded in units included in the information and communication section. The share of employed disabled persons in this section did not exceed 1.0% in the voivodship.

At the end of 4th quarter in Opolskie Voivodship, 0.5 thousand employers expressed willingness to employ disabled persons. On an annual basis this interest decreased by 33.4%, however increased by 35.5% in relation to the 4th quarter of 2015. Most often, private sector entities conducting professional, scientific and technical activity as well as industrial one reported the possibility of increasing employment of disabled persons in 2022.

Unemployed disabled persons

In Opolskie Voivodship, at the end of December 2022, there were 1.9 thousand disabled persons registered in labour offices. In relation to the corresponding period of 2021 their number increased by 5.4%, however decreased – by 22.9%, compared to 2015. Among the total number of the registered unemployed in the voivodship, percentage of disabled persons at the end of December 2022 amounted to 9.1% and was higher than that noted year earlier by 0.8 percentage point and by 2.4 percentage points versus 2015.

The number of disabled persons with the status of the unemployed, in relation to 2015, decreased by 22.9% in Opolskie Voivodship

Table 2. Unemployed disabled persons as of 31 December

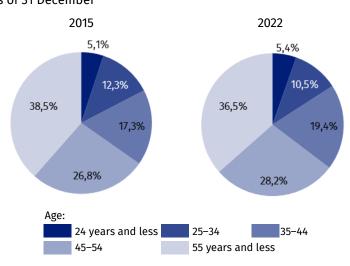
SPECIFICATION	2015	2021	2022		
	in absolute numbers			2015=100	2021=100
TOTAL	2432	1779	1875	77.1	105.4
men	1308	976	1059	81.0	108.5
women	1124	803	816	72.6	101.6

In the structure of unemployed disabled persons by sex in 2022, no significant changes were recorded compared to previous years. Disabled men still made up for more than a half of unemployed in the voivodship. At the end of December 2022 their share was 56.5% and on an annual basis increased by 1.6 percentage point, whereas in relation to December 2015 – by 2.7 percentage points. At the end of 2022, per 100 unemployed women, there were 130 unemployed men (year earlier – 122 and in 2015 – 116).

The chance of for a change of status on the labour market by unemployed disabled persons is determined by, i.a., socio-demographic features such as: age, education level, work seniority and duration of unemployment.

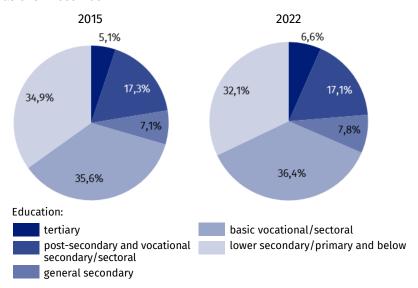
In Opolskie Voivodship's total number of the unemployed with disabilities, the most numerous group were persons aged 55 years and more. Their share, at the end of 2022, amounted to 36.5% and increased by 0.2 percentage point on a yearly basis, however decreased by 2.0 percentage points in relation to 2015. Unemployment was the least frequent for disabled persons up to the age of 25. Percentage of this unemployed group at the end of 2022 was at the level of 5.4%, i.e. higher by 0.8 percentage point compared to the previous year and by 0.3 percentage point in relation to 2015.

Chart 3. Structure of unemployed disabled persons by age groups as of 31 December



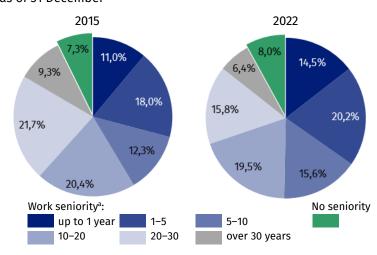
As in previous years, persons with the lowest levels of education were in the most difficult situation on the labour market. At the end of 2022, out of the total number of registered unemployed disabled persons in the voivodship, majority, i.e. 68.5% had the basic vocational/sectoral, lower secondary, primary and incomplete primary education, which meant increase in the share of by 1.3 percentage point on an annual basis and a decrease of 2.0 percentage points compared to 2015. The least threatened with unemployment were disabled persons with tertiary education. At the end of 2022, percentage of disabled persons with said education was 6.6% versus 6.2% in the year earlier and 5.1% at the end of 2015.

Chart 4. Structure of unemployed disabled persons by the level of education as of 31 December



The analysis of the structure of unemployed disabled persons in terms of their work experience has shown that in 2022, in Opolskie Voivodship, the most numerous group was composed of persons with 1–5 years' work seniority (20.2% of the total number of registered unemployed persons). The percentage of the unemployed with the discussed work seniority increased annually in the voivodship by 0.2 percentage point and by 2.2 percentage points in relation to 2015. On the other hand, persons with the longest work seniority (over 30 years) were in the most favourable situation. At the end of 2022, they constituted 6.4% of the total number of registered unemployed in the voivodship, the year earlier – 7.1% and in 2015 – 9.3%. The share of disabled persons, who did not have any work seniority at the end of 2022 amounted to 8.0% and was higher by 0.3 percentage point compared to 2021 and by 0.7 percentage point in relation to 2015.

Chart 5. Structure of unemployed disabled persons by work seniority as of 31 December

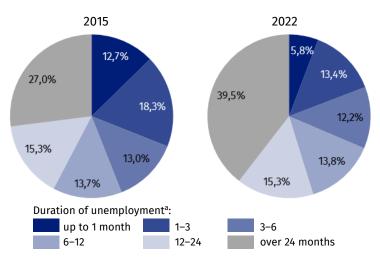


a Intervals were shifted upwards, e.g. interval 1-5 includes persons working from 1 year and 1 day up to full 5 years.

Given the duration of the unemployment, it was observed, that in 2022, similarly to previous years, the majority were disabled persons looking for a job over 12 months. The share of this group of at the end of 2022 amounted to 54.8% and on a yearly basis decreased by 2.8 percentage points, while in relation to 2015 it increased by 12.5 percentage points. On the other hand, the least threatened with by the phenomenon of unemployment were persons

who remained unemployed up to 1 month, and their percentage at the end of 2022 in the voivodship amounted to 5.8%, the year before – 6.0% and at the end of 2015 – 12.7%.

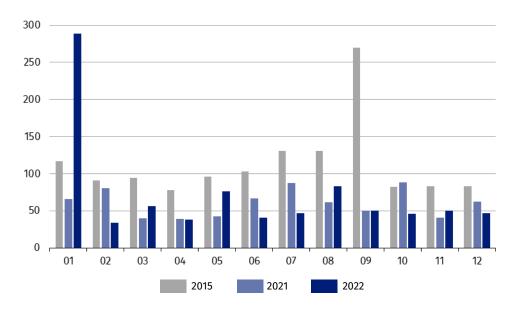
Chart 6. Structure of unemployed disabled persons by duration of unemployment as of 31 December



a Since registration in labour office, intervals were shifted upward, e.g. interval 3–6 includes persons, who remained unemployed for 3 months and 1 day to 6 full months included.

In the period January-December 2022 a total of 0.9 thousand job offers addressed to disabled persons were submitted to labour offices in Opolskie Voivodship (i.e. 3.1% of the total number of job offers submitted to the unemployed). Their number increased in relation to 2021 by 18.5%, while it decreased by 36.9% compared to 2015. Among all job offers dedicated to disabled persons in 2022 (similarly to 2021 and 2015) majority of them came from the private sector, and, on average, every eighth job offer concerned seasonal work (in 2021 – every third and in 2015 – every fourth).

Chart 7. Job offers for disabled persons during the period



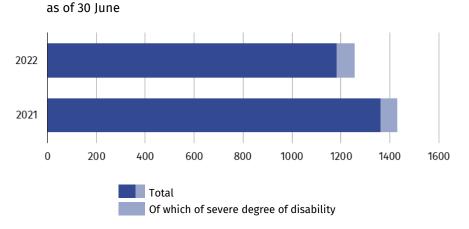
At the end of December 2022, per job offer, there were 28 unemployed disabled persons, the year earlier – 19, while in 2015 – 51.

Disabled persons employed in sheltered workshops

At the end of June 2022, in Opolskie Voivodship, there were 11 sheltered workshops employing total of 1.3 thousand disabled persons, which constituted 68.8% of the total number of the employed in this type of units (the year earlier – 69.1%). On an annual basis, the number of disabled persons employed in them decreased by 12.2%.

As in the previous year, the vast majority, i.e. 68.3% of employed persons with disabilities had a moderate degree of disability. In relation to June 2021, the share of this group of disabled persons increased by 2.2 percentage points.

Chart 8. Disabled persons employed in sheltered workshops

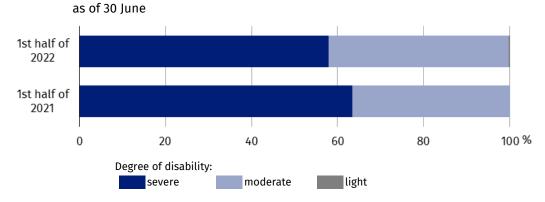


Opolskie Voivodship's sheltered workshops recorded a year-on-year decline in the number of employed disabled persons

Disabled persons employed in vocational development centres

At the end of June 2022 in Opolskie Voivodship, there were 5 vocational development centres, which employed 0.3 thousand persons with disabilities. Disabled persons in the voivodship accounted for 85.3% of the total number of employed persons in the discussed type of establishments and in relation to the corresponding period of 2021 their share increased by 4.9 percentage points.

Chart 9. Structure of employed disabled persons in vocational development centres by degree of disability



Percentage of disabled persons employed in vocational development centres in Opolskie Voivodship increased in comparison with the first half of 2021

The structure of employed disabled persons in vocational development centres in the 1st half of 2022 in Opolskie Voivodship, compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, did not change significantly and persons with a severe degree of disability continued to predominate (57.9%), however their share per year decreased (by 5.6 percentage points).

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