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# **Poland Country Update**

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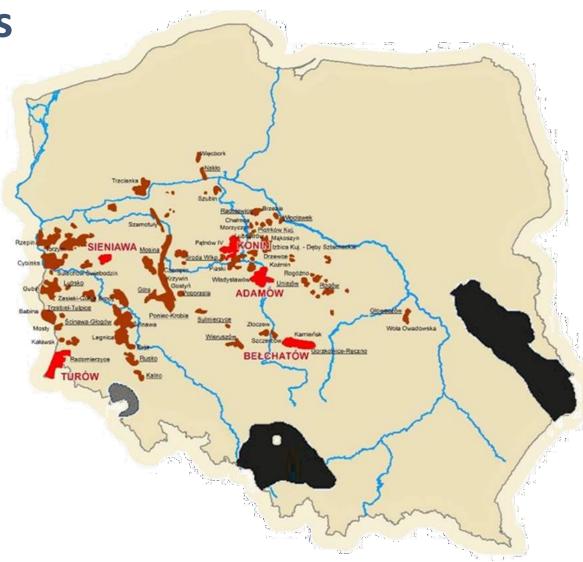




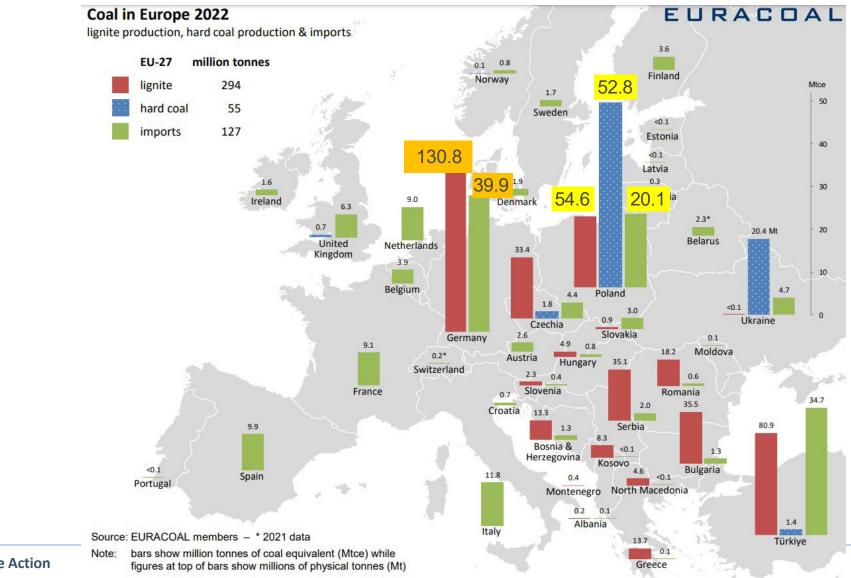
#### **Polish Coal Basins: Locations**

Lignite deposits under exploitation

- Lignite documented and prospective deposits
- Hard coal deposits under exploitation
  - Hard coal abandoned deposits



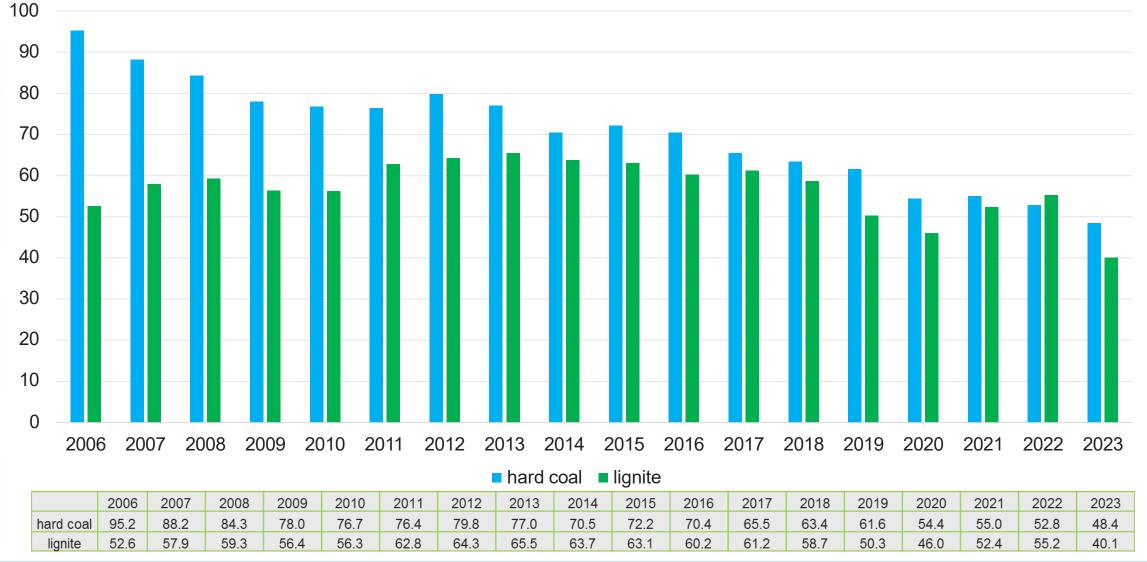
# **Polish Coal Statistics Against the European Background**



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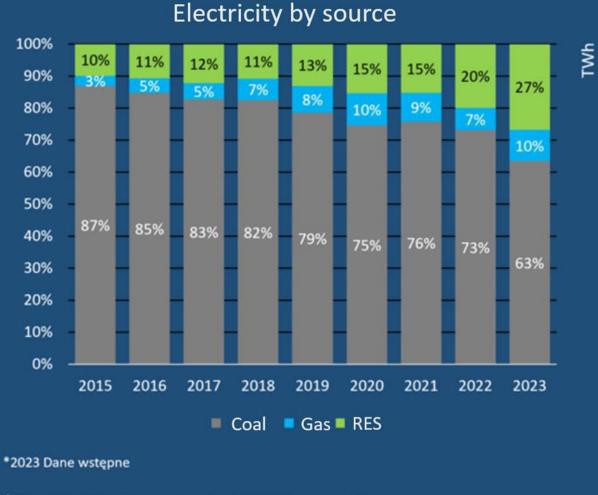
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# **Coal Production in Poland since 2006 in mln Tonnes**



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# **Electricity Production by Source in Poland since 2015**



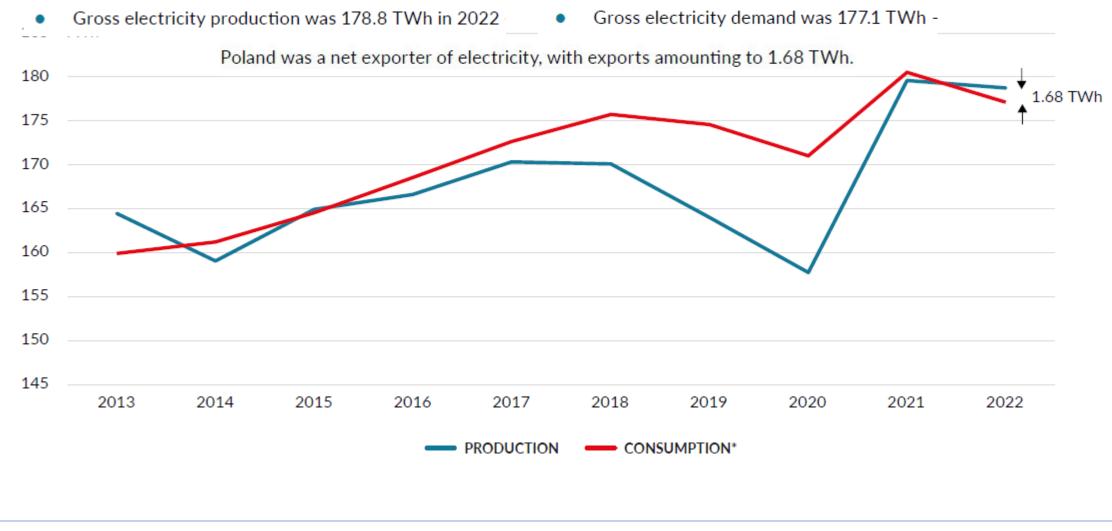
**Renewable energy production** sun wind biomass biogas water 

2001 2003 2005 2007 2009 2011 2013 2015 2017 2019 2021 2023

Źródło: PSE, ARE, URE, Instrat za ENTSOE, PSE | Styczeń 2024



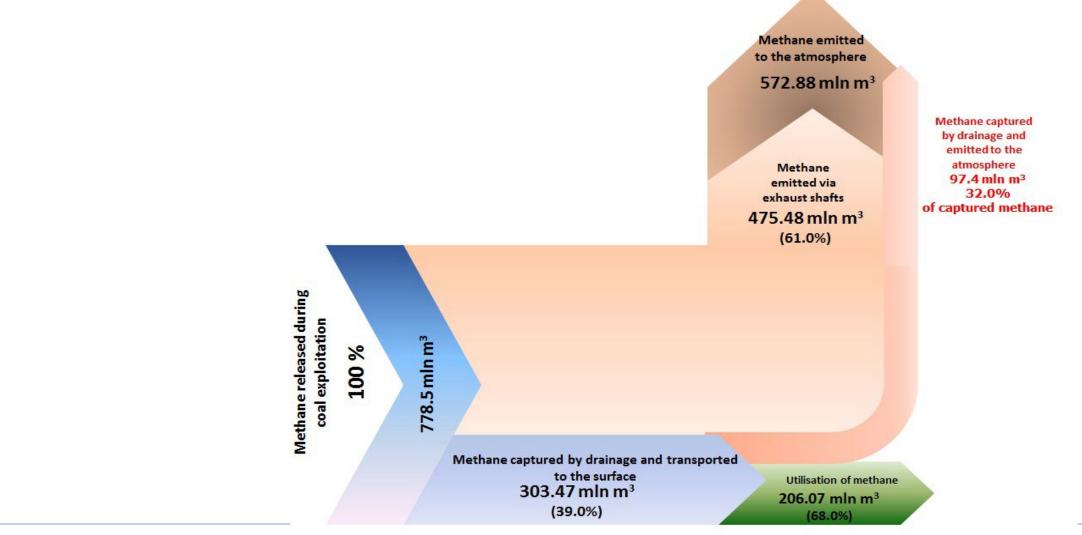
#### **Polish Electricity Production versus Consumption in 2013-2022**



### **Coal Mine Methane Emissions from Polish Underground Coal Mines since 2013**

Absolute methane-bearing capacity and hard coal output in Polish coal mines 2009-2022 1000,0 120 900,0 100 д, 800,0 hard coal output, mln tones c 700,0 Ξ 80 city 600,0 σ ã 500,0 60 σ ring 400,0 40 300,0 Ð 200,0 20 meth 100,0 0,0 0 Absolute 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2015 2022 2014 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 Year Hard coal output (mln tones) ---- Absolute methane bearing capacity (mln m3/year)

# Methane Balance in Polish Underground Hard Coal Mines in 2022

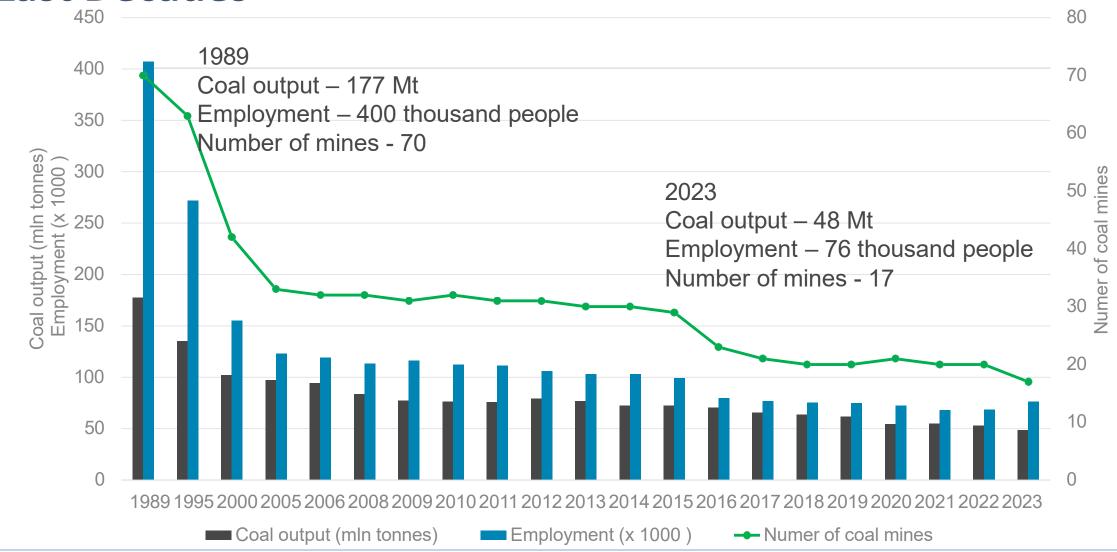


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# Methane is not the Only Hazard in Polish Underground Coal Mines



# Future of Polish Coal Mines – Restructuring Process over Last Decades



### **Future of Polish Coal Mines**

• In May 2021, the Polish government signed a consensus (social agreement) with mining unions to use public funds to support miners during Poland's phaseout of **thermal coal by 2049.** 

• This agreement **does not include coking coal mines** and is currently in the process of notification by the European Commission.

 The new EU methane emissions regulation, which is in the last stage before its implemention will definitely create a lot of challenges for the mining sector