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Audit on medical waste treatment in Poland

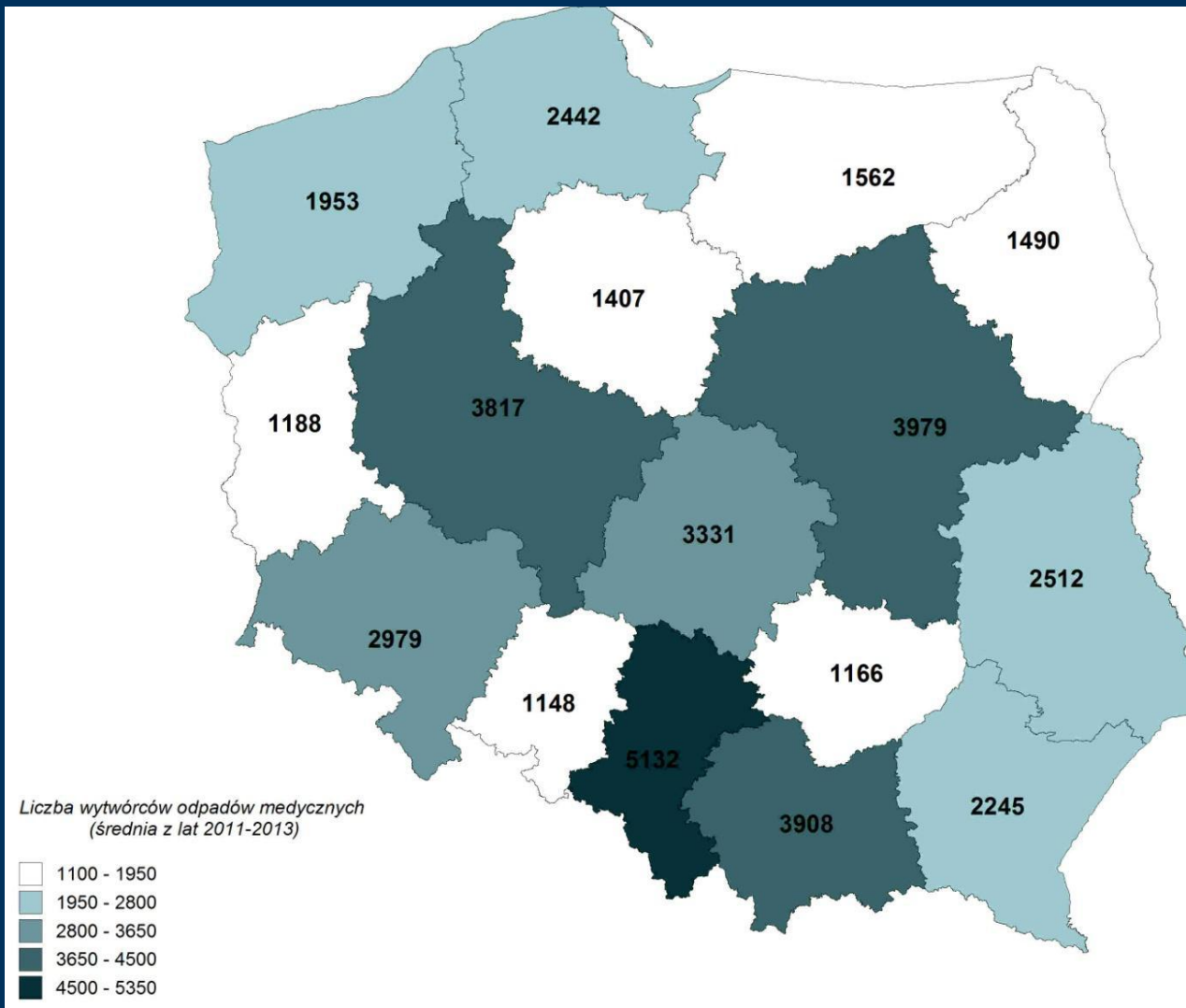
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Medical waste treatment system in Poland - regulations

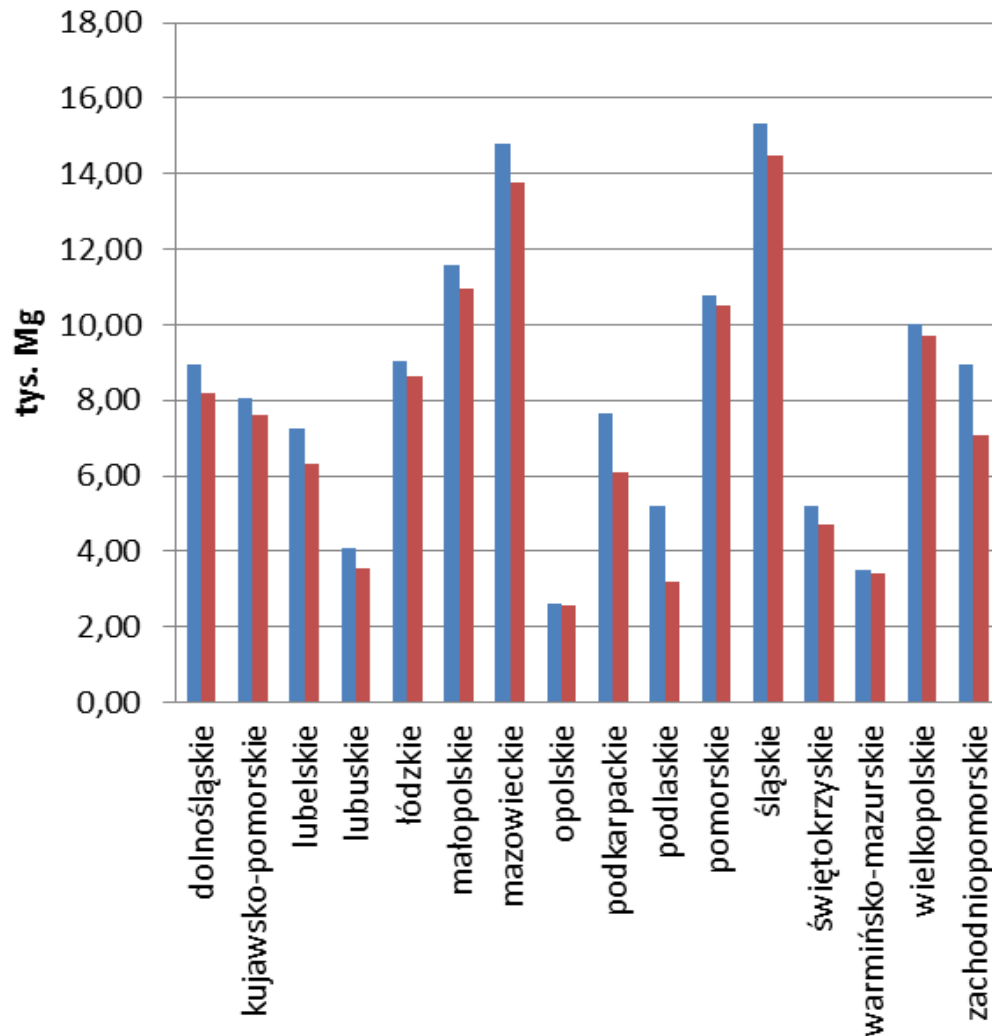
- Waste Management Acts of 2001 and 2012
- Definition of medical waste
- The proximity principle



Average annual number of medical waste producers in particular voivodeships



Amount of medical waste (including hazardous medical waste) produced in particular voivodeships



■ Total amount of medical waste

■ Amount of hazardous medical waste

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Objective:

How the system of hazardous medical waste management functions?

Audited entities:

- 18 hospitals
- 6 sanitary and epidemiological entities

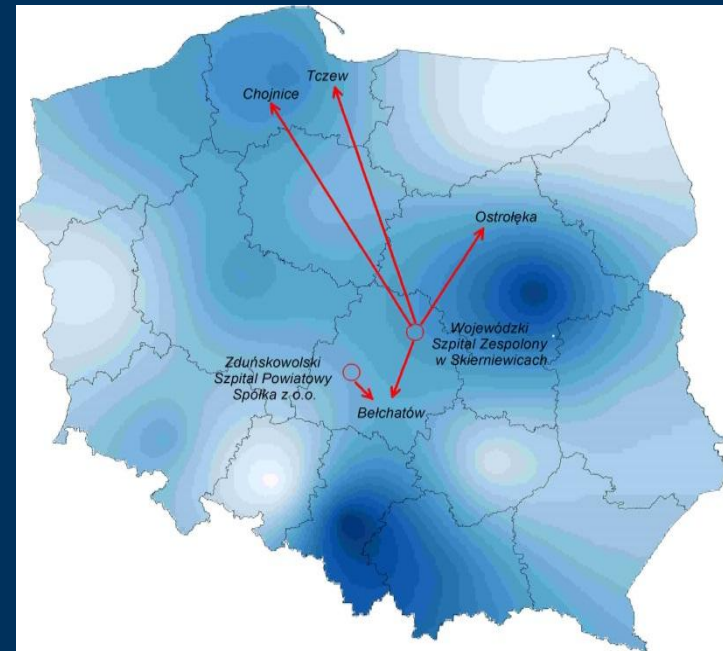
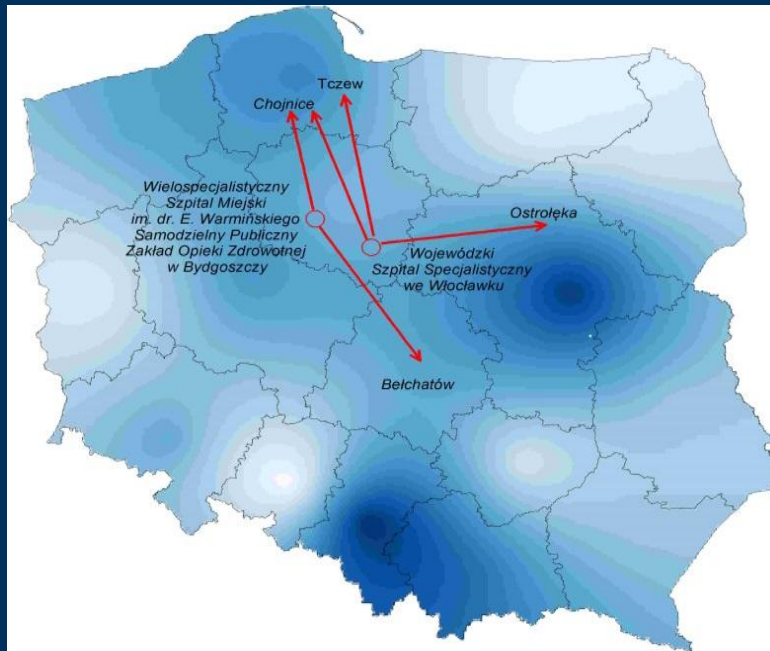
Audited period:

1 January 2011 – 31 December 2013

Main audit findings (1)

- The proximity principle violated

Transport of medical waste in some of the audited entities



Main audit findings (2)

- Lack of information on disposal of 6% of medical waste
- Irregularities in sorting and storage of medical waste
- Improper record-keeping
- Lack of confirmation of the waste disposal
- Irregularities in incineration plants

Audit assessment and recommendations

Negative assessment of the medical waste treatment

Recommendations to:

- The Minister of Environment
- The Minister of Health

Thank you for your attention!

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