




**REPORT ON THE LOSSES
SUFFERED BY POLAND AS A RESULT
OF GERMAN AGGRESSION AND OCCUPATION
DURING WORLD WAR II 1939-1945**



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33

representatives
of Polish science

10

external reviews prepared
by experts



COOPERATION WITH INSTITUTIONS



The Chancellery
of the Sejm



Powszechny Zakład
Ubezpieczeń



Institute of National
Remembrance



Zakład Ubezpieczeń
Społecznych
(Social Insurance Institution)



Statistics
Poland



Lux Veritatis
Foundation



Central Archives of
Modern Records



Polish National
Foundation



Polish State
Archives



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ABOUT THE REPORT

Volume I

Description and assessment of material and non-material losses suffered by the Republic of Poland during World War II 1939-1945

Volume II

Photographic documentation showing cruelty of German war crimes against the Polish citizens

Volume III

List of crime sites prepared based on the research conducted over several decades by the Central Commission for Investigation of German Crimes in Poland



CONSEQUENCES OF WW II FOR POLAND AND POLISH CITIZENS

As a result of World War II, Poland suffered the greatest human and material losses of all the European countries in relation to its total population and national wealth.





CHANGES IN THE POLISH BORDERS

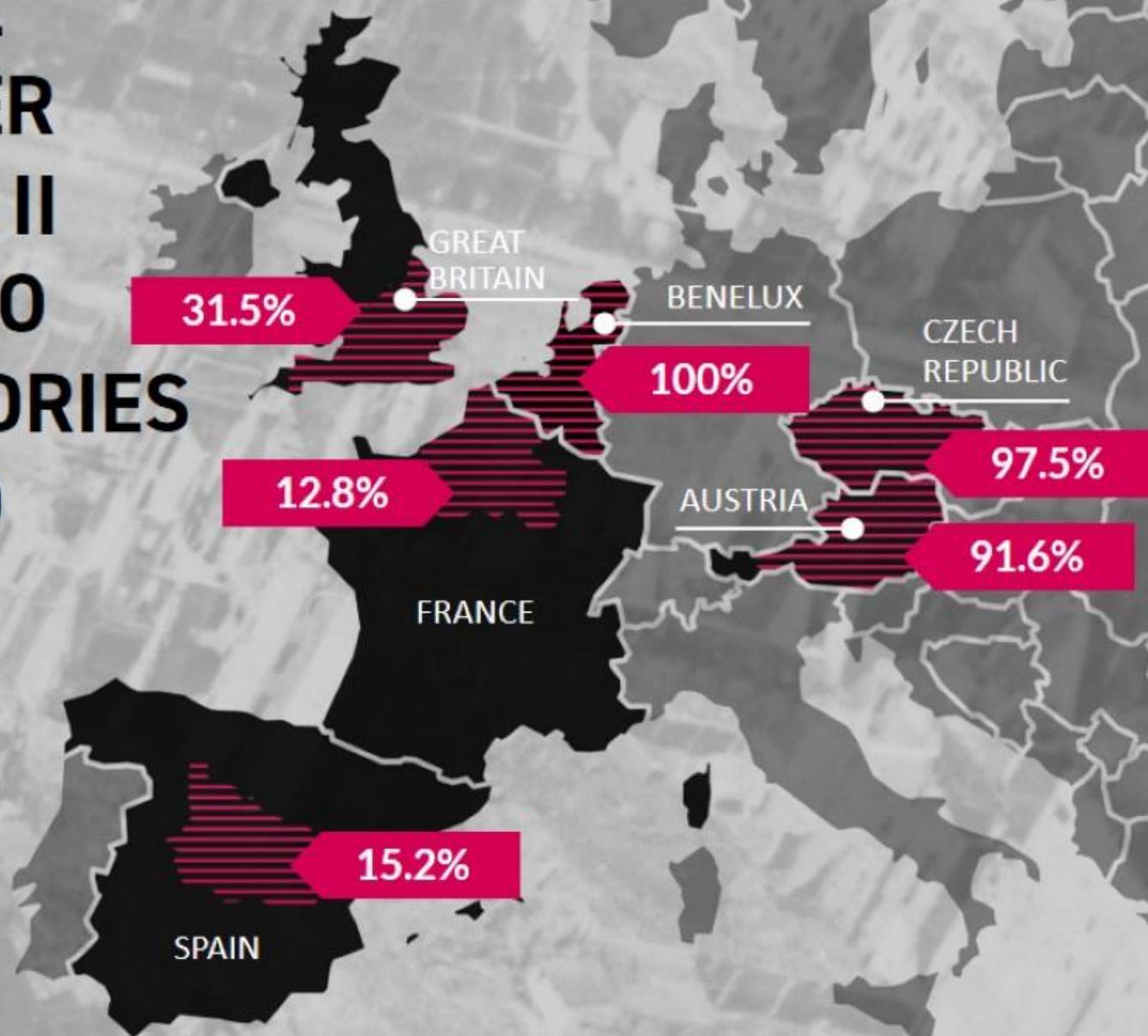
Decrease
of the Polish territory:

77,900 km²





POLISH TERRITORIAL LOSSES AFTER WORLD WAR II COMPARED TO THE TERRITORIES OF SELECTED EUROPEAN COUNTRIES





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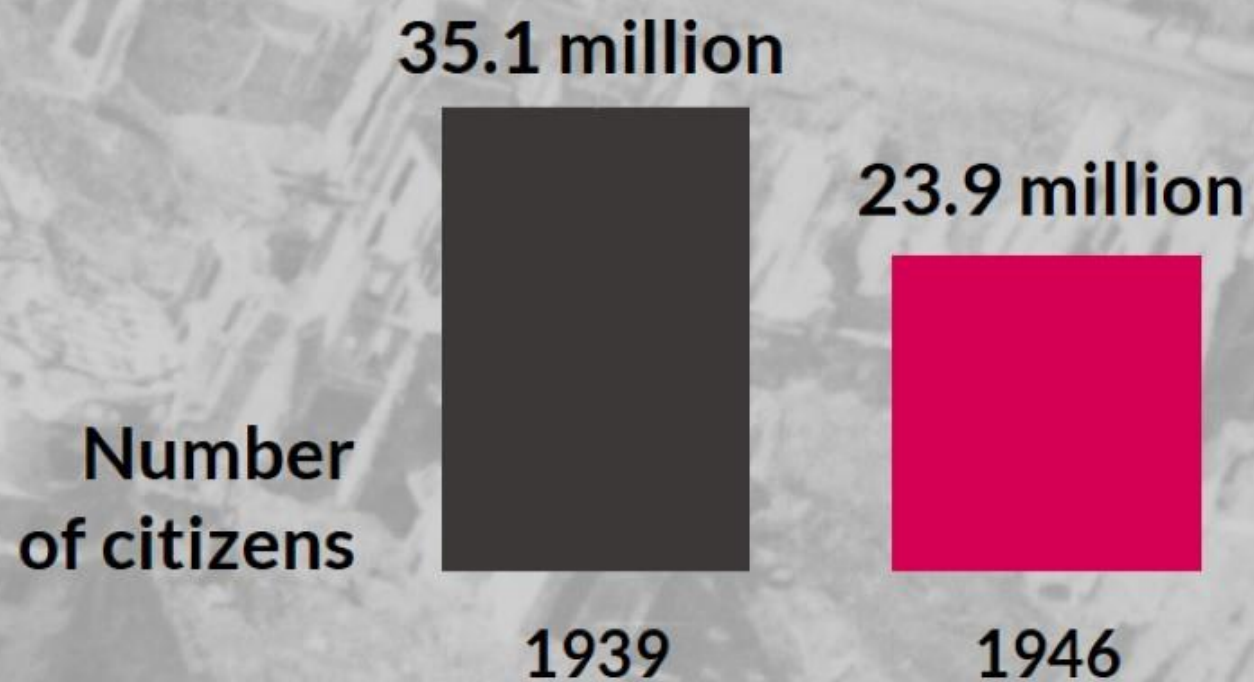
LOSSES

OF POLAND



IN 7 YEARS POLAND LOST OVER

11,200,000 CITIZENS



According to Statistics Poland data



GERMAN POLICY TOWARDS POLES AND POLISH CITIZENS OF JEWISH ORIGIN





GERMAN CONCENTRATION AND EXTERMINATION CAMPS

| Camps | Number of victims |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Auschwitz | 1-1.5 million |
| Treblinka | 1 million |
| Majdanek | 360,000 |
| Sobibór | 167,000 |
| Bełżec | 435,000 |
| Kulmhof | 250,000 |





HOLOCAUST OF **JEW**S

Stages of the Holocaust

Labelling

Separation from the rest
of society

Anti- Semitic
campaigns

Prohibiting any kind of help
under death penalty

Economic
exploitation

Starvation

Dehumanisation

Mass extermination in German
extermination camps and sites of executions



BONDED LABOUR

- Over **2,100,000** people were taken abroad to bonded labor.
- They worked over **4,881,000** working years.



BAYER

IG Farben

Allianz

Audi

BMW

Deutsche Bank

Dresdner Bank

Heinkel

Hugo Boss

Mercedes-Benz

Opel

Porsche

Volkswagen AG



STOLEN CHILDREN

THE GERMANS TOOK AND
SELECTED FOR GERMANISATION

ca. 196,000

POLISH CHILDREN

Only 30,000
were recovered





VICTIMS WITH SERIOUS HEALTH IMPAIRMENT OR DISEASES INCLUDING MENTAL ILLNESS

**590,000 Polish citizens
became disabled**

as a result of:

- direct acts of war,
- pseudomedical experiments,
- being kept in German concentration camps.





LOSSES IN POLISH INTELLIGENTSIA

Personnel losses:



50%
lawyers

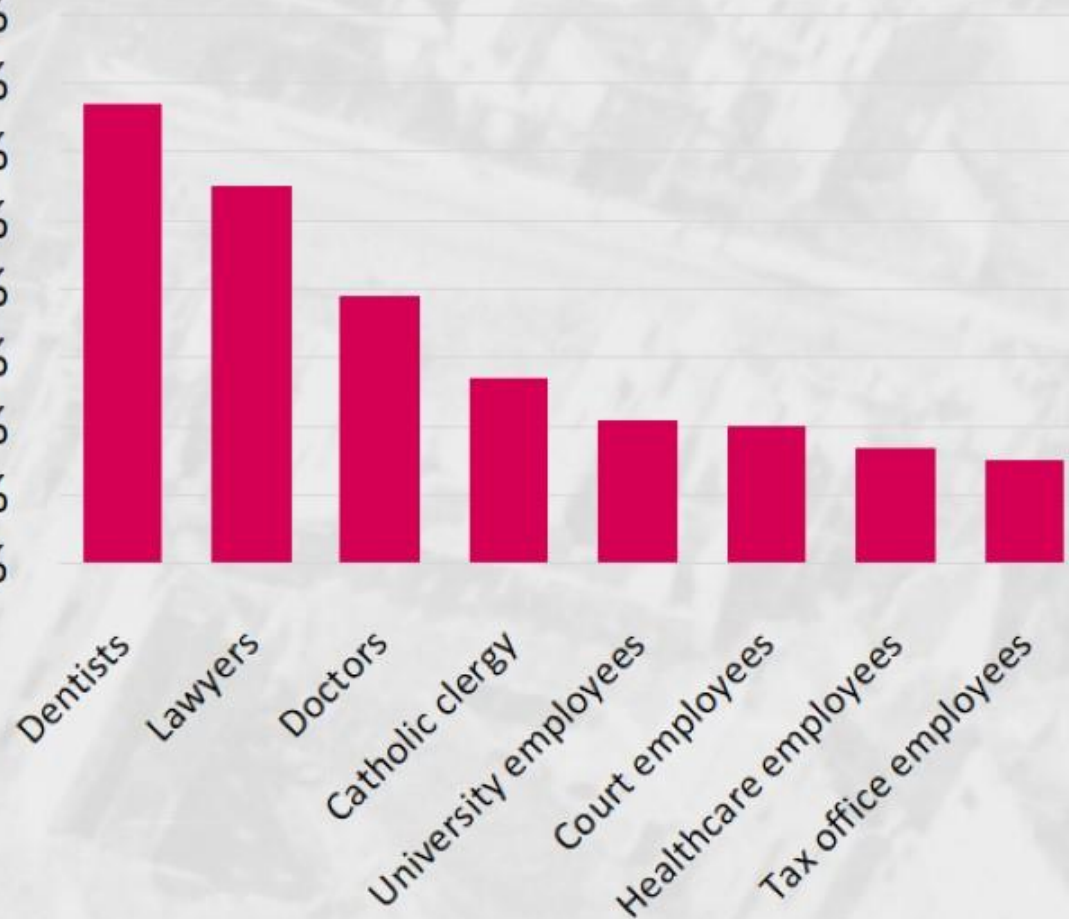


40%
doctors



35%
academic
teachers

80%
70%
60%
50%
40%
30%
20%
10%
0%





"INTELLIGENTSIA" ACTION AND AB

Elimination of persons who could oppose the Germanisation of occupied territories, mainly the leaders in 1939 – 1940

- perpetrators:
 - **Einsatzgruppen der Sicherheitspolizei**
 - **Volksdeutscher Selbstschutz**
i.e. German neighbours of Poles
- ca. 100,000 victims

SONDERAKTION KRAKAU

193 professors and teachers of the Jagiellonian University and the University of Science were arrested, **20 of whom were murdered.**





SITES OF BIGGEST GERMAN WAR CRIMES, EXECUTIONS AND SPECIAL ACTIONS IN POLAND 1939-1945





THE NUMBER OF PERSONAL LOSSES OF
POLAND SUFFERED FROM THE GERMANS
ONLY WAS SET ON

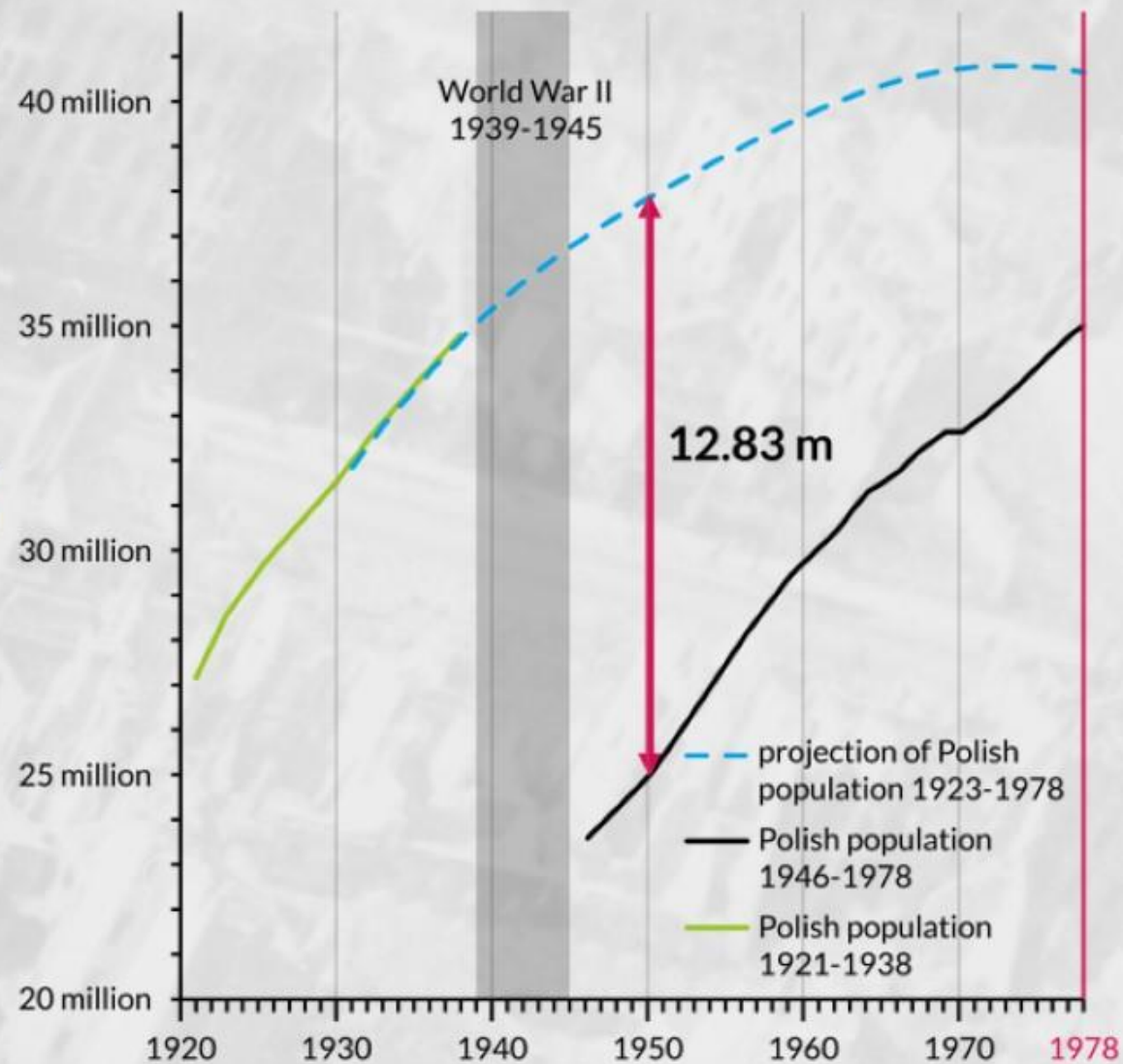
5,219,000 PEOPLE

21 percent were children under the age of 10.





WE NEEDED
33 YEARS
TO REBUILD
HUMAN POTENTIAL
TO THE LEVEL FROM
BEFORE THE WAR
35,100,000
CITIZENS



Polish population in 1931-1978 in accordance with demographic projection and real growth of the population



ECONOMIC VALUATION OF HUMAN LOSSES



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Average lost remuneration of
one dead victim was estimated at over

PLN 800,000 (USD 200,000)

in 2021 prices.



PLN 821,800



USD 202,400



REMUNERATION LOST

Lost remuneration was estimated at

ca. PLN 4 trillion 300 billion

as a result of human losses.

MEN



2,696,190



PLN 3.305 tril.
(in 2021 money)

WOMEN



2,522,863



PLN 0.984 tril.
(in 2021 money)

TOTAL



5,219,053



PLN 4.289 tril.
(in 2021 money)



LOST REMUNERATIONS OF THE WW II SURVIVORS (in PLN from 2021)

PERSONS WITH WITH SERIOUS HEALTH IMPAIRMENT OR DISEASES



MEN

PLN 220.9 billion



WOMEN

PLN 47.1 billion



TOTAL

PLN 268 billion

STOLEN CHILDREN



MEN

PLN 119.4 billion



WOMEN

PLN 47.024 billion



TOTAL

PLN 166.4 billion

FORCED LABOURERS



MEN

PLN 50 billion



WOMEN

PLN 13.4 billion



TOTAL

PLN 63.4 billion

TOTAL PLN 497.9 billion



MATERIAL

LOSSES



MATERIAL LOSSES

Total amount of material losses was

797 billion 398 million Polish zlotys



- Residential buildings and non-residential parts of buildings in the cities
- Residential and service buildings in the country



Losses in agriculture



Lost benefits due to the damage or loss of buildings that bring or may bring income



Religious and historical buildings



Forests



Polish Army



Infrastructure and movable property in rail, road and sea transport




Buildings not covered by categories above



Energy, industry and crafts



LOSS OF
CULTURAL ASSETS
AND WORKS OF ART



**LOSSES IN CULTURAL ASSETS
AND WORKS OF ART INCURRED
AS A RESULT OF ACTS OF WAR
AND GERMAN OCCUPATION
AMOUNTED TO APPROX.**

**19 BILLION 310 MILLION
POLISH ZLOTYS.**



Frederic Chopin
Monument



Raphael,
Portrait of a Young Man



Interior of the Royal Castle
in Warsaw



Central Archives of Modern
Records collections burnt to
ashes by the German soldiers



LOSSES **IN BANKING** **AND INSURANCE**



LOSSES IN BANKING

Total losses of Polish credit and savings institutions and their customers incurred as a result of acts of war and German occupation amount to

PLN 89 BILLION 321 MILLION.



LOSSES IN INSURANCE

Total losses of Polish social security institutions and insurance companies incurred as a result of acts of war and German occupation amounts to

PLN 34 BILLION 804 MILLION.



Treasury Ticket of the Third Reich in General Government (From Central Archives of Modern Records collection)



STATE

TRASURY

LOSSES



STATE **TREASURY LOSSES**



296 billion 490 million Polish zlotys

Amount of tax losses incurred by the Ministry of Treasury



196 billion 320 million Polish zlotys

Claims related to the activity of Emmissionsbank in Polen



TOTAL

492 billion 811 million Polish zlotys





ESTIMATION OF GDP LOSSES

GDP LOSS AND LOWER LEVEL OF PROSPERITY AFTER WAR

War scenario of Polish GDP with losses caused by Germany during WW II





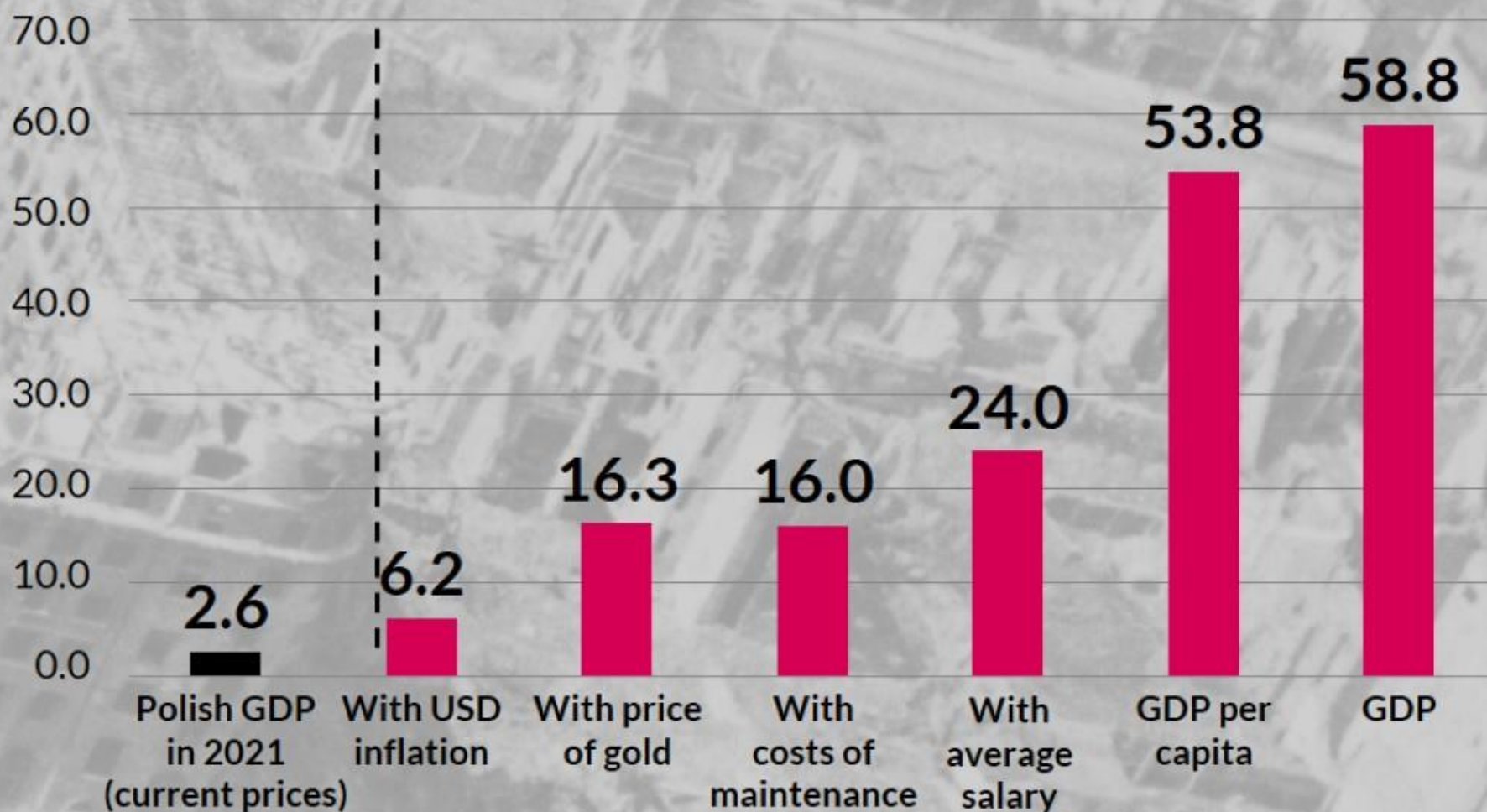
LOSS ADJUSTMENT

PRESENT



VALUE OF WAR LOSSES TODAY

Value of war losses today in accordance with index as of 31.12.2022 (tril., PLN)





VALUE OF LOSSES
INCURRED BY POLAND
AND CAUSED BY
GERMANY



ADDING ALL COMPONENTS GIVES TOTAL AMOUNT OF POLISH LOSSES

6 TRILLION 220 BILLION

609 MILLION POLISH ZLOTYS

In words: six trillion two hundred twenty billion
six hundred and nine million Polish zlotys

USD 1 trillion 532 billion 170 million



NO JUDICIAL CHANNELS FOR THE VICTIMS

- Millions of Polish citizens have **never got any compensation.**
- Attempts of individual redress in German courts **have proven ineffective.**
- Polish citizens were not granted compensation due to **discriminatory legislation** of the Federal Republic of Germany.
- Even in current state of development of protection of human rights **Germany continues to evade liability for damages** hiding behind immunity from legal proceedings.





TODAY WE SAY

NO TO KEEPING QUIET

NO TO TIME-BARRING

NO TO FORGETTING



**We believe that consequences
of German actions in Poland
during World War II**

**should be regulated in bilateral
agreement concluded
between governments
of Poland and Germany.**



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