



Poland

Ordinary courts - Poland

This section provides you with information on the organisation of ordinary courts in Poland.

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The system of common courts in Poland includes the **appellate** (sądy apelacyjne), **provincial** (sądy okręgowe) and **district courts** (sądy rejonowe). These courts decide, among other things, on cases concerning criminal, civil, family and juvenile law, commercial law, employment and social security laws – except for cases vested in other special courts, such as military courts.

Common courts also maintain **land** and **mortgage registers**, as well as the pledge register, National Court Register and National Criminal Register.

Civil courts

There is a civil unit (wydział cywilny) in each **appellate**, **provincial** and **district** court.

Criminal courts

There is a criminal unit (wydział karny) in each **appellate**, **provincial** and **district** court.

Legal databases

The website of the [Polish government](#) contains a list of published Acts, dating from 1918.

Access to the database is **free of charge**.

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