



MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC



**STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT REPORT  
SLOVAK REPUBLIC 2006**





*Healthy conditions of living and working conditions shall be created and secured by conservation of air, water, land and other elements of environment...*

*§13a of the Act No. 272/1994 Coll. on Protection of Human Health as subsequently amended*

## • PUBLIC HEALTH

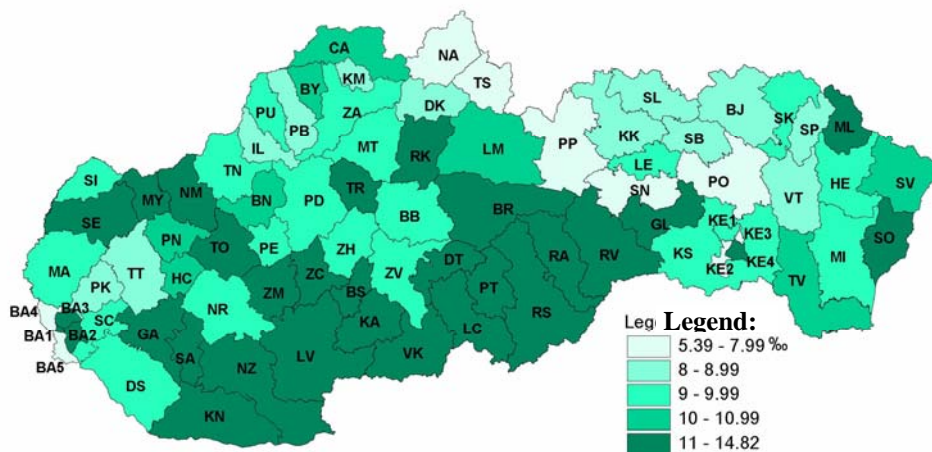
### Life expectancy at birth

Average life expectancy at birth is rising for both genders, reaching 70.4 years for men and 78.2 years for women in 2006. Compared to 2005, average age of the living Slovak population increased and reached the level of 36.1 years in men, and 39.3 years in women. Despite this positive trend, Slovakia belongs to the 5 EU countries (Baltic States, Hungary, Slovakia) with the lowest average life expectancy for both men and women.

### Morbidity and mortality

In 2006, there were 28 091 deaths for men and 25 210 deaths for women. Compared to 2005, this is lower by 60 deaths in men, and 114 deaths in women.

### Number of dead in 1 000 inhabitants according to districts in 2006



Source: SO SR

Greatest public mortality both in men and women over a long time period has been from **circulatory system diseases**, with 29 297 deaths, which is 48.2 % in men and 62.5 % in women. Second most frequent cause of death for both, men and women, are still **neoplasms**. Compared to the last year, cancer shows a slightly decreasing tendency, with 11 732 deaths in 2006, which is 24.3 % of men and 19.5 % of women. In men, third most frequent cause of death is **injuries and poisonings** (8.7 %). In women, the third most frequent cause of death includes **respiratory diseases** with a slight reuction, compared with the last year (5.1 %).

### Public Health – selected indicators

Indicator	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Life expectancy at birth										
• Men	68.9	68.6	68.95	69.15	69.51	69.77	69.76	70.29	70.1	70.4
• Women	76.7	76.8	77.03	77.23	77.54	77.57	77.62	77.82	77.9	78.2
Live births per 1 000 inhabitants	11.0	10.7	10.4	10.2	9.5	9.5	9.6	10.0	10.1	10.0
Deaths within 1 year of age per 1 000 live births	8.7	8.8	8.3	8.6	6.2	7.6	7.8	6.8	7.2	6.59
Infant mortality rates	5.4	5.4	5.1	5.4	4.1	4.7	4.5	3.9	4.1	3.53
Deaths	52 124	53 156	52 402	52 724	51 980	51 532	52 230	51 852	53 475	53 301
Deaths per 1 000 inhabitants	9.7	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.9	9.89

Source: SO SR

The Slovak Government in its Resolution No.10 of January 11, 2006, adopted the third revised Action plan for environment and public health for the SR (NEHAP III) with the objective to minimize the risks posed by environment, and maintain the environment in such a state that it does not damage the health of people, but ensures its positive trend. NEHAP III includes four priority areas:

1. **Action plan for environment and child health – 4 regional priority objectives**
2. **Human bio-monitoring**
3. **Information system of environment and health**
4. **Climate changes and health.**

