



# Dear readers of "Jelgava in figures"!

Jelgava is one of Latvia's political, cultural, educational, sports and economic centers. The development of Jelgava City has laid strong foundation for the development of the region and the state.

The city has found a successful model of cooperation between entrepreneurs and municipality – the city invests in infrastructure in order to help entrepreneurs start construction of enterprise. Jelgava's model of development remains unchanged – one of Latvia's centres of industrial development and high-quality vocational education with a favourable environment for families and children.

Jelgava have finished reconstruction and improvement of Pasta Island, which now is a place for recreational, cultural and social activities. We are still continuing construction work near the train station – reconstruction of six streets. Much has been done in the water supply and sewerage service improvement. The new drinking water treatment plant is purifying and removing sulphates from water, while reconstructed Jāņa collector provide better rainwater accumulation in the territory of 62 hectares.

Received awards in the year 2014 are the acknowledgement of the accomplished work. In the competition "Municipality of Europe 2014" Jelgava won the main award and award in subcategory "Municipality promoting the European's Union's values and possibilities". From Employers Confederation of Latvia we have received annual award "Employer friendly municipality". Number of companies also received national and European level recognitions.

Each year Jelgava becomes more attractive, and it is well targeted work, because the city needs to be competitive not only among cities in Latvia, but also among cities in Europe.

In this issue you can find facts about the city, which shows our development. I wish for everyone to find something useful and new! Jelgava – it is a an opportunity to live, invest and work!

Andris Rāviņš Jelgava City Council Chairman

# Briefly about Jelgava

Jelgava is the fourth largest city in Latvia by population and fifth – by territory.

The total area of Jelgava is 60,3 km<sub>2</sub>, of which:

- water covers  $2,72 \text{ km}^2$
- parks cover 1,62  $\text{km}^2$
- forests cover 12,64 km<sup>2</sup>

## **Distances:**

Jelgava - Riga	42 km
Jelgava - Vilnius	295 km
Jelgava - Tallinn	350 km
Jelgava - Moscow	1053 km
Jelgava - Stockholm	482 km
Jelgava - Berlin	1221 km
Jelgava - Vienna	1403 km



Jelgava is the only city in Latvia that contains the country's small coat of arms within its coat of arms. The city received the coat of arms at the same time as it received city rights, in 1573. The first coat of arms depicted a crowned stag head on a raspberry red field; the current coat of arms contains an elk head on a crimson field.

On October  $28_{th}$ , 1938 the city's flag was approved. The flag is divided into two parts of equal breadth: the upper half is dark blue, the lower – red; in the centre of the flag is the Jelgava city coat of arms.



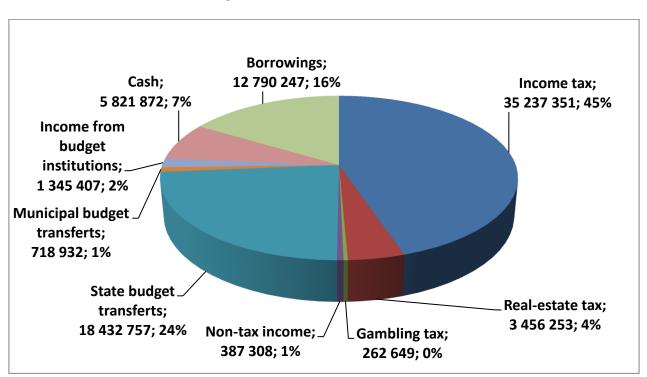


In 2012 Jelgava City logo was approved. The logo is made up of a contour of an elk head and the word Jelgava. The large antlers symbolize the rich historical experience and value of the city.

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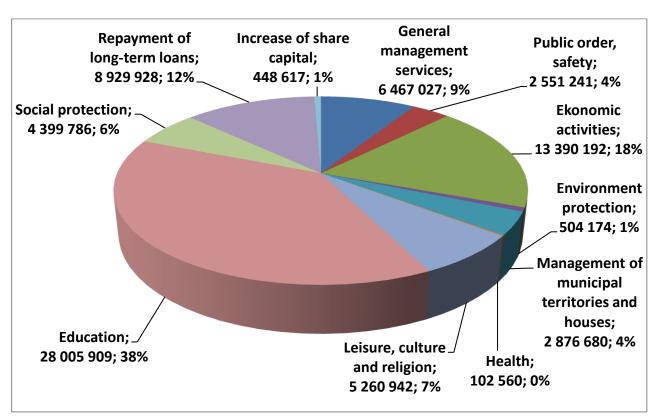
Jelgava also has a motto – "Jelgava – city for development". The most important value of Jelgava is the people who live, get educated and work here to develop themselves and their city. Jelgava offers opportunities to express themselves to everyone – from children to seniors.

We, inhabitants of Jelgava, are growing together with our city, by giving it our special and invaluable contribution. The joint work of inhabitants is the foundation for a better future and beautiful today. With hard work inhabitants of Jelgava have achieved that exactly development is what best describes Jelgava and its people.



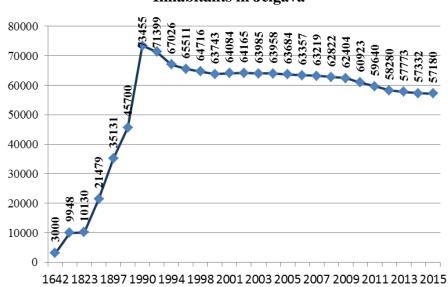
Budget revenues in 2014, EUR and %

Source: Jelgava city self-government



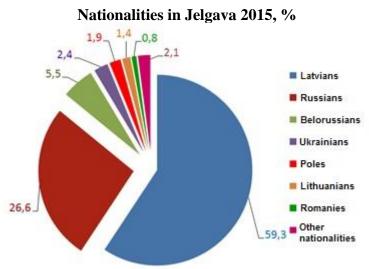
# Budget expenditures in 2014, EUR and %

Source: Jelgava city self-government

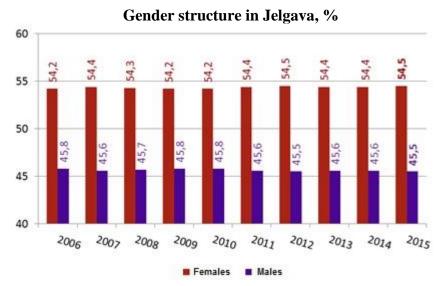


Inhabitants in Jelgava

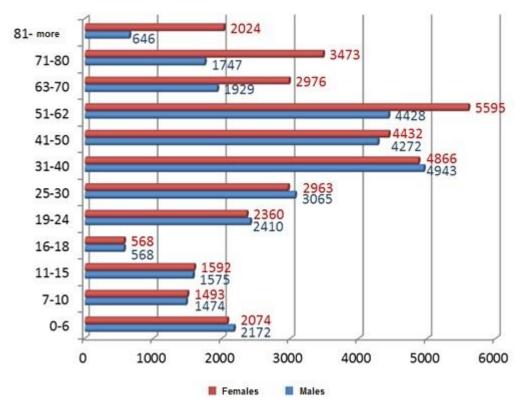
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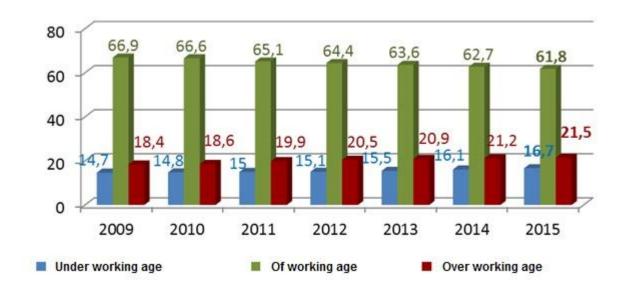


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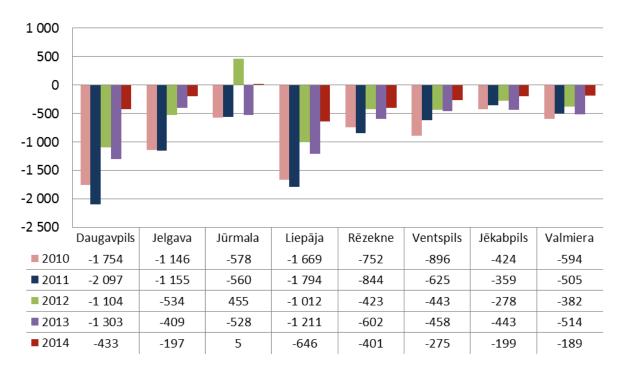
## Gender/age structure in Jelgava

Source: Jelgava city self-government, data as of 1st April, 2015



## Resident population under working age, of working age, over working age, %

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia



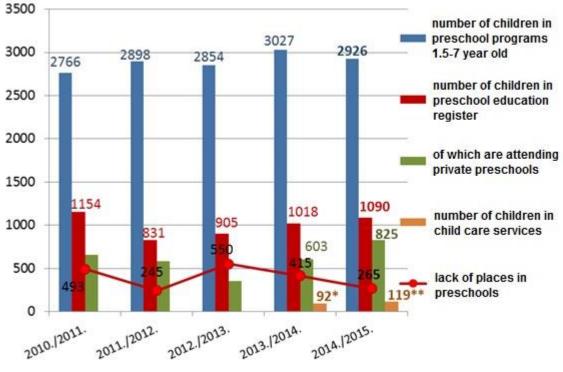
Migration balance in the major cities 2008-2014

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia

	per 1000 inhabitants			Population		
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Growth 2014
Jelgava	-2,4	-2,6	0,1	-0,6	0,8	45
Daugavpils	-6,7	-6,1	-5,0	-5,5	-6,2	-535
Jūrmala	-4,2	-3,6	-2,9	-4,1	-2,2	-109
Liepāja	-4,3	-3,8	-3,0	-4,6	-2,2	-155
Rēzekne	-8,4	-5,9	-4,1	-6,9	-7,8	-230
Ventspils	-4,1	-4,8	-4,3	-5,5	-3,5	-128
Jēkabpils	-5,4	-5,3	-2,9	-5,1	-2,2	-51
Valmiera	-2,6	-2,6	-1,9	-2,4	-1,5	-36
Latvia	-4,9	-4,5	-3,2	-4,1	-3,4	-6 720

# Population Growth in Latvia and the Major Cities

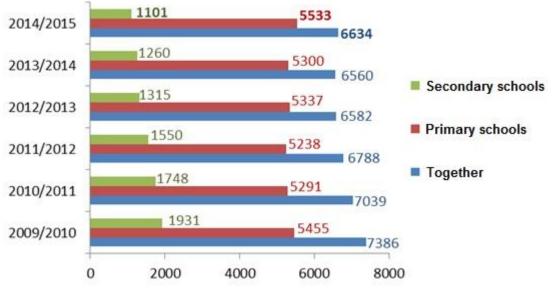
Source: Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia



Number of children in Jelgava and lack of places in preschools

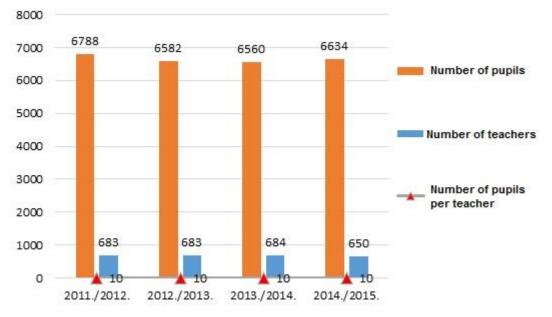
\* number of children in child care services on 01.12.2014. \*\* number of children in child care services on 01.06.2015.

Source: Jelgava Department of Education



# Number of pupils in Jelgava primary and secondary schools

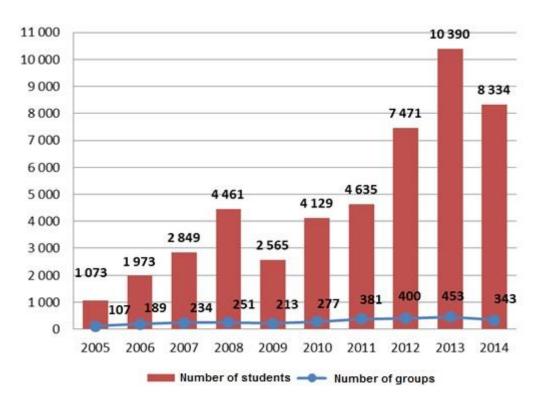
Source: Jelgava city self-government



Number of pupils and teachers in educational establishments in Jelgava

Source: Jelgava Department of Education

## Attendance of seminars in Zemgale Region Human Resource and Competences Development Centre 2005-2014

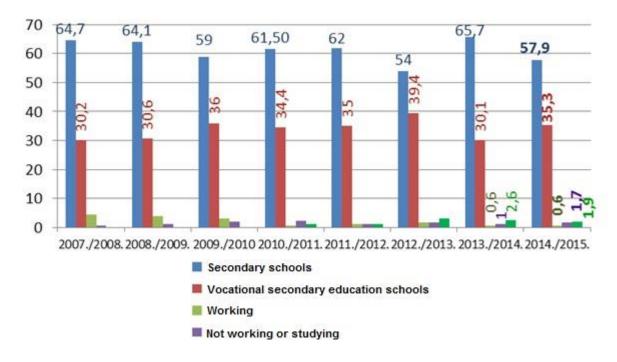


Source: Zemgale Region Human Resource and Competences Development centre

9th Grade Graduates	Studying			
	Education establishment	Number	%	
	General secondary schools	274	57.9	
	Vocational schools total, including:	167	35,3	
	Jelgava Crafts High school	32	6,7	
473	Jelgava Technical School	48	10,1	
	Employed	3	0,6	
	Not employed nor studying	8	1,7	
	Abroad	9	1,9	
	No information	12	2,6	

## 9th Grade Graduates choice in further education selection in Jelgava, 2014

Source: Jelgava Department of Education



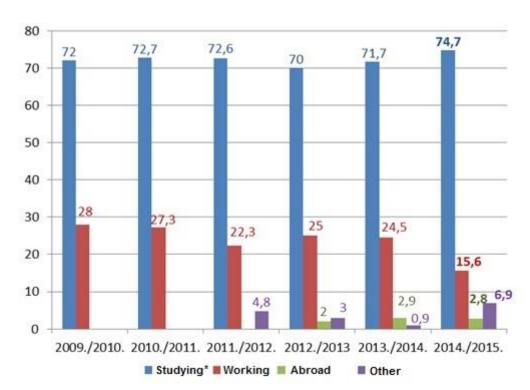
# 9th Grade graduates career choice in Jelgava, %

Source: Jelgava Department of Education

12th Grade Graduates	Studying		
	Institution	Number	%
	Total number in higher educational establishments, including:	270	64
	Latvia University of Agriculture	68	16,1
422	1st level higher educational establishments	24	5,7
	Vocational education programs after high school	6	1,4
	Employed	66	15,6
	Abroad	12	2,8
	Not employed nor studying	21	5
	No information	23	5,5

## 12th Grade Graduates choice in further education selection in Jelgava 2014

Source: Jelgava Department of Education



# 12th Grade graduates career choice in Jelgava, %

\* Studying in higher educational establishments, 1st level higher educational establishments, higher educational establishments abroad, Vocational education programs

Source: Jelgava Department of Education

Group number	Profession	Students who acquired profession	Number of graduates			
	State budget groups					
401	Mechanic	23	23			
410	Mechanic	14	14			
402	Furniture carpenter	17	18			
404	Decoration technician	14	14			
405	Restaurant and Food service specialist	25	26			
406	Customer service specialist	18	18			
408	Computer systems technician	27	27			
	Total:	138	140			
	ESF project g	groups				
107	Car mechanic	13	13			
203	Bartender	14	14			
	Total:	27	27			
	In places of imprisonment (profes	sional education program	ns)			
111	Tailor	11	14			
112	Electrician	13	16			
113	Manual metal arc welding (MMA); Metal arc welding with active gas (MAG)	15	15			
114	Carpenter	15	18			
115	Manual metal arc welding (MMA); Metal arc welding with active gas (MAG)	15	18			
116	Metal arc welding with active gas	17	19			
117	Manual metal arc welding (MMA); Metal arc welding with active gas (MAG)	17	17			
118	Electrician	16	18			
119	Electrician	15	18			
120	Decoration technician	17	18			
121	Manual metal arc welding (MMA); Metal arc welding with active gas (MAG)	18	18			
122	Carpenter	17	18			
123	Electrician	16	18			
124	Decoration technician	18	18			
	Total:	220	243			
	Total together:	385	410			

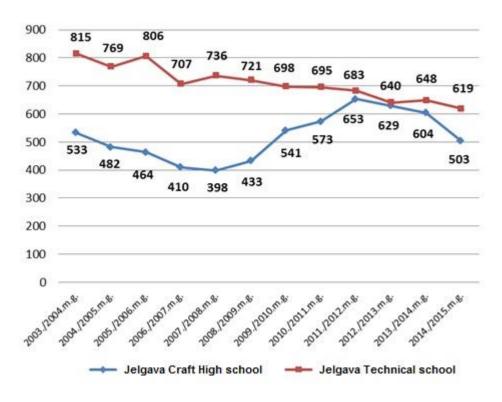
# Jelgava Craft High school graduates and obtained qualification in 2013/2014

Number	Profession	Number of graduates
	After 9th Grade	
1.	Cook	25
2.	Pastry cook	11
3.	Hairdresser	15
4.	CNC machine tool programmer	6
5.	Costume stylist	18
6.	Retail businessman	19
7.	Assembly locksmith	4
8.	Assistant cook	9
9.	Baker	16
	After 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
1.	Hairdresser	20
2.	Waiter	8
3.	Visagist	9
	Total	160

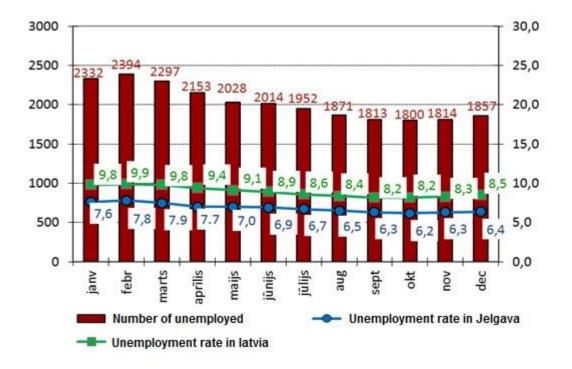
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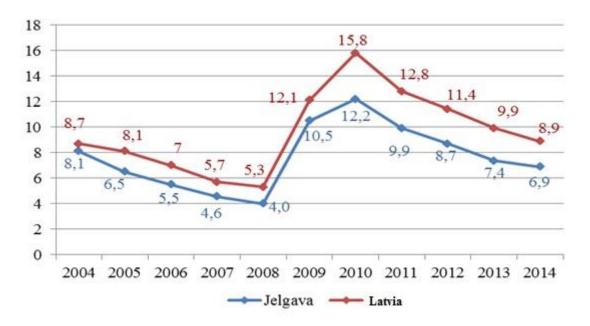
# Number of pupils in Jelgava Technical School and Jelgava Craft High school 2003-2014



Source: Jelgava city self-government



The registered number of unemployed and the unemployment rate in 2014, %,



Unemployment rate in Jelgava and Latvia 2004-2014, average, %

Source: Employment State Agency

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Year	Number of Employees Living in Jelgava and Working in Riga
2014.	12 682
2013.	13 326
2012.	13 068
2011.	12 682
2010.	12 374
2009.	13 521
2008.	19 365
2007.	14 799
2006.	13 942
2005.	14 217
2004.	13 544
2003.	12 949

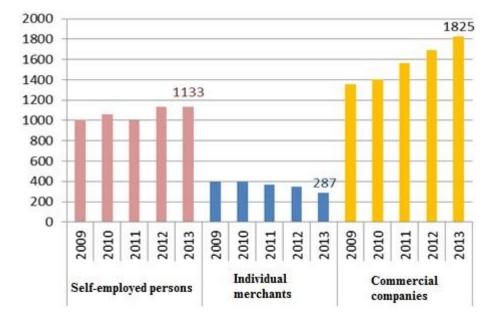
# Number of Jelgava Citizens Working in Riga 2003-2014

Source: State Revenue Service

Employee's Declared Place of	Number of	Number of
Residence	Employees 2013	Employees 2014
Riga	1961	1 614
Olaine county	209	145
Jelgava	12 334	12 001
Jelgava county	3620	3 577
Ozolnieki county	1087	1 054
Dobele county	538	491
including Dobele	244	198
Tērvete county	127	130
Auce county	102	107
Bauska county	227	179
including Bauska	87	64
Jūrmala	138	177
Tukums county	156	27
Other territories	358	366
Total	22 408	21 784

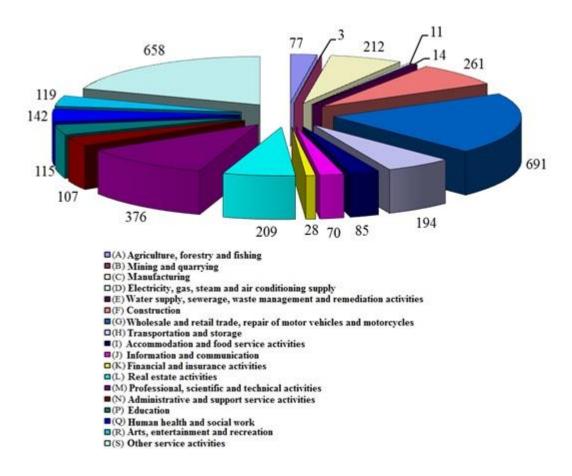
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Source: State Revenue Service



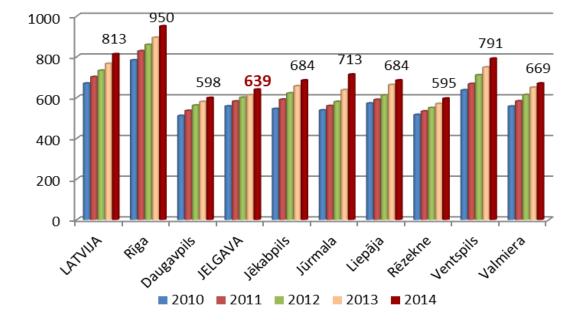
Number of enterprises by form of entrepreneurship in Jelgava 2009-2013

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia



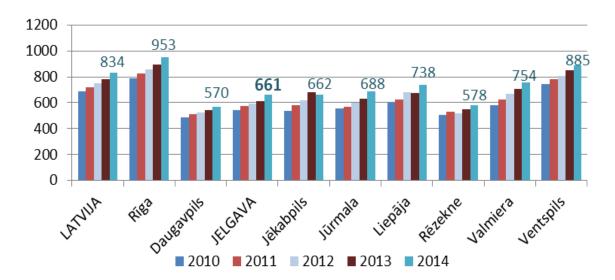
# Number of enterprises by type of activity in Jelgava 2013

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia



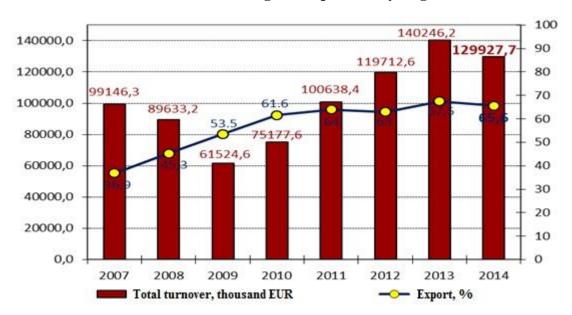
The average monthly gross salary in public sector in Latvia and the major Cities 2010-2014, EUR

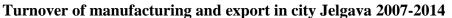
Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia



The average monthly gross wage and salary in Latvia and the major Cities 2010-2014, EUR

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia





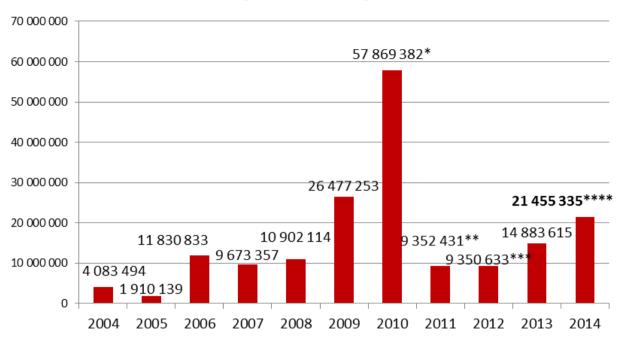
Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia

Company	Type of production	Turnover, EUR
Ltd. "AKG THERMOTECHNIK LETTLAND"	Production of parts and supplies for motor vehicles	29 246 494*
Ltd. "APLAST"	Manufacturing of plastic packaging	2 274 525
Joint stock company "BALTIJAS GUMIJAS FABRIKA"	Manufacturing of rubber products	2 2705 87
Ltd. "BERLING"	Manufacturing of toys	1 620 258
Ltd. "EIBE-L"	Manufacturing of furniture	5 409 777
Ltd. "EVOPIPES"	Manufacturing of plastic plates, sheets, tubes and profiles	21 865 220*
Ltd. "FLORA"	Sawmilling and impregnation	3 052 410
Ltd. "GREEN WORLD"	Production of plastics in primary forms	2 638 320
Ltd. "Ceļu būvniecības sabiedrība "IGATE""	Production of construction materials	17 779 827*
Joint stock company "JELGAVAS DZIRNAVAS"	Production of grain products	4 418 430*
Ltd. "JELGAVAS TIPOGRĀFIJA"	Printing	7 575 491
Ltd. "LATVIJAS PIENS"	Production of dairy and cheese products	37 217 997*
Ltd. "LOCITECH PRODUCTION"	Mechanical processing	4 524 905*
Ltd. "MARKS M"	Manufacture of matrasses	2 596 934
Ltd. "SFM LATVIA"	Manufacturing of metal structures and components	1 992 739
Ltd. "SIGNUM"	Manufacturing of not elsewhere classified metal products	1 665 321
Ltd. "SMURFIT KAPPA BALTIC"	Manufacturing of corrugated paper and paperboard; paper and paperboard containers	3 939 367
Ltd. "TS RĪGA"	Metal forging, pressing, stamping and flatting; powder metallurgy	2 136 569
Ltd. "VT EAST"	Mechanical processing	2 013 857
Ltd. "ZN METALS"	Processing and coating of metal surfaces	4 679 572*

## TOP 20 manufacturing companies in Jelgava 2014 (alphabetical order)

\*Lursoft data on 2013

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia, Lursoft.



Investments attracted by municipality and municipal establishments 2004-2014, EUR

\* t.sk. 25 123 895 *euro* – Ltd. "Jelgavas Ūdens" Cohesion fund project funding
\*\* t.sk. 1 718 037 *euro* – Ltd. "Jelgavas komunālie pakalpojumi" project funding
\*\*\* t.sk. 1 958 501 *euro* - Ltd. "Jelgavas Ūdens" Cohesion fund project funding
\*\*\*\* t.sk. 15 524 113 *euro* - Jelgava Technical school ERDF project and 1 995 741 *euro* Ltd. "Fortum Jelgava" Cohesion fund project funding

Funding attracted by Jelgava City self-government and its institutions in 2014 in
the form of projects according to self-government functions, EUR

Territory improvement	1 391 125
Real estate management program	1 995 741
Safety	97 048
Education	17 946 228
Culture	16 478
Sport	15 406
Social services	4315
Total	21 455 335

Source: Jelgava city self-government

# **Biggest projects signed in 2014**

Project title	Total project funding, EUR	Amount of invested funding 2014, EUR
Construction of necessary road infrastructure for traffic terminal in Jelgava	8 406 275	5 164 067
Improvement of Pasta Island and river as a recreational tourism product in Jelgava	3 869 130	2 520 621
Construction of Jelgava municipality preschool educational institution in Ganību Street 66, phase I	3 044 462	1 820 296
Reconstruction of Jāņa collector for reduction of flood threats in Jelgava	1 450 570	1 144 402
Construction of transport infrastructure for ensuring development in industrial areas in Jelgava	906 444	685 082
Promotion of environment awareness	901 944	414 705
Complex solutions for reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in Jelgava 1 <sup>st</sup> boarding school	249 318	249 318
Liquidation of ecological accidents and reduction of environmental pollution in territory of Lielupe basin	245 941	123 209
Purchase of electric vehicles in Jelgava municipality for reduction of greenhouse gas emissions	106 838	106 838
Purchase of sports equipment for general educational institutions	11 006	11 006
Establishment of rescue team for prevention of flood situations in the border territory of Latvia and Lithuania	41 912	6145
Your time together with "Ghetto Games"	4400	4400

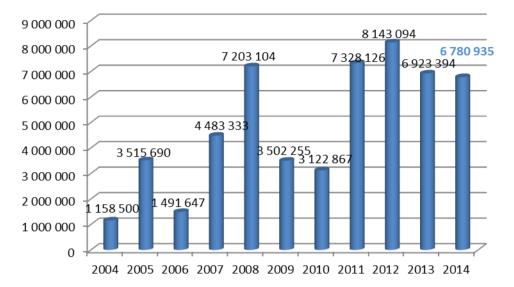
	Buildings	ľ	Number of issu permi	0	Number of commissioned buildings			
	Dunungs	Total New buildings		Reconstruction, renovation	Total	New buildings	Reconstruction, renovation	
	<b>Total buildings</b> (I+II)	204	78	105	118	75	43	
Ι	Buildings	162	49	92	82	52	30	
1.	Residential buildings	85	46	39	68	42	26	
1.1.	Individual houses	77	46	31	60	42	18	
1.2.	Apartment houses	8	-	8	8	-	8	
2.	Non-residential buildings	77	24	53	14	10	4	
2.1.	Factories	10	3	7	4	1	3	
2.2.	Shops (retail objects)	7	-	7	3	2	1	
2.3.	Service objects	34	5	29	15	-	15	
	Other	26	16	10	6	1	5	
II	Engineering structures	42	29	13	36	23	13	
1.	Streets	2	-	2	1	-	1	
	Networks	29	18	11	29	18	11	
	Fields, territory improvements	11	11	-	6	5	1	

# Commissioned buildings and issued building permits in 2014

Source: Jelgava city self-government

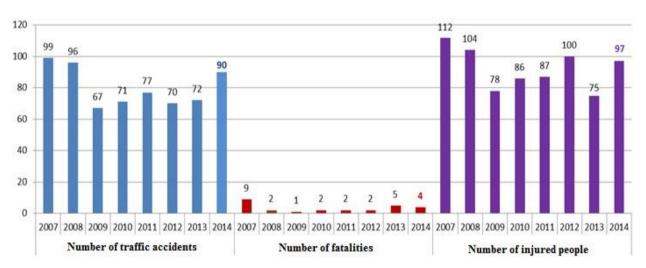
# The most important object in Jelgava taken into commissioning 2014

	Address	Procurer of object, Title
1.	Rūpniecības Street 20; 22A	Ltd. "Tirdzniecības nams "Kurši"", reconstruction of the building materials store
2.	Pasta Island	Jelgava City Municipality, Pasta Island improvement
3.	Rīgas Street 48	Ltd."Eften Jelgava", new building for shopping center
4.	Pulkveža Oskara Kalpaka Street 37	Jelgava Technical school, reconstruction of Jelgava Technical school 1 <sup>st</sup> stage
5.	Zemgales prospect, Jāņa Street, Pasta and Palīdzības Street	Jelgava City Municipality, reconstruction of Jāņa collector
6.	Ganību Street 66	Jelgava City Municipality, reconstruction of Jelgava municipality preschool educational institution, phase I
7.	Jaunais road 11	Ltd."Jelgavas ūdens", construction of new drinking water treatment devices, II reconstruction of reservoirs and pumping stations
8.	Institūta Street 4	Jelgava City Municipality, reconstruction of 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of Jelgava municipality 1 <sup>st</sup> boarding school. Insulation of cafeteria corps. Complex solutions for reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.
9.	Rīgas Street 22	Latvia University of Agriculture, reconstruction of castle Valdeka within ERDF co-funded project "Modernisation of LUA study infrastructure"
10.	Brīvības boulevard 6	Ltd."Jelgavas pilsētas slimnīca", reconstruction of A and B corps, from 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> floor in Jelgava City Hospital (II stage)
11.	Pilssalas Street 2A	Ltd."Viktorija B", Teahouse



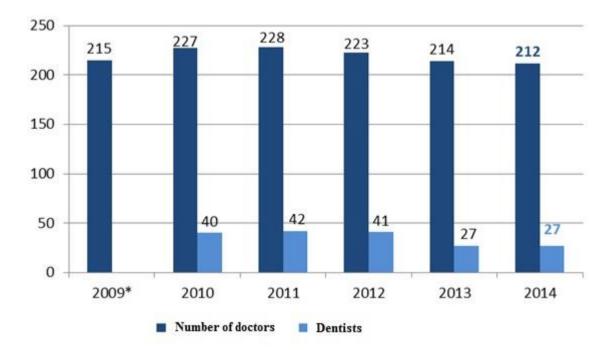
Finances allotted to reconstruction of streets in Jelgava 2003-2014, EUR

Source: Jelgava city self-government



# Statistics of road accidents in Jelgava 2007-2014

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia



Number of doctors in Jelgava 2009-2014

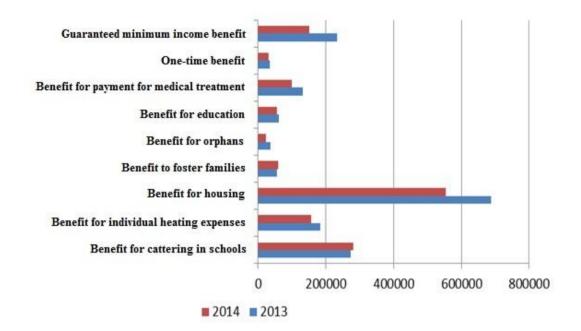
\* number of doctors including dentists, 2009

Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia

# Facts about healthcare in Jelgava for 01.01.2015.:

- Family doctors 43
- Registered patients per 1 family doctor 1668
- Beds in Jelgava City Hospital 256
- Doctors in Jelgava City Hospital 60
- Nurse assistants in Jelgava City Hospital 114
- Maintenance workers in Jelgava City Hospital 70
- Number of patients in Jelgava City Hospital 12 243
- Average treatment time in Jelgava City Hospital 5,74 days

# Received amount of the municipal benefits (EUR) and apportionment by types of benefits in 2013 and 2014



Source: Jelgava city self-government

# Characterization of the families receiving social benefits evaluated by income and financial conditions in 2014

Family type	Number of families	Number of people	Social benefits (EUR)	Received amount of benefit (EUR) per 1 family	Received amount of benefit (EUR) per 1 family
Families with children and one or more adult persons capable of working	986	4543	525 092	532,55	115,58
Families with children and no adult persons capable of working	59	166	33 671	570,69	202,84
Families without children and with one or more adult persons capable of working	562	866	197 079	350,67	227,57
Families without children and no adult persons capable of working	1971	2154	540 237	274,09	250,81
Total	3578	7729	1 296 079	362,24	167,69

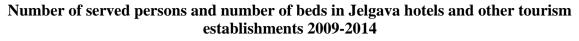
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Number of attendance	310468	333700	327281	320966	242810	231771	292397	325356
Number of culture events	285	301	277	250	251	207	282	324

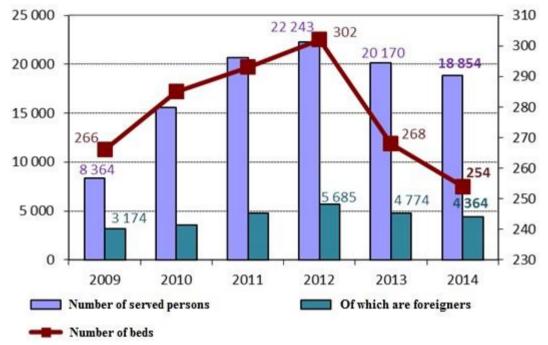
Source: Municipal establishment of Jelgava city "Culture"

# Apmeklētākie kultūras pasākumi Jelgavā laika periodā no 2007.-2014.g.

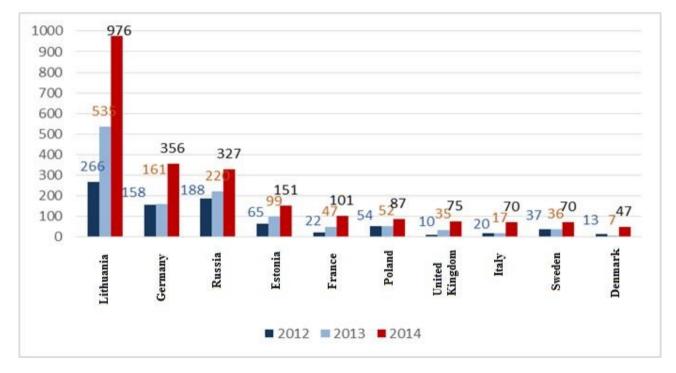
Nosaukums	Visitors								
TUSuukums	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
International Ice sculpture festival in Jelgava	72 000	42 000	42 000	47 000	45 089	40 000	41 000	42 000	
Easter in the park of Jelgava Palace	1000	2100	3 000	1 500	2 300	1 800	2 400	3000	
Plant days in Jelgava		25 000	16 000	8 500	12 000	13 500	14 000	15 000	
Jelgava City festival	18 000	31 000	12 000	17 500	22 600	22 600	23 500	22 329	
International Sand sculpture festival in Jelgava	20 000	23 000	21 000	25 000	26 000	25 000	25 400	26 000	
International festival of Milk, bread and honey; Regatta of milk carton boats	25 000	20 000	10 000	18 000	21 500	22 000	23 000	25 500	
Celebration of 18 <sup>th</sup> November	15 000	20 000	15 000	15 000	16 000	21 000	25 000	23 671	
Metal festival						8 000	12 000	12 000	
Total:	151 000	163 100	119 000	132 500	145 489	153900	166300	169500	

Source: Municipal establishment of Jelgava city "Culture"





Source: Central Statistical Bureau of the Republic of Latvia



# Number of tourists and countries visiting Jelgava

Source: Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre

Number	Sightseeing places	Number of visitors in 2014	Number of visitors in 2013 (%)
1.	Jelgava Holy Trinity Church Tower	34 094	-9,47
2.	Jelgava History and Art Museum of Gedert Elias	18 184	+ 7,99
3.	Museum in Jelgava Palace (Latvia University of Agriculture)	11 316	+ 3,28
4.	Tomb of the Dukes of Courland in Jelgava Palace	4827	+ 15,48
5.	Memorial Museum of Ādolfs Alunāns	4196	+ 5,08
6.	Exhibition of Latvian Railway History Museum in Jelgava	2780	+ 1,39
7.	Ceramics factory "Keramika LV"	2637	+ 8,38
8.	Museum of Hospital "Ģintermuiža"	345	-10,62
9.	Plastic pipe factory "Evopipes"	250	0,00

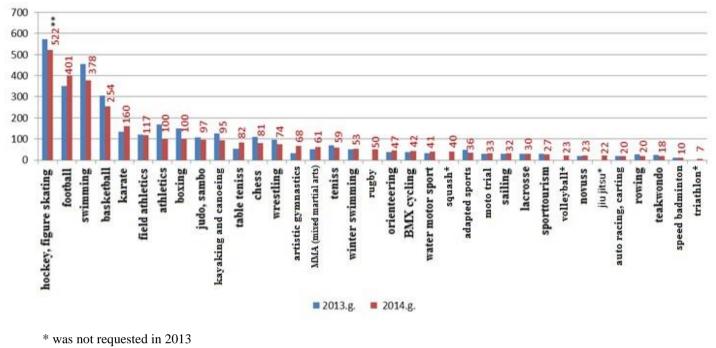
# TOP 9 Most visited places in Jelgava

Source: Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre

# Number of sports events organized that were co-financed by the municipality

2007.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	39	111	
2007.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	72	111	
2008 -	Events organized by the Sports service centre	45	120	
2008.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	85	130	
2000 a	Events organized by the Sports service centre	42	132	
2009.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	90	132	
2010.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	40		
2010.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	95	135	
2011.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	50	- 144	
2011.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	94		
2012.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	52	151	
2012.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	99	131	
2013.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	55	154	
2013.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	99	134	
2014.g.	Events organized by the Sports service centre	57	156	
2017.g.	Competitions organized by sports clubs and sports schools	99	150	

Source: Reports of sport clubs



Number of Jelgava citizens participating in sports club activities in 2013 and 2014 according to type of sports

\*\* hockey - 253, figure skating - 249, curling - 20

Source: Reports of sport clubs

# **Twinning cities**

## Pärnu (Estonia)

Cooperation agreement was signed in 1957. Collaboration occurs within the realms of education and culture. The city covers an area of 32 km<sub>2</sub>. The population is approx. 43 500.

www.parnu.ee

### Siauliai (Lithuania)

Cooperation agreement was signed in 1960. Central areas of collaboration – education, culture, sports, social welfare and addiction prevention. Area 69,5 km<sub>2</sub>, population of about 130 000. www.siauliai.lt

### Vejle (Denmark)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 1992. Collaboration occurs within the realms of education and experience exchange of municipality workers. The city is located in the continental part of Denmark, the population is approx. 52 500. www.vejle.dk

### Shin-Ying (Taiwan)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 2000. It foresees cooperation in the areas of art and culture. The city is located in the northern part of Tainan County and is the administrative centre of the province. Area – 38.54 km3, population – approx. 75 000.

### Alcamo (Italy)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 2002. It predicts collaboration in supporting the realms of culture, sports and social welfare. It is planned to develop trade commerce and to encourage entrepreneurship. The Rotari clubs of Jelgava and Alcamo are actively cooperating. www.alcamo.it

#### **Baranovichi (Belarus)**

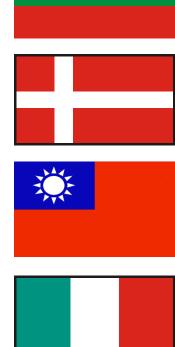
The cooperation agreement was signed in 2003. The central areas of collaboration – education, culture, sports, prevention of addiction. Stimulating cooperation within the realm of economics is also planned. www.baranovichy.by

### The Southern Administrative Region of Moscow (Russia)

The protocol of intent was signed in 2003, laying the foundations for cooperation in the realm of engineering. Currently there is collaboration with the ZIL factory and preparations are being made in order to begin manufacture of mid-carrying capacity vehicles in the "AMOPlant" factory in Jelgava. The population in the southern region of Moscow is approximately 1 600 000 people. www.mos.ru

#### Magadan (Russia)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 2006, foreseeing collaboration in the realms of culture, education, economics, sports, tourism, science and social politics. Besides, the city contains a Latvian Diaspora (Latvians or their descendants were sent there in the years of the USSR occupation) that would love to maintain strong contacts with Latvia. www.magadan.ru









# **Twinning cities**

### **Rueil-Malmaison (France)**

The partnership began in France during the festival "Surprising Latvia" and was strengthened during the "Spring of France" festival in Latvia. The cooperation agreement was signed in 2007, predicting collaboration in the realms of economics, entrepreneurship, education, science and culture. There is collaboration between Jelgava State Gymnasium and Richelieu Lyceum.

www.mairie-rueilmalmaison.fr

### Nova Odessa (Brazil)

The protocol of intent was signed in 2007, predicting collaboration in many aspects, including providing support for organizations, companies, state institutions and non-governmental organizations, assisting the establishment of mutual relations and promoting the understanding of the cultures and history of both countries. Furthermore, Nova Odessa contains the largest community of Latvians in Brazil. www.novaodessa.sp.gov.br



## Hällefors (Sweden)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 2004. Collaboration is being realized in the forming of the city environment and the education of landscape architects. A partnership with the Faculty of Food Technology from the Latvia University of Agriculture has been established in the realm of culinary arts. Cooperation in the realm of culture and social affairs is predicted in the future. www.hellefors.se

### Nacka (Sweden)

A suburb of Stockholm with a population of approx. 91 600. Originally a partnership was established within the boundaries of EU-financed projects. Currently a close collaboration has formed and there is exchange of experience in the areas of municipality administration, environment, education, culture, sports and prevention of addiction. Collaboration with youth (for example, the students of Spidola Gymnasium) and civic organizations ("Parents for Jelgava") has also begun. www.nacka.se

### **Białystok (Poland)**

Białystok is the largest and one of the most historically rich cities in northeast Poland. Area – 102 km², population – approx. 294 400. An active collaboration has been established in the exchange of experience for the municipalities as well as the realm of culture. The partnership is strengthened by the Jelgava chapter of the Association of Poles in Latvia. www.bialystok.pl

### Ivanofrankovska (Ukraina)

The cooperation agreement was signed in 2007 in order to form a partnership in the areas of culture, education, entrepreneurship, municipal economy and social welfare, and to realize joint EU project. www.mvk.if.ua







