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Polish Salt Market in Coming Years, Prospects, Opportunities, Threats.

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Abstract.

In the mid nineties Polish salt market after recovering losses from early nineties, seems to be steady, well balanced and with good prospects for moderate development in the nearest years. However, in the coming years a few new producers probably enter the market. The big part of the salt put into the market will probably come from the "involuntary" producers - namely coal mines forced to remove salt from the weak brines pumped from the mines and dumped to the rivers. Are the traditional salt producers in Poland ready to face the new competition? How the extra salt production influences the prospects for cavern development in Poland? In the paper, authors tries to sketch the answers to these questions, analyzing possible production scenarios and predicted salt balance in Poland.

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