Internship for Unemployed:
An Instrument for Vocational Activation of Young
People that Prevents Them from Being Excluded from
the Labour Market. The Polish Experience

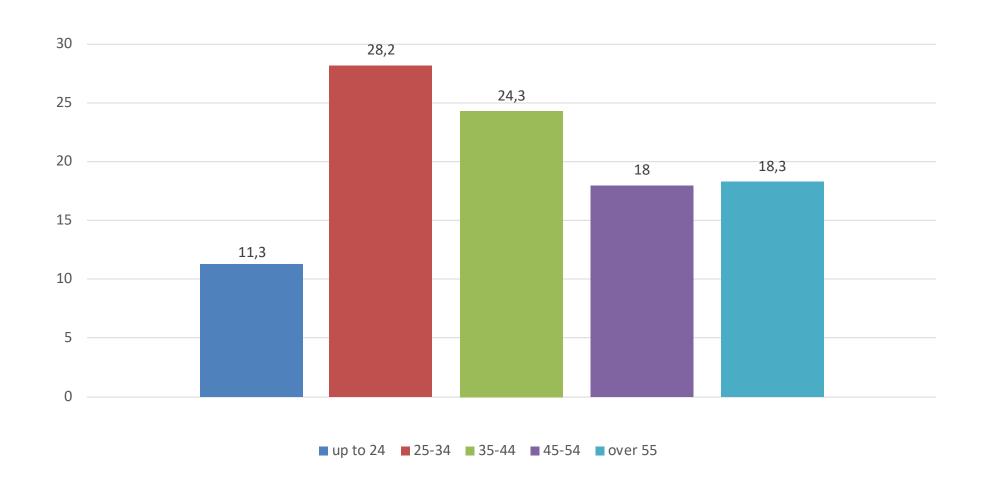
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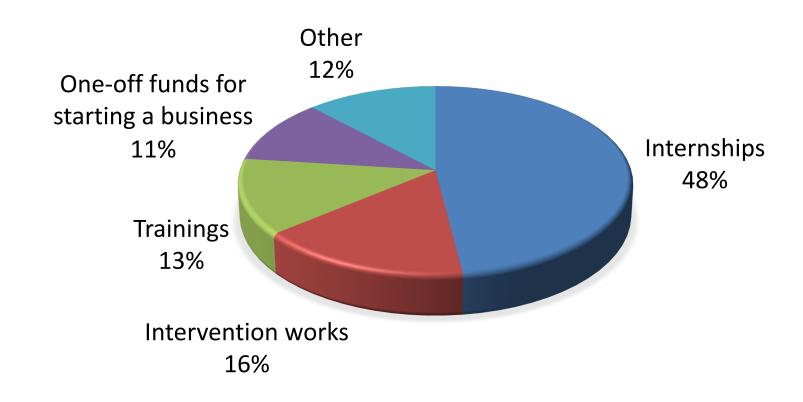
Unemployed persons by age at the end of II quarter 2019 (in %)





Proportion of people participating in the main forms of professional activation in 2018





Organization of the internship for unemployed



- The internship for unemployed is regulated in the Act of 20th April
 2004 on Promotion of Employment and Labor Market Institutions.
- The **Internship for unemployed** means the acquisition of practical skills to perform work by carrying out tasks at a workplace without establishing an employment relationship with an employer.
- The maximum period of the internships for unemployed under 30 years of age is a period of up to 12 months and for the remaining unemployed up to 6 months. The minimum period of the internship is 3 months.

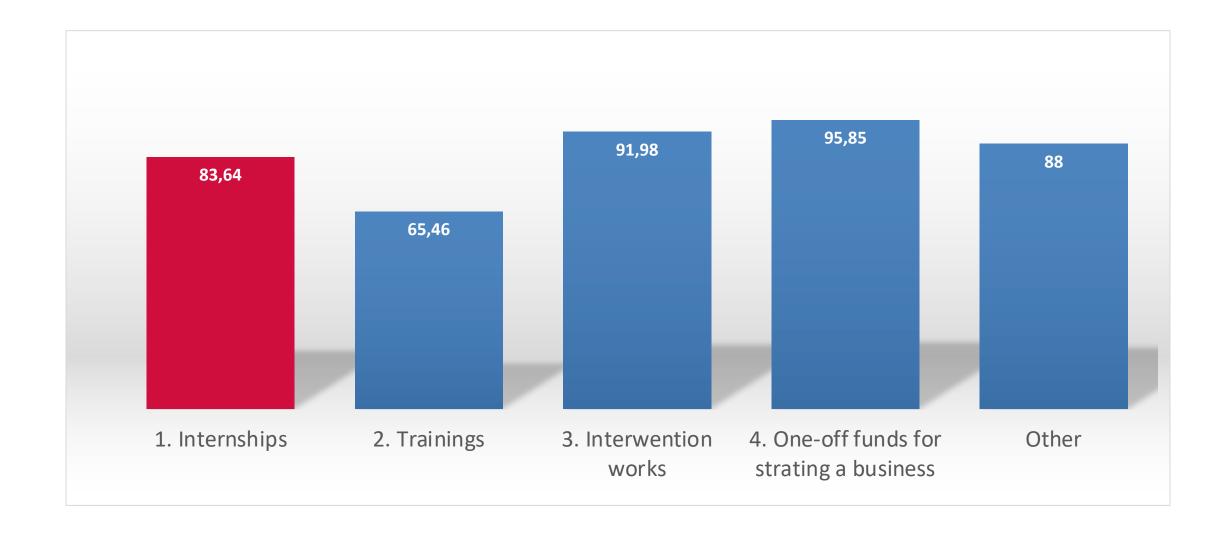
"Remuneration" for interns



- Scholarship equal to 120% of the unemployment benefit provided by the employment office, that is **1.000 PLN (about 235 EUR)** per month.
- The minimum wage in Poland is 2.250 PLN (about 530 EUR).

Employment effectiveness of the internships in 2018 (in %)





Employment effectiveness



• Employment effectiveness is measured as establishing of an employment relationship during the internship or within 3 months of the end of the internship and performing it for at least 30 days.

Internship voucher – a new solution for the unemployed under 30



- 6 months of internship and 6 months of employment (employer is obliged to employ the intern)
- The unemployed person must find a potential employer himself.
- In 2018, 115.627 unemployed started the traditional internships.
- Only 684 obtained the internship vouchers.

Thank you for your attention!



