

# PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY IN LATVIA



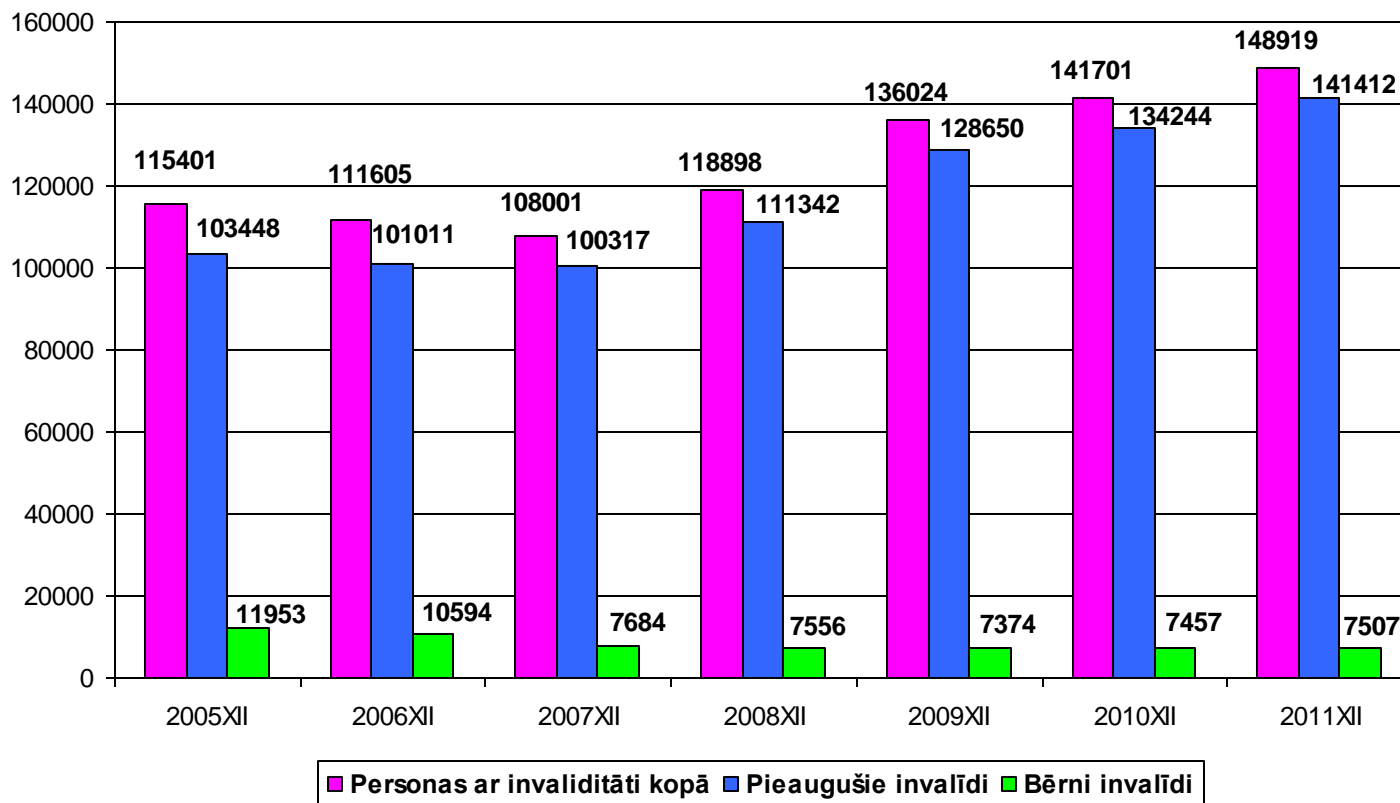
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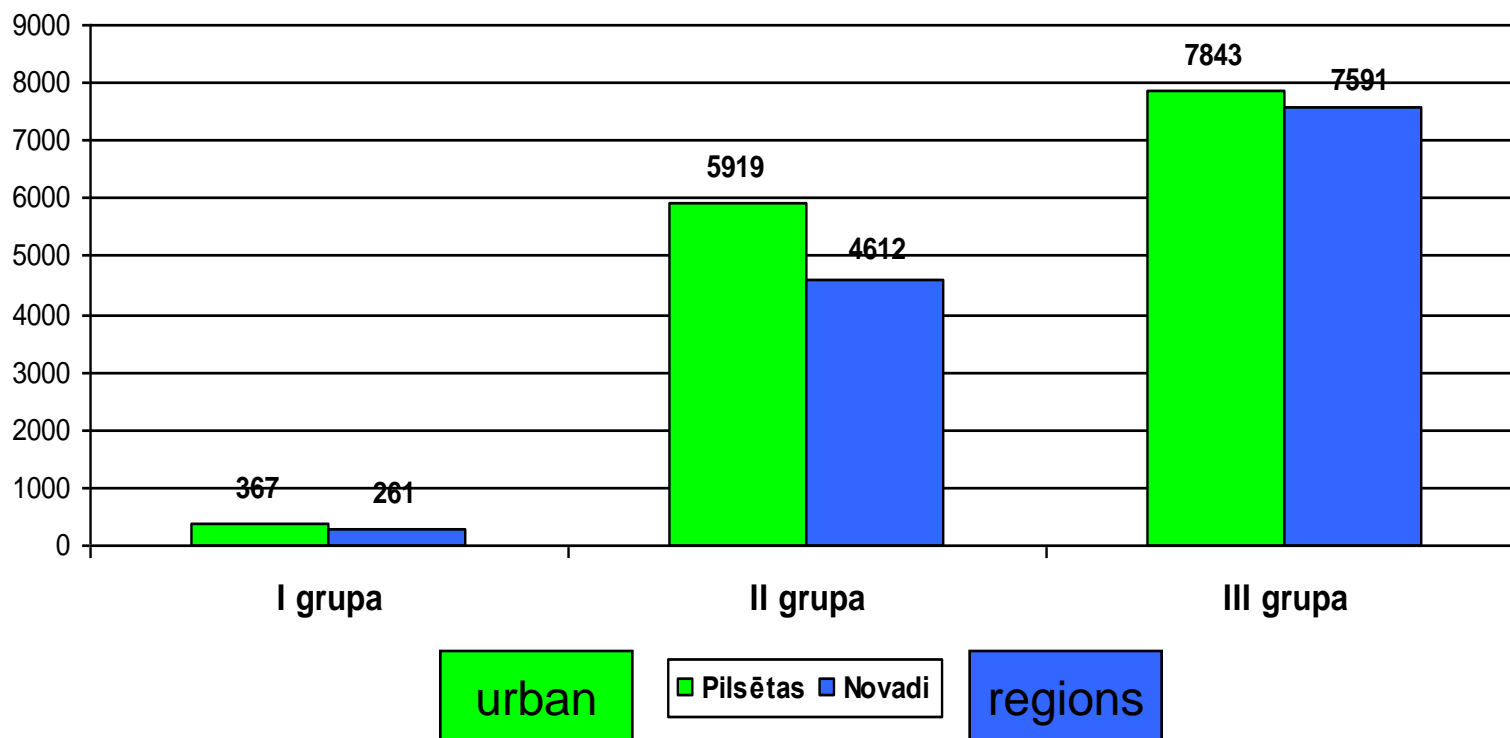
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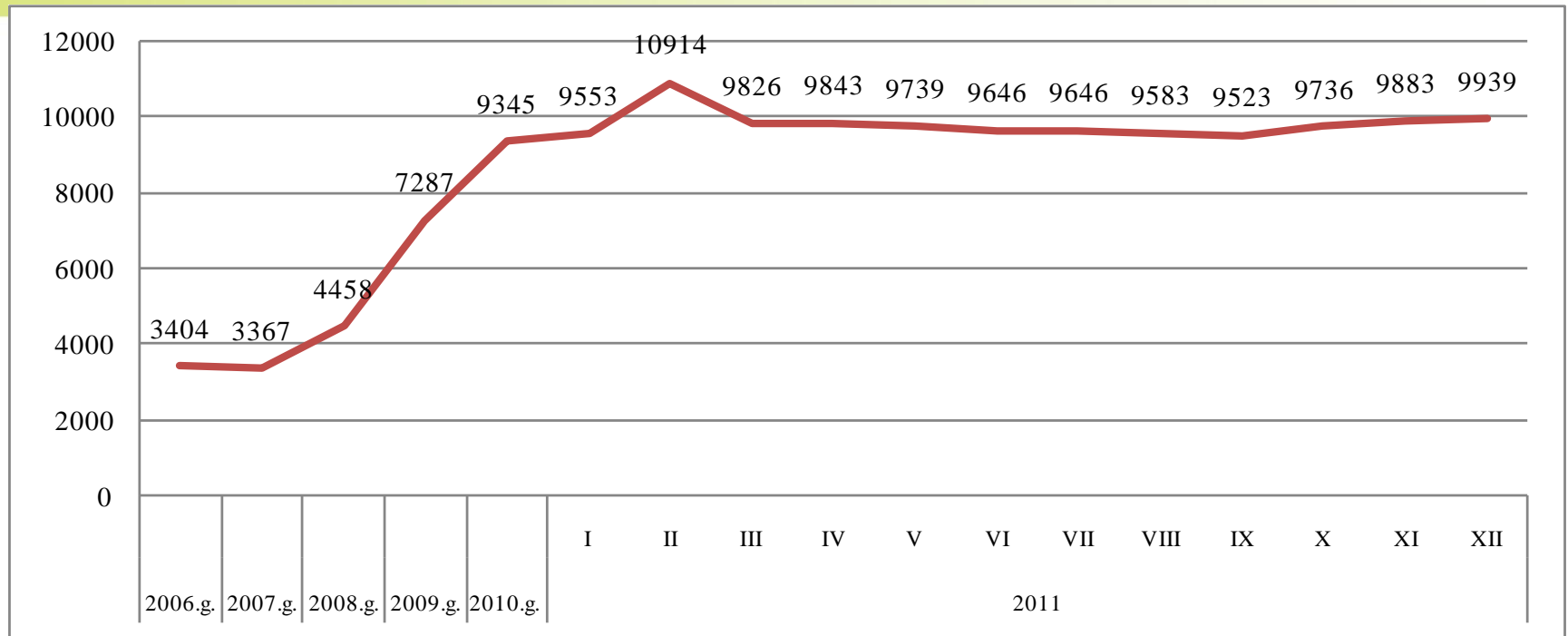
# Number of people with disability



# Employed people with disability



# Unemployed people with disability



- **9 939 unemployed people with disability (7,6% of the total number of unemployed) in Dec, 2011**



# Disability aspects in EU funds



age



disability



gender



Preparation  
Planning  
Implementation  
Monitoring  
Evaluation



# People with disability in the EU co-financed projects (2011)

- **10,159 persons with disability participated in EU co-financed projects (5418 women and 4741 men) or 4.6% of the total ESF and ERDF participants, including:**
  - **- 1993 persons with visual disability (1088 women and 905 men)**
  - **- 389 persons with hearing disability (181 women and 208 men)**
  - **- 855 persons with physical disability(415 women and 440 men)**
  - **- 1040 persons with mental disability (443 women and 597 men)**
  - **- 5917 persons with other disabilities.**
- **People with disability were most represented in the 25-54 age group - 4705 (including 2567 women and 2138 men)**



## How MOW supported the implementers for EU Funds? (I)

- ❑ **Manual** “How to ensure equal opportunities in projects co-financed by the EU Funds”, which is a methodological material for the project applicants, evaluators and employees of institutions involved in management of EU Funds (by 12/2008)
- ❑ **Guidelines** for environmental accessibility, which is a auxiliary material for the architects, builders, municipal employees, ERDF project implementers etc.(by 11/2011)
- ❑ **Training film** on best practice examples on environmental accessibility in the projects co-financed by ERDF or CF (by 11/2011)



## How MOW supported the implementers for EU Funds? (II)

- ❑ **Seminars** for the project applicants, evaluators and employees of institutions involved in the management of EU Funds, employees of regional information centre of EU Funds
  
- ❑ **Working group** of environmental accessibility to assess the environmental requirements for accessibility for people with disabilities as well as to improve the control and monitoring mechanisms for construction sector



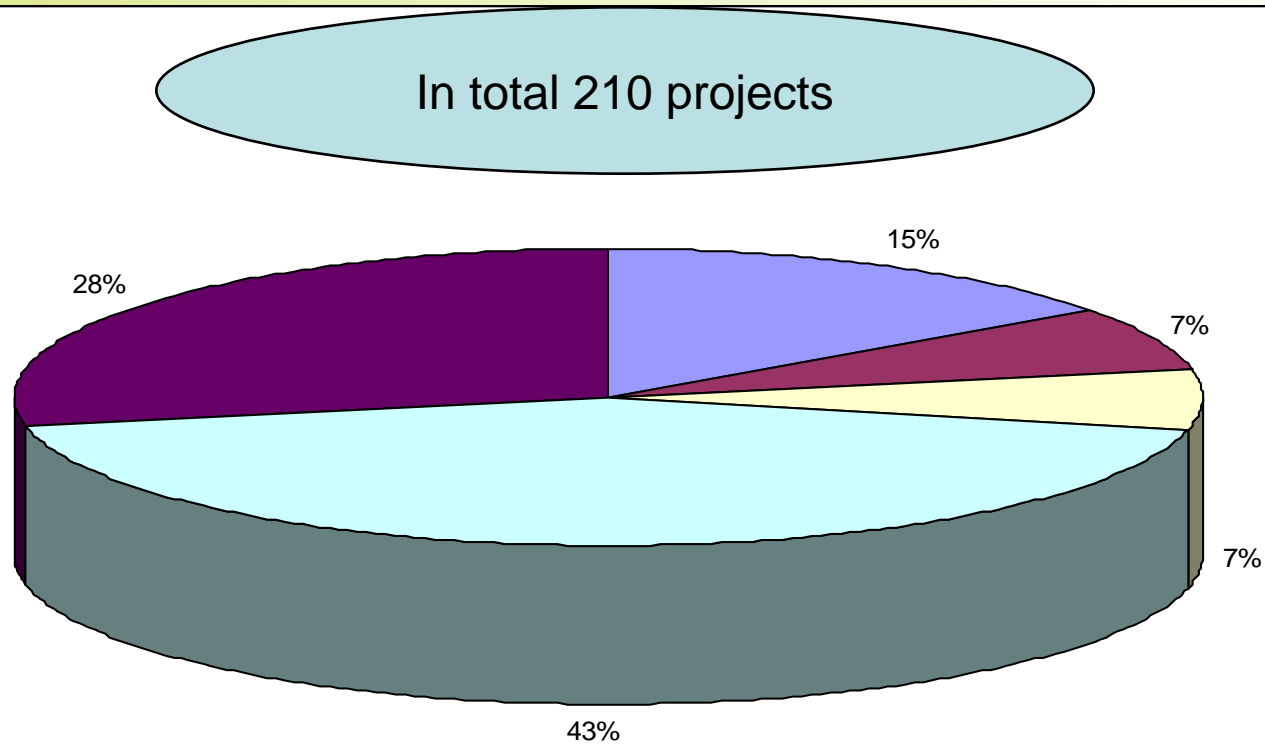


## How MOW supported the implementers for EU Funds? (III)

- experts of environmental accessibility who goes to the project implementation places and individually consult the staff of the projects co-financed by European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and Cohesion Fund (CF)



# Environmental accessibility in the ERDF and CF co-financed projects



- konsultācija par tehnisko projektu
- Objektā nav nodrošināta vides pieejamība personām ar funkcionāliem traucējumiem
- Objektā ir īstenotas specifiskas aktivitātes, uzlabojot vides un informācijas pieejamību vienam funkcionālo traucējumu veidam
- Objektā ir īstenotas specifiskas aktivitātes, uzlabojot vides un informācijas pieejamību 2-3 funkcionālo traucējumu veidiem
- Objektā ir īstenotas specifiskas aktivitātes, uzlabojot vides un informācijas pieejamību 4 funkcionālo traucējumu veidiem



# Best practice in ERDF and CF projects



**Liepāja Special School**







## Valmiera Elementary School





## Rūpniecības – Atmodas Street, Jelgava









## Līvāni Alternative Care Center







## Bicycle-road Tukums





# Resources

- Guidance on the application of construction standards for accessibility for persons with disabilities  
([http://sf.lm.gov.lv/f/files/vienlidzigas\\_iespejas/VADLINIJAS.pdf](http://sf.lm.gov.lv/f/files/vienlidzigas_iespejas/VADLINIJAS.pdf) )
- Training video for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund co-financed project examples of good practice  
(<http://www.youtube.com/user/LabklajibasMinistrija> )
- Supervised and consulted implementation of HP EO on ERDF project implementation venues  
([http://sf.lm.gov.lv/f/files/tiesibu\\_akti/NOSLEGUMA\\_ZINOJUMS\\_GALA\\_141\\_12011-1.doc](http://sf.lm.gov.lv/f/files/tiesibu_akti/NOSLEGUMA_ZINOJUMS_GALA_141_12011-1.doc) )



***Information on the horizontal priority  
equal opportunities on the Web site of the  
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