Housing and Home-care for the Elderly and vulnerable people and Local Partnership Strategies in Central European cities

HELPS Project

Preliminary report Slovakia

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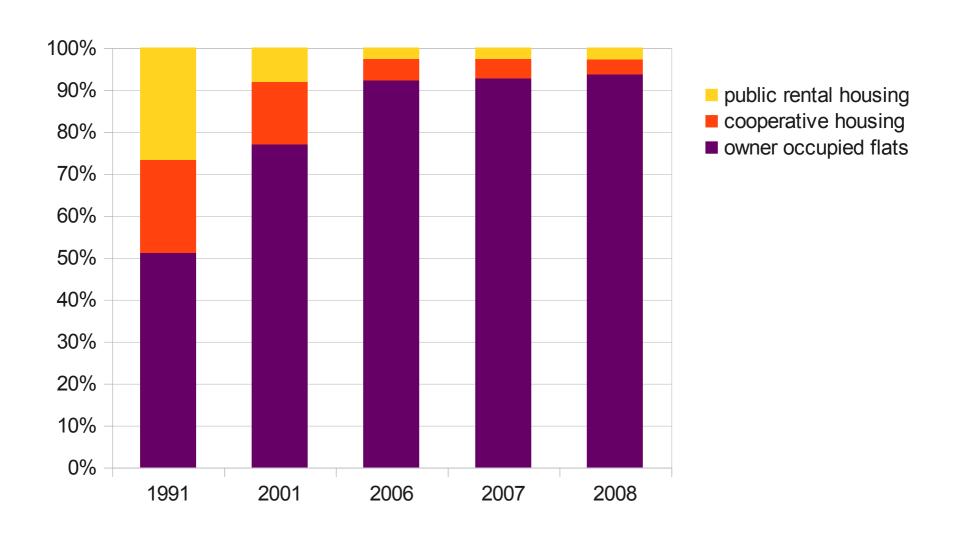




History after 1989

- 1991 all state-owned dwellings were transferred to municipalities' ownership
- right-to-buy legislation tenants were allowed to buy their homes for very low prices (so called "residue price").
- law no. 182 / 1993 regulating transfer of cooperative and public rental housing from state to private ownership
- Currently 94% of flats are owner occupied.

Housing tenure structure change in Slovakia, 1991 - 2008

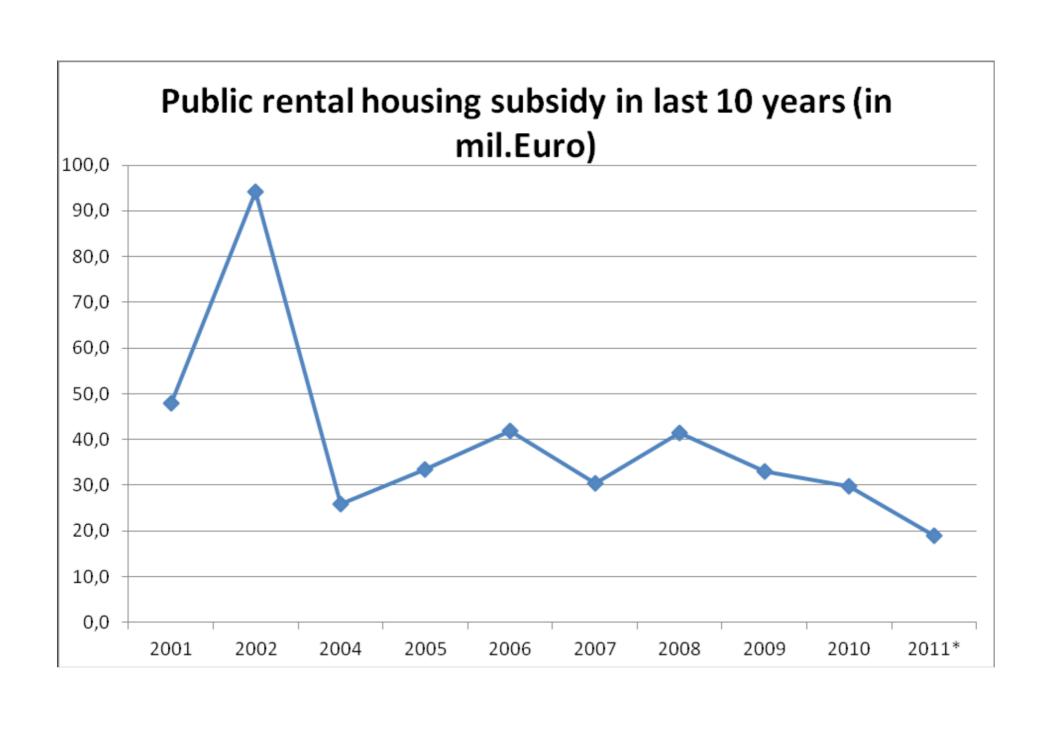


Supply side subsidies

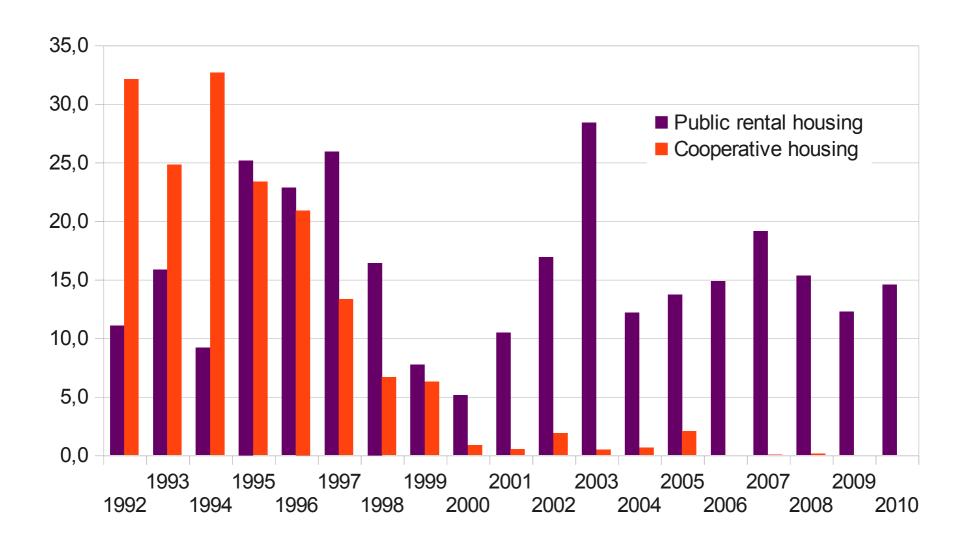
- Public social rental housing
 - Program of housing development
 - Dotations (Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development)
 - Cheap loans (1% p.a. interest rate, State Found for Housing Development)
 - Limited sources, subsidized flats can not be privated (must stay rental housing)

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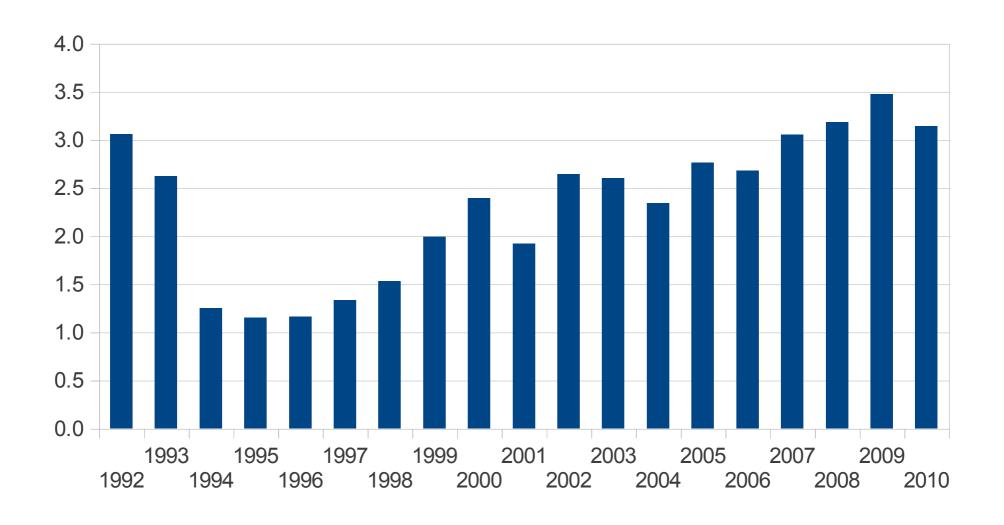
- Limited usage in Slovakia
- Existing only in the form of "Housing allowances"
- Received by only 1.7 % of households in Slovakia
- Low income persons and households, who are entitled to receive social assistance called material need allowance can apply for housing allowance benefit. Since 1 September 2009, the amount of housing benefit is 55.80 Euro for an individual and 89.20 Euro for a family.



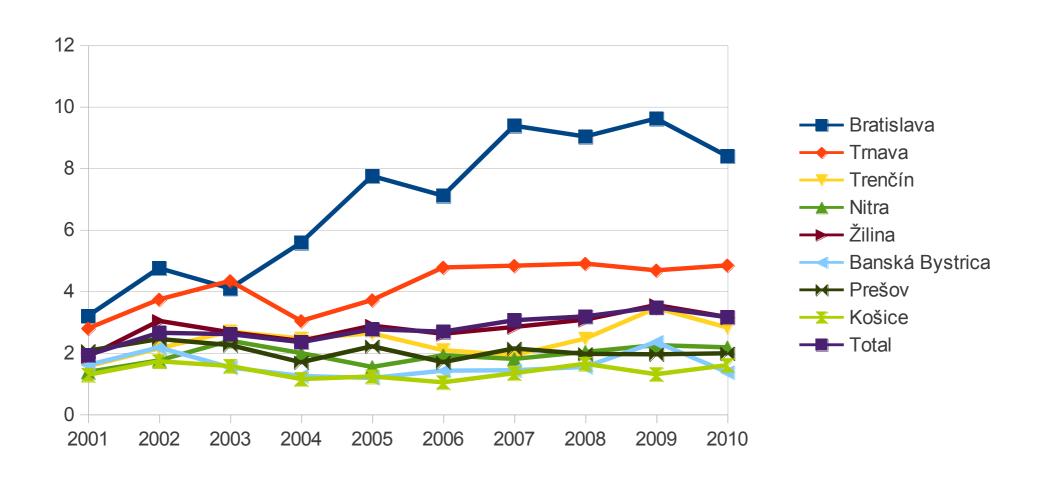
Housing construction levels, in %



Finished flats per 1 000 inhabitants



Housing construction levels by region, 2001 – 2010



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