

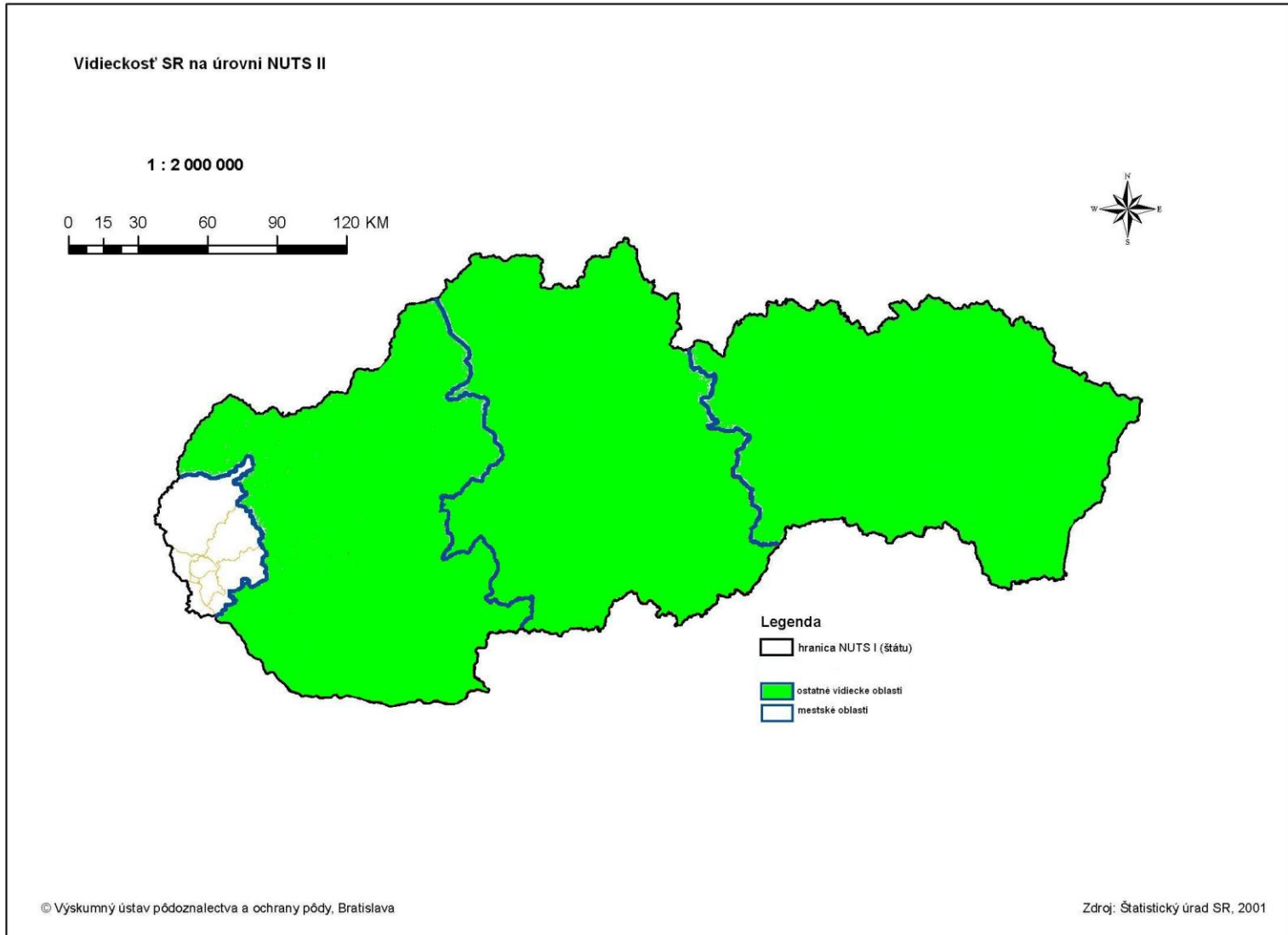
# Experience of development in lagged rural areas in Slovakia

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# Rural areas in Slovakia

- Rural areas cover 42 003 sqkm
- Slovakia comprises of 2 891 villages
- 2 581 villages with population density <150 inhabitants per sqkm
- Average population density in SR is 110 inhabitants per 1 sqkm
- In the rural areas live 2 177 825 inhabitants

# Rural areas at NUTS II level



# Just implementing...

- Sectoral operational programme  
„Agriculture and rural development“ 2004  
– 2006 (guidance section of EAGGF,  
FIFG)
- Rural development plan (guarantee  
section of EAGGF) 2004 - 2006

# SOP A-RD

- Objective 1 – whole SR except Bratislava region
- Total amount of resources for the period 2004 – 2006 = 466,3 mil. Eur (including private and public expenditures)
- EAGGF + FIFG = 182,6 mil. Euro
- 2 priorities and 7 measures

# SOP A-RD measures

- Investments in agricultural holdings
- Improving processing and marketing of agricultural products
- Sustainable forest management and forestry development
- Fisheries
- Land consolidation
- Diversification of agricultural activities
- Training
- Technical assistance

# Regional aspects of implementation in Slovakia

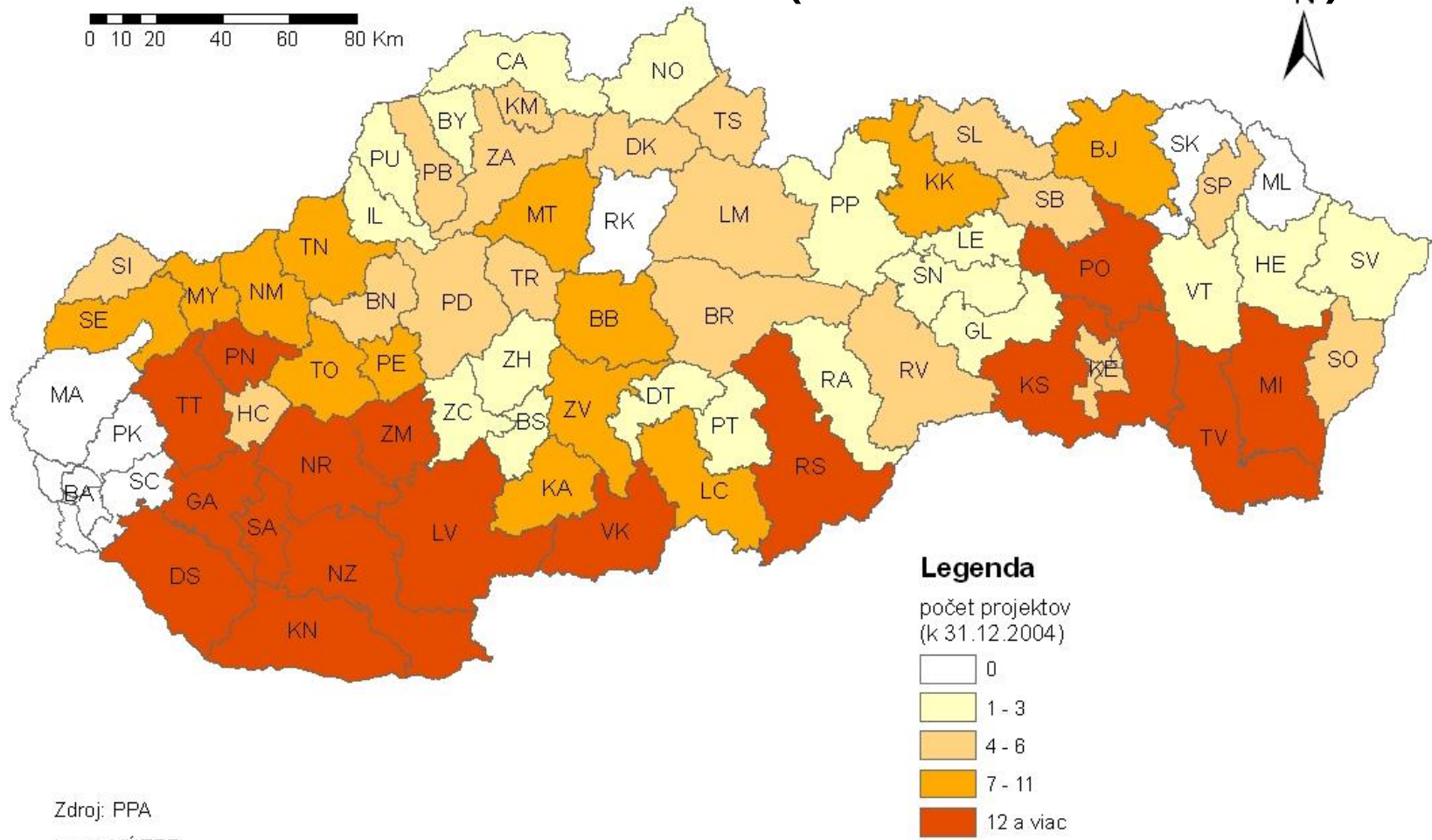
- Distribution of project approved under Sapard program and SOP
- Average appropriation
- Total public resources divided among regions which are provided by two major measures in Sapard and SOP ARD

# How are the projects distributed?

Indicator	West	East
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 1 (Investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program	78,1	21,9
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 1.1 (Investments into agricultural holdings) in SOP ARD	66,4	33,6
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 1 and 1.1 (Investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	70,5	29,5



# Distribution of approved projects within SOP ARD (measure 1.1)



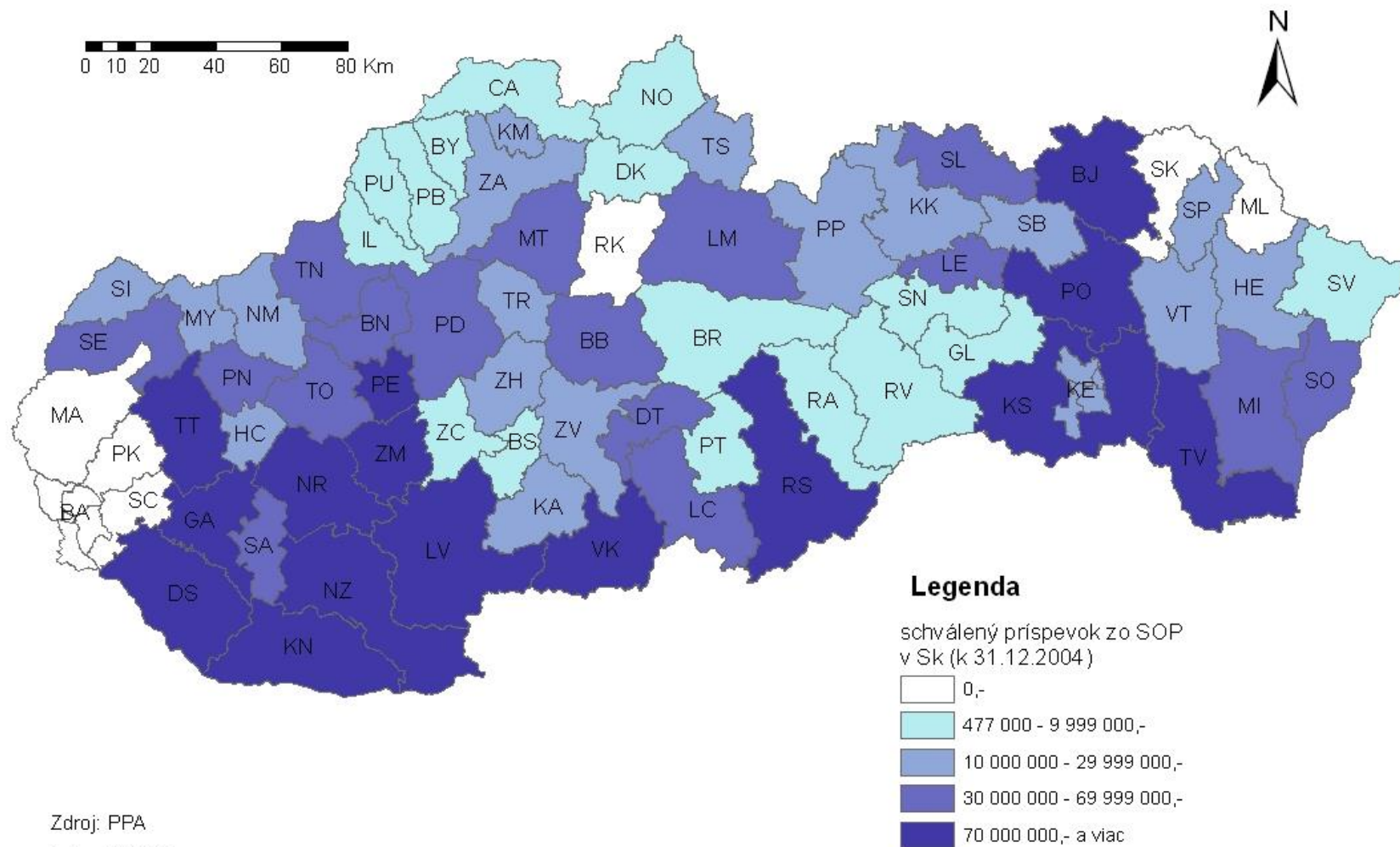
# What is the average appropriation?

Indicator	West	East
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 1 (investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program	4 427 913	3 699 840
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 1.1 (investments into agricultural holdings) in SOP ARD	4 588 158	4 680 137
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 1 and 1.1 (investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	4 526 574	4 428 060

# How are the funds allocated?

Indicator	Allocation in total	West	East	West (%)	East (%)
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 1 – Investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program	1 579 354	1 279 667	299 687	81,0	19,0
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 1.1 – Investments into agricultural holdings) in SOP ARD	3 219 469	2 124 317	1 095 152	66,0	34,0
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 1 and 1.1 – Investments into agricultural holdings) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	4 798 823	3 403 984	1 394 839	70,9	29,1

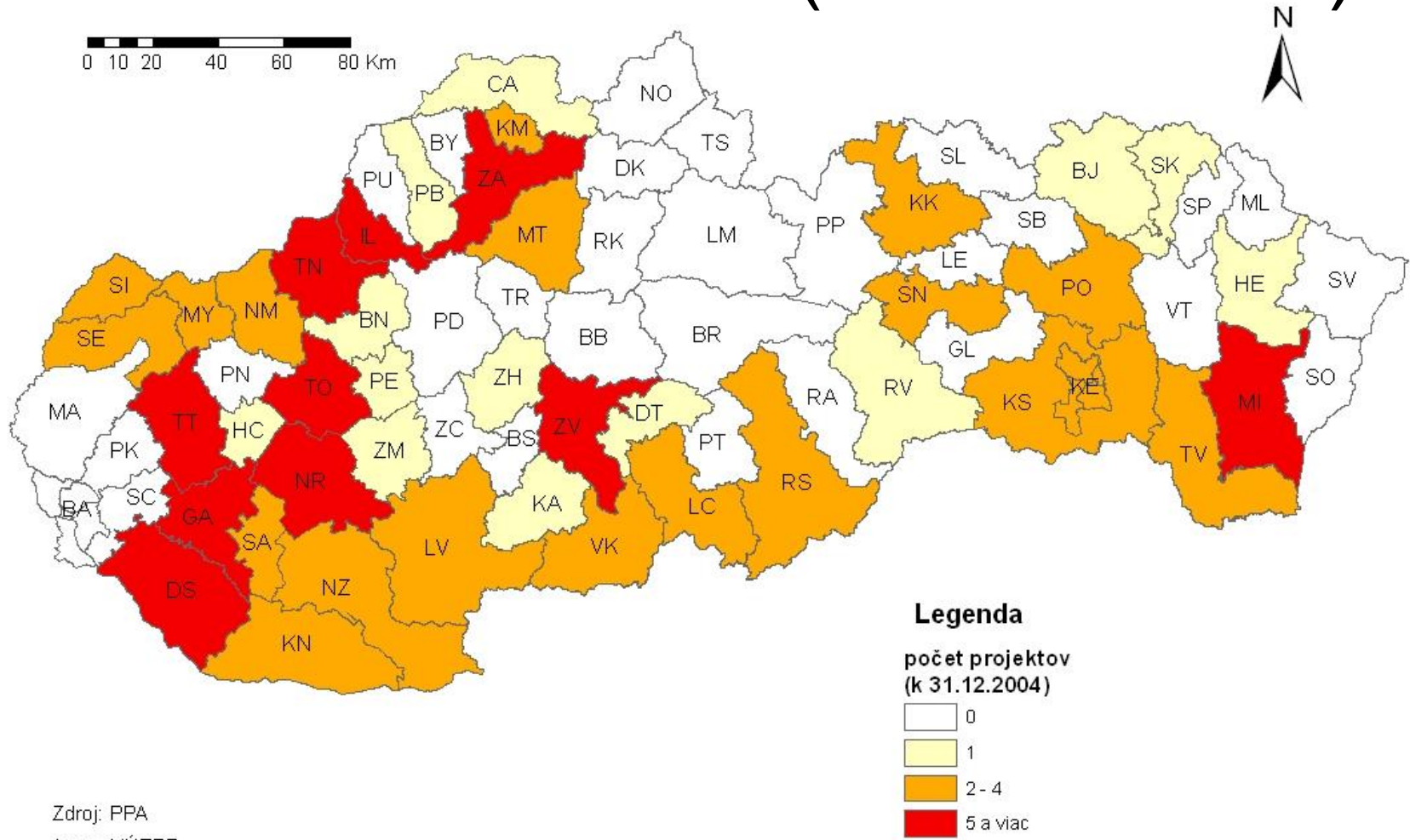
# Allocation of funds to support investments in Measure 1.1



# How are the projects distributed?

Indicator	West (%)	East (%)
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program	65,2	34,8
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 1.2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in SOP ARD	75,2	24,8
Regional distribution (%) of approved projects within Measure 2 and 1.2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	69,3	30,7

# Distribution of approved projects within SOP ARD (measure 1.2)



# What is the average appropriation?

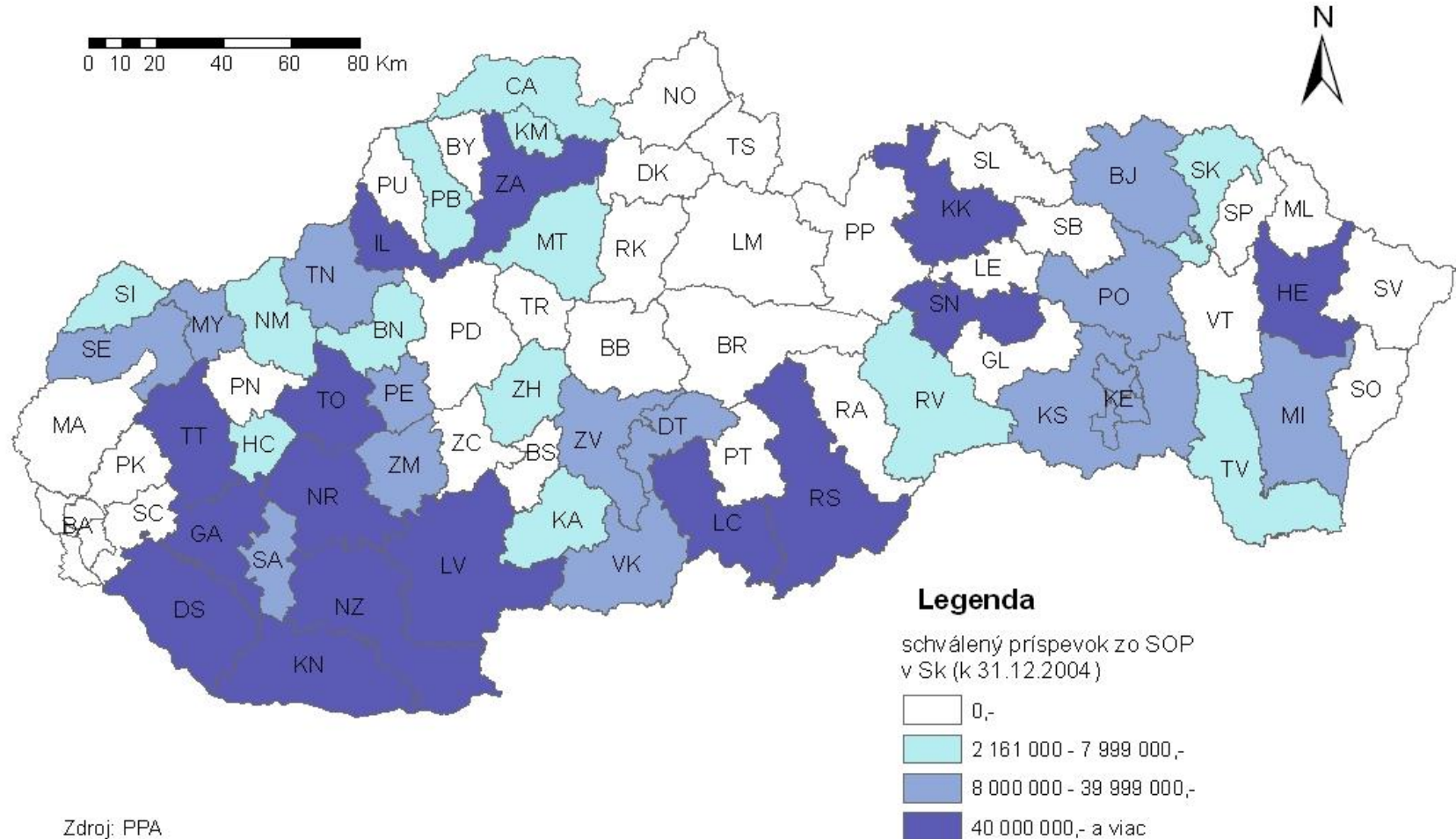
Indicator	West	East
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program	6 575 406	8 229 211
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 1.2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in SOP ARD	10 563 962	11 865 514
average appropriation per project from public resources in SKK within Measure 2 and 1.2 (Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	8 344 389	9 429 877

# How are the funds allocated?

Indicator	Allocation in total	West	East	West (%)	East (%)
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 2 – Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program	1 458 803	874 529	584 274	59,9	40,1
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 1.2 – Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in SOP ARD	1 535 073	1 119 780	415 293	72,9	27,1
Regional allocation (in ths. SKK) of public resources (Measure 2 and 1.2 – Improving the processing and marketing of agricultural products) in Sapard program and SOP ARD in total	2 993 876	1 994 309	999 567	66,6	33,4



# Allocation of funds to support investments in Measure 1.2



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# Example of expected impact

*Labor productivity counted from the added value per 1 employee  
in ths. SKK*

Program structure	2004		%
	expected	actual	
<b>SOP ARD</b>	<b>320,22</b>	<b>428,71</b>	<b>134%</b>
<i>Support of productive agriculture</i>	328,79	205,41	62%
measure 1.1	301,38	157,20	52%
measure 1.2	430,39	384,04	89%
<i>Support of sustainable rural development</i>	234,09	2671,74	1141%
measure 2.1	297,50	49,82	17%
measure 2.2	326,63	12222,79	3742%
measure 2.3	122,75	92,83	76%
measure 2.4	NA	NA	
measure 2.5	NA	NA	

# Example of expected impact

*Average number of employees*

Program structure	2004		%
	expected	actual	
<b>SOP ARD</b>	<b>53,6</b>	<b>48,0</b>	<b>90%</b>
<i>Support of productive agriculture</i>	52,3	54,2	104%
measure 1.1	37,8	39,5	104%
measure 1.2	119,1	121,6	102%
<i>Support of sustainable rural development</i>	62,4	6,4	10%
measure 2.1	88,6	4,6	5%
measure 2.2	11,4	23,7	208%
measure 2.3	24,5	2,8	12%
measure 2.4	NA	NA	
measure 2.5	NA	NA	

Thank you for your attention

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