

# Day of Szeged

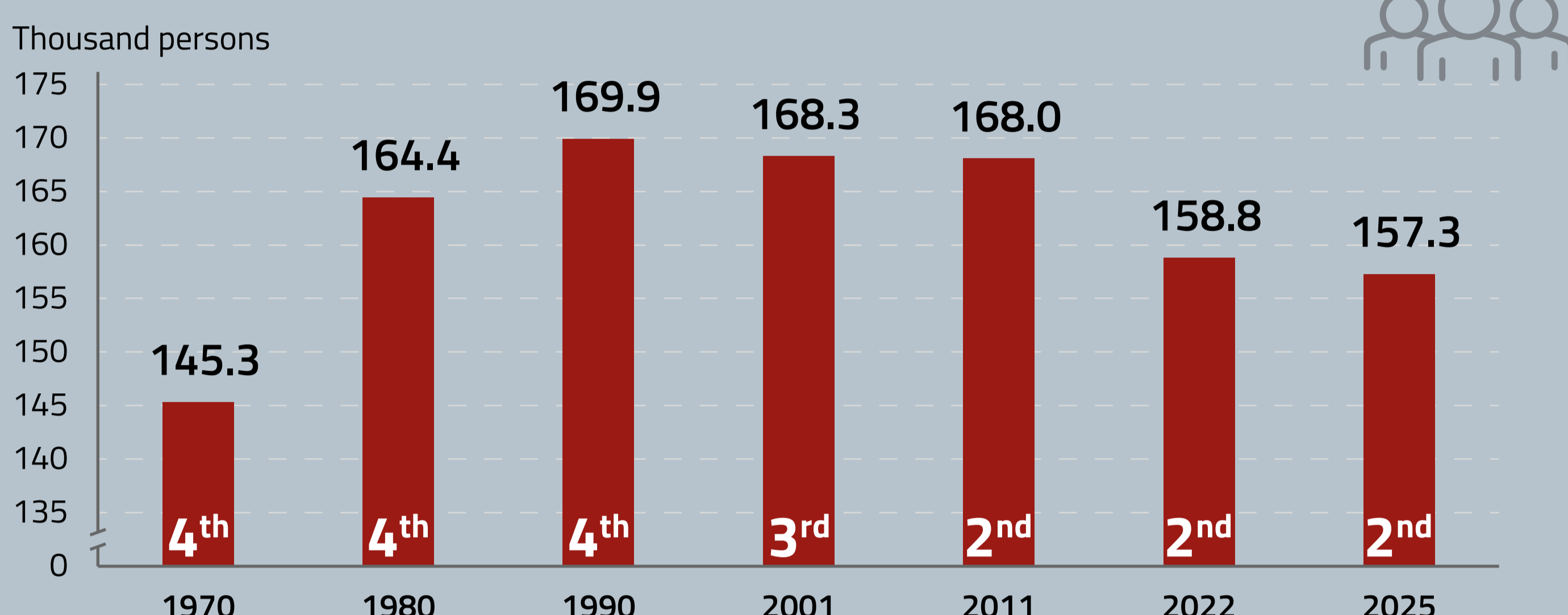
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## Its position among Hungary's provincial towns (1 January 2025)



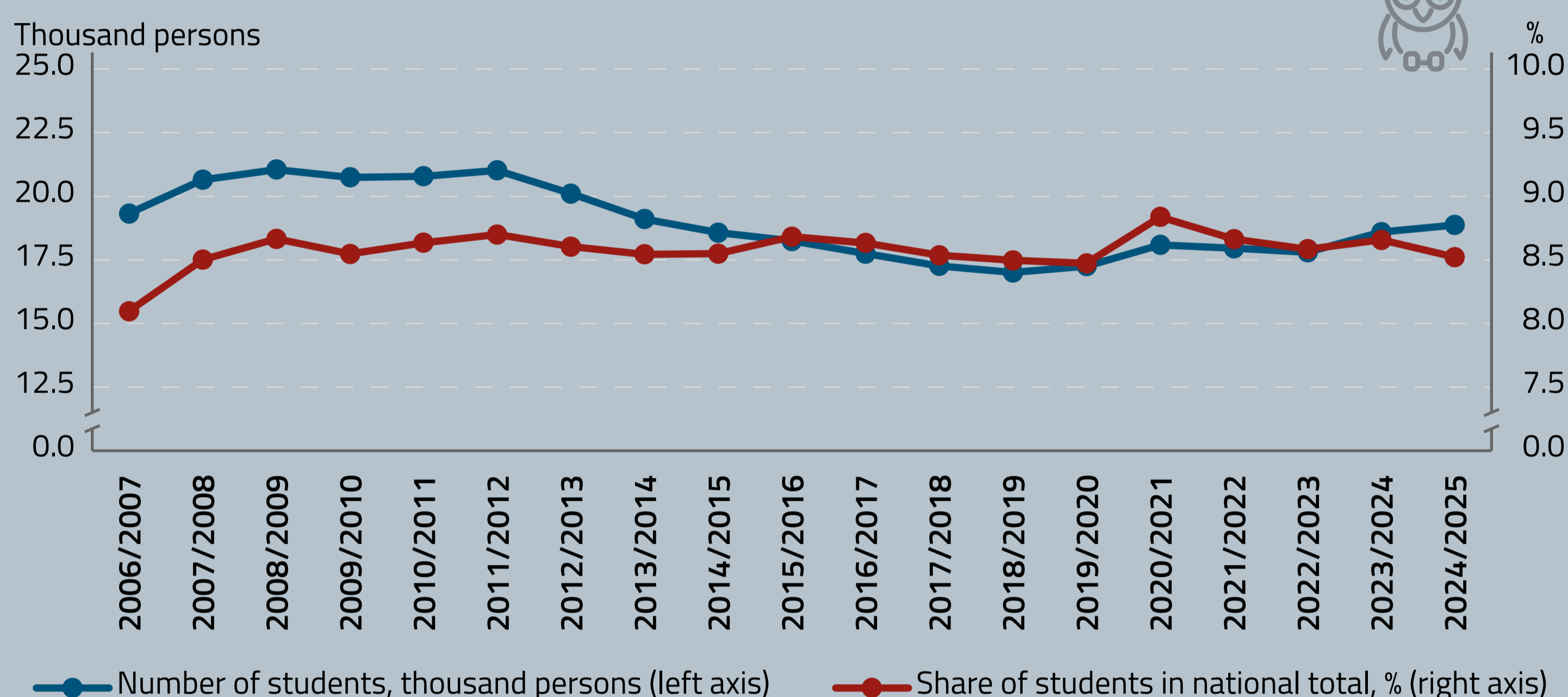
## Population of Szeged and its ranking among provincial towns



During the era of the Austro-Hungarian dualism and the interwar period, Szeged was the most populous provincial settlement in Hungary. Its role declined in the 1950s; however, later it overtook first Pécs and then Miskolc, and it has been the second most populous provincial town after Debrecen for the past decade and a half.

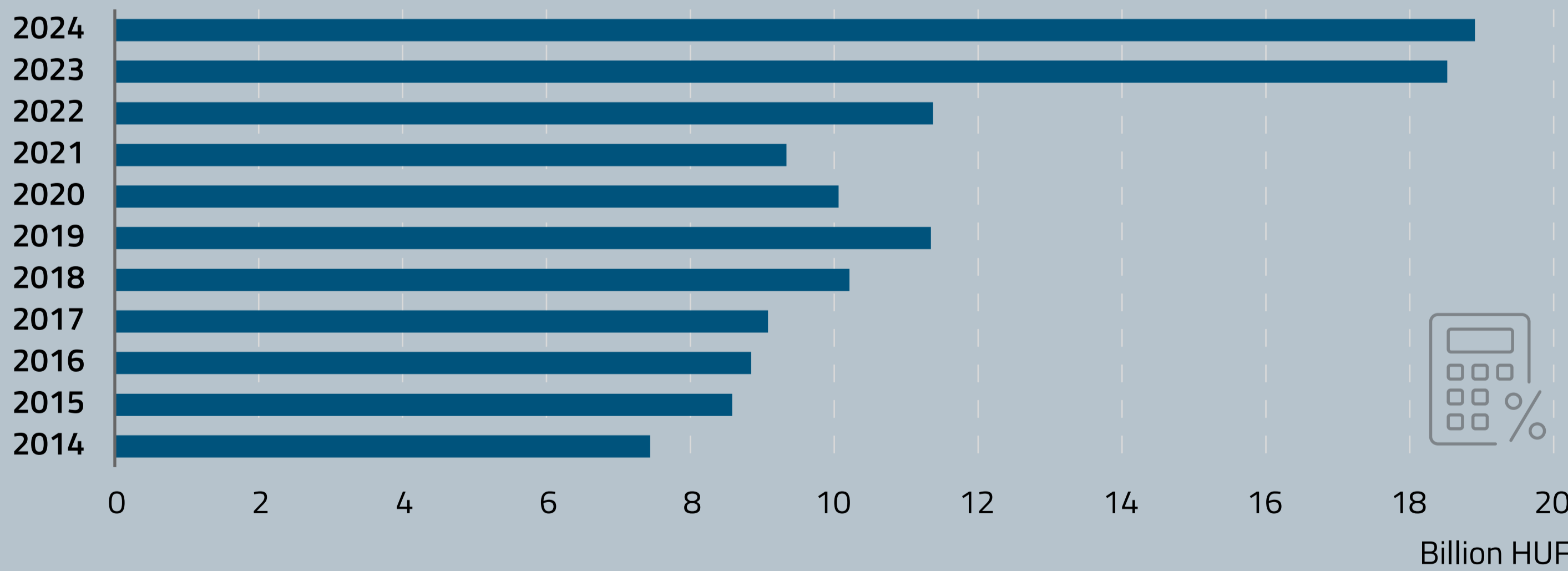
Forrás: HCSO, census data 1970–2022, carried-forward population for 2025.

## Number of higher education students studying in Szeged and their share in the national total (full-time education, data by location of study)



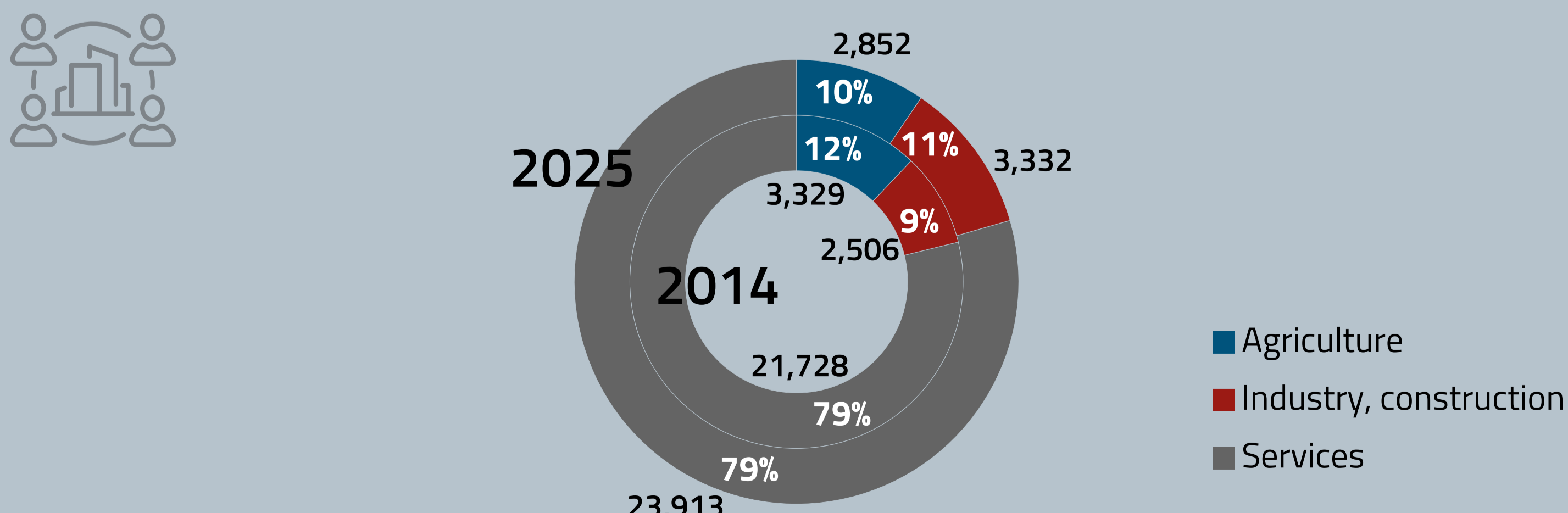
Around 8–9% of Hungary's higher education students choose Szeged as the location for their studies. This is the second-highest percentage among provincial towns, after Debrecen. As an intellectual centre, the university of the town has served both as a research base and alma mater for internationally renowned scientists such as Albert Szent-Györgyi and Katalin Karikó.

## Trends in the municipality's local business tax revenues



With the exception of the years heavily affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, revenues from the local business tax have increased dynamically.

## Number and distribution of registered enterprises in Szeged by sections of the national economy



Over the past decade, both the number and the proportion of industrial enterprises have increased significantly.