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We present findings of the questionnaire research concerning the stereotype of Germans as it is realized by the Polish students. The point was to show differences in a stereotyped image of the German people considering possibilities (or difficulties) in gaining access to the Germans, contacting them and making their acquaintance. This is why our research ran in two groups: (1) very close neighbours (Szczecin); (2) very far neighbours (Lublin).

The results we acquired allow us to note that the nature of the current stereotype of the Germans which is typical among the young people is the same as the nationwide one. Being in contact with the Germans does not change it. The above statements refer both to (1) shallow (positive) manners of mutual relations (e.g. German as a neighbour or a person who needs blood transfusion) and to (2) deep (negative) manners of mutual relations (e.g. German as a husband/wife or a long-term neighbour when a Pole lives in Germany).

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