**Factsheet: Czech Republic**

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**DEFINITION OF YOUTH**

The **national youth policy** refers to youth as between 15 - 30 years of age.

**CANDIDACY AGE**

| Lower House | 21 |
| Upper House | 40 |

Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union

**MARRIAGEABLE AGE**

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<th>Without Parental Consent</th>
<th>With Parental Consent</th>
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<td><strong>Male</strong></td>
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Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union

Civil unions/partnerships legal. Source: UNSD, ILGA

**VOTING AGE**

| Male | 18 |
| Female | 18 |

Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union

**MAJORITY AGE**

| Male | 18 |
| Female | 18 |

Source: Act of the Czech Republic No. 94/1963 Sb. on Family

**CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Minimum Age

Source: Zdenek Karabec, Jiri Vlach et al. (2011)

**RULE OF LAW**

**POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX 2010**

Source: United Nations - Department of Economic and Social Affairs - Population Division

**2012 Revision - Estimates. (Accessed August 2013).**

**SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE**

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX**

0.73

31 out of 170 countries.

Year: 2013

Source: Commonwealth Youth Programme

**LITERACY RATES**

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<th>Both sexes (15-24) %</th>
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Source: UNESCO

**NET ENROLMENT RATE**

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**SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE**

**PREVALENCE OF HIV**

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<th>Male (15-24) %</th>
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<td>0.1%</td>
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Year: 2013

Source: World Bank

**TOBACCO USE**

Consumed any smokes or smoking tobacco product at least once 30 days prior to the survey.

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<th>Male (13-15) %</th>
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<td>35.80%</td>
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Year: 2010

Source: WHO

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<th>Female (13-15) %</th>
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<td>34.10%</td>
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Year: 2010

Source: WHO

**PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

**Is there a national youth policy?**

**YES**

The national youth policy was adopted in 2007. Briefings from 2012 and 2010 are available.

Source: World Bank

Gaps indicate missing data from the original data source. (Accessed August 2013).

**GDP PER CAPITA**

USD 19,844.76

Source: World Bank

**HDI**

0.873

Source: UNDP

**GINI**

28 out of 187 countries.

26.39

Source: World Bank

**CORRUPTION PERCEPTION**

51

33 out of 177 countries.

10.07

Source: Transparency International

**PRESS FREEDOM**

10.07

13 out of 180 countries.

Source: Reporters Without Borders

**BUDGET & SPENDING**

**What is the budget allocated to the governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth and**

...
The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports (MoEYS) oversees education, social programs, sports and youth, research & development and EU and international affairs. According to the National report: First cooperation cycle of the EU Youth Strategy 2010-2012, an inter-ministerial working group was established to coordinate implementation across government departments. Additionally, the National Institute for Children and Youth, which is fully financed and accountable to the MoEYS, is responsible for conducting research on youth, and employs professional researchers.

**YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION**

The Czech Council of Children and Youth (CRDM) is the national youth council of the Czech Republic with 99 member organisations, representing 200,000 individual members. Its mission is to, "promote a quality life and development of children and young people." Since 2012, CRDM has been a member of the European Youth Forum, which describes it as, "the only youth council in the country and has proven itself inclusive towards all main democratic youth movements."

**BUDGET & SPENDING**

According to the State Budget 2014-2016, of Education, Youth and Sports was CZK 140 billion. In 2014 and 2015, it will be CZK 122 billion and in 2016 CZK 123 billion. According to the World Bank, the Czech Republic spent 9.67% of its government expenditure and 4.24% of its GDP on education provision in 2010. However, it is unclear how much is allocated specifically for youth.

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**Is there a governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth?**

**YES**

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**Does the country have a national youth organisation / association (council, platform, body)?**

**YES**

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**What is the budget allocated to the governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth and/or youth programming?**

**UNCLEAR**

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON EDUCATION AS A PERCENTAGE OF GOVERNMENT SPENDING AND GDP**

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<th>% of GDP</th>
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**PUBLICATIONS AND REVIEWS**

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