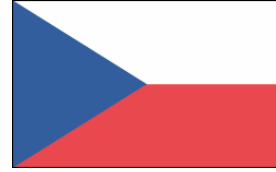


Czech Republic



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- **Total area:** 30,450 sq mi (78,866 sq km)
- **Population (2006 est.):** 10,235,455 (growth rate: -0.1%); birth rate: 9.0/1000; infant mortality rate: 3.9/1000; life expectancy: 76.2; density per sq mi: 337
- **Capital and largest city (2003 est.):** Prague, 1,378,700 (metropolitan area)
- **Monetary unit:** Czech Crown (apx. 22 CZK = 1 USD)
- **Language:** Czech
- **Ethnicity/race:** Czech 90.4 %, Moravian 3.7 %, Slovak 1.9 %, other 4 % (2001)
- **Religions:** Roman Catholic 27 %, Protestant 2 %, unaffiliated 59 % (2001)
- **Literacy rate:** 100 % (1999 est.)
- **Economic summary:** GDP/PPP (2005 est.): \$185.7 billion; per capita \$18,100.

Congenital Malformations Monitoring Programme of the Czech Republic

History: A registration of malformation began in 1961 and regular monitoring started in 1975. The Programme was a founding member of the Clearinghouse and is a full member.

Size and coverage: All births occurring in Czech Republic (Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia regions) are covered, at present comprising about 90,000 annual births. Stillbirths weighing at least 1,000g are included.

Legislation and funding: Reporting is compulsory. The registration is financed and run by the government in the Institute of Health Information and Statistics of the Czech Republic. Analysis of data is supported by Grant projects of Grant Agency Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic in the Institute for Care of Mother and Child.

Sources of ascertainment: Reports are obtained from delivery units, neonatal, pediatric, child surgery, pathology departments and cytogenetic laboratories. Reporting to the central registry occurs via Regional Department of Institute of Health Information and Statistics.

Exposure information: Some exposure information is available on malformed infants, at present none on controls.

Background information: Information's on all births are available in the Institute of Health Information and Statistics of the Czech Republic.

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