

CZECH REPUBLIC

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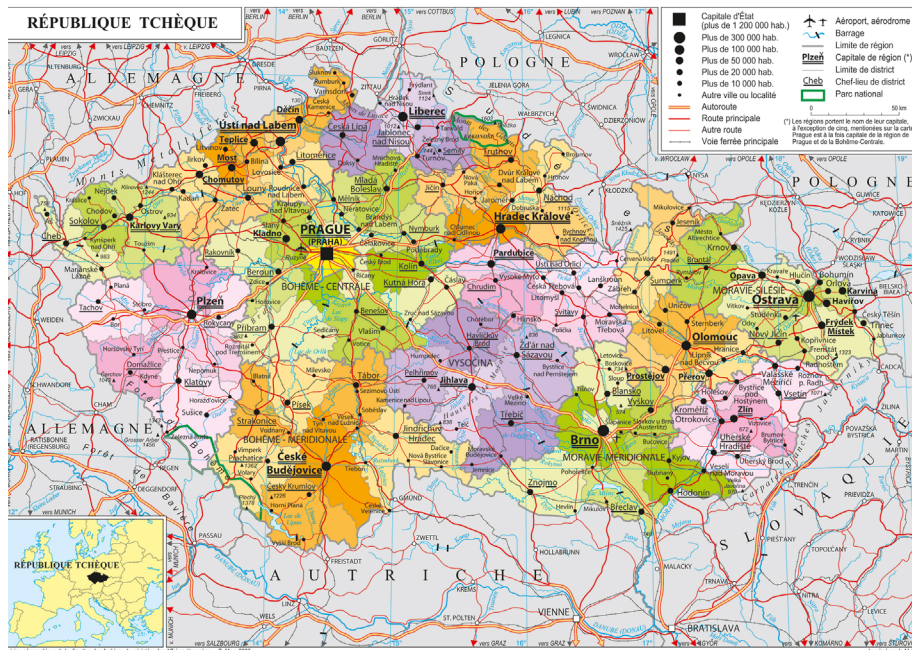
Geography

Area: 78,867 km²**Borders:** 1,989 km (Austria 362 km,
Germany 815 km, Poland 615 km, Slovakia
197 km)**Capital:** Prague**Official language:** Czech

Population

Population: 10,900,555 (est. 2024)**Natural change rate:** -12‰ (2023)**Migration rate:** 8.7‰ (2023)**Asylum applicants:** 1,405 (2023)**Population age:** 16.2% under 15 years old,
20.4% over 65 years old (2023)**Life expectancy:** men 77 years, women
82.9 years (2023)**Foreign residents:** 2% EU nationals, 3.1%
non EU nationals (2021)**Ethnic groups:** Czech 57.3%, Moravian
3.4%, others 7.7%, unspecified 31.6%
(2021)**Religions:** Catholic 7%, 6% Protestants
and Hussite, others 9.1%, none 47.8%,
unspecified 30.1% (2021 est.)

Source : Eurostat



Economy

Currency: Czech Crown (CZK)(exchange rate October 2024: 1€ = 25.23
CZK)**GDP:** € 317,387.0 million (2023)**GDP per capita (PPS):** € 18,480 (2023)**GDP Growth:** -0.1% (2023)**Unemployment:** 2.6% (August 2024)**Inflation:** 2.6% (September 2024)**Public balance:** +1.3% of GDP (2023)**Public debt:** 43.4% (Q1 2024)**High performance sectors:** automobile
industry, mechanics, chemistry**Stock of foreign direct investment from
the entire world:** 68.8% of GDP (2022)

Source : Eurostat, BNP Paribas, The World Bank, ECB



Political System

**Republic, parliamentary democracy
(Constitution of 16th December 1992)****Head of State:** Petr Pavel was directly elected on
28th January 2023. He took office as
President on 9th March 2023.**Head of Government:** Petr Fiala (ODS) was
appointed Prime Minister on 28th November
2021. He leads the coalition "Alliance Together"
which includes 5 parties: the conservative
liberal party (ODS), the Christian Democrats,
the centre-right party TOP 09, the Czech Pirate
Party (Piráti) and Mayors and Independents
(STAN).**Bicameral parliamentary system:****The House of Deputies** (Poslanecká
Snemovna) comprises 200 members who are
elected for four years by direct universal
suffrage by proportional representation; a 5%
threshold is required to gain entry into the
House.**The Senate** comprises 81 members who are
elected for six years, with a third of the Senate
up for election every two years.

Political Representation

**Composition of the Chamber of
Deputies (since October 2021):**

- 71 seats ANO 2011 (populist right)
- 34 seats ODS (Civi democratic party)
- 33 seats STAN (Mayors and independents)
- 23 seats KDU-CSL (Christian and Democratic Union - Czechoslovak People's Party)
- 20 seats SPD (Social Democratic Party, far-right)
- 14 seats TOP 9
- 4 seats Piráti (Pirate party)
- 1 unaffiliated seat

**Composition of the Senate (since
September 2024):**

- 27 seats Group ODS-TOP09
- 18 seats Group STAN
- 13 seats Group ANO-SOCDEM
- 12 seats Group KDU-ČSL
- 6 seats Sen21 - Piráti group
- 5 non-attached seats

Female representation:

- in the government: 1/17
- in the Chamber of deputies: 49/200
- in the Senate: 17/81

Next elections: general in October
2025, presidential in 2028