



# Czech Republic



## Introduction to CZECH REPUBLIC

THE CZECH REPUBLIC, once united with Slovakia as Czechoslovakia, overthrew its Communist rule with the famous "Velvet Revolution" in 1989. The Czech Republic, which has existed apart from Slovakia since 1993, is home to the storied lands of Moravia and Bohemia.

## The CZECH people

<b>Total population:</b>	10,211,904
<b>Children under 15:</b>	1,385,702
<b>Average Life Expectancy:</b>	76.81 years
<b>Per capita annual income:</b>	\$25,900
<b>% children in primary school:</b>	92.51%
<b>Average years of education:</b>	15 years
<b>Literacy rate:</b>	99%
<b>Internet users:</b>	6.028 million
<b>Cell phones in use:</b>	13.78 million
<b>Major/official language(s):</b>	
	Czech
	Slovak

## Risk issues impacting children:

UNICEF does not currently offer children at risk statistics for this country.

## More about CZECH REPUBLIC

<b>Capital city:</b>	Prague
<b>Type of government:</b>	Parliamentary Democracy; EU member
<b>Square kilometers:</b>	78,867
<b>General terrain:</b>	Bohemia in west has rolling plains, hills, and low mountains; Moravia in east is hilly
<b>Major industries/jobs:</b>	Motor vehicles, machinery and equipment, metallurgy, glass
<b>National motto:</b>	"Truth prevails"
<b>Major airport(s):</b>	
	Prague International
	Brno Turany
	Ostrava Moshor

## Reaching CZECH REPUBLIC

Currently classified as World B: Somewhat Reached  
Major religions:

Roman Catholic	- 26.8%
Protestant	- 2.1%
Other	- 3.3%
Unspecified	- 8.8%
Unaffiliated	- 59%

## Christian groups:

Roman Catholic	- 64.4%
Other	- 26.9%
Protestant	- 4.8%
Independent	- 3.3%
Orthodox	- 0.6%

<b>Unreached People Groups:</b>	5 (0.2% of pop)
<b>Average annual Christian growth:</b>	-0.0061
<b>Average annual baptisms:</b>	39,278
<b>Foreign missionaries:</b>	1,600
<b>Per million:</b>	156.99
<b>National Christian workers/pastors:</b>	4,000
<b>Per million:</b>	392.47
<b>Number of churches/congregations:</b>	4,588

## Children's ministry in CZECH REPUBLIC

*Specific children's ministry information has not been provided for Czech Republic. The following information regards general children's ministry in Eastern Europe, and may not all be applicable to this nation.*

**Overview:** • There is a strong history and emphasis on children's ministry within the churches of Western Europe. A lot of curriculum and program development is in place and widely accessible in most languages.

- However, very few children's ministries focus on reaching out to non-Christians in what are now mostly post-Christian nations. Many adults are Christian only nominally.
- Not all ministries make a point to work together.
- As the continent continues to diversify, many marginalized groups of children remain unreached, such as the growing population of Muslims and various refugee groups.

## Focus for Prayer

Training children's leaders for outreach in  
**4,588** congregations

Strategies for reaching and discipling  
**1,385,702** children for Christ