

## SCHOOL MEAL/FEEDING PROGRAM(S)

Most recently completed school year:  
September 2018 – August 2019 (193 school days)

- Regulation No. 107/2005 Col. on school boarding
- Regulation No. 282/2016 Col. on meal requirements

Lead Agency: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

## NATIONAL LAWS, POLICIES, AND STANDARDS

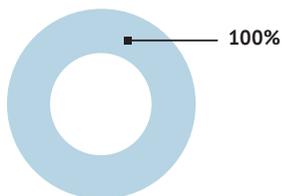
- National school feeding policy
- Nutrition
- Food safety
- Agriculture
- Private sector involvement

Line item in the national budget...  Yes  No  NR

### BUDGET

Total:  
USD 274,893,448

- National government: USD 274,893,448
- International donors\*: NA
- Private sector: NA
- Other donors: NA



\*Contributions by United Nations agencies or non-governmental organizations often represent funding from multiple donors.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

All schools in the Czech Republic have electricity, piped water, clean water and flush toilets. Most of the toilets were gender private. Most of the schools have dedicated eating spaces/cafeterias and kitchens. School meals were prepared on-site (on school grounds), off-site in centralized (not private) kitchens and off-site in private facilities (caterers).

## SPECIAL NOTES

During the 193 school days, children in the primary and secondary schools are provided in-school meals daily. Education in the Czech Republic is compulsory. The programs have universal target. The estimated cost per student per year is 3088-6176 CZK (136-272 USD).

NR = No Response

## MEALS/SNACKS/MODALITY

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Snacks
- Take-home rations
- Conditional cash transfer

- Grains/cereals
- Roots, tubers
- Legumes and nuts
- Dairy products
- Eggs
- Meat
- Poultry
- Fish
- Green, leafy vegetables
- Other vegetables
- Fruits
- Oil
- Salt
- Sugar

Prohibited food items: Certain food items are prohibited in the school meals for health related issues.

## FOOD SOURCES

- Purchased (domestic)
- Purchased (foreign)
- In-kind (domestic)
- In-kind (foreign)

## COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES

- Handwashing with soap
- Height measurement
- Weight measurement
- Deworming treatment
- Eye testing/eyeglasses
- Hearing testing/treatment
- Dental cleaning/testing
- Menstrual hygiene
- Drinking water
- Water purification

## COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

### EDUCATION

- Nutrition
- Health
- Food and agriculture
- Reproductive health
- Hygiene
- HIV prevention

### OTHER

- School gardens
- Physical education

= mandatory

The checked and highlighted items are reported as required, though they may not be uniformly implemented.



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# Czech Republic



## SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS

### CHILDREN RECEIVING FOOD, 2018-19

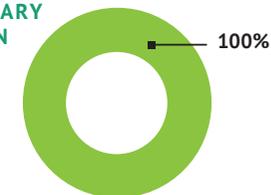
School level	Total #	# Enrolled	# Receiving Food
Primary school	577,000	577,000	577,000
Secondary school	410,000	410,000	410,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>987,000</b>	<b>987,000</b>	<b>987,000</b>



### COVERAGE: PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

Total number primary and secondary school-age children: 987,000

Receiving school food: 987,000



- Food was also provided to some students in
- Pre-schools
  - Vocational/trade schools
  - University/higher education
  - Other

## NUTRITION

School feeding program(s) include/involve the following:

- Fortified foods
- Bio-fortified foods
- Micronutrient supplements
- Nutritionists involved
- Special training for cooks/caterers in nutrition
- Objective to meet nutritional goals**
- Objective to meet educational goals
- Objective to provide a social safety net
- Objective to reduce obesity**

### Food items fortified:

No fortified food items served in this program.

### Micronutrients added to fortified foods:

No micronutrients added to any food items served in this program.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

364,000 Pre-School students receive food through the school meal programs.

## AGRICULTURE, EMPLOYMENT, AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

### Jobs created by school feeding programs

- 30,000** Cooks and food preparers
- NR Transporters
  - NR Off-site processors
  - NR Food packagers and handlers
  - NR Monitoring
  - NR Food service management
  - NR Safety and quality inspectors
  - NR Other

### Farmers were involved with the school feeding program(s)...

- Yes  No  NR

### Other private sector (for profit) actors were involved...

- Yes  No  NR

### There was a focus on creating jobs or leadership or income-generating opportunities for...

- Women
- Youth
- Other groups

### There was community engagement (by parents or others) in the school feeding program(s)

- Yes  No  NR

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

No particular focus on the country's agriculture could be seen in this school program. Since the program is fully financed by the National Government, the only role of private sector is catering services provided to the schools. No financial support could be observed. There also have been no special focus on creating jobs or leadership or income-generating opportunities for women, youth and other groups.

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## CONTACTS: CZECH REPUBLIC

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## SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

### Successes:

1. Introduction of dietary programs for children with dietary restrictions due to their health condition.
2. Introduction of the Regulation No. 282/2016 Col. on meal requirements which regulates the types of food that can be sold in school buffets.
3. Introduction of the methodology for schools which provides the school boarding quality standards.

### Challenges:

Lack of personnel within the school feeding facilities due to low salaries.

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## STUDIES CONDUCTED

Studies about school feeding program are provided by the Ministry of Health.

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## RESEARCH NEEDED

NR

## REGULATION NO. 107/2005 COL. ON SCHOOL BOARDING

**Lead implementer(s):** Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

### OBJECTIVES:

- To meet nutritional and/or health goals
- To prevent or mitigate obesity

### MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:

- In-school lunch

### TARGETING:

Universal

### HOW MANY STUDENTS RECEIVED SCHOOL FOOD IN 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR?

School level	# Students	% Girls	% Boys
Pre-school	364,000	–	–
Primary school	577,000	–	–
Secondary school	410,000	–	–
Vocational/Trade school	NR		
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,351,000</b>	–	–

### FOOD ITEMS:

Legumes & nuts	Meats	Fruits
Roots/tubers	Fish	Oil
Dairy products	Green leafy vegetables	Sugar
Eggs	Other vegetables	
* fortified		

### FOOD SOURCES:

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### NOTES:

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## REGULATION NO. 282/2016 COL. ON MEAL REQUIREMENTS

**Lead implementer(s):** Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

### OBJECTIVES:

- To meet educational goals
- To prevent or mitigate obesity

### MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:

- In-school snacks

### TARGETING:

Universal

### HOW MANY STUDENTS RECEIVED SCHOOL FOOD IN 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR?

School level	# Students	% Girls	% Boys
Pre-school	N/A		
Primary school	577,000	–	–
Secondary school	N/A		
<b>Total</b>	<b>577,000</b>	–	–

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