

28 SPORT

Methodological notes

Data on the participation and rankings of Czech sport representatives in the Olympic Games (Tables 28–1 and 28–2) and on medals won by Czech representatives at world championships and European championships (Tables 28–4 and 28–5) have been provided since 2022 by the National Sports Agency. Data on the state budget expenditure on sport (Table 28–3) have been obtained from the final account of the state budget of the Czech Republic available on the website of the Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic.

Data on persons doing selected sports as members of sport unions and associations (Table 28-6) were processed from the Czech Union of Sport (CUS) Yearbook, namely from the table Membership base registered in sport unions and associations associated in the CUS as at 31 December 2022. The CUS information system with data on the membership base of sports clubs registered in district associations of the CUS was used to process data on children and youth doing sports in unions and associations (Table 28-7).

Data in Tables 28-8 and 28-9 come from the 2022 Living Conditions sample survey (a national module of the European Union – Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC)) from a thematic module related to the lifestyle of adults, their quality of life and active participation in cultural and social life. The Living Conditions survey is conducted annually on a sample of approximately 11 500 randomly selected households all over the Czech Republic. More detailed data on this survey can be found in the Chapter 9 Household Income and Expenditure.

Notes on Tables

Table 28-3 State budget expenditure on sport

The total state budget expenditure on sport is based on data presented in the final account of the State Budget of the Czech Republic for that area, i.e. on a table Summary of the state budget expenditure by functional aspect (kind-of-activity budget classification; subsection 341). It is the expenditure that was actually drawn from the state budget for sport in a given year, not the amounts approved in the Act on the State Budget for that year. Data on the expenditure on sports representation are the sum of data on expenditure on sports representation by the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of the Interior and data on the development and promotion (support) of sports representation financed from the budget chapter of the National Sports Agency and the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports.

Table 28-6 Persons doing selected sports as members of sport unions and associations

The table includes the number of members (membership base) registered in selected sport unions and associations as at 31 December 2022 associated in the CUS, i.e. athletes, judges (umpires), coaches, and officials. It does not include sport unions and associations (such as the Czech Association of Sport for All and the Czech Association of University Sport) members of which can belong to more than one category of sport. Not all sport unions and associations are also members of the CUS, e.g. the Czech Biathlon Union or the Czech Shooting Federation.

Table 28-8 Doing sports by sex, age, and education

The table shows how often respondents engage in some leisure-time physical activity in a typical week. It not only includes sport or fitness, but also any recreational activity that lasts more than 10 minutes in a row, e.g. walking the dog faster, cycling, working out, swimming, but also yoga or dancing.

Table 28-9 Persons aged 16+ years who visited a sports event

The table shows how many persons have attended at least one professional or amateur organised sports event, such as a sports match, as a spectator in the last 12 months (before the interview, i.e. the second quarter of 2022 or 2015). Data for the year 2022 are affected by the fact that the reference period (the last 12 months of the survey) also extended into 2021, when significant restrictions were still in place due to the COVID-19 epidemic and some sports events were cancelled.

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Further information can be found on the website of the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports at:

– www.msmt.cz/areas-of-work/sport-and-youth/sport-1

or websites of other institutions at:

– www.olympijskytym.cz/?lang=EN – Czech Olympic Committee

– www.cuscz.cz/cus-english.html – Czech Union of Sport

– www.agenturasport.cz – *National Sports Agency (Czech only)*