

22. CULTURE AND SPORT

A. CULTURE

Statistical data presented in this Chapter refer to the activities of theatres, cinemas, musical ensembles, libraries, museums, galleries, observatories, planetariums, and the press. The data are acquired from departmental statistical reports of the Ministry of Culture of the Czech Republic and other information sources. Included in this Chapter are also data on zoological and botanical gardens reported by the Union of Czech and Slovak Zoological Gardens and the Union of Botanical Gardens of the Czech Republic, respectively, and on caves reported by the Agency for Nature Conservation and Landscape Protection of the CR. The data on university libraries are taken over from documents prepared by the Institute for Information on Education.

The State Statistical Service also uses outputs from departmental statistical information systems, which are processed by the National Information and Advisory Centre for Culture, Prague. The data in the tables are either related to the end of year (e.g. numbers of theatres, cinemas, libraries, galleries) or they are annual aggregates (e.g. number of performances, attendance, published books).

The data on "state" institutions cover cultural organisations founded by the state (by the Ministry of Culture of the CR, the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the CR or other government department), region or municipality. "Other" cultural organisations embrace units founded by church, civic associations, generally beneficial companies, entrepreneurs (legal entities and natural persons), etc.

The data from the area of audiovisual statistics are taken over from sources of the Czech Telecommunication Office, the Council for Radio and Television Broadcasting, and the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry.

Data on radio and television broadcasting are collected via state statistical questionnaires.

Notes on tables

Tables 22-1 and 22-2. State and other theatres

The network of theatres is measured by the indicator "Theatres in permanent operation"; one theatre administration (administrative unit) can control several theatres. Theatre buildings and halls, which are used by regional theatres as tour stages only and which are not directly administered by a theatre, are excluded.

Table 22-3. Musical ensembles

The data refer to musical ensembles playing classical music: large symphony orchestras and choirs, chamber orchestras and chamber ensembles established by the Ministry of Culture of the CR, regions, towns, civic associations, generally beneficial companies, and entrepreneurs.

Table 22-4. Museums and galleries (museums of fine arts)

Museums, monuments and galleries with collections (museums of fine arts) are the subject of statistical survey.

Table 22-5. Historical monuments used for cultural events

The data refer to castles, churches, ruins, mills, towers, etc. accessible to the public for admission fees.

Tables 22-8 to 22-10. **Libraries**

For all the types of libraries, the indicator "Loans, total" refers to loans of all library stock units (books, periodicals and other documents) used in and outside the library. A library stock unit is each separate volume of a book, a complete volume or several issues of a periodical bound or inserted in a folder, each separate map, graphic sheet, record, etc. Other documents include, for instance, magnetic tapes, microfilm rolls, photocopies, microfiches and the like. On 1 January 2002, the running of the state scientific libraries was passed from the Ministry of Culture of the CR to the administrative regions, and these libraries have been run as regional scientific libraries since. The National Library and the Moravian Land Library are still run by the Ministry of Culture of the CR and the data on these libraries are shown together with the data on the regional libraries.

Table 22-13. **Newspapers, magazines (periodicals) and books**

The data are measured according to obligatory copies received by the National Library in Prague.

Tables 22-17 to 22-20. **Radio and television broadcasting and operators**

The data on the number of licences for the operation of radio or television broadcasting are provided by the Council for Radio and Television Broadcasting and refer to any form of transmission - terrestrial, cable and satellite broadcasting. In 2002, Act No. 231/2001 Sb., on the Operation of Radio and Television Broadcasting, newly defined the concept 'television station' and this has been in force since.

The data published in the tables are comparable with the data published in the statistical yearbooks of previous years. The table "Production and distribution of films for cinemas" has been left out.

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More detailed information obtained from the departmental statistical information systems of the Ministry of Culture of the CR is available in the following CZSO publication brought out in accordance with the CZSO Catalogue of Publications 2006 (thematic group 3 – LABOUR, SOCIAL STATISTICS, subgroup 33 - Education, Culture, Health):

- „Vývoj audiovizuálních služeb v letech 1999 až 2005" - April 2006.

Further data are published on the following web pages of the Czech Statistical Office:

http://www.czso.cz/eng/redakce.nsf/i/culture_lide

or of other institutions:

http://www.nipos-mk.cz/t_oiposu_en.asp – National Information and Advisory Centre for Culture

<http://www.nkp.cz/> - National Library of the Czech Republic

B. SPORT

Approximately 15% of the Czech Republic's population is estimated to have been members of civic physical education and sports associations since 1995.

Data on physical education and sports are taken over from the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the CR.

Notes on tables

Tables 22-27 and 22-28. State budget grants to civic associations of physical education and sports for construction and technical renewal of sports facilities and for public schemes

Listed are data for twelve most important civic associations of physical education and sports. The item "Other" shows grants provided to further ten to twelve smaller civic associations of physical education and sports every year.

Tables 22-29 and 22-30. State/local budget expenditure on culture and sports: 2005

The data on expenditures from the state budgets and local budgets (budgets of municipalities and district offices) on culture and sports are based on data from financial statements on income and expenditure of budgetary organisations. The data are provided to the CZSO by the Ministry of Finance of the CR. They respect the functional breakdown of expenditure and include expenditure in divisions 33 (Culture, churches and mass media) and 34 (Physical education and leisure activity) of the budget classification detailed as shown in the key of the tables.

The arrangement of the table headings corresponds to the budget classification by kind.

The data given in the tables are comparable to the data published in the statistical yearbooks of previous years. Newly included are tables on the Winter Olympic Games Torino 2006 provided by the Czech Olympic Committee. The table "Pupils and trainers of sports classes at basic schools, grammar schools and sports grammar schools" can be found in Chapter 21 Education.

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Further data are published on the following web pages of the Czech Olympic Committee:

<http://www.olympic.cz/index.php?jazyk=en>