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Saturday will belong to statisticians

Saturday 20 October – the third European Statistics Day already. On that day, statisticians want to bring to attention the importance of official statistics and of quality data for the entire society. The Czech Statistical Office (CZSO) joins this symbolic holiday with several events.

*“We remind European Statistics Day together with other statistical institutes all over the Europe also in order to remind the public of the importance of statistics for everyday life. Although many may not be aware of it, statistics is accompanying us virtually on every step,”* Marek Rojíček, President of the Czech Statistical Office, says.

Namely due to that reason, the Czech Statistical Office presented this week in a very attractive form (using infographics) the popular topic of frequency of names of children; the presentation was widely referred to in the media as well as among those discussing in the social media. Another event aimed at popularisation of statistics is the project of Minicensus, which is also currently taking place; as at today, already over 370 schools from the whole Czech Republic are participating in it.

*“Nevertheless, the importance of the European Statistics Day is deeper. We want to underline and publicly remind that high-quality, independent, and apolitical official statistics can help development of the entire society, because it brings essential and trustworthy data,”* Marek Rojíček reminds.

During Friday 19 October, the Czech Statistical Office will gradually publish infographics focused on comparisons of life in the European Union – on its Twitter account [@statistickyurad](https://twitter.com/statistickyurad?lang=cs). On the same day, a publication of [Eurostat](https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat) “Key Figures on Europe” will be issued; it will be available online in English, German, and French. In Czech, the CZSO will publish an updated digital publication about life of women and men in the EU. A comparison of the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic you can find in the recent issue of the [Statistika&My](http://www.statistikaamy.cz/) journal (*Czech only*).

As of Monday 22 October, in the premises of the CZSO headquarters in Prague, you can see an exhibition devoted to 25 years of environment statistics in the Czech Republic.

For further information see the following website of the CZSO: [www.czso.cz/statsday2018](http://www.czso.cz/statsday2018).

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