

85 Years of the Czech Official Statistics

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Already in January 1919, statistical service in newly formed Czechoslovakia has been legally formed by the law No.49/1919 of the Collection of Laws. Despite the fact, their organization was rather different, it could take up both state and self-governing statistics in just caducous Austria-Hungary.

In Austrian part of Habsburg monarchy, the most of statistical branches has been concentrated to central Viennese offices, above all to Central Statistical Commission and Ministry of Trade. On the other hand, provincial statistical offices dealt with spheres falling into jurisdiction of provincial self-government – in Praha, Brno and Opava at our territory.

Unlike actual state, newly founded State Statistical Office concentrated whole state statistical service in new state. Simultaneously, general reporting duty was enacted (for all surveys approved in advance by State Statistical Board). This contribution deals also with complicated origin of the activity of State Statistical Office (1919 – 1920) and briefly also with consolidation of state statistics during 20th years.