Czech Republic
Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy

Country Overview

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<td>Population (2018)</td>
<td>10,629,928</td>
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<td>GNI Per Capita (2018)</td>
<td>$21,794</td>
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<td>Country Classification by Income Level (2018)</td>
<td>High-income</td>
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<td>Number of Registered Philanthropic Organizations (2018)</td>
<td>124,877</td>
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<td>Philanthropic Environment Country Overall Score (2018)</td>
<td>3.69</td>
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<td>Philanthropic Environment Cross-Border Flows Score (2018)</td>
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Number of Registered Philanthropic Organizations: Global Philanthropy Environment Index: Eastern and Southern Europe, [globalindices.iupui.edu](http://globalindices.iupui.edu)


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<td>$2,254.33</td>
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Quality of Data on Philanthropic Outflows: **++**

Data: Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, *2020 Global Philanthropy Tracker*
Summary of cross-border philanthropy
The main data for the Czech Republic comes from data gathered by the research team from the IU Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. The list of organizations that were included comes from the České fórum pro rozvojovou spolupráci (Czech Forum for Development Cooperation, FoRS). The figures from these organizations were taken from the philanthropic organizations' (POs) respective annual reports.

Total aggregate cross-border giving is the sum of cross-border giving by the individual organizations, which is calculated as the percentage of international project expenditures funded by private sources. Other data for the Czech Republic comes from the Fórum Dárců (Czech Donor Forum), which provides a breakdown of general giving by individuals, corporations, and foundations.

SENDING CROSS-BORDER CHARITABLE DONATIONS
According to the 2018 Global Philanthropy Environment Index, it is possible for both individuals and philanthropic organizations (POs) to send money to foreign entities, but this money will not be eligible for the same tax incentives as domestic donations unless the donation is to an organization within the EU or EFTA. However, these organizations must support certain causes, such as research, cultural, or humanitarian purposes. This can make the process of sending the money more involved than it is for domestic donations (Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2018).

RECEIVING CROSS-BORDER CHARITABLE DONATIONS
Receiving cross-border donations is also allowed in the Czech Republic, and these donations are eligible for the same tax benefits as domestic gifts. As with sending cross-border donations, the process can take more time, especially for POs, and the causes that can be supported by such donations is somewhat restricted.

ESTIMATED CROSS-BORDER GIVING
According to the data gathered by the research team, the estimated amount of money dedicated to cross-border giving was USD 17,354,380.15 adjusted to inflation. In the organizations that reported a breakdown of the regions in which they were active, the most common ones were Africa, Asia, Middle East, and Eastern Europe/Caucasus.

The main body that conducts studies on philanthropy is the Czech Donor Forum, with the support of the Government of the Czech Republic and the Rady vlády pro nestátní neziskové organizace (Council of Non-Governmental Organizations). Although their most recent study does not explicitly discuss international giving, it does provide some insights into the causes supported by Czech philanthropy. For 2019, they estimated that CZK 8.45 billion was donated by people in the Czech Republic. According to the information on giving in the Czech Republic, donations by the largest corporate and non-corporate organizations go towards education and
research (16%), the socially disadvantaged (14%), and children and families as well as sick and disabled people (both 13%).

**ESTIMATED CROSS-BORDER VOLUNTEERING**
For international volunteering, INEX - Association for Voluntary Activities reports that they had 406 volunteers in the Czech Republic, and 438 volunteers abroad (INEX-SDA, 2020). The top destinations within Europe are Germany, France, and Spain. Outside of Europe, the top choices for Czech volunteers are Japan, Mexico, Nepal, India, Tanzania, and Kenya.

**CROSS-BORDER GIVING BY CHARITABLE CAUSES**
N/A

**KEY DEVELOPMENTS AND TRENDS IN CROSS-BORDER GIVING**
The Czech Donors Forum also provided some information about giving trends and attitudes towards the sector in their report. One area the report focuses on is the increase in donor use of SMS messaging to donate. From 2018 to 2019, the amount of CZK donated increased from 15.839 million to 18.642 million, with the number of donors also increasing from 327,000 to 381,000. In addition, the majority of donors (60%) gave more than once via SMS, increasing from 53 percent in 2018 (Czech Donors Forum, 2019, p.5).

Despite the improvements in digital giving, the population remains fairly divided in their opinion on the nonprofit sector and the value of their work. Only about 46 percent trust the nonprofit sector, and only 1 percent have strong trust in them. Furthermore, 59 percent of the population believe that if the nonprofit sector did not exist, there would be no major change in the society (Czech Donors Forum, 2019, p.5).

References


**ADDITIONAL READING**
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We greatly appreciate the contributions of researchers, scholars, and leaders around the world to the study of cross-border philanthropy. If you know of any additional information or newly available data that could be included in future editions, please send us an update at indices@iupui.edu.