

Czech Republic (CR) and Slovak Republic (SR): economic comparison

Indicator	Unit	Czech Republic		Slovak Republic	
		1st half 2006 (value/volume/ number)	Index	1st half 2006 (value/volume/ number)	Index
			1st half 2006 1st half 2005		1st half 2006 1st half 2005
INDUSTRY 1)					
Sales 2)	CZK/SKK billion	1 738,5	113,8	865,8	111,1
Industrial production, total	CZK/SKK billion	.	111,8	.	109,3 ³⁾
CONSTRUCTION 1)					
Construction output, total	CZK/SKK billion	189,8	104,1	60,2	115,5
in CR / SR 4)	CZK/SKK billion	119,9 4)	103,2	58,2	117,9
AGRICULTURE					
Meat production (carcass weight)					
Beef and veal	thous. tonnes	39,8	99,6	7,5	88,2
Pig meat	thous. tonnes	167,2	100,2	47,8	98,7
TRANSPORT					
Transport by rail	mil. tonnes	38,8	94,1	24,3	100,5
Passengers transported by rail	mil. persons	93,0	102,4	24,4	97,3
Goods transported by road	mil. tonnes	189,9	89,2	76,5	91,7
Passengers transp'd by bus service 5)	mil. persons	192,6	88,9	232,2	97,0
CONSUMER MARKET 1)					
Retail sales, total	CZK/SKK billion	.	106,8	196	108,7
Sales by hotels and restaurants	CZK/SKK billion	.	95,2	20,7	121,7
EMPLOYMENT					
Industry, total	thous. persons	1 332	100,4	563	98,5
Construction, total	thous. persons	214,1	100,2	152,5	110,4
Registered unemployed, total 6)	thous. persons	451,1	92,2	296,5	91,1
Unemployment rate 6) 7)	%	7,7	x	10,4	x
EXTERNAL TRADE 8)					
Exports, total	CZK/SKK billion	1 037,6	114,3	567,9	123,1
Imports, total	CZK/SKK billion	1 000,4	115,0	613,4	124,5
Balance	CZK/SKK billion	37,2	x	-45,5 x	
TOURISM					
International visitor arrivals	mil. persons	47	101,7	12,8	106,8
Czech / Slovak resident departures	mil. persons	16,4	101,8	9,9	99,8
PRICES AND COST OF LIVING		9)	10)	9)	10)
Aggregate consumer price index	index	102,8	102,9	104,6	104,5
Cost of living in households of:					
employees	index	102,6	102,7	104,1	104,0
pensioners	index	103,9	104,0	106,4	106,3

1) Indices based on constant prices; volumes at 2006 prices.

2) Sale of own goods and services in CR, sale of own outputs and goods in SR.

3) Adjusted for working days.

4) Enterprises with 20+ employees in CR.

5) Excl. mass municipal transport.

6) On last day of reference period.

7) Based on disposable number of registered unemployed.

8) Preliminary.

9) June 2006 over June 2005.

10) 1st half of 2006 over 1st half of 2005.