

Overview of provisions of national regulations that provide for fulfilment of the principles concerning institutional environment as defined in the European Statistics Code of Practice	
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1. Professional independence	<p>Section 3 of the Act No 89/1995 Sb on the State Statistical Service (hereinafter as SSSA) (1) The State Statistical Service is carried out by the Czech Statistical Office. (2) The Czech Statistical Office is chaired by its President who is appointed and recalled by the President of the Czech Republic upon a proposal of the Government of the Czech Republic. The position of the President of the Czech Statistical Office is incompatible with membership of a political party or movement. The President of the Czech Statistical Office receives salary and other indemnities associated with the execution of the office at the same level as the President of the Supreme Audit Office under a special act. The President of the Czech Statistical Office is considered to be a civil service body pursuant to the Civil Service Act.</p> <p>Section 4 of the SSSA (1) The Czech Statistical Office ... a) determines the methodology, processing, and use of statistical surveys and contents of statistical indicators required to assess social, economic, demographic, and environmental conditions in the Czech Republic and in its respective parts and to assess the nation development,</p> <p>Section 5 of the SSSA The Czech Statistical Office ... a) While performing the State Statistical Service the Czech Statistical Office follows the law and other legal regulations, applies expert aspects, requirements for the practical use, and professional ethics, and uses scientific methods in the statistical work. b) The Czech Statistical Office is independent in producing statistical information. While acquiring data and processing and interpreting statistical information the Czech Statistical Office shall proceed the way objectivity of information is not infringed and released information is not restricted or distorted.</p> <p>Section 18 of the SSSA (3) The Czech Statistical Office releases statistical information at the time, in the scope and manner announced in advance in the mass media, own publications and other media and, further, in a way making possible remote access.</p>
1bis. Coordination and collaboration	<p>Section 3 of the SSSA Authorities carrying out the State Statistical Service ... (5) Ministries and other central administrative authorities (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministries") may carry out the State Statistical Service under the conditions and in the scope laid down by this Act. In doing so, they use methodology determined by the Czech Statistical Office and negotiated with ministries.</p> <p>Section 4 of the SSSA (3) The Czech Statistical Office co ordnates the State Statistical Service carried out by ministries. To this end, the Czech Statistical Office a) keeps records of activities carried out by ministries in the area of the State Statistical Service and exerts its influence on ministries to be compliant with measures set forth in this Act to protect confidential statistical data, b) co-operates with ministries in the preparation of the Programme of Statistical Surveys and takes care that burden on reporting units is not excessive, and c) unifies methodological procedures of statistical surveys performed by ministries and provides the ministries with methodological assistance in carrying out tasks of the State Statistical Service.</p> <p>Section 19 of the SSSA (3) Classifications are binding for bodies carrying out the State Statistical Service and for reporting units when providing data for statistical surveys, when processing them, and also in such cases as determined by a special legal regulation.</p>

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<p>2. Mandate for data collection</p>	<p>Section 4 of the SSSA (1) The Czech Statistical Office... c) performs statistical surveys, d) compiles aggregate statistical indicators of development of the national economy and of respective parts thereof,</p> <p>Section 9 of the SSSA (1) Bodies performing the State Statistical Service use data acquired or collected by ministries and other administrative authorities under special regulations. Ministries and other administrative authorities are bound to provide them with the necessary data on their request in time and free of charge unless otherwise stated by this Act... (3) For statistical purposes and the maintenance of statistical registers, bodies of self-governing territorial units shall provide the Czech Statistical Office with data from their own information systems upon request and free of charge. Ministries performing the State Statistical Service are entitled to require data for statistical purposes free of charge from bodies of self-governing territorial units only after prior consent given by the Czech Statistical Office... (6) Data and information systems serving different purposes may be aggregated for statistical purposes. (7) Ministries and other administrative authorities must inform the Czech Statistical Office on which data they have acquired under special acts or which they have collected already.</p> <p>Section 10 of the SSSA (1) The Programme of Statistical Surveys is determined by the Czech Statistical Office by means of a decree prepared in co-operation with ministries and other administrative authorities and always declared not later than 30 November of the preceding year... (3) Reporting units are subject to the reporting duty for the statistical surveys included in the Programme of Statistical Surveys.</p> <p>Section 11 of the SSSA Statistical surveys other than those included in the Programme of Statistical Surveys may only be performed on grounds of voluntary provision of individual data and with no reporting duty.</p> <p>Section 26 of the SSSA (1) A legal or natural person acting as business commits a misdemeanour by non compliance with the reporting duty pursuant to Section 10 (3). (2) The fine for the misdemeanour pursuant to paragraph 1 can be charged up to CZK 100 000.</p>
<p>3. Adequacy of resources</p>	<p>Section 10 of the Act No 218/2000 Sb on budget rules and amendments of some relating acts (hereinafter as the Budget Rules – BR) (1) Income and expenditure of the State Budget are subdivided into chapters which express the scope of authority and responsibility of bodies of central government and other organisation bodies of the state if a special act establishes these organisation bodies of the state have a separate chapter in the State Budget, or they have the position of a body of central government, or they have the position of a body of central government for purposes of the State Budget.</p> <p>Section 3 of the BR For purposes of the Act the following shall mean... g) administrators of chapters of the State Budget (hereinafter as the Administrators of Chapters) bodies of central government and other organisation bodies of the state, if established by a special act, that these organisation bodies of the state have a separate chapter in the State Budget, or they have the position of a body of central government, or they have the position of a body of central government for purposes of the State Budget,</p>

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<p>3. Adequacy of resources</p>	<p>Section 8 of the BR (3) Ministry [of Finance] shall control works on the development of a bill on the State Budget. The Administrators of Chapters..., which require resources from the State Budget or providing of a state guarantee, are obliged to produce to the Ministry data necessary for developing of the Bill on the State Budget in time, extent, and structure, as the Ministry has determined in a decree.</p> <p>Section 45 of the BR (2) The organization body of the state shall care to be attaining income as established by the State Budget and fulfil assignments and task the way as economic as. Resources, the organisation body has at its disposal, it may use to cover necessary needs and for measures based on legal regulations.</p> <p>Section 3 of the SSSA (1) The State Statistical Service is carried out by the Czech Statistical Office which is an office of central government.</p> <p>Section 15 of the SSSA (1) Expenses related to the compliance with the reporting duty incurred by the reporting unit shall be borne by this reporting unit.</p>
<p>4. Commitment to quality</p>	<p>Section 5 of the SSSA The Czech Statistical Office... a) While performing the State Statistical Service the Czech Statistical Office follows the law and other legal regulations, applies expert aspects, requirements for the practical use, and professional ethics, and uses scientific methods in the statistical work. b) The Czech Statistical Office is independent in producing statistical information. While acquiring data and processing and interpreting statistical information the Czech Statistical Office shall proceed the way objectivity of information is not infringed and released information is not restricted or distorted.</p> <p>Section 6 of the SSSA (1) The Czech Statistical Council (hereinafter as "the Council") is established by the Czech Statistical Office as its advisory body... (3) The Council discusses the draft of the Programme of Statistical Surveys, gives opinions on proposed statistical surveys without reporting duty and assesses the necessity of data provided to the Czech Statistical Office under Section 9 (1). Other assignments, working methods, and calling of meetings of the Council are regulated by its Statute issued by the President of the Czech Statistical Office.</p>
<p>5. Statistical confidentiality</p>	<p>Section 2 of the SSSA For the purposes of this Act, ... b) confidential statistical data shall mean data, which allow direct or indirect identification of individual legal persons, or data, which are personal data on natural persons according to a special act, ... q) protection of confidential statistical data shall mean a whole system of measures and tools, which ensure confidential data from statistical surveys performed by the State Statistical Service and data from administrative sources which prevents them from being changed, destructed, lost, transmitted or otherwise misused in an unauthorised way and allows them to be used only for statistical purposes; also compound data embracing more legal or natural persons which allow identification of the data subject without the necessity of spending unreasonable time and effort are subject to this protection, ...</p> <p>Section 3 of the SSSA (6) Authorities carrying out the State Statistical Service are bound to protect confidential statistical data in the manner set forth in this Act. In case confidential statistical data contain also personal data, these personal data are subject to the protection laid down by a special Act.</p>

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<p>5. Statistical confidentiality</p>	<p>Section 4 of the SSSA 1) The Czech Statistical Office ... k) monitors the compliance with obligations within the State Statistical Service and imposes administrative penalties for their violations, (3) The Czech Statistical Office co ordinates the State Statistical Service carried out by ministries. To this end, the Czech Statistical Office a) keeps records of activities carried out by ministries in the area of the State Statistical Service and exerts its influence on ministries to be compliant with measures set forth in this Act to protect confidential statistical data,</p> <p>Sections 16–18 of the SSSA The text of all Sections dealing with secrecy, protection, and provision of confidential statistical data.</p> <p>Section 25 of the SSSA (1) A person, who is an employee of a body carrying out the State Statistical Service, or a person processing statistical surveys or collecting data for agricultural censuses commits a misdemeanour by breaching the obligation of secrecy pursuant to Section 16 (1). (2) A fine of CZK 200 000, or less, may be charged for the misdemeanour pursuant to paragraph 1.</p>
<p>6. Impartiality and objectivity</p>	<p>Section 4 of the SSSA (1) The Czech Statistical Office ... a) determines the methodology, processing, and use of statistical surveys and contents of statistical indicators required to assess social, economic, demographic, and environmental conditions in the Czech Republic and in its respective parts and to assess the nation development,</p> <p>Section 5 of the SSSA The Czech Statistical Office ... a) While performing the State Statistical Service the Czech Statistical Office follows the law and other legal regulations, applies expert aspects, requirements for the practical use, and professional ethics, and uses scientific methods in the statistical work. b) The Czech Statistical Office is independent in producing statistical information. While acquiring data and processing and interpreting statistical information the Czech Statistical Office shall proceed the way objectivity of information is not infringed and released information is not restricted or distorted.</p> <p>Section 18 of the SSSA (3) The Czech Statistical Office releases statistical information at the time, in the scope and manner announced in advance in the mass media, own publications and other media and, further, in a way making possible remote access.</p>