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Presentation: The organizational set-up for disseminating urban and regional statistics in the Czech Statistical Office

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Abstract

The Czech Statistical Office has included dissemination into its organisational structure. There are seven Branches:

- General Methodology and Registers Branch
- Statistical Processing Branch
- Macroeconomic Statistics Branch
- Business Statistics Branch
- Demography and Social Statistics Branch
- Analyses and Dissemination Branch
  - Information Services Department
    - Information Services Section – Headquarters
    - Regional Analysis and Information Services Sections – 14 Regions
    - Electronic Outputs Section
    - International Information Services Section
    - Central Statistical Library
    - Statistical Yearbook Section
- Electronic Presentation Department
  - Internet Section
  - Marketing Section
  - Pre-print Preparation and Digital Print Section
- Public Database Department
  - Public Database Section
  - Regional Databases Section
- Operations and Administration Branch

This structure is quite new – from 1st January 2007.

There is no formal difference between organizational set-up for dissemination “state” and urban/regional statistics. But there are of course differences in everyday providing of regional information. Information Service Section at headquarters has more or less homogeneous job: providing information on requests – by e-mail, telephone etc. – 14918 in 2006. 14 Regional Analysis and Information Services provided 18183 information last year but they have many other duties:

- Regional publications preparation
- Internet site updating – each regional section has its own internet presentation within CZSO website
- Cooperation with Regional Parliaments, Universities and administration
- Regional databases updating
- Register of buildings updating
- International cooperation - cross-border cooperation (e.g. Euroregion Neisse-Nisa-Nysa Region) etc.

Publications and websites are our main regional products - they are prepared by CZSO centrally or by regional sections:

Publications:

- Publications prepared centrally cover all Czech Republic - Districts of the CR, Regions of the CR etc.

- Publications produced by regional sections cover only specific region: there are two main regional publications - Statistical Yearbook of xxxx Region and Quarterly Bulletin of xxxx Region, both are obligatory for all regional sections. Also at least one facultative publication is prepared by all sections each year - usually it is some analytical publication (e.g. Human Resources and Their Utilisation in xxxx Region, Selected Issues of Sustainable Development in xxxx Region)

Websites:

- Central website contains regional information for all regions on one place - (e.g. http://www.czso.cz/csu/2006edicniplan.nsf/engkapitola/1001-06-2006-2700) - only limited version is available in English (example in Czech: http://www.czso.cz/lexikon/mos_vdb.nsf/index)

- Regional websites – http://www2.czso.cz/eng/redakce.nsf/i/regions – again very limited version is available in English.

Special position of "regional representative" was also established from 1st January 2007 - his/her task is to represent statistical office in the region, to be in close contact with mayors, presidents of the regions, chancellors etc.

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