

Czech Republic

Official Title Czech Republic



General Information:

Capital Prague

Total Area 78,866 km² **Population (million)** 10.265

Currency 1 CAN\$= 19.95 koruna (CZK)(2006)

National Holiday October 28, Proclamation of Czechoslovakia

Language(s) Czech

Political Information:

Type of State Republic

Type of Government

Parliamentary Democracy. Bicameral parliament (Parlament České Republiky) with 81-seat Senate (Senát) & 200-seat Chamber of Deputies (Poslanecká Sněmovna). President elected by Parliament. Prime Minister (leader of the majority party or the majority coalition) appointed by the President. Cabinet appointed by the President on the advice of the Prime Minister. Administrative divisions: 13 regions and 1 capital city.

Head of State President Václav Klaus (ODS)

Head of Government

Prime Minister Mirek Topolánek (ODS)

Ministers Foreign Affairs: Karel Schwarzenberg (independent)
 Industry & Trade: Martin Ríman (ODS)
 Finance: Miroslav Kalousek (KDU-ČSL)

Main Political Parties

Czech Social Democratic Party (CSSD), Civic Democratic Party (ODS), Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia (KSCM), Christian Democratic Union-Czech People's Party (KDU-CSL), Green Party (SZ), SNK-European Democrats.

Chamber of Deputies: ODS (81), CSSD (74), KSCM (26), KDU-CSL (13), SZ (6)
 Senate: KDU-CSL (11), ODS (41), CSSD (13), SNK Caucus (6), others (7), independents (3).

Elections President: 5 year term; next election, 2008. Senate: overlapping 6 year terms; next election, autumn 2008. National Assembly: 2010.

Economic Information: (2006)

	Czech Republic	Canada
GDP: (billion)	\$125.67	\$1,124.50
GDP per capita:	\$12,242.20	\$34,513.31
GDP Growth rate: (%)	6.4	2.8
Inflation: (%)	2.5	2
Unemployment: (%)	n/a	6.3

Trade and investment: (2006)

Canadian Exports to Czech Republic	\$217,110,769
Canadian Imports from Czech Republic	\$341,542,331
Foreign Direct Investment in Canada	n/a (million)
Canadian Direct Investment to Czech Republic	\$189 (million)

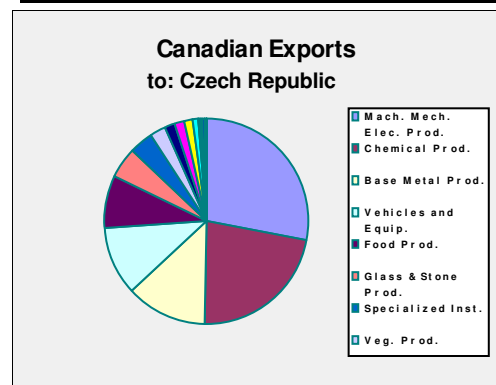
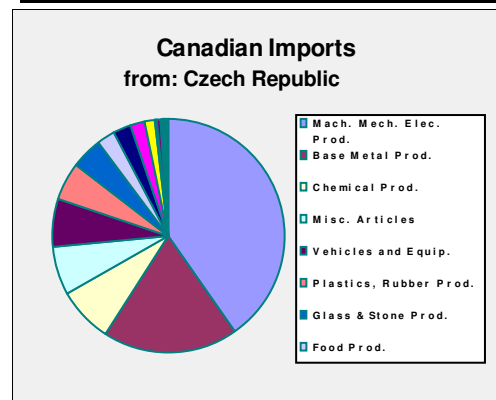
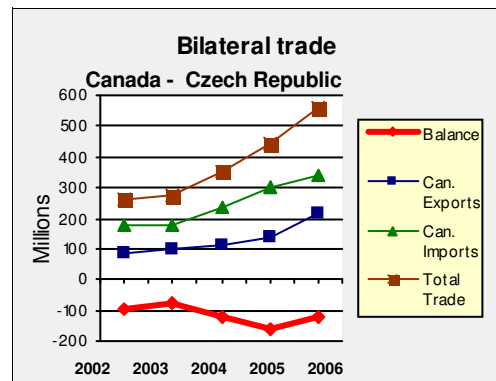
Representation:

Foreign Representation in Canada

Ambassador Pavel Vošalík

Canadian Representation Abroad

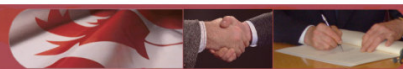
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