

Pursuant to Article 4 of Directive 2003/30/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 May 2003, regarding information on national resources allocated to the production of biomass for energy uses other than transport, please be advised that in 2004 and 2005 support was provided for:

- (a) the establishment of stands of fast-growing trees and other woody plants for energy uses, pursuant to Government Regulation 308/2004 Coll. laying down certain conditions for the award of grants for the afforestation of agricultural land and for the establishment of stands of fast-growing trees and other woody plants for energy uses on agricultural land under the “Horizontal plan for rural development in the Czech Republic 2004-2006”.
- In 2004**, stands of fast-growing trees and other woody plants covering 64 ha were established under this support measure, requiring a grant of CZK 4 102 500. In 2005, 11 applications were submitted in all, for a total grant of CZK 1 029 330. Eight of these applications, for a total grant of CZK 764 580, were submitted under the “productive stands” submeasure, and six applications, for a total grant of CZK 264 750, were submitted under the “reproductive stands” submeasure. Some applicants submitted applications for grants both for reproductive and for productive stands.
- (b) the maintenance of stands of fast-growing trees and other woody plants for energy use (a support programme which is coming to end and predates the Czech Republic's membership of the European Union), pursuant to Section 15a of Government Regulation No 505/2000 Coll. establishing support programmes for promoting the non-productive functions of agriculture and activities which contribute to landscape maintenance, programmes to support less-favoured areas and criteria for the assessment thereof, as amended by Government Regulation No 500/2001 Coll. and Government Regulation No 203/2004 Coll.
- CZK 61 724 was paid under this support measure in 2004, covering 15 ha of stands of fast-growing plants. This programme was no longer being implemented in 2005.
- (c) cultivation of herbaceous plants for energy uses (support for the establishment and maintenance of stands), pursuant to Section 2 of Act No 513/1991 Coll., in the form of a grant in respect of economic results, amounting to CZK 2000 per hectare of arable land used for the cultivation of herbaceous plants for energy use. A herbaceous energy-crop plant, as specified in the list of herbaceous plants, must be grown on the land as the main crop in the year in question.
- CZK 1 828 000 was paid under this support measure in 2004.  
CZK 2 009 420 was paid under this support measure in 2005.