

Single Market Scoreboard

The United Kingdom withdrew from the EU on 31 January, 2020. The 2020 edition of the Single Market Scoreboard refers to time periods preceding the withdrawal of the UK, and the UK is therefore listed as a Member State.

Czechia

2020 Edition

Here you can find the country-specific factsheet for Czechia.

Transposition

Transposition deficit: 0.8 % (*last report: 0.7* %) – slight increase by 0.1 percentage point and one of 6 Member States that have increased their deficit within the last year.

EU average = 0.6 %; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5 %

Czechia is still under the 1.0 % threshold but above the EU average deficit. Czechia transposed 19 of the 23 Single Market-related directives (83 %) due to have been transposed in the 6 months prior to the cut-off date for calculation (1 June – 30 November 2019). This shows that it could improve in monitoring the timely transposition of directives. Transposition is an ongoing process and any let-up may result in the deficit quickly increasing

Overdue directives: 8 (*last report:* 7) – **One** directive on the powers of the European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority) and the European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), (Directive 2014/51/EU), is more than 2 years overdue.

Average delay: 14.3 months (*last report: 8.9 months*) – significant increase by 5.4 months and the delay is above the EU average

EU average = 11.5 months

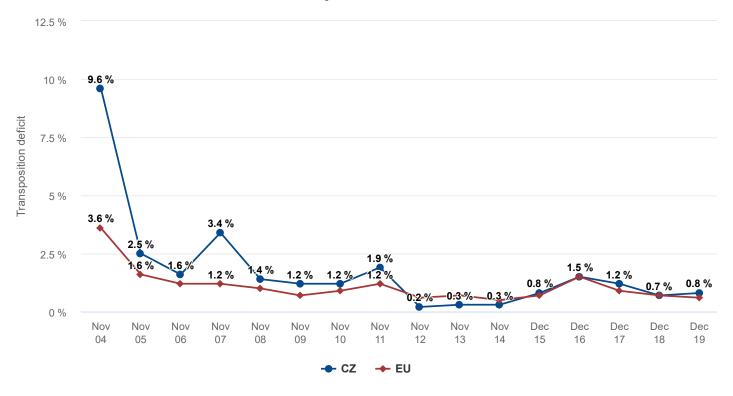
Czechia has still 1 long overdue directive (2 years or more) and 3 of its 7 other outstanding directives are overdue by between 1 and 2 years.

Conformity deficit: 1.7 % (last report: 1.3 %) EU average = 1.2 %; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5 %

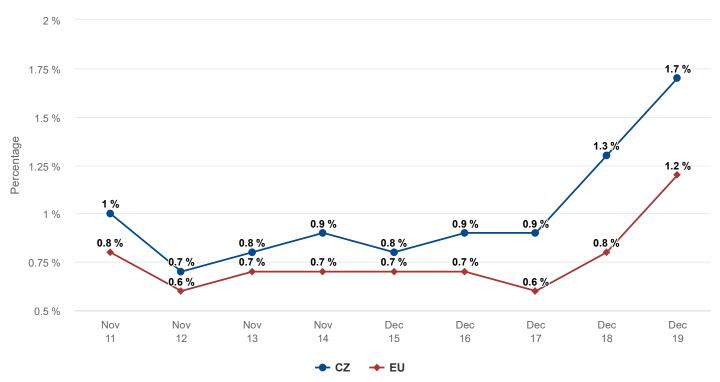
Due to limited use of the EU Pilot tool, the number of directives presumed to have been incorrectly

transposed has increased in the vast majority of Member States. This is the case for Czechia, to a moderate extent (by 0.4 percentage point). With 17 such directives, Czechia is one of 7 Member States whose conformity deficit is 3 times or more higher than the 0.5 % proposed target.

Evolution of transposition deficit - Czechia



Evolution of conformity deficit – Czechia



► Infringements

Pending cases: 29 (9 new cases and 11 cases closed, including 3 in the environment sector; last report: 31 pending cases) – small decrease of 2 cases.

EU average = 29 cases

Due to limited use of the EU Pilot tool, the vast majority of Member States have seen an increase in the number of infringement proceedings against them. This is not the case for Czechia, which is no longer one of the Member States with the highest number of Single Market-related cases; it is now in line with the EU average.

Problematic sectors: environment, in particular atmospheric pollution (3 out of 9 cases) and transport (5) = 48 % of all pending cases.

Average case duration: 44.3 months for the 28 Single Market cases not yet sent to the Court (*last report: 40.5 months*) – new increase (of 3.8 months).

EU average = 34.8 months

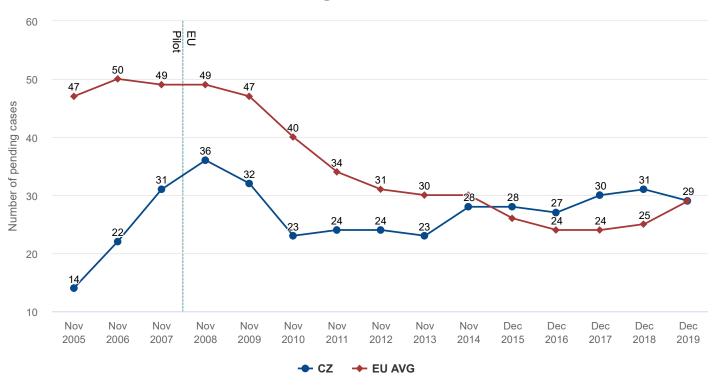
Czechia is now in a group of 9 Member States whose case duration increased within a year. One third of Czechia's cases are more than 5 years old (the oldest case, which is in the transport sector, has been running for 14 years). These have a big impact on the average duration, despite the launch of 9 new cases (whose average duration is less than 12 months).

Compliance with court rulings: 13.8 months for the 4 Single Market-related cases at this stage of the procedure and closed in the last 5 years (*last report: 18 months*)

EU average = 29.5 months

Czechia is in a group of 7 Member States whose average compliance decreased within the last year (-4.2 months). This is because 2 cases that needed about 18 months for compliance are now over 5 years old and are no longer part of the calculation while Czechia resolved 2 additional cases that needed only 6 months for compliance. Czechia is still in line with the 18-month threshold for compliance with Court rulings, and is among the 5 Member States with the shortest delays for compliance.

Evolution of infringement cases – Czechia



■ EU Pilot

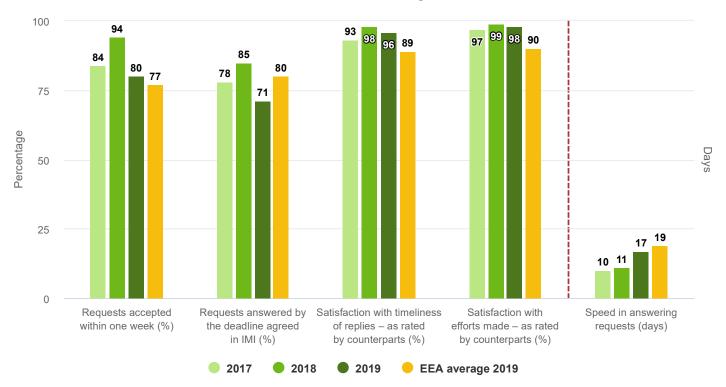
Czechia's average response time currently complies the 70-day time limit in EU Pilot.

Internal Market Information System

Performance - Czechia's performance fell, but remained good.

- Czechia performed above the EEA average in 4 of 5 indicators.
- Counterparts' satisfaction remained high, well above the EEA average.
- The percentage of requests answered by the agreed deadline fell significantly.

Internal Market Information System – Czechia



EURES

National provider: MPSV (Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs)

Compliance: Fully compliant

Performance: the submission of both job vacancies and CVs to the EURES Portal is ensured.

Your Europe

The EU has set up a **single digital gateway** providing access to information, to procedures and to assistance and problem-solving services.

The specific regulation setting up the single digital pathway is Regulation 2018/1724 of 2 October 2018. Article 29 of the Regulation establishes establishes a group to coordinate work on the gateway. The gateway coordination group will meet in different configurations, with one devoted to information that meets twice a year. The other two configurations are dedicated to ICT and e-procedures and assistance services.

The information group continues the work of the former Your Europe Editorial Board. This is to ensure that the gateway coordination group's work does not overlap with that of other expert groups or subgroups.

National equivalent?

Citizens' portal in Czech and English: www.portal.gov.cz

Business portal in Czech and English: www.businessinfo.cz

Record for this period

- · active participation in the single digital gateway information group
- responsive to all requests for information to be published on the website
- promotional activities and back-linking from national websites to Your Europe

Recommended action

Continue to:

- ensure stable representation in the single digital gateway information group
- attend the single digital gateway information group meetings twice a year
- provide information on how the country applies single market rules, in line with the requirements of the single digital gateway Regulation
- raise awareness about Your Europe within the national administration and among potential end users
- link national websites to Your Europe



• Caseload - medium

Submitted cases – 83 (58 in 2018)

Received cases - 26 (14 in 2018)

Cases not accepted – 70 (new indicator)

- Resolution rate 92 % (100 % in 2018)
- Handling time (home centre)

Reply in 7 days: 95 % (82 % in 2018) - very good

Cases prepared in 30 days: 64 % (49 % in 2018) - poor

Solutions accepted within 7 days: 91 % (80 % in 2018) – good

Cases not accepted within 30 days: 56 % (new indicator) - poor

• Handling time (lead centre)

Cases accepted within 7 days: 60 % (71 % in 2018) – poor Cases closed in 10 weeks: 56 % (50 % in 2018) – poor

Staffing

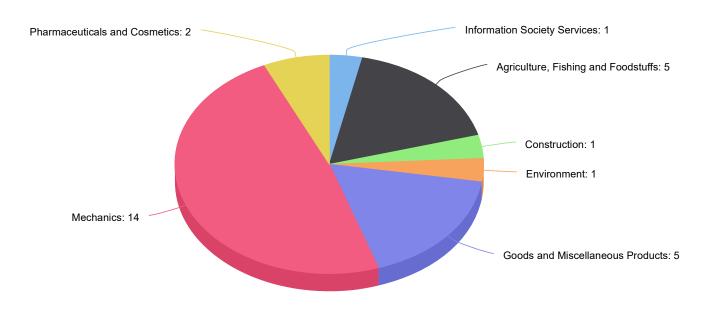
Adequacy for 2019 caseload – sufficient

Adequacy for ongoing objectives – insufficient

■ Technical Regulations Information System

Notifications per sector

29 notifications



Points of Single Contact

- All 20 procedures are available online although most of them (14) partially.
- 10 general procedures are also available for cross-border users to the same extent as for national users.
- Points identified for improvement:
 - o making procedures available fully online;
 - o translation of more specific information;
 - o collection of user feedback.

■ Public procurement

Overall, Czechia's performance in 2019 was **unsatisfactory**. For further information and the methodology applied, please see the section on Public procurement performance.

Postal services

For easier analysis EU countries are divided into 3 groups:

- western Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Sweden, the UK
- southern Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain
- eastern Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.
- Transit time performance D+1: D+1 stable transit time performance during the period under review;
 92.9 % in 2018



Some countries' reference figures for the previous period may differ slightly from those in the last Scoreboard. This is because these countries updated their data after publication.

Trade in goods and services

Czechia is the Member State with the 4th highest trade integration in the single market for goods, while its trade integration in services is only slightly above the EU average. In 2018, however, trade integration in goods decreased, while trade integration in services saw a slight increase.

		Goods	Services
Intra-EU trade integration	% GDP 2018	48.8	7.8
	Change 2017 - 2018	-1.8	0.7
Intra-EU imports	% GDP 2018	42.3	7.3
	Change 2017 - 2018	-1.5	2.6

► Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

In 2018, Czechia's intra-EU FDI inflows slightly increased, while its intra-EU FDI outflows decreased. Intra-EU FDI stocks, instead, increased in both their inward and outward components.

	Intra-EU FDI flows		Intra-EU FDI stocks	
	inward	outward	inward	outward
Year-on-year percentage change 2017 – 18	0.1	-0.37	0.11	0.06

For what concerns the extra-EU dimension, Czechia's extra-EU inflows decreased, but its extra-EU outflows and its extra-EU stocks (both inward and outward) increased.

	Extra-EU FDI flows		Extra-EU FDI stocks	
	inward	outward	inward	outward
Year-on-year percentage change 2017 – 18	-0.9	0.51	0.02	1.03