Climate Action Progress Report 2023 Country profile

# Czechia

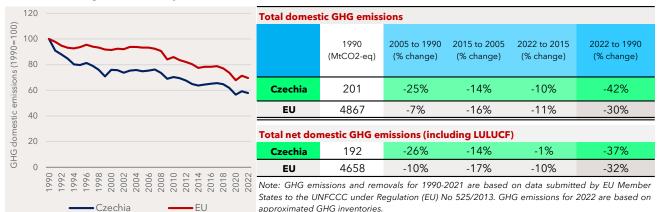
# 1) Key Highlights

- In 2022, GHG emissions in Czechia were 116.3 MtCO2-eq, 2.3% lower compared to 2021.

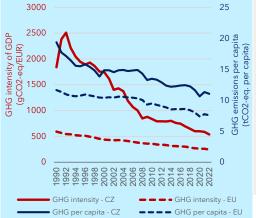
- Net GHG emissions (i.e. including LULUCF) in 2022 were 36.8% lower than 1990 levels.
- Emissions covered by the Effort Sharing Regulation decreased by 3.2% compared to 2021.
- By 2050, net GHG emissions in Czechia are expected to be 4.4 tonnes per capita.

# 2) Greenhouse Gas Emissions

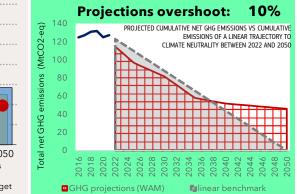
In 2022, approximated domestic greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Czechia were 116.3 MtCO2-eq, 2.3% lower compared to 2021 and 6.3% below pre-pandemic levels. Overall, net domestic emissions, including the Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF) sector, were 36.8% lower than 1990 levels.



In 2022, net GHG emissions per capita in Czechia were 11 tonnes of CO2 equivalent, above the EU average of 8 tCO2-eq. In the same year, the GHG intensity of GDP (i.e. net GHG emissions over GDP) was 537 gCO2-eq/EUR, above the EU average of 247 gCO2-eq/EUR.







GHG

Note: (1) GHG emission projections as submitted by Member States in March 2023. (2) WEM = with existing measures; WAM = with existing and additional measures. (3) The national GHG targets are

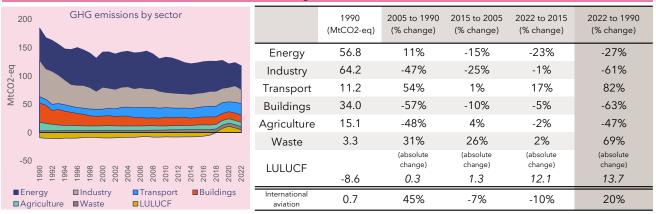
Note: Total net GHG emissions, including LULUCF and prices (AMECO). Population (Eurostat).

from Member States' submissions of NECP progress reports (Annex I, Table 1). Missing data are excluding international aviation. GHG inventory 1990-2021 and replaced by other available reported information. (4) The overshoot metric compares cumulative approximated GHG inventory 2022 (EEA). Real GDP in 2015- projected net GHG emissions under the WAM scenario (including LULUCF) with cumulative emissions underlying a linear trajectory from 2021 emissions levels to zero by 2050.

Projections submitted in March 2023 under the existing policy scenario (WEM) point to a reduction in net GHG emissions (including LULUCF) of -57% and -72% by 2030 and 2050, respectively, compared to 1990. Taking into account additional measures (WAM), projected reductions are -57% and -76% for the same respective years.

Trajectories are also important. By comparing the cumulative projected net GHG emissions between 2022 and 2050 with a linear trajectory to climate neutrality by 2050, Czechia shows an overshoot of 10% (i.e. cumulative projected emissions are higher than those from a linear trajectory.

### 3) Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Sector



Notes: (1) Energy sector refers to electricity and heat production and petroleum refining. (2) Industry includes fuel combustion in manufacturing and construction and emissions in industrial processes and product use. (3) Buildings includes emissions from energy use in residential and tertiary buildings, and energy use in agriculture and fishery sectors. (4) For LULUCF, the table reports differences between the given years in absolute values (MtCO2-eq). Negative values indicate a reduction of net emissions or an increase in net removals.

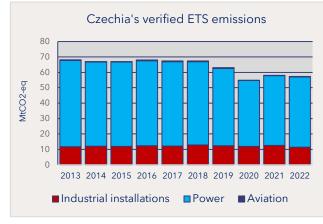
In 2022, the highest contribution to net GHG emissions in Czechia came from the energy sector (35%), followed by the industry sector (21%) and the transport sector (17%).

Between 2015 and 2022, the sectors which contributed the most to the change in net GHG emissions (i.e. -1%) were energy, for which emissions fell by 23%, and LULUCF, where net removals decreased by 12.1 MtCO2-eq.

### 4) Emissions under the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS)

The EU ETS is an EU-wide market instrument to provide an incentive for emission reductions and transformative investments in the covered sectors. This means that it is largely the market that determines where in the EU the emission reductions take place, outside the control of Member States. However, Member States may adopt complementary (sectoral) policies in addition to the ETS's carbon price signal.

In 2022, stationary installations (e.g. power generation and manufacturing industry) in Czechia emitted 57.0 MtCO2eq (equal to 49% of total GHG emissions in Czechia). This is 1.4% higher compared to 2021, but 8.8% below prepandemic levels. By 2022, emissions from stationary installations were down by 15.8% against the 2013 level (i.e. -33.7% to the 2005 level). Aviation emissions covered by the EU ETS were 59% higher compared to 2021, but 46% below the 2019 level.



In parallel, Czechia has raised over EUR 3.78 billion in auction revenues since 2013, available for further climate action and energy transformation. Czechia reported that an average of 53% of revenues was spent for climate and energy purposes over the same period.(\*)

MtCO2-eq 2013 2021 2022	
Power installations 55.9 45.2 45.6	
% change since 201319.1% -18.4%	
Industrial installations 11.8 12.6 11.4	
% change since 2013 - 7.4% -3.1%	
<b>Aviation</b> <sup>(**)</sup> 0.42 0.16 0.26	
% change since 201360.5% -37.3%	

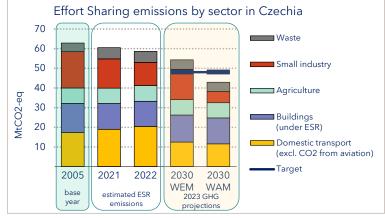
(\*) Revenues are not earmarked. Reported spending represents the amounts committed for climate change and energy purposes in the general state budget of each year. The remaining revenues go to the general budget. (\*\*) ETS emissions from aviation include flights within the European Economic Area (EEA) and outgoing flights to Switzerland and to the UK.

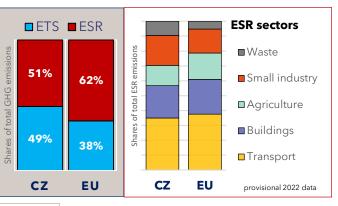
# **5) Emissions in Effort Sharing Sectors**

In 2022, emissions from sectors under the Effort Sharing Regulation (ESR), which excludes ETS and LULUCF emissions and removals, were 51% of total emissions in Czechia compared to 62% for the EU as a whole.

In 2022, effort sharing approximated emissions in Czechia were 59.2 MtCO2eq, 3.2% lower than in 2021 and 2.2% below the pre-pandemic level.

Notes: (1) Small industry includes emissions from energy industries, manufacturing and construction, and industrial processes, that do not fall under the EU Emission Trading System. (2) Transport includes emissions from domestic transport activities, excluding CO2 emissions from aviation. (3) Buildings includes emissions for heating buildings under the ESR.





In 2022, the largest contribution to the absolute change in ESR emissions came from small industry, for which emissions decreased by 20.6%, and transport, with emissions increasing by 8.2% compared to 2021.

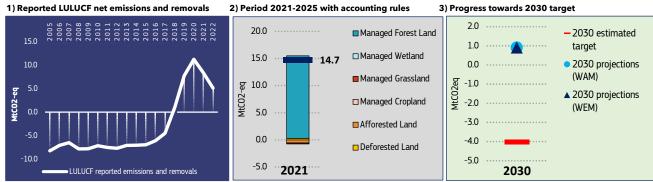
In 2022, small industry accounted for 20% of total ESR emissions in Czechia, and transport accounted for 35%.

Note: (1) 2022 ESR emissions are based on approximated inventory reports and the European Environment Agency (EEA)'s calculation of ESR emissions. The approximated emissions can, therefore, deviate from Member States' reported emissions. (2) Projections as reported by Member States under Reg. (EU) 2018/1999, compiled and checked by the EEA. (3) WEM = with existing measures, WAM = with existing and additional measures.

The Effort Sharing Regulation (ESR) sets the 2030 ESR emission reduction target for Czechia to 26%, compared to 2005 levels. GHG projections submitted by Czechia in March 2023 under the existing measures scenario (WEM) point to a 16% decrease in ESR emissions by 2030 compared to 2005 levels, less ambitious than its ESR emission reduction target by 10 percentage points. Considering the impact of additional measures (WAM), projected ESR emissions point to a 20% decrease, less ambitious than its ESR emission reduction target by 6 percentage points.

## 6) Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF)

Based on final inventory data, in 2021, Czechia reported net emissions of 8.36 MtCO2-eq in the land use, land use change, and forestry sector (LULUCF). Based on approximated data, in 2022, net emissions from the LULUCF sector were 5.13 MtCO2-eq.



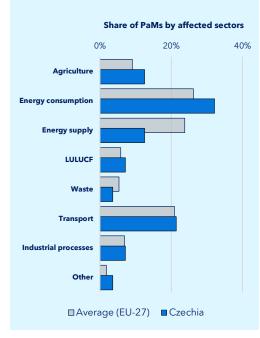
Notes: (1) Figure 1 shows net reported emissions and removals for the LULUCF sector. Net removals are expressed as negative numbers and net emissions as positive numbers. (2) Figure 2 shows the accounted emissions and removals for the LULUCF sector in 2021. Computation of the accounts per land use category, applying the standardised rules in the LULUCF Regulation EU) 2018/841. The input data for this analysis have been extracted from the EU Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report 2023 for 1990-2021 based on final Member States' inventory submissions under the EU Governance Regulation (EU) 2018/1999. Seven Member States report 2021 data as approximated data for 2022. (3) Figure 3 shows projected progress with existing measures (WEM) and with additional measures (WAM) in relation to the national 2030 target. The LULUCF Regulation sets out binding national 2030 targets for each Member State encompassing all emissions and removals in the LULUCF sector (Art. 4.3). The targets are specified in Annex IIa of the LULUCF Regulation. Individual targets are derived from the EU-wide target of -310 MtCO2-eq net removals by 2030, Member States' average historic net removals from their GHG inventories for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 and the countries' share of total EU manaced land area.

With current LULUCF accounting rules - with a limited scope - applicable to the period 2021 to 2025, the provisional 'accounted' balance for 2021 using the 2023 GHG inventory submission produced an accounted debit of 14.7 MtCO2-eq.

Managed Forest Land and Afforested Land were the dominating land activities, with accounted net emissions of 15.2 and accounted net removals of 0.6 MtCO2-eq, respectively.

2023 LULUCF projections for Czechia show net emissions in 2030 of 0.9 MtCO2-eq with existing measures (WEM), leaving a gap of around 4.9 MtCO2-eq to the estimated 2030 net removal target of 4.0 MtCO2-eq. In March 2023, Czechia did not submit projections with additional measures (WAM).

### 7) Policies and Measures



In 2023, Czechia reported 48 single policies and measures (PaMs), representing an increase of 9% compared to 2021. As of 2023, 8% of the reported PaMs are planned but not yet implemented.

#### **Ex-ante emission savings**

For 69% of its single and group PaMs, Czechia estimates the expected emission reduction effect for the year 2030. It does the same for 29% of PaMs in 2040.

By implementing these PaMs, Czechia estimates emission savings of 42.8 MtCO2-eq in 2030, and of 21.1 MtCO2-eq in 2040.

#### **Investment needs**

Czechia estimates the investment need for 13% of its single and group PaMs. It estimates the initial investment requirement at EUR 12962.5 ml. Actual investments up to and including 2021 amount to EUR 403.8 ml., with EUR 12558.7 ml. remaining to be implemented at this date.

More information and visualisations are available at the EEA integrated national energy and climate policies and measures data viewer.

ource: https://climate-energy.eea.europa.eu/topics/policies-and-measures/climate-and-energy-policies-and-

### 8) Climate-Neutrality Dashboard

Czechia	Total net GHG emissions 2022-1990 (% change)	Total net GHG emissions 2022-2015 (% change)	GHG intensity of GDP 2022-2015 (% change)	Projected net GHG emissions by 2030 (tonnes per capita)	Projected net GHG emissions by 2050 (tonnes per capita)	Overshoot vs. linear trajectory (net GHG emissions 2022- 2050)	Overshoot vs. non-linear benchmark (total GHG emissions 2022- 2050)	Target year for climate neutrality (NECP progress reports, national long-term strategies or "*" other sources)	Legal status of the climate- neutrality target (based on the Net-Zero Tracker)
Č	-37%	-1%	-22%	7.6	4.4	10%	<b>29%</b>	2050*	Proposed / in discussion
EU27	-32%	-10%	-20%	5.1	3.6	34%	40%	2050	In law

Note to the table: (1) Historical GHG emissions and removals (1990-2022) are based on the EEA's 2023 GHG Inventory and Approximated emissions and removals. (2) GHG intensity of GDP (gCO2-eq/EUR2015) uses net GHG emissions (i.e. including LULUCF and excluding international aviation). Real GDP and population data from Eurostat. (3) GHG emission projections as submitted in 2023 by Member States under Art. 18 of the Governance Regulation considering additional measures (WAM). EU Population in 2050 is based on the latest Eurostat population projections. (4) The overshoot vs. a linear trajectory compares, for each Member State, the cumulative projected net GHG emissions (including LULUCF) between 2022 and 2050 with a linear trajectory starting from the 2021 emission level to zero by 2050. The overshoot against a non-linear indicative benchmark compares the cumulative projected GHG emissions (excluding LULUCF) with an indicative pathway to climate neutrality based on the scenarios proposed by the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change, and then distributed across Member States according to the country's share of EU emissions in the core policy scenario supporting the initiatives delivering the European Green Deal. Projections consider, where available, the impact of both existing and additional policies and measures. (5) Target dates to achieve climate neutrality as in the NECP progress reports or, with an asterisk "\*", when from other unofficial sources (Net-Zero Tracker: https://zerotracker.net/).

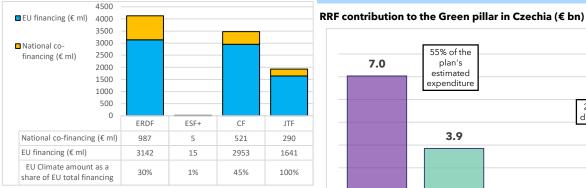
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# 9) Financing Climate Action

### **Cohesion policy**

#### Czechia's planned financing for climate action

(EU financing & national co-financing - 2021-2027 Cohesion Policy)



The chart presents information on investment plans and achievement targets from adopted programmes. Financing for cohesion policy uses a categorisation to provide thematic information on the finances planned.

#### **Innovation and Modernisation Fund**

#### Innovation Fund (Portfolio of signed projects)

		n.	EUR million
Small-scale project	s	2	8.1
Large-scale project	S	-	-
Modernisation Fund		n.	EUR million

#### **Major Innovation Fund projects**

VOZARTEK	Initiating the production of green hydrogen for transport	Refineries	EUR 4.5 ml.
Listlawelbattcoo	Light and	Manufacturing of	
1	structural laser	components	
	welded battery	Other energy	
	cooler	storage	EUR 3.7 ml.

#### **Major Modernisation Fund projects**

Renewable	The scheme aims at replacing		
Modernisation	inefficient fossil fuel based domestic		
of Energy	heating sources with renewable		
Sources for	heat sources through the following	EUR 300.0 ml.	
Energy	The support aims at increasing		
Efficiency and	energy efficiency, reducing energy		
Energy Savings	consumption, and further		
in houses and	increasing adaptation and	EUR 300.0 ml.	
Construction of	The partial replacement of the		•
WtE facility in	existing capacity of the EMĚ1 (coal-		
the Mělník	fired thermal power plant) in Mělník		
power plant	with the capacity of the newly		
	implemented WTE-HE-CHP plant.	EUR 249.9 ml.	Source: https://modernisationfund.eu/investments

<b>Recovery &amp; Resilience Facilities</b>						
<b>RRF</b> allocations	Grants:	Loans:	% of GDP			
(EUR billion)	7.04	-	3.0			

### 55% of the 7.0 plan's estimated expenditure 26% of total disbursement 3.9 0.9 0.2 Total Green pillar Total Green pillar Estimated budget Disbursements

This graph displays: 1) the estimated cost of measures attributed by the Commission, in consultation with the Member State, to the green pillar either as primary or secondary assignments; and 2) how disbursements under the RRF (excluding pre-financing) relate to the green pillar.

#### **Major green transformation RRF recipients**

Správa železnic, státní organizace	Development of new photovoltaic energy sources, Electrification of railways, Improving the environment (railway infrastructure support), Road and rail safety (railway crossings, bridges and tunnels, cycle paths and	EUR 306.4 ml.
Lesy České	Building forests resilient to climate change, Small	
Republiky, s.p.	watercourses and water reservoirs, Water retention in	
	forest	EUR 59.2 ml.
Veolia Energie	Modernisation of distribution of heat in district heating	
ČR, a.s.	systems	
		EUR 33.2 ml.
Statutární město	Improving the energy performance of public buildings,	
Brno	Protection against droughts and floods of the city of	
	Brno, Rainwater management in urban agglomerations, Renovation and revitalisation of buildings for energy	EUR 32.8 ml.
Based on the list	of the 100 final recipients receiving the highest amount o	f funding for the

nts receiving the high implementation of measures under the RRF per country as reported by the Member State in line with Article 25(a) of Regulation (EU) 2023/435 amending the Regulation (EU) 2021/241 on the establishment of the Recovery and Resilience Mechanism.

Source: https://ec.europa.eu/economy\_finan scoreboard/index.html?lang=en

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