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Facts:

National Anthem: Kde domov můj? (Where is my home?)

Time Difference from Minnesota: +7 hours

Located in the Heart of Europe

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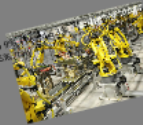
Thank You

Have a great summer!



Economy

8.6% unemployed (2012)
Stable Economy
Largest industry: auto
\$19.18 billion in debt (2012)
Exports: Germany 31.4%, Slovakia 19.1%, France 5.5%, Austria 4.6%, UK 4.6% (2011)
Exports: \$134.1 billion (2012)
9% of population is in poverty



Government

The Czech Republic is a Parliamentary Democracy. The Prime Minister is Petr Nečas. The Czech Republic joined the European Union in 2004, a member of the United Nations and World Trade Organization.



Religion

Roman Catholic 10.3%, Protestant (includes Czech Brethren and Hussite) 0.8%, other and unspecified 54.6%, none 34.2% (2011)

Social Groups

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Language

Mluvíme česky
Czech 95.4%, Slovak 1.6%, other 3% (2011), most of the population speaks Czech.

Daily Life

In the city of Prague, life is pretty dynamic. Something is always going on (i.e. concerts, exhibitions etc.). Most people work Monday-Friday shifts. Then the partying and social life happens on Friday and Saturday nights. Also, religious people go to church on Sundays. Their daily life is, for the most part, like ours.



Art

Music is the most popular form of art in the Czech Republic and there is even a saying, "Co Čech, to muzikant" which means "Every Czech is a musician." The Czech Republic is known worldwide for glass and crystal artwork.



History

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Prague, Czech Republic

Local Form of Name: Ceska republika



Region

Central European

South of the Baltic Sea

Prague, Czech Republic, is 8,400 miles away from St. Louis, MO in the center time.



Place

Average high is 55.5 degrees in Prague.
In Oldtown the roads are cobblestone so bike commuters have to ride mountain bikes instead of road bikes.
The Prague Astronomical Clock was first installed in 1410 making it the third oldest astronomical clock in the world.



Human-Environment Interaction

The Charles Bridge's construction, started in 1357 and ended at the opening of the 2nd bridge, it is considered under the rule of King Charles IV. The bridge is one of the most famous landmarks in Prague.

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MSP airport



It is a 13-16 hour direct flight via Czech Airlines

Land in Prague Václav Havel Airport

Get transported to wherever in Prague via Prague Public Transit Co.

