

Czechia - Child Guarantee National Action Plan Overview

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This overview presents highlights extracted from the National Action Plan (NAP) from Czechia published on 05/12/2022. It is not exhaustive nor does it evaluate the NAP and uses the same terms as those in the NAP. It is intended to summarise key elements & to signpost stakeholders to other relevant analyses.

Children in need

Children in single-parent families	404,000 children with a single mother
Children in housing need	100,000 children
Children living in socially excluded locations	41-50,000 (mainly Roma)
Children in low-income families	215,700
Children in alternative care	7,898 in residential care 20,480 in family-based care
Young care leavers	1,930 (2019)
Children in Roma minority	250,000 Roma people where 85% of children live in poverty.
Children from Ukraine	125,000 minors
Children with disabilities	117,000
Children affected by domestic violence	535
Children victims of abuse	3,698 boys and 3,841 girls
Children of imprisoned parents	30,000 – 40,000
Early school leaving	4,230 children (2019/2020)

Planned key services and actions

Education and early years: Expansion of nurseries for children below 3 in the disadvantaged regions; Strengthen the role of mediators and counselling; Increase of social pedagogues, school psychologists and social workers; Expansion of social services at community level; Support to children with learning difficulties.

Healthcare: Support psychiatric care and deinstitutionalise facilities for children with mental health problems; Increase access to health care for socially excluded localities; early detection; health literacy programmes for people with health risk.

Nutrition: Provide school meals for vulnerable children (also during distance learning)

Housing: Legislative proposal to ensure social/affordable housing.
Children in Alternative Care: Develop preventive and professional services for vulnerable children and families, including community services; reduce the maximum number of children in substitute families; expand foster care; support for young care leavers.

Designated Funding

Actions under the NAP will be financed by a mix of national and European Funds:

- National resources – state budget
- ESF+, National Recovery Plan, AMIF.
- UNICEF ECARO

Other financial resources include Council of Europe and Technical Support Instrument.

Stakeholder Engagement

Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, the Ministry of Health and Ministries for Regional Development, local government representatives and a wide range of non-profit sector representatives were involved in the drafting of the NAP.

UNICEF was also involved in the process, by giving feedback on the draft, especially regarding the target group of children and young Ukrainian refugees under 18.

Eurochild resources

- [DataCare Country Overview](#)
- [Country profile - Children arriving from Ukraine](#) (jointly with UNICEF ECARO)

Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

A set of indicators is provided for:

- Education (<3 child participation on childcare; early school leaving; Roma children participation, etc.)
- Health care (no. of preventive school programmes; health services capacity; waiting times, etc.)
- Healthy nutrition (no. of children involved in projects providing free school meals)
- Housing (no. of people in housing need; using housing allowances; no. of social houses, etc.)

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