The Czech Republic's standard VAT rate is 21.0%, which is above the OECD average. The average VAT/GST\(^1\) standard rate in the OECD was 19.2% as of 1 January 2016, up from 17.7% on 1 January 2009. The Czech Republic applies reduced VAT rates of 10% and 15% to a number of goods and services. Since 2009, 22 of the 34 OECD countries that have a VAT have raised their standard VAT/GST rate at least once. In line with this trend, the Czech Republic raised their standard VAT rate in 2010 and 2013.

The VAT Revenue Ratio (VRR) for the Czech Republic was 0.58 in 2014, above the OECD average of 0.56. The VRR is a measure of the revenue raising performance of a VAT system. A ratio of 1 would reflect a VAT system that applies a single VAT rate to a comprehensive base of all expenditure on goods and services consumed in an economy - with perfect enforcement of the tax.