**Food waste in the Czech Republic:**

An average Czech person throws away more then 5300 kilograms of food during his/her lifetime.

Compared to other EU countries, Czechs are wasting much less; they throw away about half as much as the average European citizen (173 kg per person in 2017).

More than a half of Czechs sometimes consume food past the date of expiry, and 48 percent use food that goes bad quickly, such as dairy products and meat, after the usability date has passed. 86 percent of people consider food waste a problem, and more than 40 percent said it was an all-society problem.

**Annual food waste in the Czech Republic:**

829 851 tons per year.

* Food industry 44% (362 000 tons)
* Households 31% (254 000 tons)
* Gastronomy – 15% (123 000 tons)
* Retail – 11% (91 000 tons)

**The price of food waste**

A common Czech household could save up to 8000 Czech crowns annually.

**Food waste ”per person”**

The average Czech throws away around 80 kg of food per year.

**Food Waste Top 10 in the Czech Republic**

1. vegetables and fruits (not processed) – 27%

2. drink – 17%

3.  pastries and cereals – 11%

4. leftovers from cooked meals – 10%

5.  spoiled food

6. gastronomic facilities

7. fish and proteins

8. meet and diary products

9. in kitchens during preparation

10.  in the distribution of meals

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