

The Czech School Inspectorate received in complaints (usually from parents) four requests to address unsolved bullying; however, all of them were assessed as ungrounded.

45% of schools had very good communication with parents and 56% of secondary schools evaluated the support of superior bodies as above-average.

A.2.4 Injuries of Children and Young People

In its Annual Report the Czech School Inspectorate publishes, for the third time, the summarised data on the rate of injuries among children and young people in schools and school facilities. The submitted analysis includes only recorded injuries. Injuries are recorded if a child, pupil or student is absent from school due to such an injury, if it was a fatal injury or a record was prepared at the request of the person injured or his/her statutory representative.

In the school year 2007/2008 Regional School Inspectorates received in total 33,488 records on injuries. If this figure is compared to the previous year the absolute number of injuries increased by 2,339, which is a rise of 7.5%. If the total number of children, pupils and students is considered in all types of schools the calculated index of the monitored rate of injuries (i.e. the number of injuries per 100 individuals) reached a value of 1.93. When compared with the previous school year the index rose by 0.16. Delivered records show that basic schools saw the highest ever number of injuries – 22,759 (i.e. 67.97%). The lowest number of injuries was seen in tertiary professional schools – 279 (0.83%). 679 children were injured in kindergartens (2.03%) and 9,771 (29.17%) injuries were reported from secondary schools. However, the more objective indicator is the index of the rate of injuries – its values and values of previous years are summarised in Table 17.

Table 17: Trends in the development of the rate of injuries in schools between 2005/2006 and 2007/2008

Type of school	Injury Index			Difference between 2006/2007 and 2007/2008
	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	
Kindergartens	0,21	0,22	0,23	+ 0,01
Basic schools	2,47	2,47	2,65	+ 0,18
Secondary schools	1,69	1,50	1,65	+ 0,15
Tertiary professional schools	0,19	0,68	0,97	+ 0,29

The data in the table show that all schools, with the exception of secondary schools, have displayed higher tendencies to injuries in the last three years. When compared to 2006/2007 the injury index increased most of all in tertiary professional schools. However, taking into consideration the relatively low number of students in tertiary professional schools the increase in the number of injuries in basic schools is more alarming.

The highest number of injuries was, as in previous years, reported from the Pardubice Region and the Vysocina Region (see Diagram 4). On the other hand, Prague was the safest region in terms of the frequency of school accidents. Only in two regions – the Pilsen Region and Olomouc Region – did the number of injuries drop. Over against this, other regions saw an increase in the number of accidents leading to injuries. It was the South Bohemian Region which saw the highest increase in injuries – the rate of injuries rose in comparison with 2006/2007 by 0.48.