# 3.2 - Accusative Plural of Nouns

The following chart gives the accusative plural endings in Czech as well as a comparison with the nominative forms:

**Nominative vs. Accusative Plural Forms**

|   | **MA** | **MI** | **F** | **N** |
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| **Hard stem** | **-y**bratryNom. pl. pstruzi[[1]](#footnote-0)Acc. pl. pstruhy | **-y**banányNom. pl. banányAcc. pl. banány(i.e. no change) | **-y**hruškyNom. pl. hruškyAcc. pl. hrušky | **-a**pivaNom. pl. pivaAcc. pl. piva |
| **Soft stem** | **-e**synovceNom. pl. sumciAcc. pl. sumce | **-e**pomerančeNom. pl. pomerančeAcc. pl. pomeranče(i.e. no change) | **-e**cibule, láhve**-i**sladkostNom. pl. cibule, láhve, sladkostiAcc. pl. cibule, láhve, sladkosti | **-e**vejce**-í**kořeníNom. pl. vejce, kořeníAcc. pl. vejce, koření |

The forms of the accusative plural in Czech are for the most part identical to those of the nominative plural. **The one exception is with masculine animate nouns**, where the nominative and accusative forms are different.

**Masculine Animate** (notice the difference between nom. and acc. forms)

Nominative - To jsou **pstruzi**. ‘Those are trout.’

Accusative - Často jím **pstruhy**. ‘I often eat trout.’

Nominative - To jsou **sumci**. ‘Those are catfish.’

Accusative - Často jím **sumce**. ‘I often eat catfish.’

**Masculine Inanimate** (nominative and accusative are the same)

Nominative - To jsou **rohlíky**. ‘Those are rolls.’

Accusative - Obvykle jím **rohlíky**. ‘I usually eat rolls.’

Nominative - To jsou **pomeranče**. ‘Those are oranges.’

Accusative - Obvykle jím **pomeranče**. ‘I usually eat oranges.’

**Feminine** (nominative and accusative are the same)

Nominative - To jsou **papriky**. ‘Those are peppers.’

Accusative - Často jím **papriky**. ‘I often eat peppers.’

Nominative - To jsou **cibule**. ‘Those are onions.’

Accusative - Často jím **cibule**. ‘I often eat onions.’

**Neuter** (nominative and accusative are the same)

Nominative - To jsou **jablka**. ‘Those are apples.’

Accusative - Často jím **jablka**. ‘I often eat apples.’

Nominative - To jsou **vejce**. ‘Those are eggs.’

Accusative - Často jím **vejce**. ‘I often eat eggs.’

1. remember that in the nominative plural there are consonant mutations ( *k →c, h → z, ch → š, r → ř*) [↑](#footnote-ref-0)