

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by February 29, 2020

By February 29, 2020 job offices registered altogether 227,369 job seekers. That is by 2,653 less than at the end of January. The number of job seekers decreased by 14,048 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers in age 15 to 64 years (job seekers currently available for work) was 207,298.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 33,674 newcomers. That is by 19,646 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 715 newly registered job seekers less than in February of the preceding year.

In February, job offices registration was terminated with 36,327 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 24,723 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 11,604 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered **by 63 districts** – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Uherské Hradiště and Havlíčkův Brod (both 5.1 %), Chrudim and Prachatice (both 4.6 %), Český Krumlov (4.1 %), Zlín (3.5 %) and Žďár nad Sázavou (3.4 %). **A monthly increase of unemployed** was registered **by 14 districts** – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Teplice (5.0 %), Jeseník (2.9 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou (2.7 %), Litoměřice (2.3 %), Praha-západ (1.8 %), Česká Lípa and Náchod (both 1.1 %).

By February 29, 2020, 9,389 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.1 % (January 2020 – 4.1 %, February 2019 – 4.1 %).

At the end of February, job offices registered 110,519 female job seekers, that is 48.6 % of the unemployed in total, and **34,935 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 15.4 % of the unemployed in total.

In February 2020, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 90,396 job seekers, that is 39.8 % of all job seekers under registration (January 2020 – 40.5 %, February 2019 – 38.5 %).

By February 29, 2020, there were 7,486 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By February 29, 2020, the share of unemployed was 3.0 % (January 2020 – 3.1 %, February 2019 – 3.2 %), time series - <https://www.mpsv.cz/web/cz/casove-rady-mn-a-pno>.

Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 31 districts, the highest Karviná (6.9 %), Bruntál and Znojmo (both 5.9 %), Jeseník (5.6 %), Chomutov and Ostrava-město (both 5.3 %), Louny, Hodonín and Most (all 4.9 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (1.2 %), Praha-západ (1.5 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou and Pelhřimov (both 1.6 %), Benešov and Mladá Boleslav (both 1.7 %). **Share of unemployed - men was 3.1 % and share of unemployed - women was 3.0 %.**

By February 29, 2020, job offices registered altogether 351,624 vacancies. That is by 10,233 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 18,513 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 0.6 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (6.3), Sokolov and Jeseník

(both 3.6), Bruntál (3.3), Děčín (3.1), Znojmo (2.8), Hodonín and Ústí nad Labem (both 2.6). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,750 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 3.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 71,020 vacancies, that is 0.1 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **2.2 % in January 2020**.