

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by September 30, 2009

By September 30, 2009 job offices registered altogether 500,812 job seekers. That is by 7,061 more than at the end of August. The number of job seekers increased by 186,254 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 487,830.

In the course of September, job offices registered altogether 80,825 newcomers. That is by 22,423 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 16,938 newly registered job seekers more than in September of the preceding year.

In September, job offices registration was terminated with 73,764 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 23,794 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 27,765 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 62 job offices in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Prostějov (9.8 %), Benešov (8.1 %), Praha-východ (7.4 %), Praha-západ (5.7 %) and Pardubice (4.8 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 15 job offices** in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Pelhřimova (4.2 %), Havlíčkův Brod (1.9 %), Prachatice, Žďár nad Sázavou, Ostrava-město and Náchod (0.8 %).

At the end of September, job offices registered 253,313 female job seekers, that is 50.6 % of the unemployed in total, and **65,063 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 13.0 % of the unemployed in total.

By September 30, 2009, 38,026 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 7.6 % (August 2009 – 5.3 %, September 2008 – 9.2 %).

In September 2009, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 177,918 job seekers, that is 35.5 % of all job seekers under registration (August 2009 – 39.2 %, September 2008 – 33.0 %).

By September 30, 2009, the unemployment rate was 8.6 % (August 2009: 8.5 %, September 2008: 5.3 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 47 districts, the highest being in Most (16.5 %), Karviná (14.5 %), Šumperk (14.2 %), Bruntál (14.1 %), Hodonín (14.0 %) and Děčín (13.8 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (3.2 %), Praha (3.4 %) and Praha-západ (3.8 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 10.1 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.4 %.**

By September 30, 2009, job offices registered altogether 38,844 vacancies. That is by 2,453 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 91,189 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 12.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Bruntál (53.9), Teplice and Prostějov (49.0), Děčín (46.7), Třebíč (43.8) and Karviná (43.1). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,275 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 28.6 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,389 vacancies, that is 7.1 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.8 % in August 2009.