## Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by April 30, 2011

By April 30, 2011 job offices registered altogether 513,842 job seekers. That is by 33,920 less than at the end of March. The number of job seekers decreased by 26,286 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 492,327.

In the course of April, job offices registered altogether 46,679 newcomers. That is by 2,784 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 6,627 newly registered job seekers less than in April of the preceding year.

In April, job offices registration was terminated with 80,599 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 61,129 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,470 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 77 job offices in the Czech Republic – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Pelhřimov (15.7 %), Jindřichův Hradec (15.1 %), Jeseník (14.1 %), Písek and Chrudim (both 13.7 %) and Jihlava (12.7 %).

At the end of April, job offices registered 249,700 female job seekers, that is 48.6 % of the unemployed in total, and 68,122 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 13.3 % of the unemployed in total.

By April 30, 2011, 31,958 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 6.2% (March 2011 – 6.2%, April 2010 – 6.1%).

In April 2011, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 134,434 job seekers, that is 26.2 % of all job seekers under registration (March 2011 - 29.8 %, April 2010 - 32.1 %).

By April 30, 2011, the unemployment rate was 8.6 % (March: 9.2 %, April 2010: 9.2 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 44 districts, the highest being in Jeseník (16.3 %), Most (16.2 %), Bruntál (15.8 %), Děčín (14.7 %) and Hodonín (14.3 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Prahavýchod (3.8 %), Praha-západ and Praha (both 4.0 %) and Mladá Boleslav (4.8 %). The unemployment rate - women was 9.7 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.8 %.

By April 30, 2011, job offices registered altogether 36,053 vacancies. That is by 2,122 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 3,140 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 14.3 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Prostějov (59.7), Děčín (52.0), Teplice (50.9), and Břeclav (39.8). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,207 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 30.9 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,545 vacancies, that is 5.8 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rates** (EUROSTAT) was **7.2** % in March.