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

By June 30, 2009 job offices registered altogether 463,555 job seekers. That is by 5,994 more than at the end of May. The number of job seekers increased by 165,675 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 452,799.

In the course of June, job offices registered altogether 60,738 newcomers. That is by 4,051 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 21,043 newly registered job seekers more than in June of the preceding year.

In June, job offices registration was terminated with 54,744 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 34,990 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,754 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 53 job offices in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Tábor (5.9 %), Domažlice (5.4 %), Žďár nad Sázavou (4.8 %) and Praha-západ (4.3 %). A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 24 job offices in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Jeseník (6.9 %), Český Krumlov (3.9 %), Chomutov (3.6 %) and Mladá Boleslav (3.0 %).

At the end of June, job offices registered 231,758 female job seekers, that is 50.0 % of the unemployed in total, and 64,045 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 13.8 % of the unemployed in total.

By June 30, 2009, 20,330 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 4.4% (May 2009 - 5.2%, June 2008 - 5.1%).

In July 2009, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 209,068 job seekers, that is 45.7 % of all job seekers under registration (May 2009 – 46.0 %, July 2008 – 31.8 %).

By June 30, 2009, the unemployment rate was 8.0 % (May 2009: 7.9 %, June 2008: 5.0 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 42 districts, the highest being in Most (15.5 %), Karviná (14.3 %), Bruntál (13.6 %), Šumperk, Česká Lípa and Děčín (all 13.2 %), Hodonín (13.1 %) and Chomutov (13.0 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (2.6 %), Praha (3.0 %) and Praha-západ (3.1 %). The unemployment rate - women was 9.3 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.0 %.

By June 30, 2009, job offices registered altogether 43,402 vacancies. That is by 4,852 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 108,479 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 10.7 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Děčín (59.0), Bruntál (49.8), Karviná (48.3), Jeseník (45.6) and Prostějov (41.6). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,065 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 30.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,839 vacancies, that is 3.5 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.1 % in May 2009.