

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2014

By December 31, 2014 job offices registered altogether 541,914 job seekers. That is by 24,406 more than at the end of November 2014. The number of job seekers decreased by 54,919 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 525,975.

In the course of December, job offices registered altogether 63,784 newcomers. That is by 14,359 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 4,039 newly registered job seekers more than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 39,378 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 23,160 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 16,218 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 75 districts – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts offices Jindřichův Hradec (19.1 %), Prachatice (18.6 %), Pelhřimov (16.9 %), Chrudim (14.4 %) and Klatovy (13.8 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by districts Praha-západ (0.7 %) and Praha (0.2 %).**

At the end of December, job offices registered 268,942 female job seekers, that is 49.6 % of the unemployed in total, and **61,146 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 11.3 % of the unemployed in total.

By December 31, 2014, 27,504 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 5.1 % (November 2014 – 5.5 %, December 2013 – 6.6 %).

In December 2014, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 115,747 job seekers, that is 21.4 % of all job seekers under registration (November 2014 – 19.3 %, December 2013 – 20.1 %).

By December 31, 2014 there were 61,917 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By December 31, 2014, the share of unemployed was 7.5 % (November 2014 – 7.1 %, December 2013 – 8.2 %, time series - http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady). Share of unemployed higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 38 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (13.5 %), Most (12.8 %), Ústí nad Labem (12.5 %), Karviná (12.0 %), Chomutov and Ostrava-město (both 11.0 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (3.3 %), Benešov (4.3 %), Praha-západ and Mladá Boleslav (both 4.4 %), Rokycany (4.5 %) and Rychnov nad Kněžnou (4.6 %). **Share of unemployed - women was 7.5 % and share of unemployed - men was 7.4 %.**

By December 31, 2014, job offices registered altogether 58,739 vacancies. That is by 658 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 23,561 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 9.2 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Sokolov (35.3), Bruntál (34.4), Jeseník (34.2), Karviná (30.3), Děčín (28.1) and Ústí nad Labem (26.9). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 5,312 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 11.5 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 14,021 vacancies, that is 2.0 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 6.2 % in November 2014.