

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2011

By December 31, 2011 job offices registered altogether 508,451 job seekers. That is by 32,047 more than at the end of November. The number of job seekers decreased by 53,100 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 491,958.

In the course of December, job offices registered altogether 70,248 newcomers. That is by 14,593 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 26,273 newly registered job seekers less than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 38,201 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 19,994 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 18,257 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 75 districts in the Czech Republic – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Prachatice (24.0 %), Chrudim (19.3 %), Pelhřimov (18.6 %), Jindřichův Hradec (18.0 %), Jeseník (17.8 %) and Znojmo (17.5 %).

At the end of December, job offices registered 250,301 female job seekers, that is 49.2 % of the unemployed in total, and **63,092 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 12.4 % of the unemployed in total.

By December 31, 2011, 33,508 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 6.6 % (November 2011 – 7.1 %, December 2010 – 6.3 %).

In December 2011, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 129,951 job seekers, that is 25.6 % of all job seekers under registration (November 2011 – 22.7 %, December 2010 – 31.9 %).

By December 31, 2011, the unemployment rate was 8.6 % (November 2011: 8.0 %, December 2010: 9.6 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 46 districts, the highest being in Jeseník (16.8 %), Bruntál (16.5 %), Most (15.6 %), Hodonín (14.5 %) and Znojmo (14.1 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (3.3 %), Praha-západ and hl. m. Praha (both 3.9 %) and Mladá Boleslav (4.6 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 9.8 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.7 %.**

By December 31, job offices registered altogether 35,784 vacancies. That is by 1,048 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 4,981 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 14.2 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Třebíč (70.0), Děčín (49.7), Jeseník (48.5), Olomouc (47.1) and Hodonín (41.2). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,628 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 24.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,053 vacancies, that is 6.6 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.5 % in November 2011.