Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by April 30, 2017

By April 30, 2017 job offices registered altogether 327,199 job seekers. That is by 28,913 less than at the end of March. The number of job seekers decreased by 87,761 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 303,834.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 37,153 newcomers. That is by 3,194 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 6,455 newly registered job seekers less than in April of the preceding year.

In April, job offices registration was terminated with 66,066 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 48,962 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 17,104 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered **by 77 districts** – Jindřichův Hradec (26.8 %), Pelhřimov (22.7 %), Svitavy (20.9 %), Chrudim (19.5 %), Písek and Prachatice (both 19.1 %), Břeclav (17.6 %), Klatovy (17.5 %) and Jičín (17.2 %).

At the end of April, job offices registered 167,664 female job seekers, that is 51.2 % of the unemployed in total, and 51,614 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 15.8 % of the unemployed in total.

By April 30, 2017, 13,128 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.0 % (March 2017 – 4.0 %, April 2016 – 4.5 %).

In April 2017, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 83,391 job seekers, that is 25.5 % of all job seekers under registration (March 2017 – 28.1 %, April 2016 – 22.8 %).

By April 30, 2017, there were 29,541 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy and there were 46,535 vacancies delimited for persons with reduced working capacity.

By April 30, 2017, the share of unemployed was 4.4 % (March 2017 – 4.8 %, April 2016 – 5.7 %), time series - <u>http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady</u>.

Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 34 districts, the highest being in Karviná (9.9 %), Most (9.6 %), Ostrava-město (8.3 %), Ústí nad Labem (8.2 %), Bruntál and Jeseník (both 7.5 %), Chomutov (7.3 %) and Děčín 7.0 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Rychnov nad Kněžnou (1.4 %), Praha-východ (1.5 %), Pelhřimov (2.1 %), Benešov (2.2 %), Jindřichův Hradec and Jičín (both 2.3 %), Mladá Boleslav, Písek, Praha-západ and Plzeň-jih (all 2.4 %). Share of unemployed - men was 4.2 % and share of unemployed – women was 4.6 %.

By April 30, 2017, job offices registered altogether 159,072 vacancies. That is by 8,155 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 34,792 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 2.1 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (13.2), Ústí nad Labem (7.9), Jeseník (7.5), Sokolov (6.8), Hodonín (6.4), Bruntál (5.7), Chomutov, Most and Děčín (all 5.2). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 12,341 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that

is 4.2 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 44,118 vacancies, that is 0.3 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was 3.3 % in March 2017.