

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by October 31, 2007

By October 31, 2007 job offices registered altogether 348,842 job seekers. That is by 16,136 less than at the end of September. The number of job seekers decreased by 90,946 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 320,640.

In the course of October, job offices registered altogether 45,969 newcomers. That is by 10,806 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 2,867 newly registered job seekers less than in October of the preceding year.

In October, job offices registration was terminated with 62,105 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by – 39,395 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 22,710 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 Vyškov (9.8 %), Plzeň-jih (9.2 %), Rokycany (8.7 %), Tábor (7.5 %) and Nový Jičín (6.7 %).

At the end of October, job offices registered 193,942 female job seekers, that is 55.6 % of the unemployed in total, and **64,637 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 18.5 % of the unemployed in total.

By October 31, 2007, 27,648 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 7.9 % (September 2007 – 8.6 %, October 2006 – 8.6 %).

In October 2007, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 99,235 job seekers, that is 28.4 % of all job seekers under registration (September 2007 – 28.2 %, October 2006 – 26.2 %).

By October 31, 2007, the unemployment rate was 5.8 % (September 2007: 6.2 %, October 2006: 7.4 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 31 districts, the highest being in Most (15.9 %), Karviná (13.5 %), Teplice (11.5 %), Ústí nad Labem (11.2 %) and Děčín (10.7 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-západ (1.7 %), Praha-východ (1.9 %), Praha (2.3 %) and Mladá Boleslav (2.4 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 7.3 % and unemployment rate - men was 4.6 %.**

By October 31, 2007, job offices registered altogether 143,467 vacancies. That is by 6,038 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 42,328 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 2.4 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Děčín (15.0), Bruntál (11.2), Karviná (11.0) and Jeseník (10.0).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 4,626 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 14.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 32,352 vacancies, that is 0.9 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 5.2 % in September 2007.