Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by February 28, 2021

By February 28, 2021 job offices registered altogether 311,463 job seekers. That is by 2,604 more than at the end of January. The number of job seekers increased by 84,094 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 293,154.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 32,523 newcomers. That is by 14,257 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 1,152 newly registered job seekers less than in February of the preceding year.

In February, job offices registration was terminated with 29,919job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 23,162 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 6,757 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered **by 48 districts** – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Ústí nad Labem (4.4 %, Jičín (4.1 %), Sokolov (3.9 %), Rakovník (3.7 %), Trutnov (3.3 %), Litoměřice (3.3 %), Karviná (3.0 %), Teplice (2.7 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed** was registered **by 28 districts** – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Tachov (2.5 %), Jihlava (2.4 %), Uherské Hradiště (2.3 %), Rokycany (2.2 %), Blansko (2.0 %), Strakonice (1.8 %), Mladá Boleslav (1.6 %) and Znojmo (1.5 %).

By February 28, 2021, 13,046 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.2 % (January 2021 -4.3 %, February 2020 -4.1 %).

At the end of February, job offices registered 154,125 female job seekers, that is 49.5 % of the unemployed in total, and 40,513 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 13.0 % of the unemployed in total.

In February 2021, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 105,715 job seekers, that is 33.9 % of all job seekers under registration (January 2021 - 34.9 %, February 2020 - 39.8 %).

By February 28, 2021, there were 7,105 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By February 28, 2021, the share of unemployed was 4.3 % (January 2021 – 4.3 %, February 2020 – 3.0 %), time series - <u>https://www.mpsv.cz/web/cz/casove-rady-mn-a-pno</u>. Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 30 districts, the highest being in Karviná (8.8 %), Bruntál (7.4 %), Jeseník (7.3 %), Most (7.1 %), Znojmo (7.0 %), Ostrava-město (7.0 %), Chomutov (6.8 %), Sokolov (6.7 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Rychnov nad Kněžnou (2.0 %), Pelhřimov (2.1 %), Praha-východ (2.2 %), Mladá Boleslav (2.2 %), Jičín (2.5 %), Benešov (2.7 %), Ústí nad Orlicí (2.8 %), Plzeň-jih (2.9 %). Share of unemployed - men was 4.3 % and share of unemployed - women was 4.4 %.

By February 28, 2021, job offices registered altogether 330,735 vacancies. That is by 5,310 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 20,889 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 0.9 job seekers for one vacancy

at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (12.1), Znojmo (5.7), Sokolov (5.6), Jeseník (5.4), Ústí nad Labem (5.1), Bruntál (4.9), Most (4.8), Děčín (4.6). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,615 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 3.5 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 58,354 vacancies, that is 0.2 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO, NSA data) was 3.4 % in January 2021.