

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by June 30, 2006

By June 30, 2006 job offices registered altogether 451,106 job seekers. That is by 11,936 less than at the end of May 2006. Compared with the same period of the preceding year, the number of job seekers decreased by 38,638 persons. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 422,925.

In the course of June, job offices registered altogether 43,234 newcomers. That is by 419 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 4,654 newly registered job seekers less than in June of the preceding year.

In June, job offices registration was terminated with 55,170 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by – 34,160 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 21,010 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 Náchod (6.8 %), Jeseník (6.4 %), Prachatice (5.7 %), Benešov (5.6 %), Znojmo and Plzeň-jih (both 5.5 %).

At the end of June 2006, job offices registered 243,668 female job seekers, that is 54.0 % of the unemployed in total, and **72,852 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 16.1 % of the unemployed in total.

By June 30, 2006, 24,924 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 5.5 % (May 2006 – 6.2 %, June 2005 – 5.8 %).

In June 2006, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 123,243 job seekers, that is 27.3 % of all job seekers under registration (May 2006 – 27.2 %, June 2005 – 26.3 %).

By June 30, 2006, the unemployment rate was 7.7 % (May 2006: 7.9 %, June 2005: 8.6 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ and Praha-západ (both 2.2 %), Praha (2.8 %) and Mladá Boleslav (3.3 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech republic was shown in 31 districts, the highest being in Most (20.5 %), Karviná (17.9 %), Teplice (15.9 %) and Ostrava (14.2 %), **The unemployment rate - women was 9.6 % and unemployment rate - men was 6.3%.**

By June 30, 2006, job offices registered altogether 85,945 vacancies. That is by 5,043 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 28,947 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there has been 5.2 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (34.6), Most (20.0), Bruntál (17.9) and Teplice (17.7).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,528 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 28.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 14,594 vacancies, that is 1.7 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 7.1 % in May 2005.