

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by March 31, 2020**

**By March 31, 2020 job offices registered altogether 225,678 job seekers.** That is by 1 691 less than at the end of February. The number of job seekers decreased by 1,375 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 206,113.

**In the course of job offices registered altogether 35,714 newcomers.** That is by 2,040 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 1,302 newly registered job seekers more than in March of the preceding year.

**In March, job offices registration was terminated with 37,405 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 27,626 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 9,779 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly increase of unemployed** was registered **by 33 districts** – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Cheb (o 8.2 %), Praha-východ (8.1 %), Praha-západ (5.1 %), Plzeň-město (4.9 %), Karlovy Vary (4.8 %), Zlín (4.1 %) and Benešov (3.9 %).

**A monthly decrease of unemployed** was registered **by 44 districts** - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Jindřichův Hradec (22.0 %), Strakonice (10.9 %), Znojmo (9.7 %), Prachatice (6.8 %), Chrudim and Tábor (both 6,3 %) and Jihlava (5.5 %).

**By March 31, 2020, 9,241 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.1 % (February 2020 – 4.1 %, March 2019 – 4.1 %).

**At the end of March, job offices registered 112,420 female job seekers,** that is 49.8 % of the unemployed in total, and **34,755 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 15.4 % of the unemployed in total.

**In March 2020, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 82,942 job seekers,** that is 36.8 % of all job seekers under registration (February 2020 – 39.8 %, March 2019 – 36.3 %).

**By March 31, 2020, there were 7, 602 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.**

**By March 31, 2020, the share of unemployed was 3.0 %** (February 2020 – 3.0 %, March 2019 – 3.0 %), time series - <https://www.mpsv.cz/web/cz/casove-rady-mn-a-pno>. Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 32 districts, the highest Karviná (7.0 %), Bruntál (5.7 %), Jeseník (5.5 %), Ostrava-město and Znojmo (both 5.3 %), Chomutov (5.2 %), Most (4.9 %), Louny (4.8 %) and Hodonín (4.7 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (1.2 %), Pelhřimov (1.5 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou, Mladá Boleslav and Praha-západ (all 1.6 %) and Benešov (1.7 %).

**Share of unemployed - men was 3.0 % and share of unemployed - women was 3.0 %.**

**By March 31, 2020, job offices registered altogether 342,287 vacancies.** That is by 9,337 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 2,956 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 0.7 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (6.9), Jeseník (3.9), Sokolov (3.7), Bruntál (3.2), Děčín (3.1), Ústí nad Labem (2.7), Hodonín (2.6), Blansko and Znojmo (both 2.5).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,404 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 3.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 68,739 vacancies, that is 0.1 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rate** (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **2.0 % in February 2020**.