

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by June 30, 2008

By June 30, 2008 job offices registered altogether 297,880 job seekers. That is by 4,627 less than at the end of May. The number of job seekers decreased by 72,911 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 279,573.

In the course of June, job offices registered altogether 39,695 newcomers. That is by 3,539 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 1,544 newly registered job seekers more than in June of the preceding year.

In June, job offices registration was terminated with 44,322 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by - 26,423 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 17,899 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 59 job offices in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Jindřichův Hradec (9.3 %), Znojmo (6.9 %) and Jeseník (5.3 %).

At the end of June, job offices registered 166,538 female job seekers, that is 55.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **60,126 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 20.2 % of the unemployed in total.

By June 30, 2008, 15,095 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 5.1 % (May 2008 – 5.5 %, June 2007 – 5.0 %).

In June 2008, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 96,667 job seekers, that is 32.5 % of all job seekers under registration (May 2008 – 31.8 %, June 2007 – 28.7 %).

By June 30, 2008, the unemployment rate was 5.0 % (May 2008: 5.0 %, June 2007: 6.3 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 35-37 districts, the highest being in Most (12.4 %), Karviná (11.9 %), Teplice (10.3 %) and Ústí nad Labem (10.0 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (1.5 %), Praha-západ (1.6 %), Mladá Boleslav and Praha (2.0 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 6.5 % and unemployment rate - men was 3.9 %.**

By June 30, 2008, job offices registered altogether 151,881 vacancies. That is by 537 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 28,612 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 2.0 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Děčín (12.9), Jeseník (11.0), Most (10.0) and Karviná (9.0). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 4,303 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 28,339 vacancies, that is 0.5 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 4.1 % in May 2008.