

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by January 31, 2017**

**By January 31, 2017 job offices registered altogether 389,416 job seekers.** That is by 8,043 more than at the end of December. The number of job seekers decreased by 77,987 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 367,168.

**In the course of job offices registered altogether 61,317 newcomers.** That is by 6,625 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 2,775 newly registered job seekers less than in January of the preceding year.

**In January, job offices registration was terminated with 53,274 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 34,597 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 18,677 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly increase of unemployed** was registered **by 71 districts** - Jindřichův Hradec (15.7 %), Jeseník (10.3 %), Český Krumlov (10.0 %), Chrudim (9.7 %), Jičín (8.7 %) and Písek (8.4 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed** was registered **by 5 districts** – Brno-město (1.2 %), Plzeň-město (0.4 %), Bruntál (0.3 %), Mělník and Praha (both 0.2 %). The number of unemployed in district Ústí nad Labem remained the same as in the previous month.

**At the end of January, job offices registered 190,443 female job seekers,** that is 48.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **54,975 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 14.1 % of the unemployed in total.

**By January 31, 2017, 15,909 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.1 % (December 2016 – 4.5 %, January 2016 – 4.5 %).

**In January 2017, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 116,278 job seekers,** that is 29.9 % of all job seekers under registration (December 2016 – 27.0 %, January 2016 – 26.5 %).

**By January 31, 2017, there were 26,202 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy** and there were **45,577 vacancies** delimited for persons with reduced working capacity.

**By January 31, 2017, the share of unemployed was 5.3 %** (December 2016 – 5.2 %, January 2016 – 6.4 %), time series - [http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove\\_rady](http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady).

Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 36 districts, the highest being in Karviná (10.4 %), Most (10.1 %), Bruntál and Jeseník (both 9.4 %), Znojmo and Ostrava-město (both 9.0 %), Ústí nad Labem (8.6 %), Chomutov and Hodonín (both 8.2 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Rychnov nad Kněžnou and Praha-východ (both 1.8 %), Praha-západ and Mladá Boleslav (both 2.8 %), Benešov (2.9 %), Plzeň-město (3.0 %) and Jičín (3.2 %). **Share of unemployed - men was 5.4 % and share of unemployed – women was 5.2 %.**

**By January 31, 2017, job offices registered altogether 135,536 vacancies.** That is by 3,040 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 27,757 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 2.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (15.8), Jeseník (13.0), Ústí nad Labem

(10.6), Znojmo (9.9), Hodonín (9.3), Sokolov (8.5), Bruntál (7.5) and Chomutov (7.3). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,434 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 4.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 38,129 vacancies, that is 0.4 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rate** (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **3.6 % in December 2016**.