

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by July 31, 2006**

**By July 31, 2006 job offices registered altogether 458,270 job seekers.** That is by 7,164 more than at the end of June 2006. Compared with the same period of the preceding year, the number of job seekers decreased by 42,055 persons. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 434,327.

**In the course of July, job offices registered altogether 51,740 newcomers.** That is by 8,506 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 2,130 newly registered job seekers less than in July of the preceding year.

**In July, job offices registration was terminated with 44,576 seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by – 26,146 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 18,430 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 68 job offices in the Czech Republic** - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Pelhřimov (6.5 %), Havlíčkův Brod (5.9 %), Plzeň-jih (5.6 %) and Hradec Králové (5.3 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 8 job offices in the Czech Republic** - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Jindřichův Hradec (2.3 %), Český Krumlov (1.8 %) and Jeseník (1.6 %).

**At the end of July 2006, job offices registered 251,662 female job seekers,** that is 54.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **72,882 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 15.9 % of the unemployed in total.

**By July 31, 2006, 27,379 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 6.0 % (June 2006 – 5.5 %, July 2005 – 6.2 %).

**In July 2006, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 127,281 job seekers,** that is 27.8 % of all job seekers under registration (June 2006 – 27.3 %, July 2005 – 26.4 %).

**By July 31, 2006, the unemployment rate was 7.9 %** (June 2006: 7.7 %, July 2005: 8.8 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (2.2 %), Praha-západ (2.3 %), Praha (2.9 %), Mladá Boleslav (3.4 %) and Pelhřimov (4.0 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech republic was shown in 33 districts, the highest being in Most (20.9 %), Karviná (18.0 %), Teplice (15.6 %) and Ostrava (14.6 %), **The unemployment rate - women was 10.0 % and unemployment rate - men was 6.3%.**

**By July 31, 2006, job offices registered altogether 88,217 vacancies.** That is by 2,272 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 31,428 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 (31.3), Most (20.4), Bruntál (16.8), Děčín (16.7) and Teplice (16.5).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,514 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 29.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 15,688 vacancies, that is 1.7 seekers per vacancy.

**Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 7.0 % in June 2006.**