

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by July 31, 2009**

**By July 31, 2009 job offices registered altogether 485,319 job seekers.** That is by 21,764 more than at the end of June. The number of job seekers increased by 175,261 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 475,560.

**In the course of July, job offices registered altogether 70,222 newcomers.** That is by 9,484 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 18,117 newly registered job seekers more than in July of the preceding year.

**In July, job offices registration was terminated with 48,458 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 28,943 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,515 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 74 job offices** in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Benešov (11.9 %), Praha-západ (11.5 %), Hradec Králové (10.1 %) and Rokycany (8.8 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 3 job offices** in the Czech Republic - Jeseník (2.7 %), Prachatice (2.0 %) and Tábor (0.4 %).

**At the end of July, job offices registered 246,283 female job seekers,** that is 50.7 % of the unemployed in total, and **65,103 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 13.4 % of the unemployed in total.

**By July 31, 2009, 21,479 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 4.4 % (June 2009 – 4.4 %, July 2008 – 5.5 %).

**In July 2009, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 200,179 job seekers,** that is 41.2 % of all job seekers under registration (June 2009 – 41.4 %, July 2008 – 34.4 %).

**By July 31, 2009, the unemployment rate was 8.4 %** (June 2009: 8.0 %, July 2008: 5.3 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 43 districts, the highest being in Most (16.3 %), Karviná (14.6 %), Šumperk (14.2 %), Bruntál (13.8 %), Děčín (13.7 %), Hodonín (13.5 %), Česká Lípa (13.3 %) and Chomutov (13.1 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (2.8 %), Praha (3.2 %) and Praha-západ (3.3 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 9.9 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.2 %.**

**By July 31, 2009, job offices registered altogether 41,763 vacancies.** That is by 1,639 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 108,477 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 11.6 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Děčín (59.7), Karviná (54.0), Jeseník (46.0), Teplice (44.7) and Třebíč (42.6). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,321 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 28.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,654 vacancies, that is 3.8 seekers per vacancy.

**Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.3 % in June 2009.**