

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2023

By December 31, 2023 job offices registered altogether 279,227 job seekers. That is by 16,001 more than at the end of November. The number of job seekers increased by 7,424 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 256,264.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 38,588 newcomers. That is by 149 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 2,168 newly registered job seekers less than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 22,587 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 14,251 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 8,336 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 76 districts – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Prachatice (26.5 %), Jindřichův Hradec (23.3 %), Chrudim (18.8 %), Břeclav (18.1 %), Klatovy (18.0 %), Třebíč (16.0 %), Semily (15.5 %), Jeseník (15.5 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed** was in district Rychnov nad Kněžnou (0.8 %).

By December 31, 2023, 14,716 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 5.3 % (November – 5.7 %, December 2022 – 4.8 %).

At the end of December, job offices registered 148,580 female job seekers, that is 53.2 % of the unemployed in total, and **37,322 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 13.4% of the unemployed in total.

In December 2023, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 86,347 job seekers, that is 30.9 % of all job seekers under registration (November – 29.2 %, December 2022 – 31.0 %).

By December 31, 2023, there were 4,747 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By December 31, 2023, the share of unemployed was 3.7 % (November – 3.5 %, December 2022 – 3.7 %), 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 30 districts, the highest being in Karviná (8.2 %), Bruntál (7.4 %), Most (7.2 %), Chomutov (6.5 %), Louny (5.9 %), Ústí nad Labem (5.8 %), Znojmo (5.8 %), Děčín (5.7 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts Praha-východ (1.4 %), Praha-západ (1.6 %), Benešov (1.9 %), Pelhřimov (2.0 %), Plzeň-jih (2.0 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou (2.1 %), Jičín (2.2 %), Zlín (2.3 %).

Share of unemployed - men was 3.4 % and share of unemployed - women was 4.0 %.

By December 31, 2023, job offices registered altogether 271,789 vacancies. That is by 6,919 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 16,858 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 1.0 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (9.9), Bruntál (8.4), Jeseník (6.2), Děčín (5.0), Opava (4.5), Most (4.2), Strakonice (3.9), Hodonín (3.9). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 9,755 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity

that is 3.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 49,251 vacancies, that is 0.3 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **2.9 % in October 2023**.