Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by March 31, 2015

By March 31, 2015 job offices registered altogether 525,315 job seekers. That is by 22,802 less than at the end of February 2015. The number of job seekers decreased by 83,000 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 506,954.

In the course of March, job offices registered altogether 45,834 newcomers. That is by 3,044 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 4,496 newly registered job seekers less than in March of the preceding year.

In March, job offices registration was terminated with 68,636 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 49,274 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,362 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 77 districts – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts offices Jindřichův Hradec (10.3 %), Klatovy (10.2 %), Chrudim (9.7 %), Písek (9.1 %), Strakonice (8.2 %) and Svitavy (8.1 %).

At the end of March, job offices registered 257,886 female job seekers, that is 49.1 % of the unemployed in total, and 61,634 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 11.7 % of the unemployed in total.

By March 31, 2015, 25,177 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.8% (February 2015 – 4.8%, March 2014 - 5.2%).

In March 2015, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 116,298 job seekers, that is 22.1 % of all job seekers under registration (February 2015 - 23.6 %, March 2014 - 22.6 %).

By March 31, 2015 there were 86 610 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By March 31, 2015, the share of unemployed was 7.2 % (February 2015 – 7.5 %, March 2014 – 8.3 %, time series - http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady

Share of unemployed higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 35 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (12.9 %), Most (12.7 %), Ústí nad Labem (12.2 %), Karviná (12.0 %), Jeseník (11.2 %), Ostrava (10.9 %) and Chomutov (10.8 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (3.2 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou and Mladá Boleslav (both 4.1 %), Benešov and Praha-západ (both 4.2 %) and Rokycany (4.3 %). Share of unemployed - women was 7.1 % and share of unemployed - men was 7.3 %.

By March 31, 2015, job offices registered altogether 76,050 vacancies. That is by 7,079 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 35,242 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 6.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Bruntál (33.4), Ústí nad Labem (25.4), Karviná (25.2), Most (23.9) Jeseník and Chomutov (both 23.0). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 6,930 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 8.9 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 18,592 vacancies, that is 1.4 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 5.9 % in February 2015.