

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by January 31, 2024

By January 31, 2024 job offices registered altogether 295,546 job seekers. That is by 16,319 more than at the end of December. The number of job seekers increased by 12,487 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 272,042.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 52,975 newcomers. That is by 14,387 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 3,227 newly registered job seekers more than in January of the preceding year.

In January, job offices registration was terminated with 36,656 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 26,326 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 10,330 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 77 districts – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Jindřichův Hradec (19.1 %), Písek (16.3 %), Jeseník (15.0 %), Strakonice (13.5 %), Český Krumlov (12.9 %), Klatovy (12.9 %), Tachov (12.4 %), Znojmo (12.0 %).

By January 31, 2024, 14,428 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.9 % (December – 5.3 %, January 2023 – 4.5 %).

At the end of January, job offices registered 153,810 female job seekers, that is 52.0 % of the unemployed in total, and **38,011 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 12.9 % of the unemployed in total.

In January 2024, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 100,142 job seekers, that is 33.9 % of all job seekers under registration (December – 30.9 %, January 2023 – 33.0 %).

By January 31, 2024, there were 5,686 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By January 31, 2024, the share of unemployed was 4.0 % (December – 3.7 %, January 2023 – 3.9 %), 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 32 districts, the highest being in Karviná (8.3 %), Bruntál (7.8 %), Most (7.5 %), Chomutov (6.9 %), Jeseník (6.5 %), Znojmo (6.5 %), Louny (6.3 %), Děčín (6.2 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts Praha-východ (1.5 %), Praha-západ (1.7 %), Pelhřimov (2.1 %), Benešov (2.1 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou (2.1 %), Plzeň-jih (2.2 %), Jičín (2.4 %), Zlín (2.5 %).

Share of unemployed - men was 3.7 % and share of unemployed - women was 4.2 %.

By January 31, 2024, job offices registered altogether 266,783 vacancies. That is by 5,006 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 14,358 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 1.1 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (10.2), Bruntál (8.7), Jeseník (7.2), Děčín (5.3), Hodonín (5.0), Opava (4.6), Most (4.3), Strakonice (4.1). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 9,945 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 47,924 vacancies, that is 0.3 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **2.8 % in December 2023**.