

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic - February 2005

By February 28, 2005 job centers registered altogether 555,046 job seekers. That is by 6,616 less than at the end of January 2005. Compared with the same period of the preceding year, the number of job seekers decreased by 15,741 persons. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 517,892.

In the course of February, job centers registered altogether 43,909 newcomers. That is by 31,723 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 6,425 newly registered job seekers less than in February of the preceding year.

In February, job centers registration was terminated with 50,525 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by - 35,945 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job centres excluded 14,580 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of the unemployed was witnessed by 68 job centers of the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Semily (4.7 %), Prague-West and Pelhřimov (both 4.0 %). **A monthly increase of the unemployed was witnessed by 9 job center** of the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Plzeň-jih (1.7 %), Domažlice (1.5 %) and Jindřichův Hradec (1.2 %).

At the end of February 2005, job centers registered 276,990 female job seekers, that is 49.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **76,427 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 13.8 % of the unemployed in total.

By February 28, 2005, 43,373 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered,** that is by 2,086 less than in the preceding month and by 10,601 less than in the same period of the preceding year. Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 7.8 % (January 2005: 8.1 %, February 2004: 9.5 %).

In February 2005, job centers paid off unemployment benefits to 162,898 job seekers, that is 29.3 % of all job seekers under registration (January 2005 - 29.2 %, February 2004 - 35.9 %).

By February 28, 2005, the unemployment rate under registration (counted from available job seekers) was 9.6 % (January 2005: 9.8 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Prague-West (2.7 %), Praha-East (3.4 %), Prague (3.5 %), Mladá Boleslav (4.2 %) and České Budějovice (4.3 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech republic was shown in 33 districts, the highest being in Most (23.0 %), Karviná (19.7 %), Jeseník (19.5 %), Bruntál (17.5 %), Chomutov (17.3 %), Teplice (16.6 %) and Ostrava (16.5 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 10.9 % and unemployment rate - men was 8.7 %.** The unemployment rate under registration according to the previous methodology (from the total number of registered job seekers) was **10.6 %** (January 2005: 10.7%).

By February 28, 2005, job centers registered altogether 53,841 vacancies. That is by 2,030 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 9,924 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there has been 10.3 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (101.1), Most (57.3) and Bruntál (52.7).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job centers 1,416 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 54.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,995 vacancies, that is 7.2 seekers per vacancy.

Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was **8.6 %** in January 2004.

Sequence of regions by unemployment rate - February 2005

Region	unemployment rate (in %) ↓	monthly increase in unemployment (in %) ↓	number of job- seekers per 1 vacancy ↓
Most	23,0	-0,8	57,3
Karviná	19,7	-0,3	101,1
Jeseník	19,5	0,5	23,8
Bruntál	17,5	-1,2	52,7
Chomutov	17,3	-0,5	25,7
Teplice	16,6	-1,5	40,5
Ostrava-město	16,5	-1,1	42,8
Znojmo	15,6	-0,9	16,0
Děčín	15,5	-1,4	28,6
Hodonín	15,1	-0,9	24,7
Třebíč	14,6	-2,2	16,4
Frýdek-Místek	14,5	-0,6	41,7
Louny	14,3	-1,8	25,3
Litoměřice	13,3	-1,4	44,9
Přerov	13,3	-0,3	21,1
Sokolov	13,2	-1,8	16,6
Ústí nad Labem	13,0	0,6	12,9
Šumperk	12,8	-1,1	26,1
Nový Jičín	12,6	-1,6	17,5
Svitavy	12,5	-3,0	16,0
Kroměříž	12,1	-2,3	17,8
Břeclav	11,9	-1,3	14,3
Opava	11,8	-0,4	32,1
Vsetín	11,2	-1,4	24,6
Olomouc	11,1	-1,1	14,3
Český Krumlov	10,9	0,1	10,5
Karlovy Vary	10,7	-0,7	12,5
Kutná Hora	10,6	-1,8	15,1
Prostějov	10,4	-1,6	6,6
Vyškov	10,4	-2,5	12,3
Jičín	10,1	-2,1	13,6
Chrudim	9,9	-2,0	10,9
Brno-město	9,8	-0,8	5,8
Písek	9,3	-0,6	12,7
Cheb	9,2	-1,4	9,4
Blansko	9,2	-1,9	9,1
Česká Lípa	9,2	-0,1	12,5
Tachov	9,2	-1,8	12,9
Žďár nad Sázavou	9,1	-1,6	23,8
Kolín	9,0	-1,7	8,9

Kladno	8,8	-2,6	16,5
Nymburk	8,7	-3,0	3,9
Příbram	8,6	-2,0	12,0
Zlín	8,6	-1,4	22,8
Liberec	8,6	-1,5	8,6
Ústí nad Orlicí	8,6	-1,1	15,3
Uherské Hradiště	8,6	-0,1	12,7
Trutnov	8,6	0,1	10,8
Klatovy	8,6	-1,0	7,2
Mělník	8,2	-0,7	10,8
Jindřichův Hradec	8,1	1,2	18,6
Strakonice	7,9	-1,9	8,0
Náchod	7,7	-2,0	11,3
Jihlava	7,7	-1,0	7,4
Prachatice	7,6	-1,3	7,6
Brno-venkov	7,3	-1,9	12,1
Pardubice	7,2	-0,2	10,7
Rychnov nad Kněžnou	7,2	-0,1	18,1
Jablonec nad Nisou	7,1	-1,4	8,6
Rokycany	7,1	0,3	12,7
Domažlice	7,0	1,5	7,6
Rakovník	7,0	-3,0	10,3
Semily	7,0	-4,7	10,8
Havlíčkův Brod	6,9	-3,6	27,7
Hradec Králové	6,7	-1,1	8,2
Tábor	6,4	0,2	5,4
Plzeň-město	6,2	-0,5	2,5
Beroun	6,0	-0,1	4,4
Plzeň-sever	5,9	-0,8	5,3
Pelhřimov	5,8	-4,0	4,4
Plzeň-jih	5,1	1,7	6,5
Benešov	4,9	-2,6	4,7
České Budějovice	4,3	-0,3	4,1
Mladá Boleslav	4,2	-3,7	3,6
Praha	3,5	-1,7	1,7
Praha-východ	3,4	-2,5	2,5
Praha-západ	2,7	-4,0	2,5
Celkem ČR	9,6	-1,2	9,9