

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic - April 2004

By April 30, 2004 job centers registered altogether 535,091 job seekers. That is by 24,731 less than at the end of March 2004. Compared with the same period of the preceding year, the number of job seekers increased by 25,731 persons.

In the course of April, job centers registered altogether 46,908 newcomers. That is by 5,036 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 1,857 newly registered job seekers less than in April of the preceding year.

In April, job centers registration was terminated with 71,639 seekers. New jobs have been taken up by - 55,981 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job centres excluded 15,658 job seekers due to other reasons (rule breakers, retirement, etc.).

A monthly decrease of the unemployed was witnessed by all 77 job centers of the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Pelhřimov (12.5 %), Jeseník (11.7 %), Písek (11.4 %) and Znojmo (10.8 %).

At the end of April 2004, job centers registered 269,964 female job seekers, that is 50.5 % of the unemployed in total, and **73,341 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 13.7 % of the unemployed in total.

By April 30, 2004, 48,683 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered,** that is by 3,682 less than in the preceding month and by 3,581 less than in the same period of the preceding year. Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 9.1 % (April 2003: 10.3 %).

In April 2004, job centers paid off unemployment benefits to 169,988 job seekers, that is 31.8 % of all job seekers under registration (April 2003 - 33.2 %).

By April 30, 2004, the unemployment rate under registration was 10.2 % (April 2003: 9.6 %, March 2004: 10.7 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Prague-West (3.3 %), Praha-East (4.0 %) and Prague (4.4 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech republic was shown in 29 districts, the highest being in Most (24.1 %), Karviná (21.1 %), Ostrava and Teplice (both 18.8 %) and Chomutov (18.3 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 11.7 % and unemployment rate - men was 9.0 %.**

By April 30, 2004, job centers registered altogether 42,657 vacancies. That is by 251 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 1,467 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there has been 12.5 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Jeseník (72.7), Most (70.3) and Karviná (63.2).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job centers 1,377 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 53.3 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 6,463 vacancies, that is 7.5 seekers per vacancy.

General unemployment rate (ILO), the indicator derived from LFSS results in compliance with international definitions and recommendations, was **8.7 % in the 1st quarter 2004.**

Sequence of regions by unemployment rate - April 2004

Region	unemployment rate (in %) ↓	monthly increase in unemployment (in %) ↓	number of job- seekers per 1 vacancy ↓
Most	24,1	-1,5	70,3
Karviná	21,1	-1,0	64,5
Ostrava-město	18,8	-2,3	37,4
Teplice	18,8	-2,7	35,5
Chomutov	18,3	-2,8	56,1
Bruntál	17,5	-8,5	49,0
Jeseník	17,2	-11,7	72,7
Louny	16,2	-5,7	30,0
Děčín	15,5	-3,4	23,1
Frýdek-Místek	15,2	-4,0	46,5
Hodonín	14,9	-5,9	19,0
Nový Jičín	14,3	-5,2	31,2
Ústí nad Labem	14,2	-1,1	26,2
Přerov	13,8	-5,4	31,2
Litoměřice	13,7	-7,6	28,7
Třebíč	13,4	-9,1	23,5
Znojmo	13,4	-10,8	18,6
Sokolov	13,3	-3,4	16,5
Svitavy	12,4	-7,5	10,9
Šumperk	12,3	-7,4	16,4
Opava	12,1	-5,6	24,1
Kroměříž	12,0	-4,6	19,4
Vsetín	11,8	-4,6	24,8
Olomouc	11,4	-6,3	12,9
Břeclav	11,1	-6,4	20,7
Brno-město	11,1	-1,1	19,4
Kutná Hora	11,1	-6,4	18,0
Karlovy Vary	10,9	-3,0	19,9
Vyškov	10,3	-6,7	25,6
Liberec	10,1	-3,0	7,0
Česká Lípa	10,1	-5,2	12,6
Český Krumlov	10,0	-9,4	5,8
Prostějov	9,9	-7,5	5,1
Kladno	9,8	-2,6	19,8
Zlín	9,7	-4,7	18,1
Chrudim	9,7	-9,4	10,4
Kolín	9,6	-4,7	8,6
Trutnov	9,6	-1,7	15,0
Blansko	9,3	-4,5	9,5
Nymburk	9,3	-3,6	3,9

Tachov	9,3	-4,3	14,8
Jičín	9,0	-5,7	11,2
Cheb	8,9	-3,0	11,9
Mělník	8,8	-3,4	15,8
Uherské Hradiště	8,7	-7,4	10,8
Jablonec nad Nisou	8,6	-1,9	12,9
Žďár nad Sázavou	8,6	-6,8	34,3
Brno-venkov	8,5	-3,2	17,8
Příbram	8,5	-6,9	8,2
Ústí nad Orlicí	8,2	-6,4	8,9
Semily	8,2	-1,5	12,1
Klatovy	8,2	-5,4	6,9
Strakonice	7,8	-3,9	7,0
Rokycany	7,7	-3,6	15,4
Písek	7,7	-11,4	7,4
Náchod	7,7	-6,9	9,8
Jihlava	7,6	-6,4	49,5
Plzeň-město	7,6	-1,6	6,0
Rakovník	7,4	-7,6	9,9
Havlíčkův Brod	7,4	-4,7	26,8
Jindřichův Hradec	7,3	-9,2	16,0
Prachatice	7,0	-6,8	6,2
Pardubice	7,0	-4,3	11,7
Plzeň-sever	6,7	-6,7	12,8
Tábor	6,7	-3,0	9,0
Hradec Králové	6,6	-4,3	8,1
Rychnov nad Kněžnou	6,6	-5,6	14,8
Domažlice	6,5	-6,2	5,9
Beroun	6,0	-1,0	6,7
Mladá Boleslav	5,4	-3,0	7,9
Pelhřimov	5,3	-12,5	6,4
Plzeň-jih	5,2	-3,6	6,2
České Budějovice	4,8	-5,6	8,2
Benešov	4,8	-5,7	4,4
Praha	4,4	-1,0	2,8
Praha-východ	4,0	-1,8	2,2
Praha-západ	3,3	-3,1	2,9
Celkem ČR	10,2	-4,4	12,5