

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by March 31, 2014**

**By March 31, 2014 job offices registered altogether 608,315 job seekers.** That is by 17,075 less than at the end of February 2014. The number of job seekers increased by 20,547 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 592,705.

**In the course of March, job offices registered altogether 50,330 newcomers.** That is by 2,460 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 6,431 newly registered job seekers more than in March of the preceding year.

**In March, job offices registration was terminated with 67,405 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 49,142 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 18,263 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 75 districts** - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts offices Jindřichův Hradec (9.8 %), Domažlice (8.4 %), Klatovy (8.3 %), Prachatice (6.8 %). **A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 2 districts** in the Czech Republic - in districts Brno-město (0,6 %) and Praha-západ (0.5 %).

**At the end of March, job offices registered 290,225 female job seekers,** that is 47.7 % of the unemployed in total, and **63,399 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 10.4 % of the unemployed in total.

**By March 31, 2014, 31,434 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 5.2 % (February 2014 – 6.2 %, March 2013 – 6.0 %).

**In March 2014, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 137,291 job seekers,** that is 22.6 % of all job seekers under registration (February 2014 – 24.4 %, March 2013 – 22.5 %).

**By March 31, 2014 there were 43,014 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.**

**By March 31, 2014, the share of unemployed was 8.3 %** (February 2014 – 8.6 %, March 2013 – 8.0 %, time series - [http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove\\_rady](http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady)). Share of unemployed higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 37 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (14.5 %), Most (13.7 %), Jeseník (13.6 %), Ústí nad Labem (13.1 %), Karviná (12.8 %) and Znojmo (11.9 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (3.6 %), Praha-západ (4.6 %), Mladá Boleslav (4.7 %), Plzeň-jih (5.3 %), Praha and Rokycany (both 5.4 %). **Share of unemployed - women was 8.0 % and share of unemployed - men was 8.6 %.**

**By March 31, 2014, job offices registered altogether 40,808 vacancies.** That is by 2,507 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 1,945 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 14.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Bruntál (62.1), Karviná (50.2). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 4,226 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 15.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 7,932 vacancies, that is 4.0 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 7.1 % in February 2014.**