

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by November 30, 2006**

**By November 30, 2006 job offices registered altogether 432,573 job seekers.** That is by 7,215 less than at the end of October 2006. The number of job seekers decreased by 58,206 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 400,044.

**In the course of November, job offices registered altogether 47,776 newcomers.** That is by 1,060 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 3,478 newly registered job seekers less than in November of the preceding year.

**In November, job offices registration was terminated with 54,991 seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by – 34,592 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 20,399 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 64 job offices in the Czech Republic** - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Praha-západ (4.3 %), Pardubice (4.7 %), Praha-východ (4.3 %), Plzeň-jih (4.2 %), and Praha (4.1 %). **A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 13 job offices in the Czech Republic** - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Jeseník (6.2 %) and Znojmo (5.4 %).

**At the end of November 2006, job offices registered 235,285 female job seekers,** that is 54.4 % of the unemployed in total, and **70,371 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 16.3 % of the unemployed in total.

**By November 30, 2006, 33,449 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 7.7 % (October 2006 – 8.6 %, November 2005 – 8.1 %).

**In November 2006, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 117,462 job seekers,** that is 27.2 % of all job seekers under registration (October 2006 – 26.2 %, November 2005 – 25.9 %).

**By November 30, 2006, the unemployment rate was 7.3 %** (October 2006: 7.4 %, November 2005: 8.4 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-západ and Praha-východ (both 2.1 %), Praha (2.7 %), Mladá Boleslav (3.0 %), Pelhřimov (3.3 %) and Benešov and Plzeň-jih (both 3.7 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 31 districts, the highest being in Most (19.1 %), Karviná (16.7), Teplice (14.9 %), Ostrava (13.2 %), Jeseník (13.1 %) and Ústí nad Labem (13.0 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 9.0 % and unemployment rate - men was 6.0 %.**

**By November 30, 2006, job offices registered altogether 98,966 vacancies.** That is by 2,173 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 45,960 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there has been 4.4 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (33.6), Most (19.4), Teplice (18.0) Bruntál (17.7) and Jeseník (15.6).

In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 3,228 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 21.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 17,699 vacancies, that is 1.9 seekers per vacancy.

**Harmonized unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.8 % in October 2006.**