Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by February 28, 2014

By February 28, 2014 job offices registered altogether 625,390 job seekers. That is by 3,884 less than at the end of January 2014. The number of job seekers increased by 31,707 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 610,729.

In the course of February, job offices registered altogether 47,870 newcomers. That is by 33,576 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 3,110 newly registered job seekers more than in February of the preceding year.

In February, job offices registration was terminated with 51,754 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 32,718 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,036 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 58 districts - relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts offices Cheb (3.7 %), Plzeň-jih (3.2 %), Klatovy and Domažlice (both 3.0 %), Pardubice (2.7 %). A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 19 districts in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Praha-západ (4.2 %), Brno-venkov (2.5 %), Prostějov (2.0 %) and Praha-východ (1.8 %).

At the end of February, job offices registered 294,924 female job seekers, that is 47.2 % of the unemployed in total, and 63,490 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 10.2 % of the unemployed in total.

By February 28, 2014, 38,501 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 6.2% (January 2014 -6.2%, February 2013 -6.0%).

In February 2014, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 152,507 job seekers, that is 24.4% of all job seekers under registration (January 2014 - 23.9%, February 2013 - 24.2%).

By February 28, 2014 there were 40,080 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By February 28, 2014, the share of unemployed was 8.6 % (January 2014 – 8.6 %, February 2013 – 8.1 %, time series - http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady). Share of unemployed higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 41 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (15.0 %), Jeseník (14.5 %), Most (13.9 %), Ústí nad Labem (13.2 %), Karviná (13.0 %) and Znojmo (12.6 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (3.7 %), Praha-západ (4.6 %), Mladá Boleslav (4.9 %), Praha (5.4 %), Plzeň-jih Praha (5.6 %) and Rokycany (5.8 %). Share of unemployed - women was 8.2 % and share of unemployed - men was 9.0 %.

By February 28, 2014, job offices registered altogether 38,301 vacancies. That is by 1,907 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 3,666 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 16.3 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Bruntál (65.7), Karviná (63.0), Hodonín (45.7) and Třebíč (45.6). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 4,137 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 15.3 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 8,191 vacancies, that is 4.7 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 6.7 % in January 2014.