## Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2012

By December 31, 2012 job offices registered altogether 545,311 job seekers. That is by 36,813 more than at the end of November. The number of job seekers increased by 36,860 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 530,994.

In the course of December, job offices registered altogether 60,245 newcomers. That is by 11,042 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 10,003 newly registered job seekers less than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 23,432 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 11,060 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 12,372 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by all 77 districts in the Czech Republic – relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Pelhřimov (22.9 %), Jindřichův Hradec (19.4 %), Chrudim (19.0 %), Písek (17.7 %), Prachatice (16.9 %) and Třebíč (0 16,2 %).

At the end of December, job offices registered 266,593 female job seekers, that is 48.9 % of the unemployed in total, and 62,038 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 11.4 % of the unemployed in total.

By December 31, 2012, 36,120 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 6.6% (November 2012-7.1%, December 2011-6.6%).

In December 2012, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 107,937 job seekers, that is 19.8% of all job seekers under registration (November 2012-18.4%, December 2011-25.6%).

By December 31, 2012, the unemployment rate was 9.4 % (November 2012 – 8.7 %, December 2011 – 8.6 %). Unemployment rate same or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 43 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (18.0 %), Jeseník (16.4 %), Most (16.0 %), Znojmo and Chomutov (both 15.1 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (3.6 %), Praha-západ (4.4 %), hl. m. Praha (4.5 %) and Mladá Boleslav (5.1 %). The unemployment rate - women was 10.6 % and unemployment rate - men was 8.4 %.

By December 31, job offices registered altogether 34,893 vacancies. That is by 3,913 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 891 vacancies less than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 15.6 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Havlíčkův Brod (116.6), Jeseník (94.6), Olomouc (87.8), Chomutov (68.2) and Jindřichův Hradec (62.2). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,485 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 25.0 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 4,228 vacancies, that is 8.5 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 7.2 % in November 2012.