

## **Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by February 29, 2016**

**By February 29, 2016 job offices registered altogether 461,254 job seekers.** That is by 6,149 less than at the end of January. The number of job seekers decreased by 88,863 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 443,566.

**In the course of February, job offices registered altogether 43,091 newcomers.** That is by 21,001 job seekers less than in the preceding month and by 301 newly registered job seekers more than in February of the preceding year.

**In February, job offices registration was terminated with 49,240 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 33,121 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 16,119 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly decrease of unemployed** was registered **by 74 districts** – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts offices Rychnov nad Kněžnou (6.6 %), Rokycany and Česká Lípa (both 4.2 %), Písek (4.0 %), Trutnov (3.8 %), Klatovy (3.7 %), Praha-západ and Jičín (both 3.6 %) and Mladá Boleslav (3.3 %). **A monthly increase of unemployed** was registered **by 3 districts** Teplice (2.7 %), Most (1.5 %) and Chomutov (0.3 %).

**At the end of February, job offices registered 225,658 female job seekers,** that is 48.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **59,404 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 12.9 % of the unemployed in total.

**By February 29, 2016, 20,708 school leavers** with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.5 % (January – 4.5 %, February 2015 – 4.8 %).

**In February 2016, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 120,397 job seekers,** that is 26.1 % of all job seekers under registration (January 2016 – 26.5 %, February 2015 – 23.6 %).

**By February 29, 2016, there were 48 805 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy** and there were **39 569** vacancies delimited for persons with reduced working capacity.

**By February 29, 2016, the share of unemployed was 6.3 %** (January – 6.4 %, February 2015 – 7.5 %, 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 36 districts, the highest being in Most (11.5 %), Bruntál (11.4 %), Karviná (11.0 %), Ústí nad Labem (10.4 %), Ostrava (10.1 %), Jeseník and Znojmo (both 10.0 %) and Chomutov (9.6 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (2.6 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou (2.8 %), Mladá Boleslav (3.4 %), Rokycany (3.6 %), Praha-západ (3.7 %), Benešov (3.9 %), Jičín (4.1 %) and Praha, Plzeň-jih, Plzeň-město (all 4.2 %). **Share of unemployed - women was 6.3 % and share of unemployed - men was 6.4 %.**

**By February 29, 2016, job offices registered altogether 114,826 vacancies.** That is by 7,047 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 45,855 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 4.0 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (20.5), Ústí nad Labem (15.0), Chomutov

(14.5), Most and Bruntál (both 11.7), Hodonín (11.1), Znojmo (10.9) and Jeseník (10.0). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,179 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 5.3 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 32,982 vacancies, that is 0.6 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rate** (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **4.8 % in January**).