

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by March 31, 2011

By March 31, 2011 job offices registered altogether 547,762 job seekers. That is by 19,134 less than at the end of **February**. The number of job seekers decreased by 25,062 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 525,500.

In the course of March, job offices registered altogether 49,463 newcomers. That is by 2,307 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 7,262 newly registered job seekers less than in March of the preceding year.

In March, job offices registration was terminated with 68,597 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 47,892 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 20,705 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 77 job offices in the Czech Republic – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Rokycany (911 %), Písek and Strakonice (both 8.2 %), Svitavy (7.8 %), Jindřichův Hradec (7.4 %) and Domažlice (7.2 %).

At the end of March, job offices registered 257,279 female job seekers, that is 47.0 % of the unemployed in total, and **69,710 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 12.7 % of the unemployed in total.

By March 31, 2011, 33,751 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment rate by 6.2 % (February 2011 – 6.1 %, March 2010 – 6.1 %).

In March 2011, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 163,419 job seekers, that is 29.8 % of all job seekers under registration (February 2011 – 32.2 %, March 2010 – 34.8 %).

By March 31, 2011, the unemployment rate was 9.2 % (February: 9.6 %, March 2010: 9.7 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 50 districts, the highest being in Jeseník (19.0 %), Bruntál (17.2 %), Most (16.4 %), Děčín (15.5 %) and Hodonín (15.4 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Praha-východ (3.9 %), Praha and Praha-západ (both 4.1 %) and Mladá Boleslav (4.9 %). **The unemployment rate - women was 10.0 % and unemployment rate - men was 8.6 %.**

By March 31, 2011, job offices registered altogether 33,931 vacancies. That is by 1,767 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 794 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 16.1 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Prostějov (57.3), Teplice (54.7), Děčín (54.3) and Břeclav (51.3). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,203 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 31.6 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 4,852 vacancies, that is 7.0 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 7.4 % in February.