

## Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by January 31, 2014

**By January 31, 2014 job offices registered altogether 629,274 job seekers.** That is by 32,441 more than at the end of December 2013. The number of job seekers increased by 43,465 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 614,870 (614,223 in age 15 to 64 years).

**In the course of January, job offices registered altogether 81,446 newcomers.** That is by 21,701 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 2,059 newly registered job seekers less than in January of the preceding year.

**In January, job offices registration was terminated with 49,005 job seekers.** New jobs have been taken up by 29,573 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,432 job seekers due to other reasons.

**A monthly increase of unemployed was registered by 77 districts** in the Czech Republic - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Jeseník (23.0 %), České Budějovice (14.4 %), Prachatice (14.3 %), Písek (12.1 %), Znojmo (12.0 %).

**At the end of January, job offices registered 297,235 female job seekers,** that is 47.2 % of the unemployed in total, and **60,700 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 9.6 % of the unemployed in total.

**In January 2014, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 150,528 job seekers,** that is 23.9 % of all job seekers under registration (December 2013 – 20.1 %, January 2013 – 23.6 %).

**By January 31, 2014 there were 40,283 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.**

Since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013, the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs has replaced the indicator of registered unemployment with a new indicator named the **share of unemployed persons**. It is the ratio of available job seekers aged 15 to 64 years in the population of the same age.

**By January 31, 2014, the share of unemployed was 8.6 %** (December 2013 – 8.2 %, January 2013 – 8.0 %, 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 40 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (15.2 %), Jeseník (14.6 %), Most (14.0 %), Ústí nad Labem (13.07 %), and Karviná and Znojmo (both 12.8 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (3.6 %), Praha-západ (4.4 %), Mladá Boleslav (4.9 %), Praha (5.4 %), Plzeň-jih and Rokycany (both 5,8 %). **Share of unemployed - women was 8.2 % and share of unemployed - men was 9.0 %.**

**By January 31, 2014, job offices registered altogether 36,394 vacancies.** That is by 1,216 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 2,600 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 17.3 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Jeseník (85.5), Bruntál (70.1), Karviná (65.7) and Přerov (52.4). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 3,891 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity, that is 15.6 seekers per vacancy.

**Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT - ILO) was 6.8 % in December 2013.**