

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2016

By December 31, 2016 job offices registered altogether 381,373 job seekers. That is by 18,618 more than at the end of November. The number of job seekers decreased by 71,745 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 360,170.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 54,692 newcomers. That is by 7,261 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 4,111 newly registered job seekers less than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 36,074 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 20,172 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 15,902 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 3 districts – Praha (1.6 %), Most (0.3 %) and Karviná (0.02 %). **A monthly increase of unemployed** was registered by 74 districts - Jindřichův Hradec (28.4 %), Prachatice (21.9 %), Pelhřimov (19.4 %), Chrudim (18.1 %), Klatovy (17.1 %), Břeclav (15.2 %), Jeseník (14.5 %) and Havlíčkův Brod (14.2 %).

At the end of December, job offices registered 191,996 female job seekers, that is 50.3 % of the unemployed in total, and **54,555 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 14.3 % of the unemployed in total.

By December 31, 2016, 16,976 school leavers with all levels of education and **juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.5 % (November 2016 – 4.9 %, December 2015 – 4.9 %).

In December 2016, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 102,950 job seekers, that is 27.0 % of all job seekers under registration (November 2016 – 24.3 %, December 2015 – 23.9 %).

By December 31, 2016, there were 26,981 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy and there were **44,654 vacancies** delimited for persons with reduced working capacity.

By December 31, 2016, the share of unemployed was 5.2 % (November 2016 – 4.9 %, December 2015 – 6.2 %), time series - http://portal.mpsv.cz/sz/stat/nz/casove_rady.

Share of unemployed equal or higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 36 districts, the highest being in Karviná (10.3 %), Most (10.1 %), Bruntál (9.5 %), Ostrava-město (8.9 %), Ústí nad Labem (8.6 %), Jeseník and Znojmo (both 8.5 %), Chomutov (8.2 %) and Hodonín (8.0 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Rychnov nad Kněžnou and Praha-východ (both 1.8 %), Mladá Boleslav (2.7 %), Praha-západ and Benešov (both 2.8 %), Jičín and Plzeň-město (both 3.0 %). **Share of unemployed - men was 5.1 % and share of unemployed - women was 5.3 %.**

By December 31, 2016, job offices registered altogether 132,496 vacancies. That is by 2,804 vacancies less than in the preceding month and by 29,951 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 2.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (15.9), Jeseník (11.2), Ústí nad Labem (10.8), Hodonín (10.4), Sokolov (9.9), Znojmo (9.8), Chomutov (8.3) and Bruntál (7.8). In this

monitored period, there were registered by job offices 11,331 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 4.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 38,640 vacancies, that is 0.4 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **3.8 % in October**.