

Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by December 31, 2018

By December 31, 2018 job offices registered altogether 231,534 job seekers. That is by 16,524 more than at the end of November. The number of job seekers decreased by 49,086 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 210,712.

In the course of job offices registered altogether 42,067 newcomers. That is by 925 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 3,211 newly registered job seekers less than in December of the preceding year.

In December, job offices registration was terminated with 25,543 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 13,758 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 11,785 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly increase of unemployed was registered **by 75 districts** - relatively the greatest increase was monitored in districts Prachatice (34.4 %), Chrudim (30.2 %), Jindřichův Hradec (29.5 %), Svitavy (25.0 %), Tachova (21.0 %), Klatovy (20.1 %), Písek (19.0 %) and Břeclav (18.9 %). **A monthly decrease of unemployed** was registered **by 2 districts** - Most (1.0 %) and Praha-západ (0.2 %).

At the end of December, job offices registered 117,822 female job seekers, that is 50.9 % of the unemployed in total, and **38,268 persons with reduced working capacity,** that is 16.5 % of the unemployed in total.

By December 31, 2018, 10,257 school leavers with all levels of education **and juveniles were registered.** Thus they share in the total unemployment by 4.4 % (November 2018 – 5.0 %, December 2017 – 4.1 %).

In December 2018, job offices paid off unemployment benefits 82,355 job seekers, that is 35.6 % of all job seekers under registration (November 2018 – 33.1 %, December 2017 – 30.5 %).

By December 31, 2018, there were 14,850 jobseekers supported through financial benefits of active employment policy.

By December 31, 2018, the share of unemployed was 3.1 % (November 2018 – 2.8 %, December 2017 – 3.8 %), 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 32 districts, the highest being in Karviná (6.9 %), Bruntál (6.0 %), Znojmo (5.9 %), Most (5.7 %), Jeseník (5.6 %), Ostrava-město and Hodonín (both 5.2 %), Chomutov and Ústí nad Labem (both 5.0 %). The lowest share of unemployed was in districts of Praha-východ (1.1 %), Rychnov nad Kněžnou (1.3 %), Praha-západ (1.5 %). Benešov (1.6 %), Pelhřimov, Ústí nad Orlicí and Plzeň-jih (all 1.7 %), Cheb, Jičín and Plzeň-město (all 1.8 %).

Share of unemployed - men was 3.0 % and share of unemployed – women was 3.2 %.

By December 31, 2018, job offices registered altogether 324,410 vacancies. That is by 868 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 107,781 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 0.7 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Karviná (5.4), Jeseník (4.2), Ústí nad Labem

(3.3), Bruntál and Znojmo (both 3.1), Hodonín (2.6), Most (2.5), Sokolov (2.4), Děčín and Přerov (both 2.1). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 13,514 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 2.8 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 73,068 vacancies, that is 0.1 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rate (EUROSTAT – ILO, NSA data) was **2.0 % in October 2018**.