Information on Unemployment in the Czech Republic by April 30, 2012

By April 30, 2012 job offices registered altogether 497,322 job seekers. That is by 27,858 less than at the end of March. The number of job seekers decreased by 16,520 persons compared with the same period of the preceding year. The number of available job seekers (job seekers currently available for work) was 480,818.

In the course of April, job offices registered altogether 39,879 newcomers. That is by 1,420 job seekers more than in the preceding month and by 6,800 newly registered job seekers less than in April of the preceding year.

In April, job offices registration was terminated with 67,737 job seekers. New jobs have been taken up by 48,055 persons. In the course of the above-said month, job offices excluded 19,682 job seekers due to other reasons.

A monthly decrease of unemployed was registered by 76 districts in the Czech Republic – relatively the greatest decrease was monitored in districts Písek (12.6 %), Jindřichův Hradec (12.5 %), Prachatice (12.4 %), Chrudim and Pelhřimov (both 12.2 %).

At the end of April, job offices registered 247,572 female job seekers, that is 49.8 % of the unemployed in total, and 60,915 persons with reduced working capacity, that is 12.2 % of the unemployed in total.

By April 30, 2012, 26,572 school leavers with all levels of education and juveniles were registered. Thus they share in the total unemployment by 5.3 % (March 2012 – 5.5 %, April 2011 – 6.2 %).

In April 2012, job offices paid off unemployment benefits to 108,328 job seekers, that is 21.8 % of all job seekers under registration (March 2012 - 24.0 %, April 2011 - 26.2 %).

By April 30, 2012, the unemployment rate was 8.4 % (March 2012: 8.9 %, April 2011: 8.6 %). Unemployment rate higher than average of the Czech Republic was shown in 43 districts, the highest being in Bruntál (15.9 %), Most (15.7 %), Jeseník (15.2 %), Děčín (14.0 %) and Hodonín (13.9 %). The lowest unemployment rate was in districts of Prahavýchod (3.3 %), hl. m. Praha (4.0 %), Praha-západ (4.2 %) and Mladá Boleslav (4.7 %). The unemployment rate - women was 9.7 % and unemployment rate - men was 7.5 %.

By April 30, job offices registered altogether 41,707 vacancies. That is by 1,801 vacancies more than in the preceding month and by 5,654 vacancies more than in the same period of the preceding year. At present, there have been 11.9 job seekers for one vacancy at average, the highest amount being in districts of Třebíč (60.1), Teplice (44.3), Hodonín (37.7), Bruntál (31.9), Ústí nad Labem (31.5) and Děčín (30.5). In this monitored period, there were registered by job offices 2,833 vacancies for persons with reduced working capacity that is 21.5 seekers per vacancy. In the case of school leavers and juveniles, there were registered altogether 5,523 vacancies, that is 4.8 seekers per vacancy.

Unemployment rates (EUROSTAT) was 6.9 % in March 2012.