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REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED: AUGUST 2026

The unemployed persons, registered at the District Labour Offices on the last day of August 2026, reached 12.385 persons. Based on the seasonally adjusted data, which reflect the trend in unemployment, the number of registered unemployed persons increased to 10.671 in August 2026, compared with 10.563 in the previous month. (Table 1)

Compared with August 2025, the number of registered unemployed persons increased by 829, or 7,2%. This increase is mainly attributed to the sectors of public administration, education, administrative and support service activities and information and communication. (Table 2)

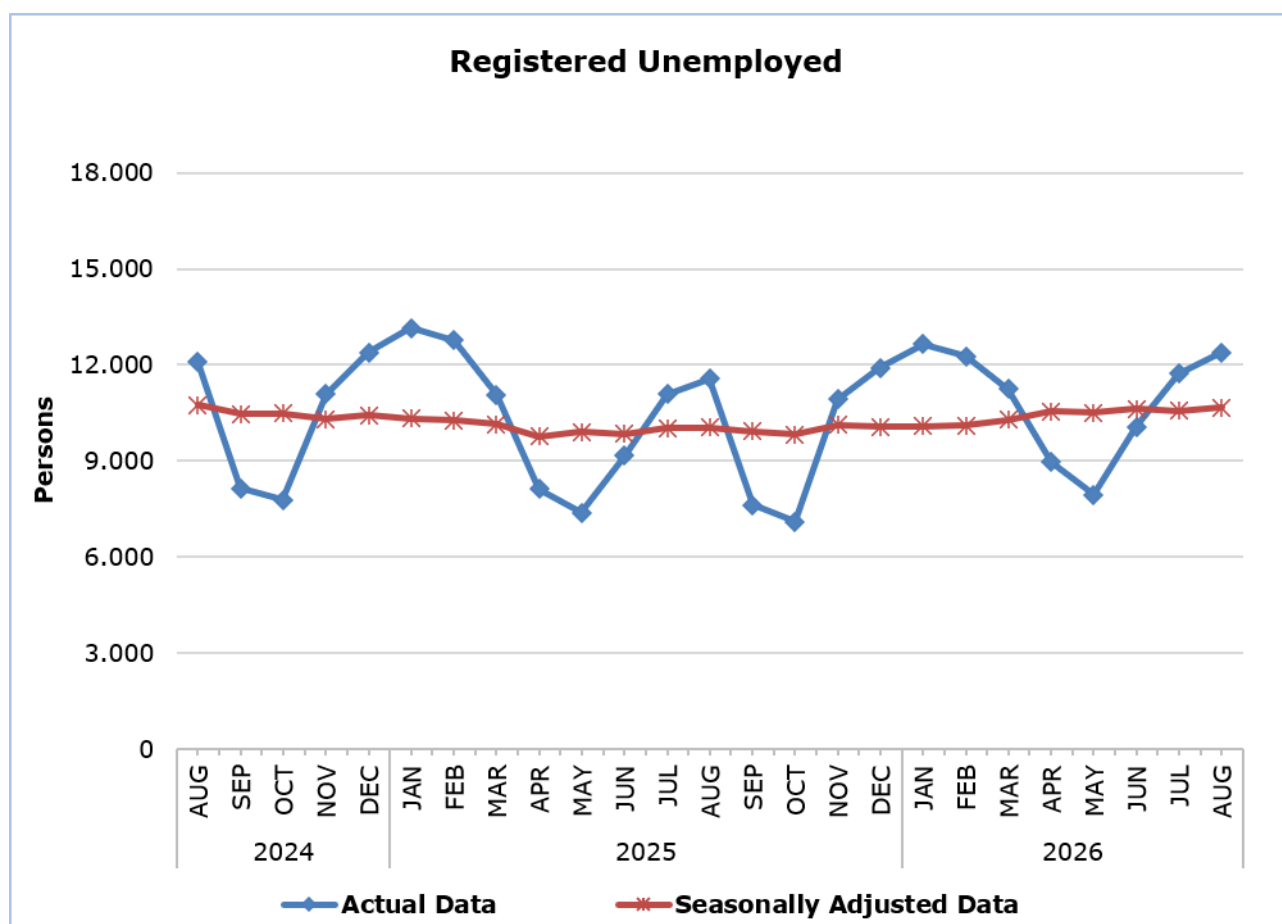


Table 1

Month and Year	Registered Unemployed – Actual Data	Registered Unemployed – Seasonally Adjusted Data
<u>2026</u>		
August	12.385	10.671
July	11.728	10.563
June	10.056	10.634
May	7.936	10.497
April	8.962	10.551
March	11.243	10.286
February	12.273	10.095
January	12.650	10.086
<u>2025</u>		
December	11.901	10.056
November	10.924	10.114
October	7.099	9.827
September	7.624	9.914
August	11.556	10.042
July	11.088	10.024
June	9.153	9.845
May	7.378	9.900
April	8.118	9.766
March	11.073	10.139
February	12.761	10.270
January	13.147	10.329
<u>2024</u>		
December	12.382	10.418
November	11.087	10.303
October	7.781	10.478
September	8.142	10.459
August	12.079	10.752
July	11.877	10.891

Table 2

Nace Rev. 2	Economic Activity	Registered Unemployed (actual data)		
		August 2025	July 2026	August 2026
A	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	49	53	51
B	Mining and Quarrying	9	8	6
C	Manufacturing	433	466	485
D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	6	2	5
E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	21	10	11
F	Construction	408	369	377
G	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	1.363	1.355	1.404
H	Transportation and Storage	296	310	316
I	Accommodation and Food Service Activities	798	889	841
J	Information and Communication	451	512	544
K	Financial and Insurance Activities	372	398	397
L	Real Estate Activities	97	121	123
M	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	792	847	879
N	Administrative and Support Service Activities	340	436	438
O	Public Administration and Defense, Compulsory Social Security	3.214	3.193	3.455
P	Education	1.818	1.731	1.939
Q	Human Health and Social Work Activities	348	311	372
R	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	208	224	212
S	Other Service Activities	219	236	248
T	Activities of Households	15	14	12
U	Activities of Extra-territorial Organizations and Bodies	9	9	11
	Newcomers	290	234	259
Total		11.556	11.728	12.385

METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Registered Unemployed

The number of registered unemployed persons refers to persons aged 15 years and over who apply to the District and Local Labour Offices of the Department of Labour in order to seek employment and who are registered as unemployed. These persons must be able and available for work and must be actively looking for a job. The monthly number of registered unemployed persons refers to persons who, on the last day of the month, have an active application for seeking employment.

The number of registered unemployed does not include self-employed or persons who seek part-time employment, nor persons who seek employment in certain areas or for a specific employer.

Seasonally Adjusted Data

Seasonal adjustment is a statistical technique that removes the seasonal component of a time series, making more visible the underlying trend in the change of a characteristic. CYSTAT uses the JDemetra+ 2.2.2 software which was developed by Eurostat. Seasonally adjusted series are produced by the TRAMO&SEATS algorithm. It should be noted that due to seasonal adjustment the whole series with the monthly estimates is recalculated every time a new month is added in time series. As a result, estimations for the previous months are often revised. In March 2020 a readjustment of the applied model was implemented.

Methodological Changes

According to information provided by the Department of Labour, from Tuesday June 15, 2021, the automatic renewal of registrations was terminated and the online platform of the Public Employment Service was activated to allow the registration of a new job application, its renewal, as well as a job vacancy registration. This settlement may affect the comparison of the monthly unemployment data recorded through this procedure with the data recorded from the previous procedures.

Classification System

Registered unemployed by economic activity are published based on the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community, Rev. 2 (NACE Rev.2).

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