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REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED: **FEBRUARY 2025**

The unemployed persons, registered at the District Labour Offices on the last day of February 2025, reached 12.761 persons. Based on the seasonally adjusted data that show the trend of unemployment, the number of registered unemployed for February 2025 decreased to 10.272 persons, in comparison to 10.417 in the previous month. (Table 1)

In comparison with February 2024, a decrease of 1.543 persons or 10,8% was recorded, attributed mainly to the sectors of financial and insurance activities, accommodation and food service activities, trade, construction, as well as to the decrease recorded for newcomers in the labour market. (Table 2)
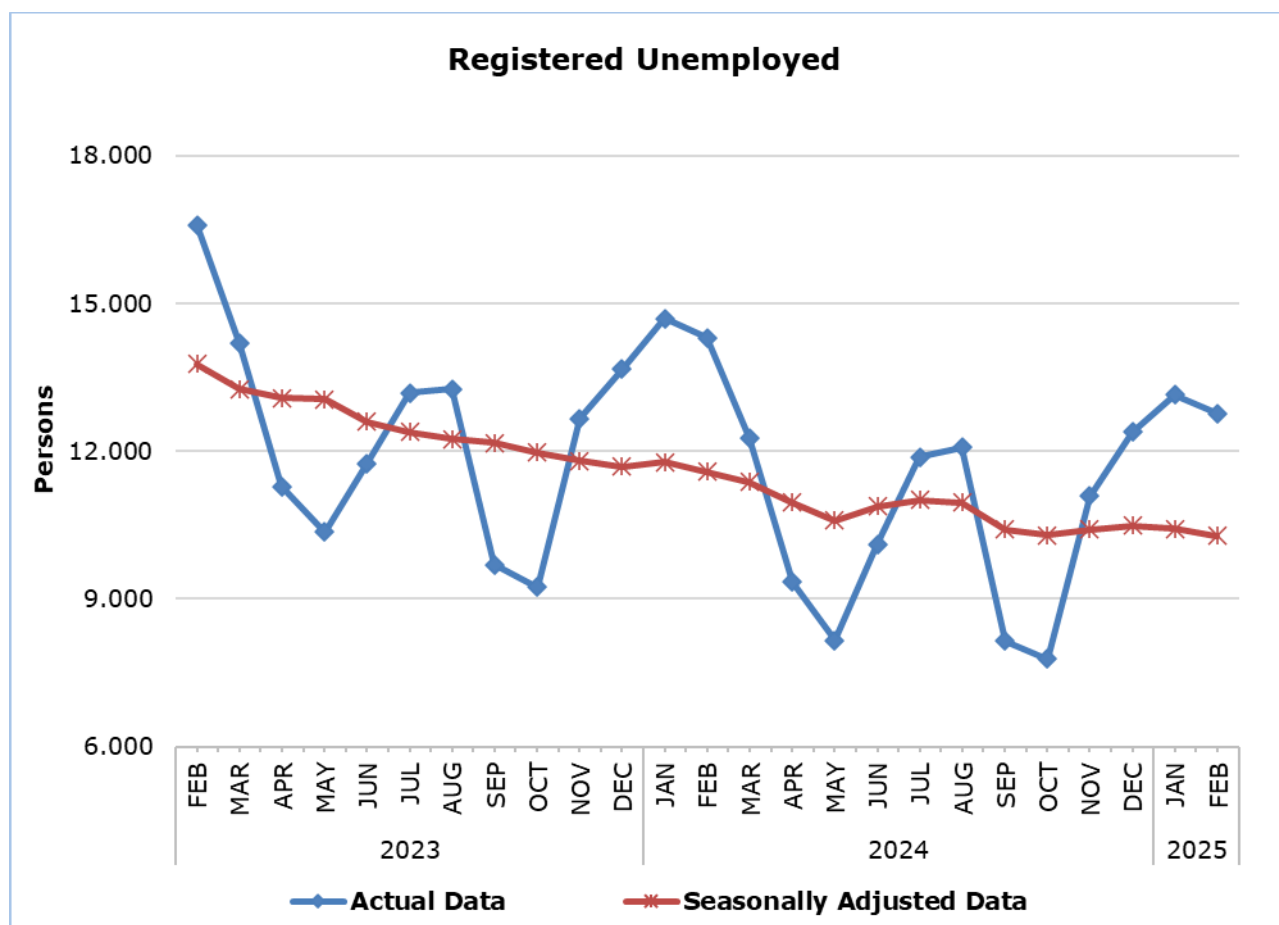
Table 1

Month and Year	Registered Unemployed – Actual Data	Registered Unemployed – Seasonally Adjusted Data
2025		
February	**12.761**	**10.272**
January	13.147	10.417
2024		
December	12.382	10.487
November	11.087	10.403
October	7.781	10.287
September	8.142	10.403
August	12.079	10.954
July	11.877	11.003
June	10.112	10.877
May	8.159	10.589
April	9.343	10.956
March	12.277	11.370
February	14.304	11.586
January	14.699	11.778
2023		
December	13.670	11.687
November	12.662	11.804
October	9.232	11.973
September	9.693	12.169
August	13.256	12.240
July	13.187	12.382
June	11.747	12.600
May	10.357	13.049
April	11.284	13.075
March	14.197	13.259
February	16.597	13.762
January	16.758	13.797

Table 2

Nace Rev.2	Economic Activity	Registered Unemployed (actual data)		
		February 2024	January 2025	February 2025
A	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	72	52	48
B	Mining and Quarrying	9	9	9
C	Manufacturing	636	582	597
D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	4	4	4
E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	30	21	20
F	Construction	697	559	530
G	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	2.003	1.868	1.833
H	Transportation and Storage	747	725	713
I	Accommodation and Food Service Activities	4.754	4.768	4.508
J	Information and Communication	424	398	407
K	Financial and Insurance Activities	717	410	402
L	Real Estate Activities	118	151	156
M	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	891	730	728
N	Administrative and Support Service Activities	602	580	566
O	Public Administration and Defense, Compulsory Social Security	752	738	712
P	Education	326	252	255
Q	Human Health and Social Work Activities	257	266	273
R	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	335	301	307
S	Other Service Activities	350	329	316
T	Activities of Households	18	11	10
U	Activities of Extra-territorial Organizations and Bodies	9	8	9
	Newcomers	553	385	358
	Total	**14.304**	**13.147**	**12.761**

METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Registered Unemployed
The number of registered unemployed concerns the persons aged 15 years and over who apply at the District and Local Labour Offices of the Department of Labour to seek employment and are registered as unemployed. These persons have to be able and available for work and must be actively looking for a job. The monthly number of registered unemployed concerns the persons who during 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).

For more information:
CYSTAT Portal, subtheme Labour Market
CYSTAT-DB (Online Database)
Predefined Tables (Excel)
Methodological Information

The data included in the Predefined Tables in Excel format are available up to December 2021. Data from January 2022 onwards are available only in the CYSTAT-DB Online Database.

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