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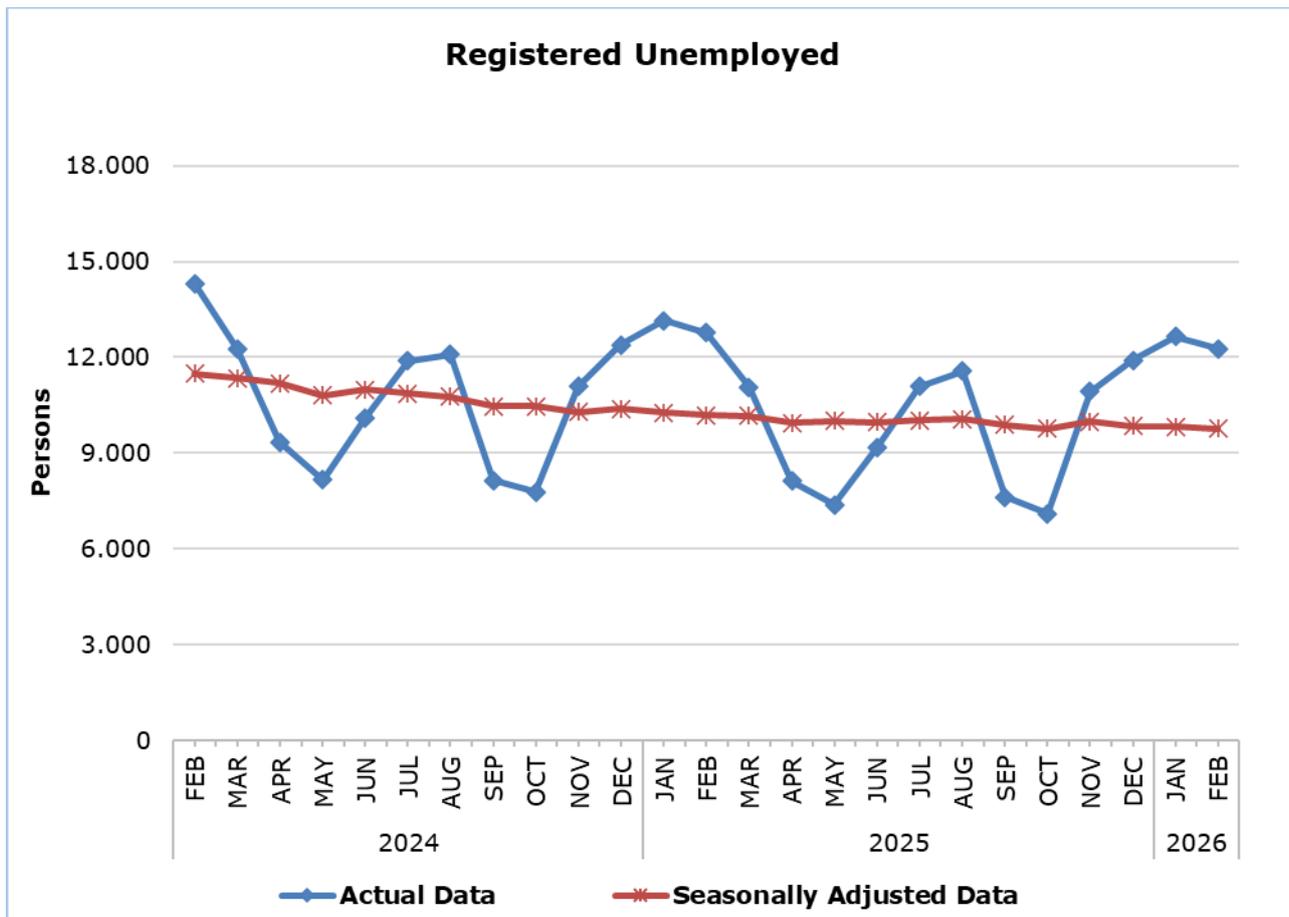
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## PRESS RELEASE

### REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED: FEBRUARY 2026

The unemployed persons, registered at the District Labour Offices on the last day of February 2026, reached 12.273 persons. Based on the seasonally adjusted data which reflect the trend of unemployment, the number of registered unemployed for February 2026 decreased to 9.773 persons, in comparison to 9.832 in the previous month. (Table 1)

In comparison with February 2025, a decrease of 488 persons or 3,8% was recorded. This decrease is mainly attributed to the sectors of accommodation and food service activities, construction, trade, manufacturing, as well as to the decrease recorded for newcomers in the labour market. (Table 2)



**Table 1**

<b>Month and Year</b>	<b>Registered Unemployed – Actual Data</b>	<b>Registered Unemployed – Seasonally Adjusted Data</b>
<b><u>2026</u></b>		
<b>February</b>	<b>12.273</b>	<b>9.773</b>
January	12.650	9.832
<b><u>2025</u></b>		
December	11.901	9.848
November	10.924	9.988
October	7.099	9.757
September	7.624	9.884
August	11.556	10.068
July	11.088	10.029
June	9.153	9.969
May	7.378	10.000
April	8.118	9.945
March	11.073	10.169
February	12.761	10.190
January	13.147	10.264
<b><u>2024</u></b>		
December	12.382	10.377
November	11.087	10.278
October	7.781	10.457
September	8.142	10.467
August	12.079	10.757
July	11.877	10.872
June	10.112	10.993
May	8.159	10.809
April	9.343	11.175
March	12.277	11.341
February	14.304	11.486
January	14.699	11.647

**Table 2**

Nace Rev. 2	Economic Activity	Registered Unemployed (actual data)		
		February 2025	January 2026	February 2026
A	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	48	45	47
B	Mining and Quarrying	9	12	11
C	Manufacturing	597	510	522
D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	4	6	5
E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	20	17	14
F	Construction	530	395	383
G	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	1.833	1.781	1.750
H	Transportation and Storage	713	680	670
I	Accommodation and Food Service Activities	4.508	4.607	4.338
J	Information and Communication	407	413	415
K	Financial and Insurance Activities	402	376	389
L	Real Estate Activities	156	123	126
M	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	728	842	826
N	Administrative and Support Service Activities	566	634	620
O	Public Administration and Defense, Compulsory Social Security	712	733	706
P	Education	255	265	267
Q	Human Health and Social Work Activities	273	298	291
R	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	307	303	298
S	Other Service Activities	316	320	325
T	Activities of Households	10	11	11
U	Activities of Extra-territorial Organizations and Bodies	9	11	12
	Newcomers	358	268	247
	<b>Total</b>	<b>12.761</b>	<b>12.650</b>	<b>12.273</b>

## **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:***

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