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REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED: JANUARY 2026

The unemployed persons, registered at the District Labour Offices on the last day of January 2026, reached 12.650 persons. Based on the seasonally adjusted data which reflect the trend of unemployment, the number of registered unemployed for January 2026 decreased to 9.848 persons, in comparison to 9.863 in the previous month. (Table 1)

In comparison with January 2025, a decrease of 497 persons or 3,8% was recorded. This decrease is mainly attributed to the sectors of construction, accommodation and food service activities, trade, manufacturing, as well as to the decrease recorded for newcomers in the labour market. (Table 2)

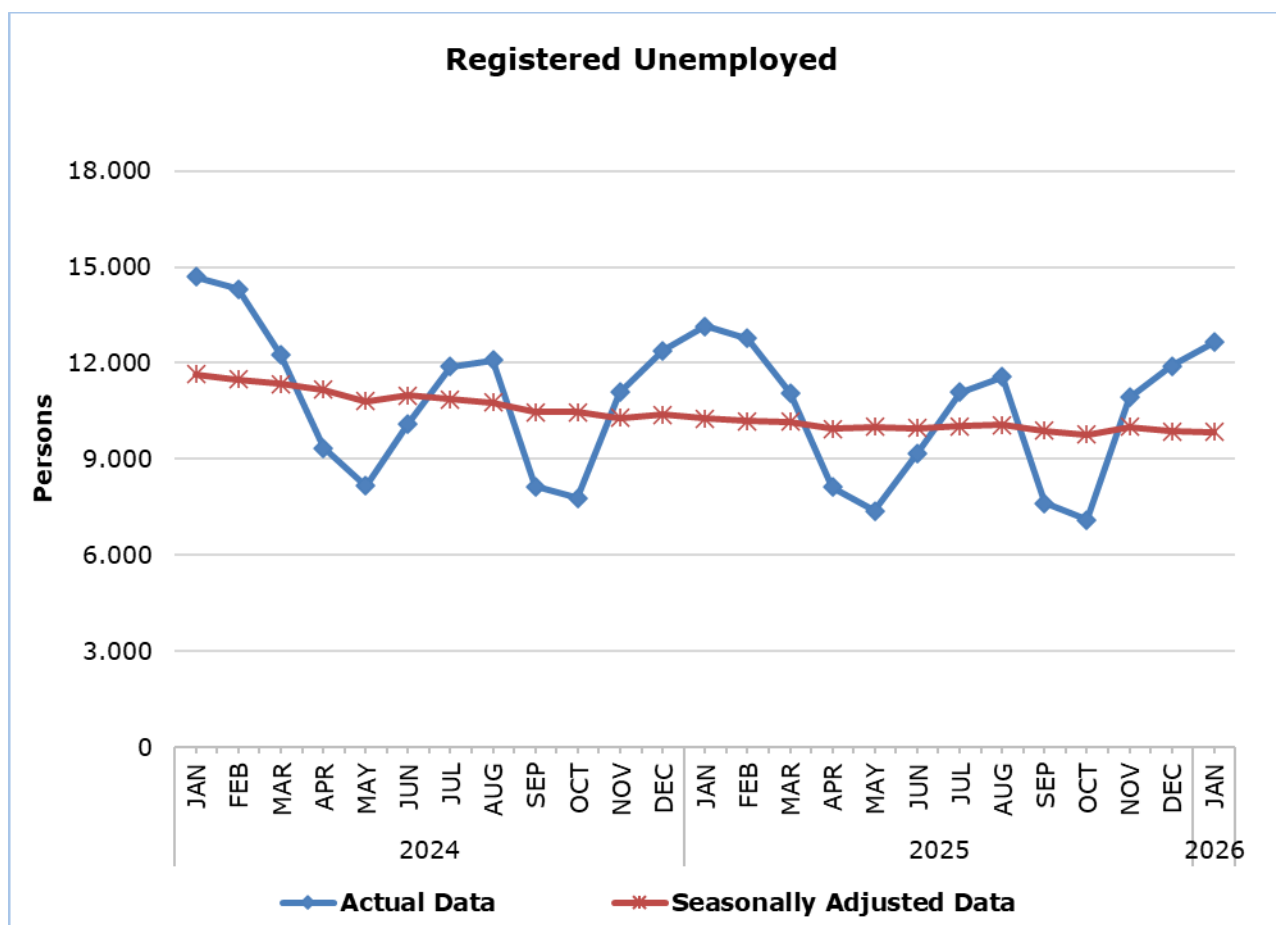


Table 1

Month and Year	Registered Unemployed – Actual Data	Registered Unemployed – Seasonally Adjusted Data
<u>2026</u>		
January	12.650	9.848
<u>2025</u>		
December	11.901	9.863
November	10.924	9.999
October	7.099	9.765
September	7.624	9.889
August	11.556	10.071
July	11.088	10.029
June	9.153	9.967
May	7.378	9.996
April	8.118	9.940
March	11.073	10.163
February	12.761	10.182
January	13.147	10.268
<u>2024</u>		
December	12.382	10.379
November	11.087	10.281
October	7.781	10.458
September	8.142	10.468
August	12.079	10.757
July	11.877	10.872
June	10.112	10.993
May	8.159	10.808
April	9.343	11.174
March	12.277	11.340
February	14.304	11.484
January	14.699	11.648
<u>2023</u>		
December	13.670	11.649

Table 2

Nace Rev. 2	Economic Activity	Registered Unemployed (actual data)		
		January 2025	December 2025	January 2026
A	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	52	40	45
B	Mining and Quarrying	9	12	12
C	Manufacturing	582	474	510
D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	4	6	6
E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	21	17	17
F	Construction	559	387	395
G	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	1.868	1.651	1.781
H	Transportation and Storage	725	671	680
I	Accommodation and Food Service Activities	4.768	4.303	4.607
J	Information and Communication	398	402	413
K	Financial and Insurance Activities	410	365	376
L	Real Estate Activities	151	104	123
M	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	730	787	842
N	Administrative and Support Service Activities	580	584	634
O	Public Administration and Defense, Compulsory Social Security	738	739	733
P	Education	252	260	265
Q	Human Health and Social Work Activities	266	283	298
R	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	301	268	303
S	Other Service Activities	329	271	320
T	Activities of Households	11	10	11
U	Activities of Extra-territorial Organizations and Bodies	8	13	11
	Newcomers	385	254	268
Total		13.147	11.901	12.650

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).

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