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Unemployment stable

The Dutch unemployment situation is stable. According to the latest figures by Statistics Netherlands the number of registered unemployed averaged 184 thousand during the period December-February.

Low level of unemployment stable

In December 2000 – February 2001 there were 184 thousand people unemployed, on average, which is down 3 thousand on November 2000 – January 2001. A rise in unemployment is not unusual for this season. The seasonally corrected figure shows that unemployment was actually down 8 thousand on the previous three-month period. The figures for registered unemployment are based on a sample survey, which have a sizeable margin of error. Therefore the unemployment trend should be determined over a longer period.

Compared to six months ago the number of unemployed people is down 6 thousand. In the previous six months the figures first went up slightly and then down slightly. However, these differences are within the margins usual for sample surveys. So unemployment is stable. Seen from a historical perspective the level of registered unemployment is low at 2.5% of the labour force.

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Table 1. Registered unemployment,

Original figures, changes on the previous year, seasonally corrected, average monthly change in the last three month period.

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Tabel 1. Geregistreerde werklozen 1)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mrt.	Apr.	Mei.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Okt.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>x 1 000</i>												
Oorspronkelijke cijfers												
1980	209	204	188	179	181	195	217	227	233	239	254	275
1981	289	290	285	273	272	289	318	330	337	352	369	398
1982	413	418	414	413	417	449	476	490	505	518	538	569
1983	583	591	587	583	585	619	632	639	633	625	629	639
1984	639	633	613	594	585	587	586	597	581	565	558	555
1985	558	552	528	506	494	489	503	514	502	494	495	501
1986	510	502	485	466	458	458	476	474	469	464	461	470
1987	473	469	456	438	427	429	453	460	460	463	466	482
1988	491	493	468	432	428	437	447	450	439	444	443	443
1989	441	432	421	405	395	407	418	417	400	391	383	382
1990	379	377	366	351	351	355	359	355	354	348	349	353
1991	356	360	343	332	323	332	333	332	321	321	323	322
1992	329	329	338	328	323	323	326	341	341	352	353	364
1993	382	391	400	387	394	394	416	421	438	448	453	480
1994	495	520	500	483	461	465	470	484	484	490	480	492
1995	484	497	477	465	446	445	453	453	450	451	459	463
1996	468	469	465	441	418	415	433	441	438	431	432	437
1997	429	415	399	381	376	378	379	372	351	349	336	340
1998	346	346	318	289	270	270	273	271	265	262	260	265
1999	263	265	246	227	216	209	213	212	211	206	189	201
2000	201	217	201	195	173	171	169	176	181	190	186	187
2001	184											
verandering t.o.v. een jaar eerder												
1981	80	86	97	94	91	94	101	103	104	113	115	123
1982	124	128	129	140	145	160	158	160	168	166	169	171
1983	170	173	173	170	168	170	156	149	128	107	91	70
1984	56	42	26	11	0	-32	-46	-42	-52	-60	-71	-84
1985	-81	-81	-85	-88	-91	-98	-83	-83	-79	-71	-63	-54
1986	-48	-50	-43	-40	-36	-31	-27	-40	-33	-30	-34	-31
1987	-37	-33	-29	-28	-31	-29	-23	-14	-9	-1	5	12
1988	18	24	12	-6	1	8	-6	-10	-21	-19	-23	-39
1989	-50	-61	-47	-27	-33	-30	-29	-33	-39	-53	-60	-61
1990	-62	-55	-55	-54	-44	-52	-59	-62	-46	-43	-34	-29
1991	-23	-17	-23	-19	-28	-23	-26	-23	-33	-27	-26	-31
1992	-27	-31	-5	-4	0	-9	-7	9	20	31	30	42
1993	53	62	62	59	71	71	90	80	97	96	100	116
1994	113	129	100	96	67	71	54	63	46	42	27	12
1995	-11	-23	-23	-18	-15	-20	-17	-31	-34	-39	-21	-29
1996	-16	-28	-12	-24	-28	-30	-20	-12	-12	-20	-27	-26
1997	-39	-54	-66	-60	-42	-37	-54	-69	-87	-82	-96	-97
1998	-83	-69	-81	-92	-106	-108	-106	-101	-86	-87	-76	-75
1999	-83	-81	-72	-62	-54	-61	-60	-59	-54	-56	-71	-64
2000	-62	-48	-45	-32	-43	-38	-44	-36	-30	-16	-3	-14
2001	-17											
Na verwijdering van seizoensinvloeden												
1990	365	359	356	357	366	367	365	358	357	349	350	347
1991	343	342	334	338	338	345	339	334	324	322	324	315
1992	316	311	328	333	339	336	332	343	344	353	354	357
1993	368	374	390	392	411	407	423	423	441	449	454	472
1994	481	502	491	489	478	479	476	486	487	491	480	484
1995	470	480	467	470	463	459	460	455	452	451	459	455
1996	456	451	455	446	435	430	440	443	441	431	433	428
1997	416	398	390	386	393	393	386	373	353	348	336	330
1998	333	328	309	294	287	285	280	273	267	262	260	256
1999	250	248	238	231	233	223	221	214	213	206	189	192
2000	188	199	193	200	190	185	177	178	183	189	186	179
2001	171											
gemiddelde verandering per maand in de laatste drie maanden												
1992	-2	-4	4	6	9	3	0	1	3	7	4	4
1993	5	7	11	8	12	6	10	4	11	9	10	10
1994	11	16	6	3	-8	-4	-4	3	3	5	-2	-1
1995	-7	0	-6	0	-6	-3	-3	-3	-2	-3	1	1
1996	2	-3	0	-3	-5	-8	-2	3	4	-3	-3	-4
1997	-5	-12	-13	-10	-2	1	0	-7	-13	-13	-12	-8
1998	-5	-3	-7	-13	-14	-8	-5	-5	-6	-6	-4	-4
1999	-4	-4	-6	-6	-5	-5	-3	-6	-3	-5	-8	-7
2000	-6	3	0	4	-3	-3	-8	-4	-1	4	3	-1
2001	-6											

Bron: CBS, Statistiek geregistreerde werkloosheid.

1) Tot en met 1987 maandcijfers, vanaf 1988 driemaandsgemiddelden opgenomen onder de middelste maand.

1) until 1988 monthly figures, since 1988 three month average registered for the month in the middle.

Tabel 2. Geregistreerde werklozen naar geslacht, leeftijd en duur inschrijving

	Geslacht		Leeftijd			Duur inschrijving		Totaal
	man	vrouw	16-24	25-34	35-64	<1 jaar	>= 1 jaar	
			jaar	jaar	jaar			
x 1 000								
1992	195	141	76	113	147	171	165	336
1993	240	175	100	142	173	227	188	415
1994	283	203	104	168	213	242	244	486
1995	260	204	89	159	215	217	247	464
1996	240	201	75	145	220	219	221	440
1997	199	176	54	119	201	180	195	375
1998	155	132	40	86	160	132	155	287
1999	115	106	32	62	127	110	111	221
2000	98	90	23	49	115	106	82	188
Dec.'99-Feb.'00	116	85	26	53	123	106	95	201
Dec.'00-Feb.'01	104	79	26	48	111	119	65	184
in % van de beroepsbevolking								
1992	4,9	6,1	7,5	5,6	4,5			5,3
1993	6,0	7,3	10,1	6,9	5,1			6,5
1994	7,0	8,3	11,1	8,2	6,2			7,5
1995	6,4	8,1	10,0	7,6	6,0			7,0
1996	5,9	7,8	8,6	6,8	6,0			6,6
1997	4,8	6,5	6,2	5,6	5,2			5,5
1998	3,7	4,8	4,8	4,0	4,0			4,1
1999	2,7	3,7	3,6	2,9	3,1			3,1
2000 *	2,3	3,1	2,7	2,4	2,7			2,6
Dec.'99-Feb.'00	2,7	2,9	2,9	2,6	2,9			2,8
Dec.'00-Feb.'01 *	2,4	2,7	2,9	2,3	2,6			2,5

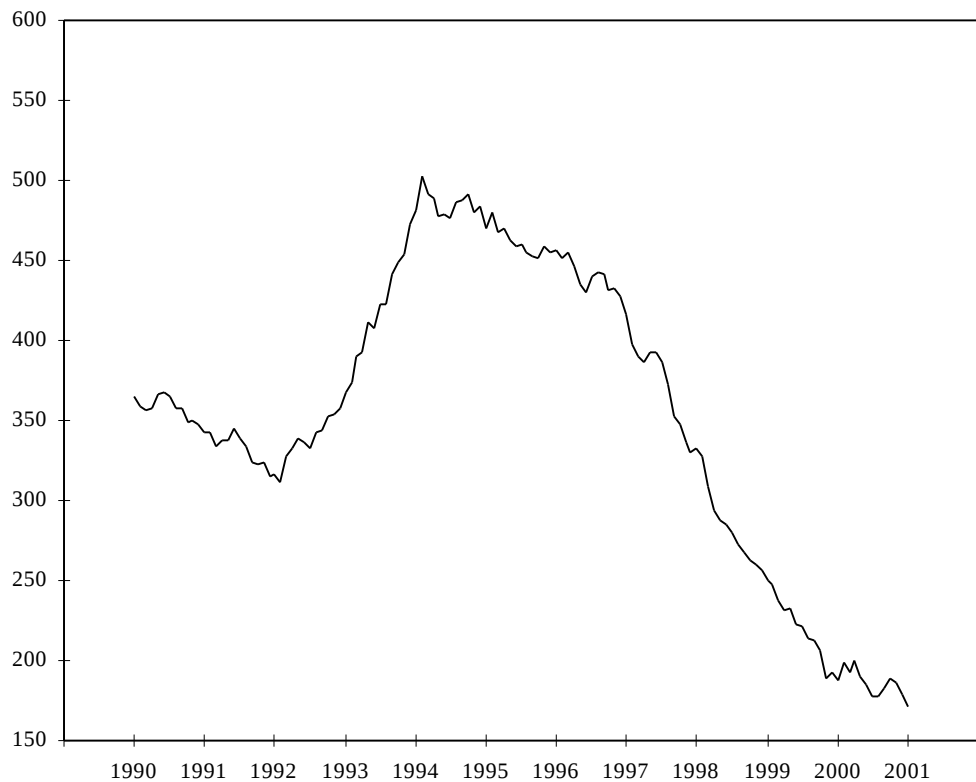
Bron: CBS, Statistiek geregistreerde werkloosheid.

*voorlopig cijfer, in procenten van de beroepsbevolking 2000.

- preliminary figures as a percentage of the labour force 2000.

Seasonally corrected registered unemployment

**Geregistreeerde werklozen
na verwijdering van seizoensinvloeden
x 1 000**



Source: Statistics Netherlands