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Economically Active Population Survey in October 2022

< Economically active population and labor force participation rate >

- The economically active population marked 29.110 million persons in October, which grew 582 thousand persons or 2.0% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 64.3% in October, up 1.1%p year-on-year.

< Employed persons and employment to population ratio >

- The number of employed persons totaled 28.418 million persons in October, which went up 677 thousand persons or 2.4% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 62.7% in October, up 1.3%p year-on-year.

< Unemployed persons and unemployment rate >

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 692 thousand people in October, which decreased 95 thousand persons or 12.1% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 2.4% in October, down 0.4%p year-on-year.

< Economically inactive population >

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.192 million people in October, decreasing 428 thousand persons or 2.6% year-on-year.

Economically Active Population Survey (EAPS) in October, 2022

(Not seasonally adjusted)

(thousand persons, %, year-on-year)

	October 2021		September 2022		October 2022		
		Change rate		Change rate		Change	Change rate
● Population 15 years & over	45,148	0.7	45,284	0.4	45,302	154	0.3
■ Economically active population (Participation rate)	28,528 (63.2)	1.5	29,093 (64.2)	2.3	29,110 (64.3)	582 (1.1)	2.0
♦ Male (Labor Force Participation rate)	16,187 (72.8)	0.8	16,426 (73.7)	1.7	16,462 (73.8)	276 (1.0)	1.7
♦ Female (Labor Force Participation rate)	12,341 (53.8)	2.4	12,667 (55.1)	3.0	12,648 (55.0)	306 (1.2)	2.5
◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over)	61.4		62.7		62.7	1.3	
(Seasonally adjusted)	(60.9)		(62.2)		(62.2)		
♦ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years)	67.3		68.9		68.9	1.6	
(Seasonally adjusted)	(67.0)		(68.7)		(68.7)		
◦ Employed persons	27,741	2.4	28,389	2.6	28,418	677	2.4
♦ Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1,594	1.3	1,656	5.4	1,641	47	2.9
♦ Mining & manufacturing	4,334	-0.3	4,532	5.2	4,531	197	4.5
• Manufacturing	4,324	-0.3	4,526	5.3	4,525	201	4.7
♦ Construction	2,127	2.5	2,121	-0.6	2,139	12	0.6
♦ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food	5,427	-1.7	5,501	1.3	5,521	93	1.7
♦ Electricity, transport, communication & finance	3,428	9.0	3,490	2.2	3,485	57	1.7
♦ Business, personal, public service & others	10,830	3.9	11,091	2.5	11,102	272	2.5
♦ Regular employees	15,062	4.3	15,817	5.4	15,800	738	4.9
♦ Temporary employees	4,843	4.7	4,773	-2.4	4,758	-85	-1.8
♦ Daily workers	1,207	-11.9	1,102	-9.4	1,126	-80	-6.6
♦ Employers	1,313	-1.9	1,380	7.5	1,380	67	5.1
♦ Own account workers	4,256	1.1	4,331	2.0	4,354	99	2.3
♦ Unpaid family workers	1,061	-3.4	987	-5.6	1,000	-61	-5.8
◦ Unemployed persons	788	-23.4	704	-6.9	692	-95	-12.1
Unemployment rate	2.8		2.4		2.4	-0.4	
(Seasonally adjusted)	(3.2)		(2.8)		(2.8)		
♦ Male	457	-24.4	390	-12.7	395	-62	-13.6
Unemployment rate	2.8		2.4		2.4	-0.4	
(Seasonally adjusted)	(3.2)		(2.6)		(2.7)		
♦ Female	331	-21.9	313	1.4	298	-33	-10.0
Unemployment rate	2.7		2.5		2.4	-0.3	
(Seasonally adjusted)	(3.3)		(3.1)		(2.9)		
♦ Middle school graduates & under (Unemployment rate)	89 (2.2)	-21.9	55 (1.4)	-35.8	66 (1.7)	-24 (-0.5)	-26.7
♦ High school graduates (Unemployment rate)	328 (3.1)	-31.0	309 (2.9)	-1.7	304 (2.8)	-24 (-0.3)	-7.3
♦ College, univ. graduates & over (Unemployment rate)	371 (2.7)	-15.6	340 (2.4)	-4.6	323 (2.3)	-48 (-0.4)	-12.8
■ Economically inactive population	16,620	-0.7	16,191	-3.0	16,192	-428	-2.6



