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Economically Active Population Survey in March 2023

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<Economically active population and labor force participation rate>

- The economically active population marked 29.063 million persons in March, which grew 436 thousand persons or 1.5% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 64.1% in March, up 0.8%p year-on-year.

<Employed persons and employment to population ratio>

- The number of employed persons totaled 28.223 million persons in March, which went up 469 thousand persons or 1.7% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 62.2% in March, up 0.8%p year-on-year.

<Unemployed persons and unemployment rate>

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 840 thousand people in March, which decreased 34 thousand persons or 3.8% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 2.9% in March, down 0.1%p year-on-year.

<Economically inactive population>

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.304 million people in March, decreasing 288 thousand persons or 1.7% year-on-year.

Economically Active Population Survey (EAPS) in March, 2023

(Not seasonally adjusted)

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

	March 2022		February 2023		March 2023		
		Change rate		Change rate		Change	Change rate
● Population 15 years & over	45,219	0.5	45,355	0.3	45,367	148	0.3
■ Economically active population (Participation rate)	28,627 (63.3)	1.7	28,604 (63.1)	0.9	29,063 (64.1)	436 (0.8)	1.5
◆ Male (Labor Force Participation rate)	16,279 (73.2)	1.1	16,126 (72.2)	0.0	16,349 (73.2)	70 (0.0)	0.4
◆ Female (Labor Force Participation rate)	12,348 (53.8)	2.6	12,478 (54.2)	2.1	12,714 (55.2)	366 (1.4)	3.0
◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over) (Seasonally adjusted)	61.4 (61.9)		61.1 (62.6)		62.2 (62.7)	0.8	
◆ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years) (Seasonally adjusted)	67.8 (68.2)		68.0 (68.8)		68.7 (69.0)	0.9	
◦ Employed persons	27,754	3.1	27,714	1.1	28,223	469	1.7
◆ Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1,408	2.5	1,231	-3.5	1,438	30	2.1
◆ Mining & manufacturing	4,525	2.3	4,429	-0.7	4,470	-54	-1.2
· Manufacturing	4,512	2.3	4,423	-0.6	4,463	-49	-1.1
◆ Construction	2,115	3.1	2,041	-0.2	2,095	-20	-1.0
◆ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food	5,415	-1.0	5,531	1.8	5,525	111	2.0
◆ Electricity, transport, communication & finance	3,434	4.2	3,510	0.2	3,527	93	2.7
◆ Business, personal, public service & others	10,858	5.3	10,972	2.7	11,167	309	2.8
◆ Regular employees	15,580	5.5	15,915	3.0	16,077	497	3.2
◆ Temporary employees	4,656	3.7	4,404	-2.8	4,582	-75	-1.6
◆ Daily workers	1,080	-13.7	1,054	-0.7	1,091	11	1.0
◆ Employers	1,339	2.6	1,398	4.1	1,420	81	6.0
◆ Own account workers	4,176	0.6	4,139	-0.1	4,186	10	0.2
◆ Unpaid family workers	923	-3.5	804	-8.2	869	-55	-5.9
◦ Unemployed persons	873	-28.2	890	-6.7	840	-34	-3.8
Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	3.0 (2.8)		3.1 (2.6)		2.9 (2.7)	-0.1	
◆ Male Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	474 2.9 (2.7)	-30.4	467 2.9 (2.6)	-8.8	476 2.9 (2.7)	2 0.0	0.4
◆ Female Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	399 3.2 (3.0)	-25.3	423 3.4 (2.5)	-4.3	364 2.9 (2.7)	-35 -0.3	-8.8
◆ Middle school graduates & under (Unemployment rate)	111 (2.9)	-22.5	126 (3.6)	-24.6	79 (2.2)	-31 (-0.7)	-28.3
◆ High school graduates (Unemployment rate)	327 (3.0)	-36.7	340 (3.2)	-11.3	306 (2.8)	-22 (-0.2)	-6.6
◆ College, univ. graduates & over (Unemployment rate)	436 (3.1)	-21.7	425 (2.9)	5.0	455 (3.1)	19 (0.0)	4.4
■ Economically inactive population	16,592	-1.6	16,751	-0.6	16,304	-288	-1.7



