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## Economically Active Population Survey in January 2024

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### **<Economically active population and labor force participation rate>**

- The economically active population marked 28.815 million persons in January, which grew 428 thousand persons or 1.5% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 63.3% in January, up 0.7%p year-on-year.

### **<Employed persons and employment to population ratio>**

- The number of employed persons totaled 27.743 million persons in January, which went up 380 thousand persons or 1.4% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 61.0% in January, up 0.7%p year-on-year.

### **<Unemployed persons and unemployment rate>**

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 1,072 thousand people in January, which increased 48 thousand persons or 4.7% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 3.7% in January, up 0.1%p year-on-year.

### **<Economically inactive population>**

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.699 million people in January, decreasing 267 thousand persons or 1.6% year-on-year.

## Economically Active Population Survey (EAPS) in January, 2024

(Not seasonally adjusted)

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

	January 2023		December 2023		January 2024		
		Change rate		Change rate		Change	Change rate
<b>◎ Population 15 years &amp; over</b>	45,352	0.3	45,505	0.4	45,514	162	0.4
■ Economically active population (Participation rate)	28,387 (62.6)	1.0	29,037 (63.8)	1.3	28,815 (63.3)	428 ( 0.7)	1.5
◆ Male (Labor Force Participation rate)	16,058 (71.9)	0.0	16,308 (72.7)	0.7	16,195 (72.2)	137 ( 0.3)	0.9
◆ Female (Labor Force Participation rate)	12,330 (53.6)	2.4	12,728 (55.1)	2.0	12,620 (54.7)	291 ( 1.1)	2.4
◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over) (Seasonally adjusted)	60.3 (62.1)		61.7 (62.6)		61.0 (62.8)	0.7	
◆ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years) (Seasonally adjusted)	67.8 (68.8)		69.2 (69.5)		68.7 (69.6)	0.9	
◦ Employed persons	27,363	1.5	28,093	1.0	27,743	380	1.4
◆ Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1,199	-3.8	1,272	-2.0	1,192	-7	-0.6
◆ Mining & manufacturing	4,438	-0.9	4,505	0.2	4,458	20	0.4
· Manufacturing	4,432	-0.8	4,498	0.2	4,452	20	0.5
◆ Construction	2,017	-1.9	2,168	3.4	2,089	73	3.6
◆ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food	5,582	2.8	5,593	0.3	5,574	-8	-0.1
◆ Electricity, transport, communication & finance	3,505	1.3	3,607	3.4	3,616	111	3.2
◆ Business, personal, public service & others	10,622	3.3	10,949	0.8	10,814	191	1.8
◆ Regular employees	15,884	3.8	16,258	2.5	16,204	320	2.0
◆ Temporary employees	4,185	-1.2	4,462	0.2	4,323	137	3.3
◆ Daily workers	1,005	-6.5	1,020	-6.3	923	-82	-8.1
◆ Employers	1,400	4.0	1,422	3.2	1,430	30	2.1
◆ Own account workers	4,099	-0.6	4,146	-1.0	4,098	-1	0.0
◆ Unpaid family workers	790	-8.3	786	-6.0	765	-25	-3.2
◦ Unemployed persons	1,024	-10.4	944	9.0	1,072	48	4.7
Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	3.6 ( 2.9)		3.3 ( 3.2)		3.7 ( 3.0)	0.1	
◆ Male Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	515 3.2 ( 2.8)	-7.9	477 2.9 ( 3.0)	10.7	544 3.4 ( 2.9)	29 0.2	5.7
◆ Female Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	509 4.1 ( 3.1)	-12.9	467 3.7 ( 3.4)	7.3	528 4.2 ( 3.2)	19 0.1	3.8
◆ Middle school graduates & under (Unemployment rate)	288 ( 8.4)	-17.6	278 ( 8.1)	9.5	289 ( 8.8)	1 ( 0.4)	0.2
◆ High school graduates (Unemployment rate)	381 ( 3.6)	-10.3	318 ( 3.0)	-1.9	380 ( 3.6)	-2 ( 0.0)	-0.4
◆ College, univ. graduates & over (Unemployment rate)	354 ( 2.5)	-3.7	348 ( 2.3)	20.7	404 ( 2.7)	49 ( 0.2)	13.9
■ Economically inactive population	16,965	-0.8	16,468	-1.1	16,699	-267	-1.6



