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## Economically Active Population Survey in March 2024

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

- The economically active population marked 29.288 million persons in March, which grew 225 thousand persons or 0.8% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 64.3% in March, up 0.2%p year-on-year.

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

- The number of employed persons totaled 28.396 million persons in March, which went up 173 thousand persons or 0.6% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 62.4% in March, up 0.2%p year-on-year.

### <Unemployed persons and unemployment rate>

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 892 thousand people in March, which increased 52 thousand persons or 6.2% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 3.0% in March, up 0.1%p year-on-year.

### <Economically inactive population>

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.242 million people in March, decreasing 63 thousand persons or 0.4% year-on-year.

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

(Not seasonally adjusted)

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

|  | March 2023           |             | February 2024        |             | March 2024           |               |             |
|--|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
|  |                      | Change rate |                      | Change rate |                      | Change        | Change rate |
| ◎ <b>Population 15 years &amp; over</b>                                  | 45,367               | 0.3         | 45,525               | 0.4         | 45,529               | 162           | 0.4         |
| ■ Economically active population<br>(Participation rate)                 | 29,063<br>(64.1)     | 1.5         | 28,957<br>(63.6)     | 1.2         | 29,288<br>(64.3)     | 225<br>( 0.2) | 0.8         |
| ◆ Male<br>(Labor Force Participation rate)                               | 16,349<br>(73.2)     | 0.4         | 16,237<br>(72.4)     | 0.7         | 16,377<br>(73.0)     | 28<br>(-0.2)  | 0.2         |
| ◆ Female<br>(Labor Force Participation rate)                             | 12,714<br>(55.2)     | 3.0         | 12,720<br>(55.1)     | 1.9         | 12,910<br>(55.9)     | 197<br>( 0.7) | 1.5         |
| ◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over)<br>(Seasonally adjusted) | 62.2<br>(62.6)       |             | 61.6<br>(63.0)       |             | 62.4<br>(62.8)       | 0.2           |             |
| ◆ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years)<br>(Seasonally adjusted)     | 68.7<br>(69.1)       |             | 68.7<br>(69.6)       |             | 69.1<br>(69.5)       | 0.4           |             |
| ◦ Employed persons   | 28,223               | 1.7         | 28,043               | 1.2         | 28,396               | 173           | 0.6         |
| ◆ Agriculture, forestry & fishing  | 1,438                | 2.1         | 1,198                | -2.7        | 1,388                | -50           | -3.5        |
| ◆ Mining & manufacturing   | 4,470                | -1.2        | 4,468                | 0.9         | 4,519                | 49            | 1.1         |
| · Manufacturing  | 4,463                | -1.1        | 4,460                | 0.9         | 4,512                | 49            | 1.1         |
| ◆ Construction   | 2,095                | -1.0        | 2,077                | 1.8         | 2,117                | 22            | 1.1         |
| ◆ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food                         | 5,525                | 2.0         | 5,530                | 0.0         | 5,519                | -7            | -0.1        |
| ◆ Electricity, transport, communication & finance                        | 3,527                | 2.7         | 3,655                | 4.1         | 3,627                | 100           | 2.8         |
| ◆ Business, personal, public service & others                            | 11,167               | 2.8         | 11,115               | 1.3         | 11,226               | 59            | 0.5         |
| ◆ Regular employees  | 16,077               | 3.2         | 16,272               | 2.2         | 16,363               | 286           | 1.8         |
| ◆ Temporary employees  | 4,582                | -1.6        | 4,611                | 4.7         | 4,679                | 97            | 2.1         |
| ◆ Daily workers  | 1,091                | 1.0         | 877                  | -16.8       | 923                  | -168          | -15.4       |
| ◆ Employers  | 1,420                | 6.0         | 1,436                | 2.7         | 1,419                | -1            | 0.0         |
| ◆ Own account workers  | 4,186                | 0.2         | 4,079                | -1.4        | 4,151                | -35           | -0.8        |
| ◆ Unpaid family workers  | 869                  | -5.9        | 769                  | -4.5        | 862                  | -7            | -0.8        |
| ◦ Unemployed persons   | 840                  | -3.8        | 915                  | 2.8         | 892                  | 52            | 6.2         |
| Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                               | 2.9<br>( 2.7)        |             | 3.2<br>( 2.6)        |             | 3.0<br>( 2.8)        | 0.1           |             |
| ◆ Male<br>Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                     | 476<br>2.9<br>( 2.6) | 0.4         | 497<br>3.1<br>( 2.7) | 6.3         | 511<br>3.1<br>( 2.9) | 35<br>0.2     | 7.3         |
| ◆ Female<br>Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                   | 364<br>2.9<br>( 2.7) | -8.8        | 418<br>3.3<br>( 2.5) | -1.1        | 381<br>2.9<br>( 2.8) | 17<br>0.0     | 4.7         |
| ◆ Middle school graduates & under<br>(Unemployment rate)                 | 79<br>( 2.2)         | -28.3       | 122<br>( 3.7)        | -3.1        | 92<br>( 2.6)         | 12<br>( 0.4)  | 15.5        |
| ◆ High school graduates<br>(Unemployment rate)                           | 306<br>( 2.8)        | -6.6        | 368<br>( 3.4)        | 8.4         | 350<br>( 3.3)        | 44<br>( 0.5)  | 14.4        |
| ◆ College, univ. graduates & over<br>(Unemployment rate)                 | 455<br>( 3.1)        | 4.4         | 424<br>( 2.8)        | 0.0         | 451<br>( 3.0)        | -4<br>(-0.1)  | -0.9        |
| ■ Economically inactive population                                       | 16,304               | -1.7        | 16,568               | -1.1        | 16,242               | -63           | -0.4        |



