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Local Area Labour Force Survey in the First Half of 2023 (Major employment indicators of Si, Gun & Gu)

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□ Employed persons and employment-population ratio

- As for cities in 9 provinces, the number of employed persons was 13.851 million persons in the first half of 2023, going up by 240 thousand persons from the first half of 2022. The employment-population ratio of cities stood at 61.9%, up 0.8%p from the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 77 cities in 9 provinces, Seogwipo-si, Jeju (72.0%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Dangjin-si, Chungnam (71.0%) and Yeongcheon-si, Gyeongbuk (67.6%).
- As for counties in 9 provinces, the number of employed persons was 2.105 million persons in the first half of 2023, rising by 11 thousand persons from the first half of 2022. The employment-population ratio of counties stood at 68.7%, up 0.3%p from the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 77 counties in 9 provinces, Cheongsong-gun, Gyeongbuk (82.1%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Sinan-gun, Jeonnam (78.6%) and Jangsu-gun, Jeonbuk (77.8%).
- As for 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, the number of employed persons was 11.432 million persons in the first half of 2023, rising by 207 thousand persons from the first half of 2022. The employment-population ratio of 'gu' regions stood at 58.3%, up 1.0%p from the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 74 'gu' regions, Ongjin-gun, Incheon (73.6%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Gangseo-gu, Busan (67.1%) and Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul (65.2%).

< Employed persons and employment-population ratio >

(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

		First half of 2022		First half of 2023		Change	
			(Employment-population ratio)		(Employment-population ratio)		(Employment-population ratio)
77 cities	▶Employed persons	13,611	(61.1)	13,851	(61.9)	240	(0.8)
	• Males	7,930	(71.3)	8,026	(71.8)	96	(0.5)
	• Females	5,681	(50.9)	5,825	(52.0)	144	(1.1)
77 counties	▶Employed persons	2,094	(68.4)	2,105	(68.7)	11	(0.3)
	• Males	1,163	(76.0)	1,167	(76.0)	4	(0.0)
	• Females	931	(60.7)	937	(61.4)	6	(0.7)
74 'gu' regions	▶Employed persons	11,225	(57.3)	11,432	(58.3)	207	(1.0)
	• Males	6,288	(66.5)	6,386	(67.4)	98	(0.9)
	• Females	4,937	(48.7)	5,046	(49.8)	110	(1.1)

□ Unemployed persons and unemployment rate

- As for cities in 9 provinces, the number of unemployed persons was 385 thousand persons in the first half of 2023, falling by 6 thousand persons from the first half of 2022. The unemployment rate of cities stood at 2.7%, down 0.1%p from the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 77 cities in 9 provinces, Gumi-si, Gyeongbuk (4.6%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Geoje-si, Gyeongnam (4.3%) and Bucheon-si, Gyeonggi (4.0%).
- As for counties in 9 provinces, the number of unemployed persons was 27 thousand persons in the first half of 2023, which remained the same as the first half of 2022. The unemployment rate of counties stood at 1.2%, which remained the same as the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 77 counties in 9 provinces, Jeungpyeong-gun, Chungbuk (3.9%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Wanju-gun, Jeonbuk (2.5%) and Yesan-gun, Chungnam (2.4%).
- As for 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, the number of unemployed persons was 427 thousand persons in the first half of 2023, rising by 3 thousand persons from the first half of 2022. The unemployment rate of 'gu' regions stood at 3.6%, which remained the same as the first half of 2022.
 - Among a total of 74 'gu' regions, Geumjeong-gu, Busan (5.3%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Gyeyang-gu, Incheon (5.0%) and Dongjak-gu, Seoul (4.6%).

< Unemployed persons and unemployment rate >

(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

		First half of 2022		First half of 2023		Change	
			(Unemployment rate)		(Unemployment rate)		(Unemployment rate)
77 cities	▶ Unemployed persons	391	(2.8)	385	(2.7)	-6	(-0.1)
	• Males	212	(2.6)	209	(2.5)	-3	(-0.1)
	• Females	180	(3.1)	176	(2.9)	-4	(-0.2)
77 counties	▶ Unemployed persons	26	(1.2)	27	(1.2)	0	(0.0)
	• Males	15	(1.3)	14	(1.2)	-1	(-0.1)
	• Females	11	(1.2)	12	(1.3)	1	(0.1)
74 'gu' regions	▶ Unemployed persons	425	(3.6)	427	(3.6)	3	(0.0)
	• Males	231	(3.5)	233	(3.5)	2	(0.0)
	• Females	194	(3.8)	194	(3.7)	0	(-0.1)

□ Employment status based on the place of work

- Based on the place of work, the number of employed persons of cities in 9 provinces was 13.169 million persons. This figure was 682 thousand persons lower than the number of employed persons based on the place of residence.

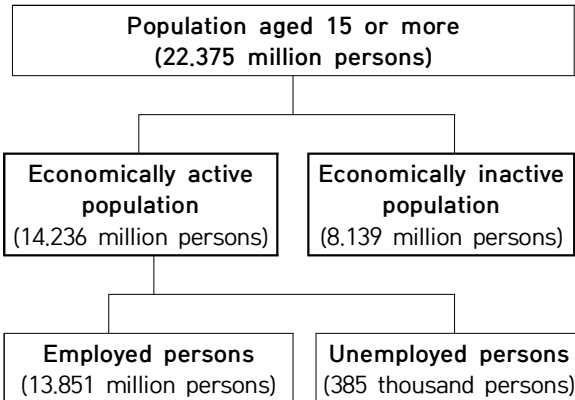
- As for regions showing the number of employed persons based on the place of work was lower than that based on the place of residence, Suwon-si, Gyeonggi and Jeonju-si, Jeonbuk recorded -158 thousand persons and -48 thousand persons, respectively.
- Based on the place of work, the number of employed persons of counties in 9 provinces was 2.397 million persons. This figure was 292 thousand persons higher than the number of employed persons based on the place of residence.
 - As for regions showing the number of employed persons based on the place of work was higher than that based on the place of residence, Eumseong-gun, Chungbuk and Yeongam-gun, Jeonnam recorded 23 thousand persons and 19 thousand persons, respectively.
- Based on the place of work, the number of employed persons of 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities was 11.843 million persons. This figure was 411 thousand persons higher than the number of employed persons based on the place of residence.
 - As for regions showing the number of employed persons based on the place of work was higher than that based on the place of residence, Gangnam-gu, Seoul and Gangseo-gu, Busan recorded 650 thousand persons and 92 thousand persons, respectively.

Employed persons commuting within the residential area

- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of cities in 9 provinces, Yeosu-si, Jeonnam recorded the highest figure of 99.2%, which was followed by Geoje-si, Gyeongnam (97.7%).
 - Whereas, Gwacheon-si, Gyeonggi (23.5%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Mokpo-si, Jeonnam (68.9%).
- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of counties in 9 provinces, Ulleung-gun, Gyeongbuk recorded the highest figure of 100.0%, which was followed by Wando-gun, Jeonnam (99.7%).
 - Whereas, Chilgok-gun, Gyeongbuk (59.8%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Jeungpyeong-gun, Chungbuk (64.0%).
- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, Ongjin-gun, Incheon recorded the highest figure of 97.5%, which was followed by Dong-gu, Ulsan (72.9%).
 - Whereas, Dongjak-gu, Seoul (23.7%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Suyeong-gu, Busan (33.0%).

【 Composition of the labor force by area 】

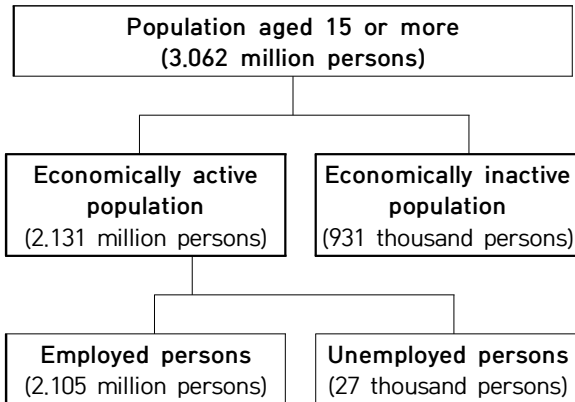
【77 cities in 9 provinces】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	First half of 2022	First half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	22,274	22,375	101
Labor force participation rate	62.9	63.6	0.7
Employed persons	13,611	13,851	240
Employment-population ratio	61.1	61.9	0.8
Unemployed persons	391	385	-6
Unemployment rate	2.8	2.7	-0.1

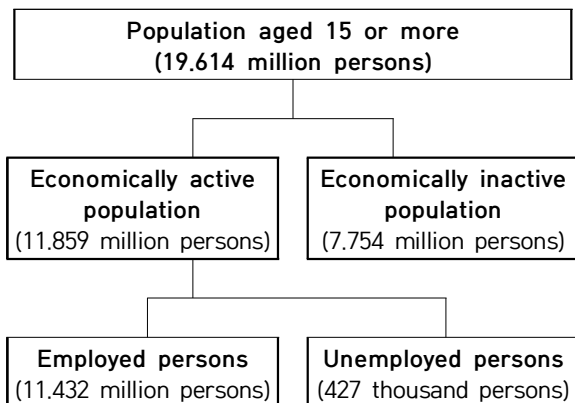
【77 counties in 9 provinces】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	First half of 2022	First half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	3,064	3,062	-2
Labor force participation rate	69.2	69.6	0.4
Employed persons	2,094	2,105	11
Employment-population ratio	68.4	68.7	0.3
Unemployed persons	26	27	0
Unemployment rate	1.2	1.2	0.0

【74 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	First half of 2022	First half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	19,590	19,614	24
Labor force participation rate	59.5	60.5	1.0
Employed persons	11,225	11,432	207
Employment-population ratio	57.3	58.3	1.0
Unemployed persons	425	427	3
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.6	0.0