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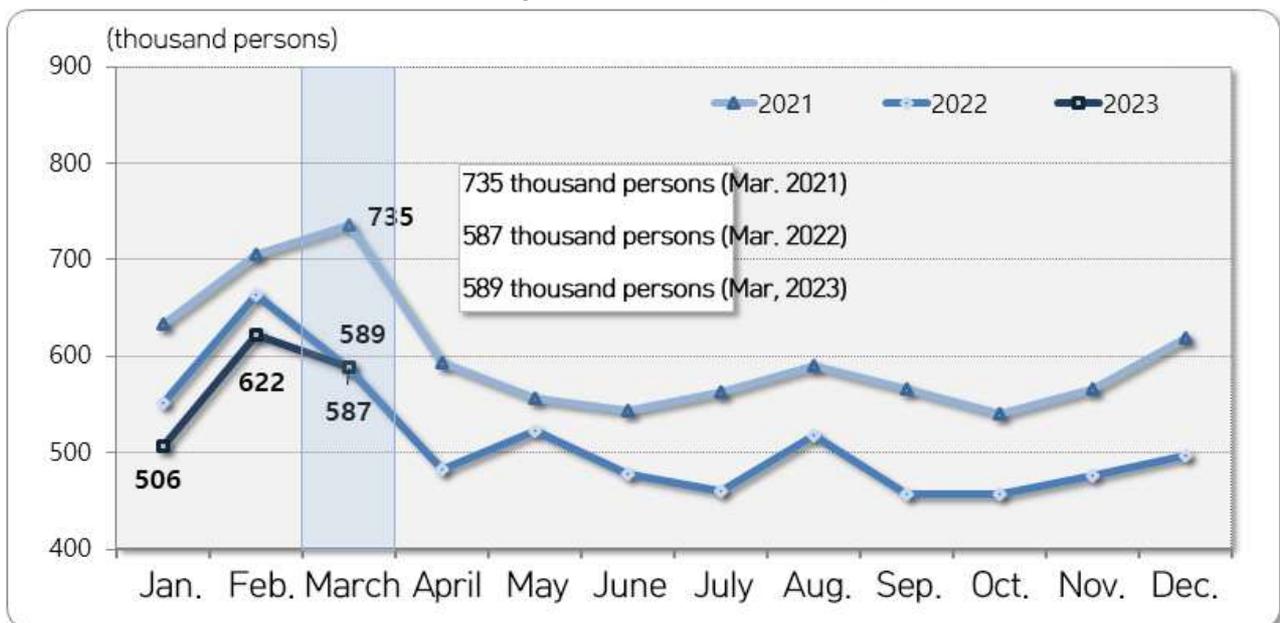
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	Internal migration in March			Year-on-year*	
	2021	2022	2023	2022	2023
Number of internal migrants (thousand persons, %)	735	587	589	-20.1	0.3
Migration rate** (% , %p)	16.9	13.5	13.5	-3.4	0.1

* Percent changes (%) for the number of migrants and changes (%p) for the migration rate

** Monthly migration rates are converted by using annualized migration rates.

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1. Internal migration

- The number of internal migrants was 589 thousand persons in March 2023, rising by 0.3% (2 thousand persons) year-on-year.
- The intra-province migrants and the inter-province migrants accounted for 62.3% and 37.7% of the total internal migrants in March 2023, respectively.
 - Compared to March 2022, the intra-province migrants and the inter-province migrants grew by 0.5% and 0.1%, respectively.
- The internal migration rate (the number of migrants per 100 population) stood at 13.5%, up 0.1%p year-on-year.

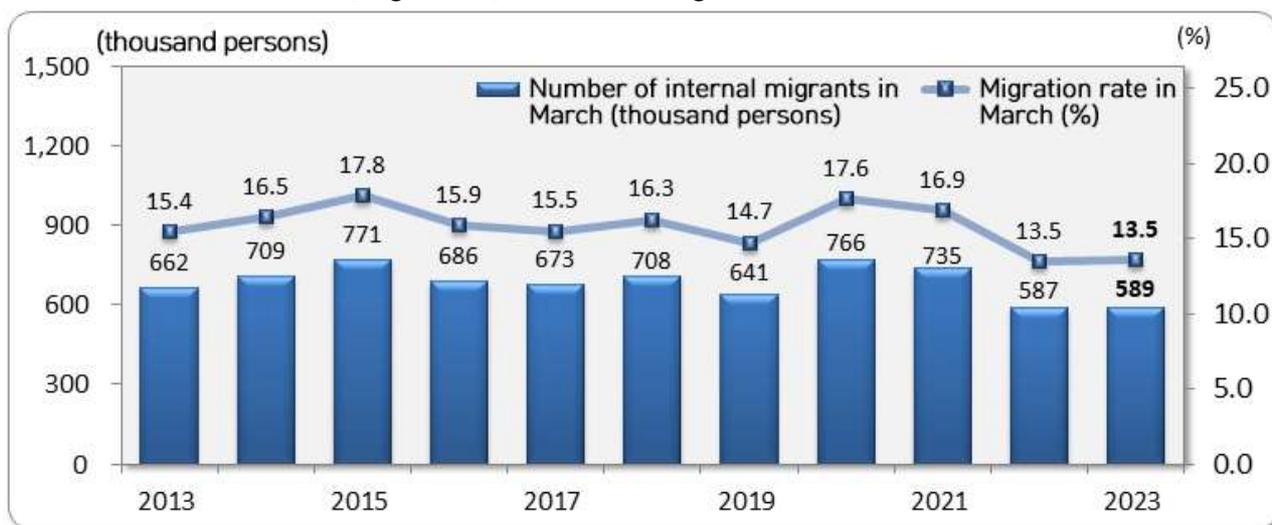
[Table 1] Trends in internal migration

		2021	2022	2022		2023			Year-on-year*
				March	Compo-sition	Feb.	March	Compo-sition	
Number of internal migrants (thousand persons, %)	Total	7,213	6,152	587	100.0	622	589	100.0	0.3
	Intra-province migration	4,766	3,979	365	62.2	371	367	62.3	0.5
	Inter-province migration	2,447	2,174	222	37.8	252	222	37.7	0.1
Migration rate** (% , %p)	Total	14.1	12.0	13.5	-	15.9	13.5	-	0.1
	Intra-province migration	9.3	7.8	8.4	-	9.4	8.4	-	0.1
	Inter-province migration	4.8	4.2	5.1	-	6.4	5.1	-	0.0

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[Figure 1] Internal migration in March



2. Internal migration for metropolitan cities and provinces

- Regarding the net migration of metropolitan cities and provinces, 7 regions recorded a plus net migration.: Incheon (2,839 persons), Gyeonggi (2,315 persons), Chungnam (1,644 persons), etc. On the other hand, 9 regions recorded a minus net migration.: Gyeongnam (-2,116 persons), Gwangju (-1,272 persons), Daegu (-1,247 persons) and so on.
- Incheon, Chungnam and Chungbuk recorded a plus net migration rate of 1.1%, 0.9% and 0.8%, respectively. On the other hand, Gwangju, Ulsan and Gyeongnam recorded a minus net migration rate of -1.1%, -1.0% and -0.8%, respectively.

[Table 2] Number of migrants and migration rates for provinces

	Number of migrants (person)				Migration rate* (%)			
	In-migration	Out-migration	Net migration	Year-on-year	In-migration	Out-migration	Net migration	Year-on-year
The nation	588,958	588,958	0	0	13.5	13.5	0.0	0.0
Seoul	116,723	117,601	-878	-275	14.7	14.8	-0.1	-0.0
Busan	34,247	35,347	-1,100	-1,988	12.2	12.6	-0.4	-0.7
Daegu	24,941	26,188	-1,247	368	12.5	13.1	-0.6	0.2
Incheon	39,109	36,270	2,839	2,360	15.6	14.4	1.1	0.9
Gwangju	15,020	16,292	-1,272	-1,257	12.4	13.5	-1.1	-1.0
Daejeon	17,555	17,879	-324	-577	14.4	14.6	-0.3	-0.5
Ulsan	9,543	10,449	-906	-1,294	10.2	11.1	-1.0	-1.4
Sejong	5,349	5,171	178	729	16.4	15.8	0.5	2.3
Gyeonggi	157,641	155,326	2,315	2,188	13.7	13.5	0.2	0.2
Gangwon	18,341	18,115	226	830	14.1	14.0	0.2	0.6
Chungbuk	20,078	18,982	1,096	1,188	14.9	14.1	0.8	0.9
Chungnam	26,845	25,201	1,644	1,125	14.9	14.0	0.9	0.6
Jeonbuk	19,001	19,470	-469	-564	12.7	13.0	-0.3	-0.4
Jeonnam	20,490	20,474	16	-499	13.3	13.3	0.0	-0.3
Gyeongbuk	26,590	26,590	0	-515	12.1	12.1	0.0	-0.2
Gyeongnam	28,813	30,929	-2,116	-2,052	10.4	11.2	-0.8	-0.7
Jeju	8,672	8,674	-2	233	15.2	15.2	-0.0	0.4

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[Figure] Net migration rate by province

