



Employment Positions of Wage Workers in the Second Quarter of 2022

- ◆ In the second quarter of 2022, the number of employment positions of wage workers grew by 628 thousand compared to the second quarter of 2021. The year-on-year increase rate of employment positions in the second quarter of 2022 was lower compared to the first quarter of 2022.
- ◆ As for employment positions by industry, 'Human health and social work activities'* and 'Construction'** recorded a year-on-year increase.
 - * 'Social work activities' and 'Human health activities' marked a year-on-year rise.
 - ** 'Specialized construction activities' and 'General construction' recorded a year-on-year increase.

Overview

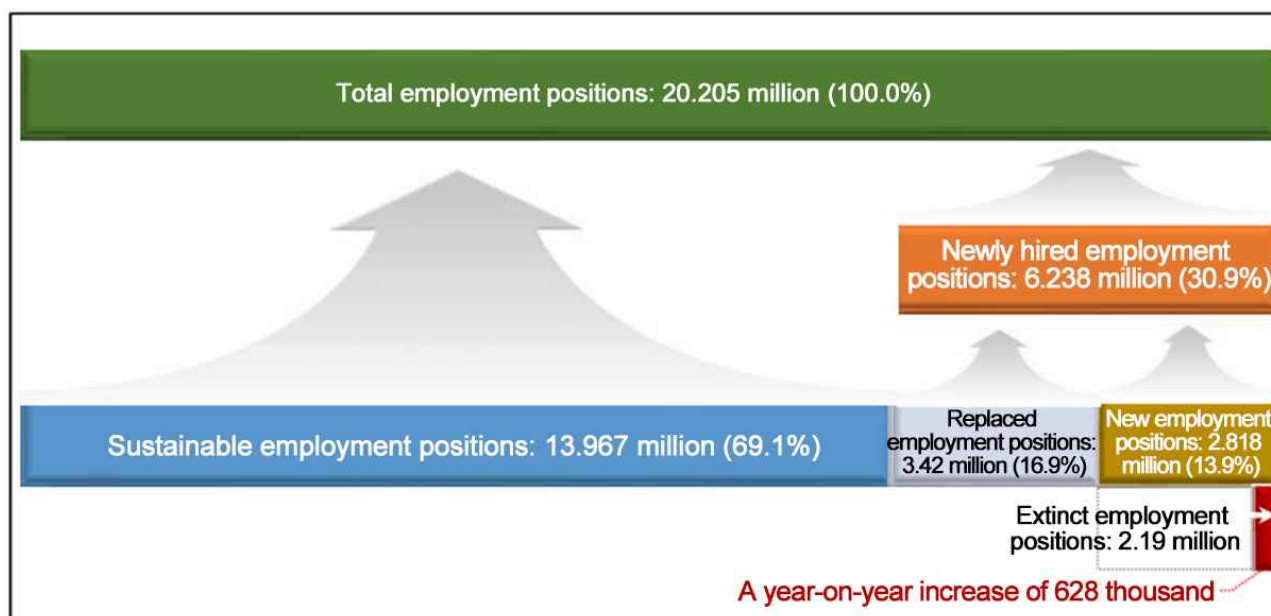
- In the second quarter of 2022, the number of employment positions of wage workers was 20.205 million, which increased by 628 thousand compared to the second quarter of 2021.
- The number of sustainable employment positions, which the same workers occupied in the same quarter of the previous year, was 13.967 million. This figure accounted for 69.1% of the total employment positions. The number of replaced employment positions, which resulted from retirement or job change, was 3.42 million. This figure accounted for 16.9% of the total employment positions.
- The number of new employment positions, which resulted from enterprise foundation or business expansion, marked 2.818 million. This figure occupied 13.9% of the total employment positions. The number of extinct employment positions, which resulted from enterprise closure or business reduction, marked 2.19 million.

< Total employment positions of wage workers >

(Unit: ten thousand, %, year-on-year)

	2Q 2021	Change	1Q 2022	Change	2Q 2022	Change	Percent change
○ Total employment positions	1,957.7	68.1	1,974.9	75.2	2,020.5	62.8	3.2

< Employment positions of wage workers by type >



Note: The figures in parentheses represent the share among the total employment positions.

< Size and change in employment positions of wage workers >

(Unit: ten thousand)

	Employment positions of wage workers					Change
	Total	Sustainable employment positions	Replaced employment positions	New employment positions	Extinct employment positions	(Year-on-year)
2Q 2021	1,957.7	1,362.6	306.4	288.6	220.5	68.1
3Q 2021	1,959.9	1,363.9	313.5	282.5	233.4	49.1
4Q 2021	1,996.5	1,380.6	333.3	282.6	245.1	37.6
1Q 2022	1,974.9	1,370.4	326.2	278.3	203.1	75.2
2Q 2022	2,020.5	1,396.7	342.0	281.8	219.0	62.8

Employment positions by industry

- ☐ As for employment positions by industry section, 'Human health and social work activities', 'Construction' and 'Manufacturing' rose by 106 thousand, 102 thousand and 73 thousand, respectively, compared to the second quarter of 2021.
- ☐ As for employment positions by industry division of 'Human health and social work activities', 'Social work activities' and 'Human health activities' grew by 68 thousand and 37 thousand, respectively.
- ☐ As for employment positions by industry division of 'Construction', 'Specialized construction activities' and 'General construction' rose by 92 thousand and 10 thousand, respectively.
- ☐ As for the employment positions by industry division of 'Manufacturing', which occupied the highest share of the total employment positions, 'Manufacture of electronic components, computer; visual, sounding and communication equipment' and 'Manufacture of other machinery and equipment' grew by 19 thousand and 12 thousand, respectively. Whereas, 'Manufacture of textiles' and 'Printing and reproduction of recorded media' dropped by 2 thousand and 1 thousand, respectively.

* As for employment positions by industry group of 'Manufacturing', 'Manufacture of electronic components', 'Manufacture of special-purpose machinery' and 'Manufacture of semiconductor' grew by 11 thousand, 7 thousand and 6 thousand, respectively, compared to the second quarter of 2021.

< Size and change in employment positions of wage workers by industry >

(Unit: ten thousand)

	Employment positions of wage workers					Change (Year-on-year)
	Total	Sustainable employment positions	Replaced employment positions	New employment positions	Extinct employment positions	
Human health and social work activities	235.3	156.4	49.5	29.3	19.4	10.6
Construction	195.9	87.3	51.8	56.8	46.6	10.2
Manufacturing	423.7	327.7	50.7	45.3	38.8	7.3

< Employment positions of wage workers by industry section¹⁾ >

(Unit: ten thousand, %, year-on-year)

	2Q 2021		1Q 2022		2Q 2022			
		Change		Change		Compo- sition	Change	Percent change
○ Total employment positions	1,957.7	68.1	1,974.9	75.2	2,020.5	100.0	62.8	3.2
A. Agriculture, forestry and fishing	8.0	0.2	7.5	0.1	7.8	0.4	-0.2	-2.9
B. Mining and quarrying	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
C. Manufacturing	416.4	2.5	422.3	6.8	423.7	21.0	7.3	1.8
D. Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	7.9	0.3	8.0	0.2	8.0	0.4	0.1	1.7
E. Water supply; sewage, waste management, materials recovery	10.4	0.3	10.6	0.3	10.6	0.5	0.3	2.4
F. Construction	185.7	7.1	180.0	9.5	195.9	9.7	10.2	5.5
G. Wholesale and retail trade	210.6	7.0	214.6	6.3	215.3	10.7	4.6	2.2
H. Transportation and storage	69.9	-0.3	70.5	0.2	70.1	3.5	0.1	0.2
I. Accommodation and food service activities	83.0	-0.9	85.7	6.4	87.7	4.3	4.7	5.7
J. Information and communication	77.2	5.9	82.0	6.7	84.0	4.2	6.8	8.8
K. Financial and insurance activities	55.5	0.9	56.2	1.1	56.2	2.8	0.7	1.3
L. Real estate activities	44.1	1.5	45.0	1.8	45.7	2.3	1.6	3.6
M. Professional, scientific and technical activities	95.7	6.7	100.2	7.0	102.3	5.1	6.6	6.9
N. Business facilities management and business support services; rental and leasing activities	136.5	1.2	136.3	1.2	138.2	6.8	1.7	1.2
O. Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	137.5	7.0	132.6	4.7	138.2	6.8	0.7	0.5
P. Education	130.1	6.3	126.7	3.8	134.8	6.7	4.7	3.6
Q. Human health and social work activities	224.7	19.2	233.0	16.1	235.3	11.6	10.6	4.7
R. Arts, sports and recreation related services	14.9	-0.2	14.6	0.5	15.5	0.8	0.6	3.9
S. Membership organizations, repair and other personal services	47.0	3.2	46.7	2.8	48.8	2.4	1.8	3.8
Others ²⁾	1.4	0.0	1.4	0.0	1.3	0.1	0.0	-1.0

Note 1) Refer to the Korean Standard Industrial Classification

2) Including 'T. Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods-and services-producing activities of households for own use' and 'U. Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies'

Employment positions by characteristics of workers and enterprises

- As for employment positions by sex, the employment positions of males and females grew by 262 thousand and 366 thousand, respectively, compared to the second quarter of 2021.
- The employment positions of males showed a year-on-year increase in 'Construction' (68 thousand), 'Manufacturing' (47 thousand) and 'Information and communication' (36 thousand).
- The employment positions of females showed a year-on-year increase in 'Human health and social work activities' (88 thousand), 'Education' (43 thousand) and 'Construction' (34 thousand).

< Employment positions by sex >

(Unit: ten thousand, %, year-on-year)

		2Q 2021			1Q 2022			2Q 2022			
		Compo- sition	Change	Compo- sition	Change	Compo- sition	Change	Percent change			
○ Total employment positions		1,957.7	100.0	68.1	1,974.9	100.0	75.2	2,020.5	100.0	62.8	3.2
By sex	Males	1,123.7	57.4	24.5	1,125.9	57.0	29.8	1,149.9	56.9	26.2	2.3
	Females	834.0	42.6	43.5	849.0	43.0	45.4	870.6	43.1	36.6	4.4

- As for employment positions by age group, the employment positions of 'Workers aged 60 or more', 'Workers aged 50 ~ 59', 'Workers aged 40 ~ 49', 'Workers aged 30 ~ 39' and 'Workers aged 29 or less' rose by 295 thousand, 209 thousand, 78 thousand, 25 thousand and 21 thousand, respectively.
- The employment positions of 'Workers aged 60 or more' marked a year-on-year increase in 'Human health and social work activities' (66 thousand), 'Construction' (52 thousand) and 'Manufacturing' (49 thousand).
- The employment positions of 'Workers aged 29 or less' marked a year-on-year increase in 'Information and communication' (22 thousand), 'Accommodation and food service activities' (17 thousand) and 'Professional, scientific and technical activities' (10 thousand).

< Employment positions by age group >

(Unit: ten thousand, %, year-on-year)

		2Q 2021			1Q 2022			2Q 2022			
			Compo- sition	Change		Compo- sition	Change		Compo- sition	Change	Percent change
○ Total employment positions		1,957.7	100.0	68.1	1,974.9	100.0	75.2	2,020.5	100.0	62.8	3.2
By age group	Workers aged 29 or less	323.9	16.5	7.8	324.9	16.5	7.7	326.0	16.1	2.1	0.7
	Workers aged 30 ~ 39	430.2	22.0	-1.7	429.4	21.7	1.9	432.7	21.4	2.5	0.6
	Workers aged 40 ~ 49	471.5	24.1	5.5	473.2	24.0	6.9	479.3	23.7	7.8	1.7
	Workers aged 50 ~ 59	438.3	22.4	17.3	446.3	22.6	20.9	459.2	22.7	20.9	4.8
	Workers aged 60 or more	293.8	15.0	39.2	301.1	15.2	37.8	323.2	16.0	29.5	10.0

- As for employment positions by type of legal organization, 'Incorporated companies', 'Non-business corporations', 'Government and unincorporated associations' and 'Sole proprietorships' grew by 406 thousand, 82 thousand, 78 thousand and 61 thousand, respectively, year-on-year.

< Employment positions by type of legal organization >

(Unit: ten thousand, %, year-on-year)

		2Q 2021			1Q 2022			2Q 2022			
		Compo- sition	Change	Compo- sition	Change	Compo- sition	Change	Percent change			
○ Total employment positions		1,957.7	100.0	68.1	1,974.9	100.0	75.2	2,020.5	100.0	62.8	3.2
By type of legal organization	Incorporated company	1,091.9	55.8	29.3	1,108.9	56.2	39.3	1,132.5	56.1	40.6	3.7
	Non-business corporation	260.9	13.3	20.0	259.5	13.1	13.4	269.1	13.3	8.2	3.2
	Government & unincorporated association	285.5	14.6	15.0	283.6	14.4	11.5	293.3	14.5	7.8	2.7
	Sole proprietorship	319.5	16.3	3.8	322.9	16.4	11.1	325.6	16.1	6.1	1.9