



# Preliminary Results of the 2019 Micro-Enterprises Survey

- ◇ In 2019, the number of micro-enterprises (1.1%) and the number of workers (1.9%) recorded a year-on-year increase.
- ◇ In 2019, the foundation preparation period per establishment increased by 0.7 month from 2018. The foundation cost per establishment decreased by 1.0%.
- ◇ In 2019, annual sales per establishment and operating profit per establishment dropped by 0.2% and 3.0% from 2018.

□ In 2019, the number of micro-enterprises rose by 1.1% (30 thousand establishments) to 2.77 million establishments. The number of workers rose by 1.9% (120 thousand persons) to 6.44 million persons.

○ (Number of establishments)

As for the number of establishments by industry, 'Education' and 'Membership organizations, repair and other personal services' increased by 2.1% and 1.9%, respectively. As for the number of establishments by region, Sejong, Jeju and Chungbuk increased by 13.7%, 5.8% and 2.2%, respectively.

○ (Number of workers)

As for the number of workers by industry, 'Education' and 'Wholesale and retail trade' grew by 4.2% and 2.3%, respectively. As for the number of workers by region, Sejong, Jeju and Chungnam grew by 12.8%, 8.6% and 4.9%, respectively.

< Number of establishments and number of workers by industry >

(Unit: thousand establishments, thousand persons, %)

By industry	2018		2019		Change		Percent change	
	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>6,320</b>	<b>2,770</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Manufacturing	356	1,182	356	1,176	0	-5	0.0	-0.4
Wholesale and Retail Trade	891	1,827	891	1,869	0	42	0.0	2.3
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	650	1,551	660	1,553	10	2	1.6	0.1
Education	130	272	133	283	3	12	2.1	4.2
Membership Organizations, Repair and other Personal Services	287	435	293	441	5	6	1.9	1.5
Other industries	427	1,054	438	1,119	11	65	2.7	6.1

< Number of establishments and number of workers by region >

(Unit: thousand establishments, thousand persons, %)

By region	2018		2019		Change		Percent change	
	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers	Number of establishments	Number of workers
<b>The nation</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>6,320</b>	<b>2,770</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Seoul	519	1,184	516	1,173	-4	-11	-0.7	-0.9
Busan	198	447	198	452	0	4	-0.1	1.0
Daegu	148	325	147	328	-1	2	-0.4	0.7
Incheon	133	315	134	320	1	5	1.0	1.6
Gwangju	81	184	82	188	1	4	1.2	2.1
Daejeon	78	173	79	176	1	3	1.2	2.0
Ulsan	59	129	59	130	1	2	0.9	1.4
Sejong	10	24	12	27	1	3	13.7	12.8
Gyeonggi	601	1,544	614	1,564	13	21	2.2	1.3
Gangwon	100	213	102	224	2	10	1.8	4.7
Chungbuk	88	199	90	207	2	9	2.2	4.3
Chungnam	116	259	118	272	2	13	1.7	4.9
Jeonbuk	101	217	102	225	1	7	0.7	3.4
Jeonnam	106	227	108	238	2	10	1.5	4.5
Gyeongbuk	163	352	166	366	3	14	1.8	4.1
Gyeongnam	197	434	200	451	3	17	1.4	3.9
Jeju	43	93	45	101	2	8	5.8	8.6

The average foundation preparation period per establishment increased by 0.7 month to 10.2 months in 2019. The foundation cost per establishment decreased by 1.0% (-1 million won) to 102 million won in 2019.

(Foundation preparation period)

'1 year ~ less than 2 years' and '6 months ~ less than 12 months' rose by 3.5%p and 1.5%p, respectively. In the meantime, 'Less than 3 months' and '3 months ~ less than 6 months' dropped by 3.4%p and 2.8%p, respectively.

\* Average foundation preparation period: 9.5 months in 2018 → 10.2 months in 2019 (0.7 ↑)

< Foundation preparation period >

(Unit: month, %, %p)

Classification	2018	2019	Change
<b>Average</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Total	100.0	100.0	0.0
Less than 3 months	16.3	12.9	-3.4
3 months - less than 6 months	22.7	19.9	-2.8
6 months - less than 12 months	24.4	25.8	1.5
12 months - less than 24 months	25.2	28.7	3.5
24 months or more	11.5	12.7	1.2

○ (Foundation cost)

'Membership organizations, repair and other personal services' and 'Education' rose by 8.6% and 3.9%, respectively. Whereas, 'Wholesale and retail trade', 'Manufacturing' and 'Accommodation and food service activities' fell by 4.2%, 2.6% and 0.2%, respectively.

□ Annual sales per establishment declined by 0.2% (-0.4 million won) to 234.7 million won in 2019. Operating profit per establishment declined by 3.0% (-1 million won) to 33 million won in 2019.

○ (Annual sales per establishment)

'Education' and 'Wholesale and retail trade' increased by 10.9% and 1.6%, respectively. Whereas, 'Membership organizations, repair and other personal services' and 'Manufacturing' decreased by 7.2% and 0.4%, respectively.

< Annual sales per establishment >

(Unit: million won, %)

By industry	2018	2019	Change	Percent change
<b>Total</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
Manufacturing	434	432	-2	-0.4
Wholesale and Retail Trade	338	344	5	1.6
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	120	121	1	1.0
Education	59	66	6	10.9
Membership Organizations, Repair and other Personal Services	53	49	-4	-7.2
Other industries	206	199	-7	-3.4

○ (Operating profit per establishment)

'Education' increased by 10.4%. Whereas, 'Membership organizations, repair and other personal services', 'Accommodation and food service activities' and 'Wholesale and retail trade' decreased by 14.5%, 7.9% and 2.7%, respectively.

< Operating profit per establishment >

(Unit: million won, %)

By industry	2018	2019	Change	Percent change
Total	34	33	-1	-3.0
Manufacturing	53	53	0	0.5
Wholesale and Retail Trade	41	40	-1	-2.7
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	31	29	-2	-7.9
Education	20	22	2	10.4
Membership Organizations, Repair and other Personal Services	18	15	-3	-14.5
Other industries	23	24	1	5.0