

Ad hoc Survey of Employment and Unemployment Conditions (Final Results)

- Results of April-May 2002 -

Outline of the survey

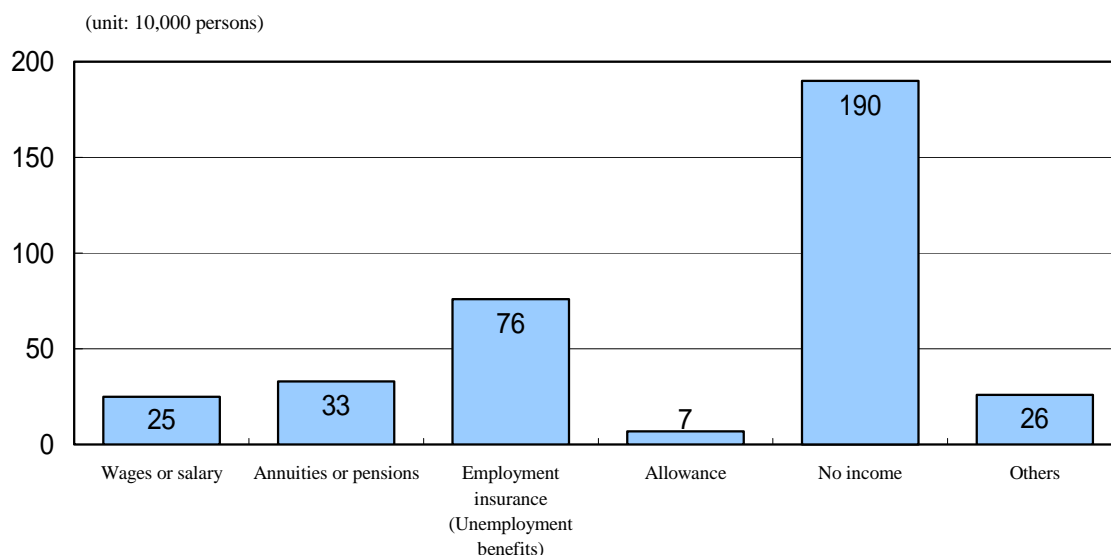
Purpose of the survey:	The purpose of the survey is to grasp in more detail the actual state of employment and unemployment to cope adequately with still severe employment situation. And in particular, to grasp the actual state of unemployed persons including the state of receiving employment insurance benefits, etc.
Time of the survey:	The survey is conducted twice in 2002 (the first survey in April and May, the second in October and November)
Scale of the survey:	Approximately 20,000 households are covered each time of survey
Method of the survey:	Enumerators distribute questionnaires to households that have completed the Labour Force Survey. The filled-out questionnaires are collected by mail from the households.
Topics to be surveyed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of income • The state of receiving employment insurance benefits • The state of activities to strengthen vocational capabilities • The state of seeking job, etc.

The status of unemployed persons

1 Types of main monthly income

With regard to types of main monthly income of the 3.74 million unemployed persons in April and May, 1.90 million persons had "No income," which held a majority, while 760,000 persons had "Employment insurance (Unemployment benefits)" and 330,000 persons had "Annuities or pensions."

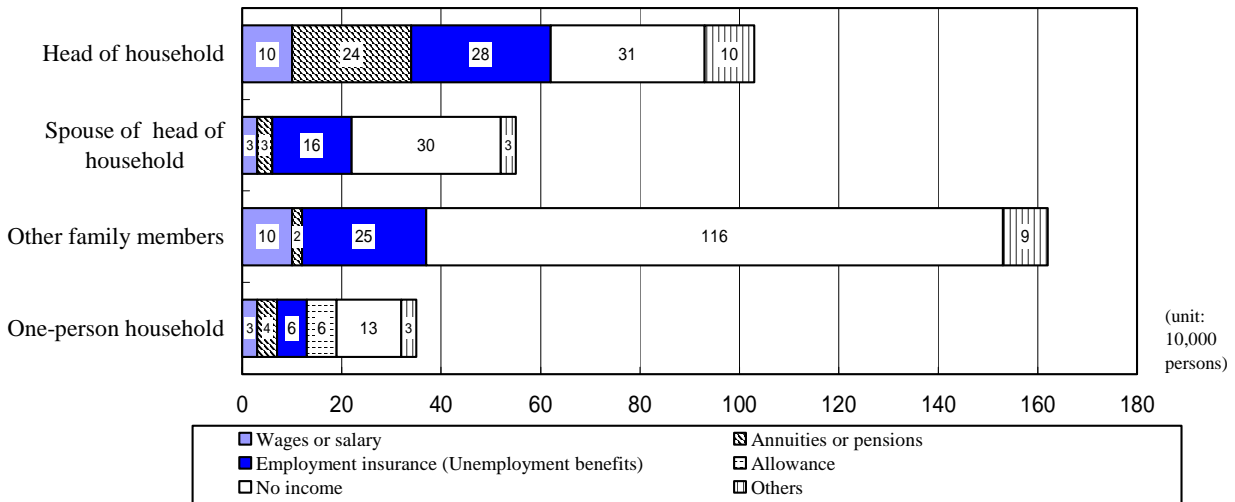
Fig. 1 Number of unemployed persons by type of main monthly income



* "Others" including "Business income" and "Property income"

With regard to types of main monthly income of unemployed persons by relationship to the head of the household, persons with “No income” were the highest in number among all types of relationship. Of particular note were “Other family members” with “No income” at 1.16 million. Persons receiving “Employment insurance (Unemployment benefits)” were the next, particularly heads of household at 280,000.

Fig. 2 Number of unemployed persons by relationship to head of household and type of main income

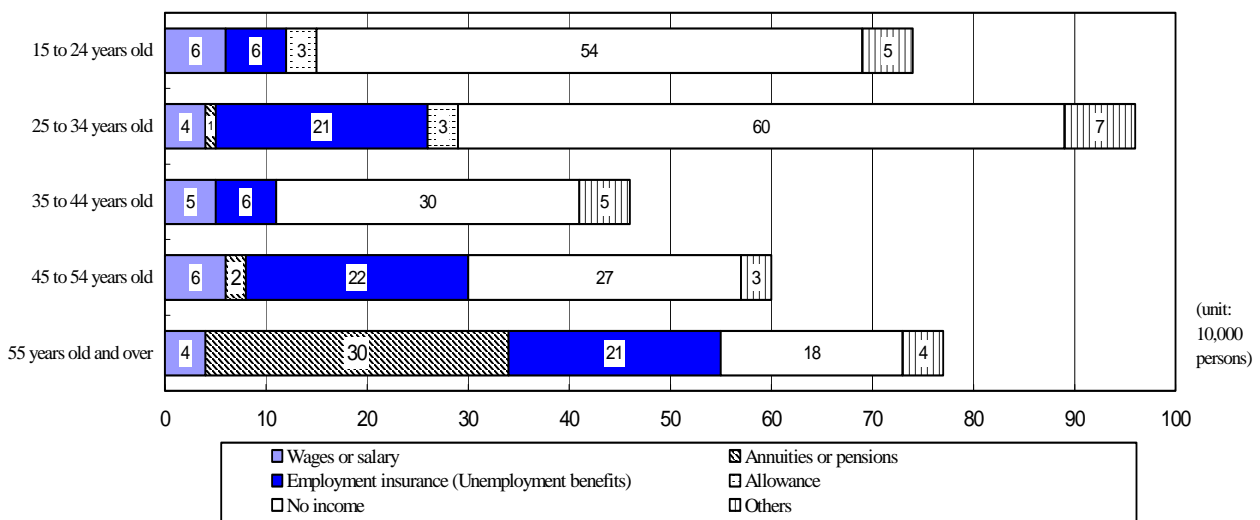


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With regard to types of main monthly income of unemployed persons by age group, persons with “No income” accounted for the largest number in all age groups, except the group aged 55 and over. In particular, there were 600,000 persons aged 25 to 34 with “No income,” and 540,000 aged 15 to 24.

On the other hand, persons aged 55 and over with “Annuities or pensions” accounted for the largest number at 300,000.

Fig. 3 Number of unemployed persons by type of main income and age group



* "Others" including "Business income" and "Property income"

Table 1 Unemployed persons by type of main monthly income

(unit: 10,000 persons)

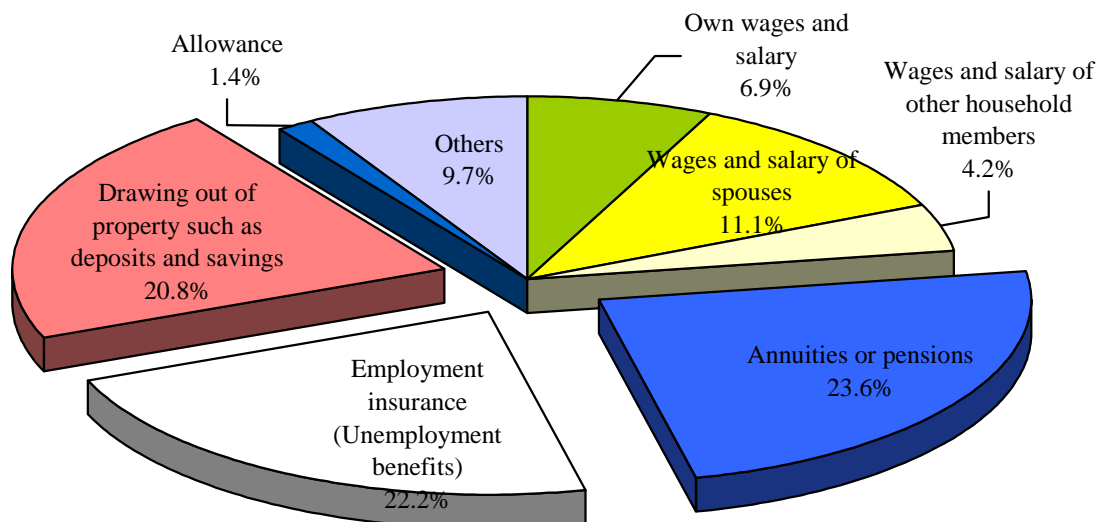
	Total	Wages or salary	Annuities or pensions	Employment insurance (Unemployment benefits)	Allowance	No income	Others
Total	374	25	33	76	7	190	26
15 to 24 years old	77	6	-	6	3	54	5
25 to 34 years old	99	4	1	21	3	60	7
35 to 44 years old	51	5	0	6	0	30	5
45 to 54 years old	65	6	2	22	0	27	3
55 years old and over	83	4	30	21	0	18	4
Head of household	108	10	24	28	0	31	10
Spouse of head of household	57	3	3	16	0	30	3
Other family members	170	10	2	25	0	116	9
One-person household	39	3	4	6	6	13	3

* "Others" including "Business income" and "Property income"

2 Types of main income etc. covering monthly household expenses

With regard to proportion of types of main monthly income etc. covering monthly expenses of household, of which heads were unemployed, persons with "Annuities or pensions" accounted for the largest number at 23.6%, followed by those with "Employment insurance (Unemployment benefits)" at 22.2%, "Drawing out of property such as deposits and savings" at 20.8%.

Fig. 4 Proportions of unemployed persons (heads of household) by type of main income etc. covering monthly household expenses



*1 The number is the rate of the details to the total details

*2 "Others" including "Business income" and "Property income"

3 The state of receiving employment insurance(unemployment benefits)

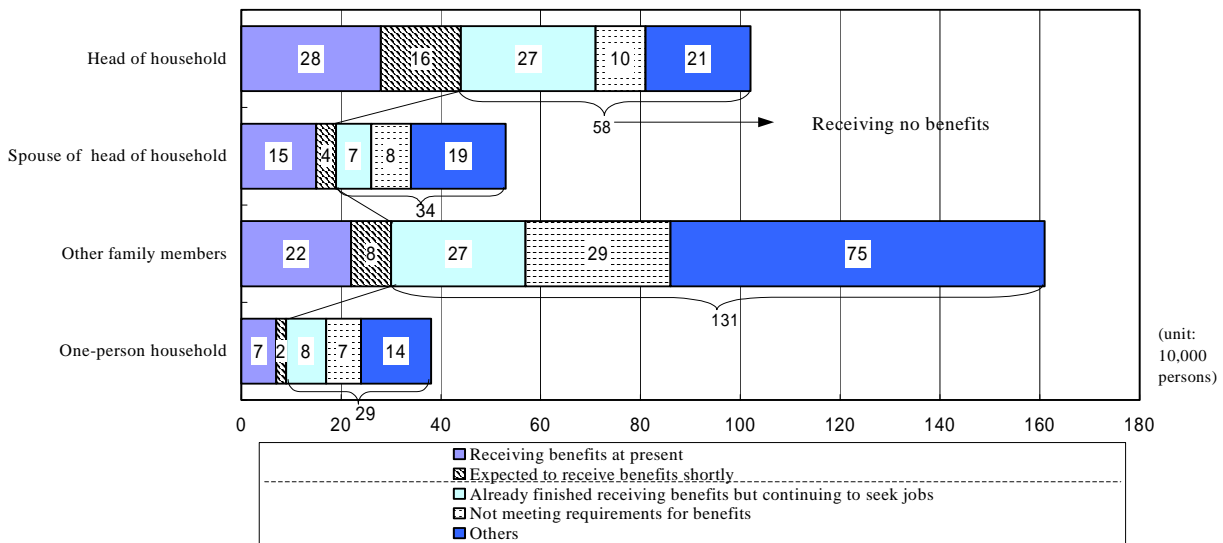
With regard to the state of the employment insurance (unemployment benefits) received by unemployed persons, persons with “Receiving or expected to receive benefits”^(*1) were 1.03 million, “Receiving no benefits”^(*2) were 2.54 million.

With regard to the details by relationship to the head of the household, “Other family members” with “Receiving no benefits” were 1.31 million persons, which accounted for about 80%. And the heads of household with “Receiving no benefits” were 580,000 persons, with “Receiving or expecting to receive benefits” were 440,000 persons.

(*1) Total of those with “Receiving benefits at present” and “Expected to receive benefits shortly.”

(*2) Total of those with “Already finished receiving benefits but continuing to seek jobs,” “Not meeting requirements for benefits” and “Others” (including “Have no previous jobs”).

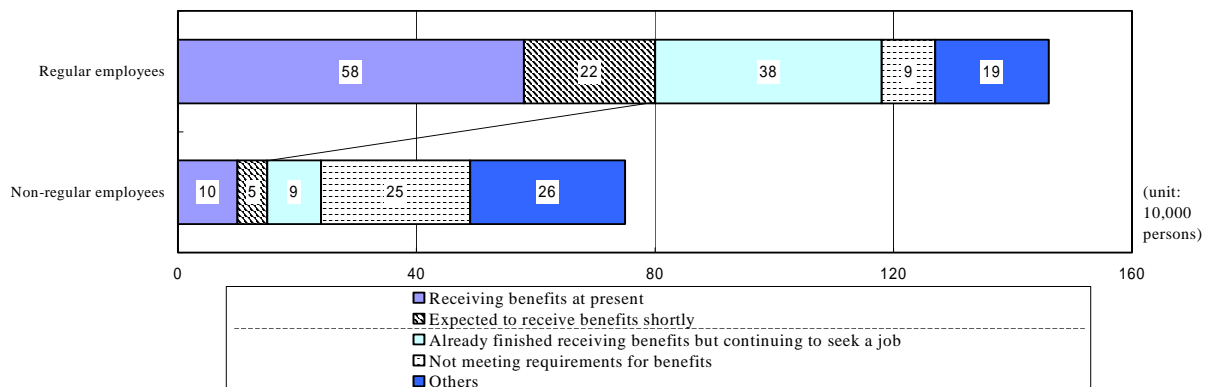
Fig. 5 Number of unemployed persons by relationship to head of household and the state of receiving employment insurance benefits



With regard to the state of receiving the employment insurance (unemployment benefits) of 2.42 million unemployed persons with previous jobs by type of employment in previous jobs, “Regular employees” with “Receiving or expected to receive benefits” were 800,000 persons and those with “Receiving no benefits” were 660,000 persons. On the other hand, “Non-regular employees”^(*) such as part-time workers with “Receiving no benefits” were 600,000 persons, which accounted for about 80%.

(*) Total of “Part-time workers or *arbeit*,” “Dispatched workers from temporary labor agency” and “Others.”

Fig. 6 Number of unemployed persons by type of employment in previous job and the state of receiving employment insurance benefits



4 The state of activities for strengthening vocational capabilities

With regard to the state of activities for strengthening vocational capabilities of the 3.74 million unemployed persons during the past 1 year, persons with “Joining in activities” were 1.20 million, while those with “Joining in no activities” were 2.38 million.

With regard to reasons for joining in no activities for strengthening vocational capabilities of the unemployed persons by age group, there were persons aged 35 to 44 with “No money to spare,” those of other age group with “No particular reason,” all of which accounted for the largest number in each group.

Fig. 7 Number of unemployed persons by the state of activities for strengthening vocational capabilities and age group

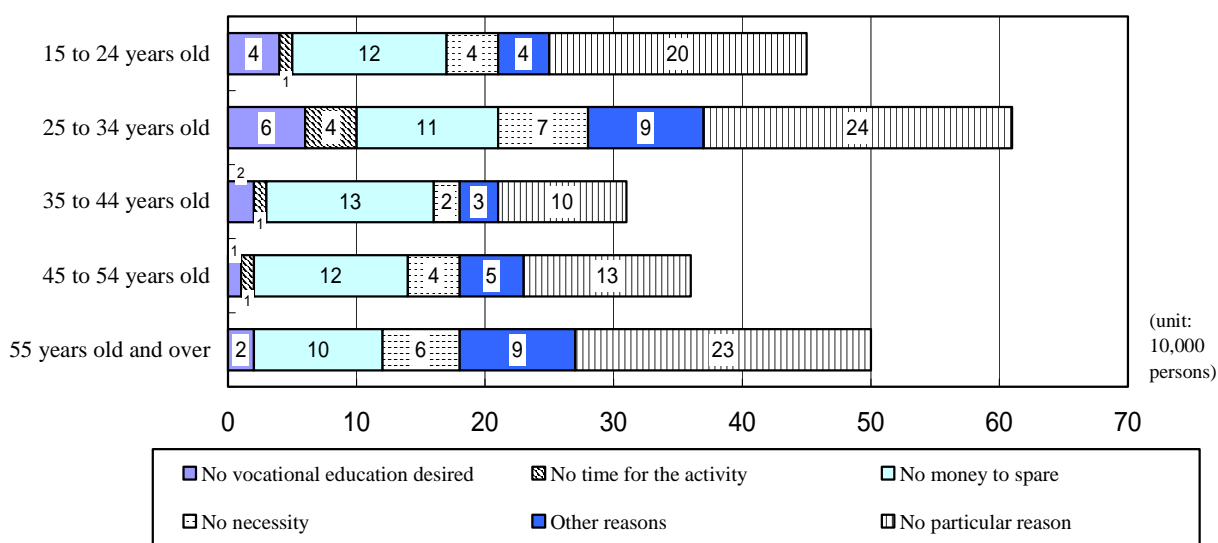


Table 2 Number of unemployed persons by the state of activities for strengthening vocational capabilities

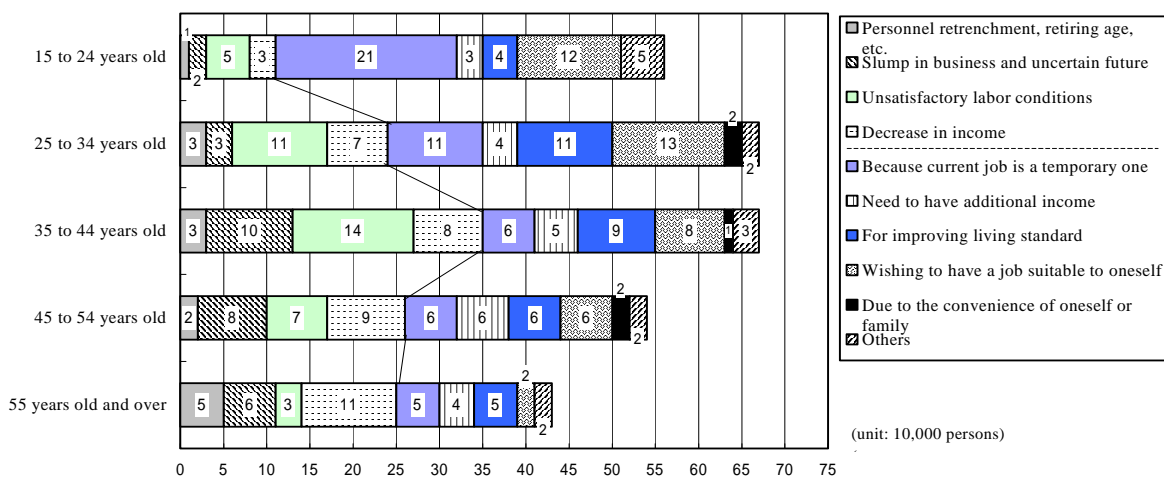
	(unit: 10,000 persons)		
	Both sexes	Male	Female
Unemployed persons	374	226	148
Joining in activities for strengthening vocational capabilities	120	69	51
Necessary for changing or taking up a job	80	40	40
Thought necessary for performing a job and promotion in position and increase in pay	6	5	1
By company's instructions	5	3	2
Others	24	17	8
Joining in no activities for strengthening vocational capabilities	238	147	91
No vocational education or training courses desired	15	10	5
No time for the activity	8	4	4
No money to spare	58	32	26
No necessity	22	13	9
Other reasons	29	20	8
No particular reason	91	59	33

II The status of employed persons

The state of seeking jobs

With regard to the state of seeking jobs by 62.82 million employed persons, persons with “Seeking jobs” were 3.32 million. With regard to reasons for “Seeking jobs” by age group, there were 210,000 persons aged 15 to 24 with “Because current job is a temporary one,” 130,000 persons aged 25 to 34 with “Wishing to take up a job suitable to oneself,” 140,000 persons aged 35 to 44 with “Labor conditions are not satisfactory,” and 90,000 persons aged 45 to 54 and 110,000 aged 55 and over with “Because of decrease in income from current job,” all of which accounted for the largest number in each group.

Fig. 8 Number of employed persons seeking jobs by age group and reason for seeking jobs

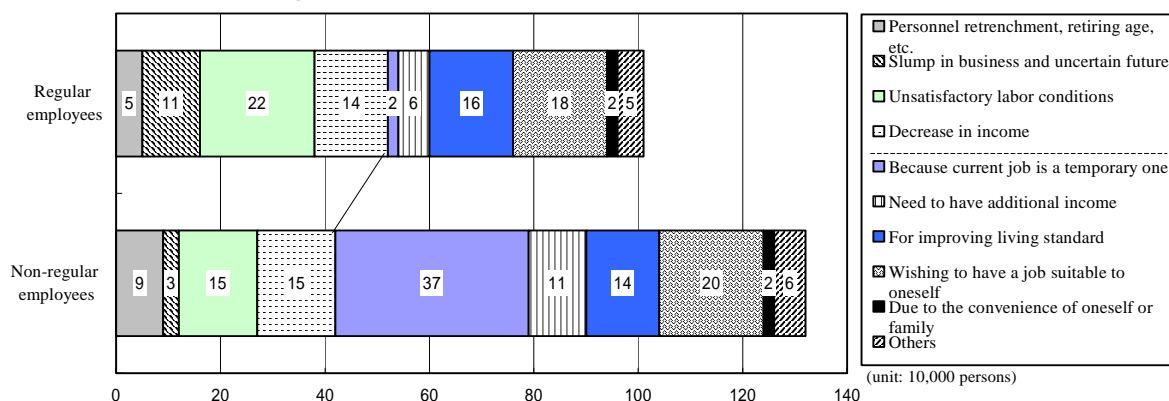


With regard to the state of seeking jobs by employees, persons with “Seeking jobs” were 2.68 million. With regard to this statistics by type of employment, “Regular employees” were 1.16 million, and “Non-regular employees” were 1.52 million, so “Non-regular employees” with “Seeking jobs” were more than “Regular employees.”

With regard to the details by reason for seeking jobs, “Regular employees” with “Unsatisfactory labor conditions” accounted for the largest number at 220,000, while “Non-regular employees”^(*) with “Because current job is a temporary one” accounted for the largest number at 370,000.

(*) Total of “Part-time workers or *arbeit*,” “Dispatched workers from temporary labor agency,” “Contract workers or entrusted workers” and “Others.”

Fig. 9 Number of employees seeking jobs by type of employment and reason for seeking jobs



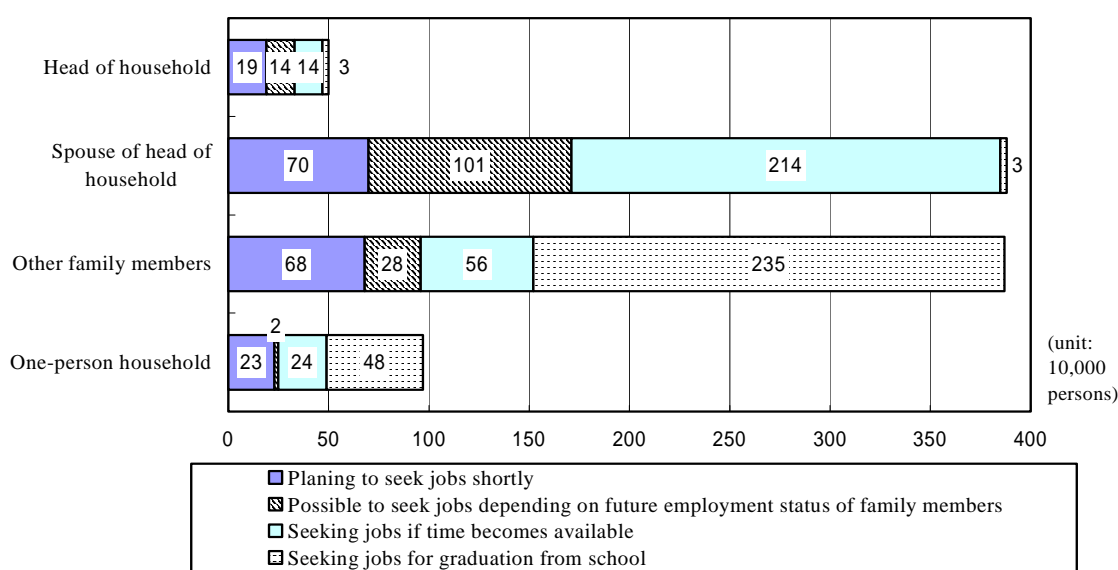
III The status of population not in labour force

Future plans for seeking jobs

With regard to future plans for seeking jobs of the 40.82 million persons not in labour force, persons with “Planning or possible to seek jobs”^(*) were 9.23 million. With regard to the details by relationship to the head of the household, the heads of the household with “Planning to seek jobs shortly” were 190,000 persons, “Spouses of the head of the household” with “Seeking jobs if time becomes available” were 2.14 million persons, “Other family members” with “Seeking jobs for graduation from school” were 2.35 million persons, all of which accounted for the largest number in each group.

(*) Total of “Planning to seek jobs shortly,” “Possible to seek jobs depending on future employment status of family members,” “Seeking jobs if time becomes available” and “Seeking jobs for graduation from school.”

Fig. 10 Population not in labour force planning or possible to seek jobs in future by relationship to head of household



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- 1 Figures may not add up to totals because figures are rounded to ten thousand or totals are inclusive of “unclassifiable.”
- 2 “ - ” indicates that the figure can not be computed.