

Summary of Average Results for 2010 (I Basic Tabulation)

1. Population by labour force status

(1) Labour force

The labour force based on the 2010 yearly average was 65.90 million, a decrease of 270,000 from the previous year, and the third consecutive annual decrease.

The male labour force was 38.22 million, a decrease of 250,000, the third consecutive annual decrease, and the female labour force was 27.68 million, a decrease of 30,000, the first time in two years.

The labour force aged 15-64 years old (productive age) was 60.06 million, a decrease of 320,000, the 13th consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 34.61 million, a decrease of 240,000, the 13th consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 25.44 million, a decrease of 90,000, the first time in two years.

(2) Labour force participation rate

The labour force participation rate was 59.6%, a 0.3 point decrease from the previous year, and the third consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 71.6%, a 0.4 point decrease, and the 13th consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 48.5%, the same rate as the previous year.

The labour force participation rate aged 15-64 years old was 74.0%, a 0.1 point increase, the sixth consecutive annual increase. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 84.8%, the same rate as the previous year, while that of females was 63.1%, a 0.2 point increase, the eighth consecutive annual increase.

(3) Not in labour force

Those not in the labour force were 44.52 million, an increase of 220,000 from the previous year, and the 19th consecutive annual increase. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 15.12 million, an increase of 190,000, the 19th consecutive annual increase, while that of females was 29.40 million, an increase of 40,000, the first time in two years.

Those not in the labour force aged 15-64 years old were 21.02 million, a decrease of 210,000, the eighth consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 6.18 million, a decrease of 40,000, the first time in two years, while that of females was 14.84 million, a decrease of 170,000, the eighth consecutive annual decrease.

2. Employed persons

(1) Employed persons

The number of employed persons was 62.57 million, a decrease of 250,000 from the previous year, and the third consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 36.15 million, a decrease of 290,000, the third consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 26.42 million, an increase of 40,000, the first time in three years.

The number of employed persons aged 15-64 years old was 56.86 million, a decrease of 310,000, the third consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 32.66 million, a decrease of 280,000, the third consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 24.21 million, a decrease of 30,000, the third consecutive annual decrease.

(2) Employment rate

The employment rate was 56.6%, a 0.3 point decrease from the previous year, and the third consecutive annual decrease. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 67.7%, a 0.5 point decrease, the third consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 46.3%, a 0.1 point increase,

the first time in four years .

The employment rate aged 15-64 years old was 70.1%, a 0.1 point increase, the first time in two years. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 80.0%, a 0.2 point decrease, the third consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 60.1%, a 0.3 point increase, the first time in two years.

(3) Employees/ Self-employed and family workers

The number of employees was 54.63 million, an increase of 30,000 from the previous year, and the first time in two years.

In breakdown by sex, that of males was 31.33 million, a decrease of 160,000, the third consecutive annual decrease, while that of females was 23.29 million, an increase of 180,000, the first time in two years.

The proportion of employees to employed persons was 87.3%, a 0.4 point increase, the 32nd consecutive annual increase.

The number of self-employed and family workers was 7.68 million, a decrease of 280,000 from the previous year, the 13th consecutive annual decrease.

(4) Employees aged 15-64 years old

The number of employees aged 15-64 years old decreased by 60,000, the third consecutive annual decrease.

(5) Regular/ Temporary/ Daily employees

The number of employees in non-agricultural industries was 54.10 million, the same figure as the previous year.

Among these, the number of regular employees was 46.66 million, a decrease of 40,000, the second consecutive annual decrease, and that of temporary and daily employees was 7.44 million, an increase of 40,000, the first time in three years.

(6) Employed persons by industry

The number of employed persons in the “Manufacturing” sector was 10.49 million, a decrease of 240,000 from the previous year, that in “Construction” was 4.98 million, a decrease of 190,000, and that in “Services, not elsewhere classified” was 4.55 million, a decrease of 80,000.

Meanwhile, that in “Medical, health care and welfare” was 6.53 million, an increase of 320,000.

(7) Employed persons by occupation

The number of employed persons in the “Production process worker and labourer” sector was 16.51 million, a decrease of 270,000 from the previous year, and the third consecutive annual decrease, and that in “Clerical and related worker” was 12.84 million, a decrease of 110,000, the first time in eight years.

On the other hand, that in “Professional and technical worker” was 9.86 million, an increase of 180,000, the fourth consecutive annual increase, and that in “Protective service worker and service worker” was 8.17 million, an increase of 130,000, the 22nd consecutive annual increase.

(8) Employees by number of persons engaged in enterprises

A breakdown of employees in non-agricultural industries according to the number of persons engaged in enterprises (excluding government employees) shows that the number of employees in enterprises with 1-29 staff was 15.83 million, a decrease of 320,000 from the previous year, and the fourth consecutive annual decrease. On the other hand, that in enterprises with 30-499

staff was 18.71 million, an increase of 290,000, the first time in three years. That in enterprises with 500- staff was 14.29 million, an increase of 110,000, the eighth consecutive annual increase.

(9) Employees by weekly hours of work

The proportion of employees who worked 60 hours or more a week relative to the total of employees was 9.5%, a 0.2 point increase from the previous year, and the first time in seven years.

3. Unemployed persons

(1) Unemployed persons

The number of unemployed persons was 3.34 million, a decrease of 20,000 from the previous year, and the first time in three years. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 2.07 million, an increase of 40,000, the third consecutive annual increase, while that of females was 1.27 million, a decrease of 60,000, and the first time in three years.

(2) Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate was 5.1%, the same rate as previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 5.4%, a 0.1 point increase, the third consecutive annual increase, while that of females was 4.6%, a 0.2 point decrease, and the first time in three years. The unemployment rate for males has exceeded that of females for 13 consecutive years since 1998.

(3) Unemployment rate aged 15-24 years old

The unemployment rate by age group shows that the rates peaked in the 15-24 age group for both males and females, at 10.4% and 8.0% respectively. That in the 15-24 age group for males increased 0.3 points from the previous year, the second consecutive annual increase, while that in the 15-24 age group for females decreased 0.4 points, the first time in two years.

(4) Unemployed persons by reason for seeking a job

The number of unemployed persons who “Quit their job involuntarily” was 1.37 million. Among these, the number of persons who quit their previous job due to “Circumstances of employer or business” was 1.02 million, a decrease of 80,000 from the previous year, and those who quit their previous job due to “Mandatory retirement or termination of employment contract” was 360,000, an increase of 10,000.

Those who “Quit their job voluntarily” (leaving their previous job for personal or family’s convenience) was 1.04 million, an increase of 10,000.

Those who “Graduated from school” (persons who started seeking a job after they graduated from school) was 160,000, an increase of 20,000.