

Summary of Average Results for 2011 (I Basic Tabulation)

Note

The results for whole Japan excludes three prefectures (Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima) struck by the Great East Japan Earthquake, where the survey operation was suspended for several months from March 2011. For time-series comparison, the corresponding figures 2010 are also compiled on the basis excluding the three prefectures. "Change from the previous year" indicate differences between data without the three prefectures.

1. Population by labour force status

(1) Labour force

The labour force based on the 2011 yearly average was 62.61 million, a decrease of 360,000 from the previous year.

The male labour force was 36.29 million, a decrease of 250,000, and the female labour force was 26.32 million, a decrease of 110,000.

The labour force aged 15-64 years old (productive age) was 57.05 million, a decrease of 340,000. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 32.86 million, a decrease of 240,000, and that of females was 24.19 million, a decrease of 100,000.

(2) Labour force participation rate

The labour force participation rate was 59.3%, a 0.4 point decrease from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 71.2%, a 0.4 point decrease, and that of females was 48.2%, a 0.3 point decrease.

The labour force participation rate aged 15-64 years old was 73.8%, a 0.2 point decrease. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 84.5%, a 0.3 point decrease, while that of females was 63.0%, the same rate as the previous year.

(3) Not in labour force

Those not in the labour force were 42.87 million, an increase of 350,000 from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 14.66 million, an increase of 220,000, and that of females was 28.21 million, an increase of 130,000.

Those not in the labour force aged 15-64 years old were 20.21 million, an increase of 80,000. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 6.01 million, an increase of 100,000, while that of females was 14.19 million, a decrease of 30,000.

2. Employed persons

(1) Employed persons

The number of employed persons was 59.77 million, a decrease of 30,000 from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 34.54 million, a decrease of 30,000, while that of females was 25.23 million, an increase of 10,000.

The number of employed persons aged 15-64 years old was 54.33 million, a decrease of 30,000. In breakdown by sex, the number of males was 31.21 million, a decrease of 30,000, while that of females was 23.12 million, an increase of 10,000.

(2) Employment rate

The employment rate was 56.6%, a 0.1 point decrease from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 67.8%, the same rate as the previous year, while that of females was 46.3%, a 0.1 point increase.

The employment rate aged 15-64 years old was 70.3%, a 0.2 point increase. In breakdown by

sex, that of males was 80.3%, a 0.3 point increase, and that of females was 60.2%, a 0.2 point increase.

(3) Employees/ Self-employed and family workers

The number of employees was 52.44 million, an increase of 130,000 from the previous year.

In breakdown by sex, that of males was 30.07 million, an increase of 50,000, and that of females was 22.37 million, an increase of 80,000.

The proportion of employees to employed persons was 87.7%, a 0.2 point increase.

The number of self-employed and family workers was 7.09 million, a decrease of 140,000 from the previous year.

(4) Employees aged 15-64 years old

The number of employees aged 15-64 years old was 49.36 million, an increase of 90,000 from the previous year.

(5) Regular/ Temporary/ Daily employees

The number of employees in non-agricultural industries was 51.95 million, an increase of 140,000 from the previous year.

Among these, the number of regular employees was 44.85 million, an increase of 160,000, while that of temporary and daily employees was 7.10 million, a decrease of 30,000.

(6) Employed persons by industry

The number of employed persons in the “Manufacturing” sector was 9.97 million, a decrease of 70,000 from the previous year, that in “Information and communications” was 1.85 million, a decrease of 70,000, and that in “Accommodations, eating and drinking services” was 3.65 million, a decrease of 70,000.

Meanwhile, that in “Medical, health care and welfare” was 6.48 million, an increase of 230,000.

(7) Employed persons by occupation

The number of employed persons in the “Manufacturing process workers” sector was 8.55 million, a decrease of 140,000 from the previous year,

On the other hand, that in “Professional and engineering workers” was 9.45 million, an increase of 260,000.

(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 15.11 million, a decrease of 20,000 from the previous year, and that in enterprises with 30-499 staff was 17.80 million, a decrease of 100,000. On the other hand, that in enterprises with 500- staff was 14.00 million, an increase of 210,000.

(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 9.4%, a 0.1 point decrease from the previous year.

3. Unemployed persons

(1) Unemployed persons

The number of unemployed persons was 2.84 million, a decrease of 330,000 from the previous

year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 1.75 million, a decrease of 220,000, and that of females was 1.09 million, a decrease of 110,000.

(2) Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate was 4.5%, a 0.5 point decrease from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 4.8%, a 0.6 point decrease, and that of females was 4.1%, a 0.4 point decrease.

(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 males and females at 9.3% and 7.1% respectively. That in the 15-24 age group for males decreased 1.2 points from the previous year, and that in the 15-24 age group for females decreased 0.9 points.

(4) Unemployed persons by reason for seeking a job

The number of unemployed persons who “Quit their job involuntarily” was 1.06 million. Among these, the number of persons who quit their previous job due to “Circumstances of employer or business” was 750,000, a decrease of 210,000 from the previous year, and those who quit their previous job due to “Mandatory retirement or termination of employment contract” was 310,000, a decrease of 30,000.

Those who “Quit their job voluntarily” (leaving their previous job for personal or family’s convenience) was 970,000, a decrease of 30,000.

Those who “Graduated from school” (persons who started seeking a job after they graduated from school) was 150,000, the same figure as the previous year.