

Summary of Average Results for 2013 (I Basic Tabulation)

1. Population by labour force status

(1) Labour force

The labour force based on the 2013 yearly average was 65.77 million, an increase of 220,000 from the previous year.

The male labour force was 37.73 million, a decrease of 160,000, and the female labour force was 28.04 million, an increase of 380,000.

The labour force aged 15-64 years old (productive age) was 59.26 million, a decrease of 200,000. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 33.73 million, a decrease of 420,000, while that of females was 25.54 million, an increase of 230,000.

(2) Labour force participation rate

The labour force participation rate was 59.3%, a 0.2 point increase from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 70.5%, a 0.3 point decrease, while that of females was 48.9%, a 0.7 point increase.

The labour force participation rate aged 15-64 years old was 74.8%, a 0.9 point increase. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 84.6%, a 0.3 point increase, while that of females was 65.0%, a 1.6 point increase.

(3) Not in labour force

Those not in the labour force were 45.06 million, a decrease of 340,000 from the previous year. Those not in the labour force aged 65 years old and over were 25.18 million, an increase of 720,000.

2. Employed persons

(1) Employed persons

The number of employed persons was 63.11 million, an increase of 410,000 from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 36.10 million, a decrease of 60,000, while that of females was 27.01 million, an increase of 470,000.

The number of employed persons aged 15-64 years old was 56.76 million, an increase of 10,000. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 32.22 million, a decrease of 300,000, and that of females was 24.54 million, an increase of 310,000.

(2) Employment rate

The employment rate was 56.9%, a 0.4 point increase from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 67.5%, the same rate as the previous year, while that of females was 47.1%, a 0.9 point increase.

The employment rate aged 15-64 years old was 71.7%, a 1.1 point increase. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 80.8%, a 0.5 point increase, and that of females was 62.4%, a 1.7 point increase.

(3) Employees/ Self-employed and family workers

The number of employees was 55.53 million, an increase of 490,000 from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 31.47 million, a decrease of 10,000, while that of females was 24.06 million, an increase of 490,000.

The proportion of employees to employed persons was 88.0%, a 0.2 point increase.

The number of self-employed and family workers was 7.28 million, a decrease of 110,000.

(4) Regular/ Non-regular employees

The number of regular employees was 33.02 million. The proportion to the employees excluding executive of company or corporation was 63.4%.

The number of non-regular employees was 19.06 million. The proportion to the employees excluding executive of company or corporation was 36.6%.

(5) Employees in non-agricultural industries

The number of employees in non-agricultural industries was 55.01 million. Among these, the number of long-term employees was 50.39 million.

Among long-term employees, the number of employees with indefinite duration contract was 37.20 million, the proportion to employees in non-agricultural industries was 67.6%. On the other hand, the number of employees with limited duration contract was 9.80 million, the proportion to employees in non-agricultural industries was 17.8%.

(6) Employed persons by industry

The number of employed persons in the “Medical, health care and welfare” sector was 7.35 million, an increase of 230,000 from the previous year, that in “Compound services” was 550,000, an increase of 80,000, that in “Wholesale and retail trade” was 10.57 million, an increase of 70,000.

Meanwhile, that in “Manufacturing” was 10.39 million, a decrease of 140,000.

(7) 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 8.8%, a 0.4 point decrease from the previous year.

3. Unemployed persons

(1) Unemployed persons

The number of unemployed persons was 2.65 million, a decrease of 200,000 from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 1.62 million, a decrease of 110,000, and that of females was 1.03 million, a decrease of 90,000.

(2) Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate was 4.0%, a 0.3 point decrease from the previous year. In breakdown by sex, that of males was 4.3%, a 0.3 point decrease, and that of females was 3.7%, a 0.3 point decrease.

The unemployment rate by age group shows that the rates peaked in the 15-24 age group for males and females at 7.6% and 6.2% respectively. That in the 15-24 age group for males decreased by 1.1 points from the previous year, while that in the 15-24 age group for females decreased by 1.3 points.

(3) Unemployed persons by reason for seeking a job

The number of unemployed persons who “Quitted a job involuntarily” was 900,000, a decrease of 120,000 from the previous year. Among these, the number of persons who quitted the previous job due to “Circumstances of employer or business” was 610,000, a decrease of 90,000, and those who quitted the previous job due to “Mandatory retirement or termination of employment contract” was 290,000, a decrease of 30,000.

Those who “Quitted a job voluntarily” (leaving the previous job for personal or family’s convenience) was 960,000, a decrease of 50,000.

The number of persons who “Newly started to seek a job” was 740,000, a decrease of 40,000.

Among these, those who “Graduated from school” (persons who started seeking a job after they graduated from school) was 150,000, a decrease of 10,000, and those who had been “Necessary to earn revenue” was 340,000, a decrease of 30,000.