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<News Highlights>

*** 2016 Survey on Time Use and Leisure Activities (Results on leisure activities) released**

The SBJ conducted the 2016 Survey on Time Use and Leisure Activities as of October 20, 2016, and released the results concerning leisure activities on July 14, 2017.

The Survey on Time Use and Leisure Activities aims to obtain comprehensive data on daily patterns of time allocation and on leisure activities. The following is an outline of the results on leisure activities within the past year (from October 20, 2015 to October 19, 2016).

- Learning, self-education and training

The percentage in the population of those aged 10 and over (hereinafter referred to as “participation rate”) was 36.9%. Compared to 2011, the participation rate increased by 1.7 percentage points. By age group, the participation rate increased particularly in those from their teens to 30s.

The participation rate of “English language” increased particularly in the teens and was over 30%.

- Volunteer activities

The participation rate of “Volunteer activities” was 26.0%. Compared to 2011, the participation rate decreased by 0.3

percentage points. By age group, the highest participation rate was found in the age group of 40 to 44 years old, and the lowest rate in the age group of 25 to 29 years old.

Compared to 2011, the participation rate of “Local improvement activities” increased by 0.4 percentage points and “Disaster-related activities” decreased by 2.3 percentage points.

The participation rate of “Disaster-related activities” decreased by 2.3 percentage points compared to 2011 when the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred, while it increased 0.3 percentage points compared to 2006.

- Hobbies and amusements

The participation rate of “Hobbies and amusements” was 87.0% and increased by 2.2 percentage points compared to 2011. By age group, the highest participation rate was found in the age group of 10 to 14 years old. The higher the age group, the lower the rate, generally speaking.

The participation rate of “Watching movies in a movie theater” and “Watching movies other than movie theater (TV PGMs, DVDs and PCs etc.)” particularly increased.

The participation rate of “Playing home use video games or PC games (including use of portable game machines)” increased particularly in the age group of 40s and 50s.

For more details, please visit:

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/shakai/index.htm>

<Recent Releases>

July 7, 2017

* "Survey of Household Economy" (Items Related to Expenditure)
(May 2017)

- Summary Results of the May 2017 Survey of Household Economy (Items Related to Expenditure) (Two-or-more-person households)
- Change over the year of Monthly Expenditure per household on

Main Items

<Main Items increased in real terms>

- Washing machines: up 18.2% in nominal terms and 33.7% in real terms
- Automobiles (new): up 28.3% in nominal terms and 28.2% in real terms
- Package tour costs (overseas): up 26.2% in nominal terms and 19.4% in real terms

<Main Items decreased in real terms>

- Sideboards: down 44.0% in nominal terms and 44.1% in real terms
- Women's one-piece dresses and suits: down 21.6% in nominal terms and 21.3% in real terms
- Vacuum cleaners: down 11.7% in nominal terms and 17.2% in real terms

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/joukyou/12.htm>

July 11, 2017

* Unincorporated Enterprise Survey (Structural survey) 2016 Yearly

- The sales per establishment of “Manufacturing” were 10,461,000 yen; “Wholesale and retail trade,” 14,895,000 yen; “Accommodations and food services,” 8,532,000 yen; and “Services,” 5,063,000 yen. From the previous year, the sales per establishment of “Manufacturing” and “Services” increased; and “Wholesale and retail trade” and “Accommodations and food services” decreased.
- The rate of establishments with the business proprietor aged 60 and over was 76.2% in “Manufacturing,” 76.3% in “Wholesale and retail trade,” 71.1% in “Accommodations and food services,” and 67.9% in “Service.”

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kojinke/index.htm>

July 20, 2017

* "Population Estimates" (February 1, 2017 (Final estimates), July 1, 2017 (Provisional estimates))

-As of July 1, 2017 (Provisional estimates)

<Total Population>

- The total population was 126.75 million, a decrease of 0.24 million (0.19 percent) from the previous year.

-As of February 1, 2017 (Final estimates)

<Total Population>

- The total population was 126,790 thousand, a decrease of 224 thousand (0.18 percent) from the previous year.
- The population under 15 years old was 15,716 thousand, a decrease of 173 thousand (1.09 percent) from the previous year.
- The population aged 15 to 64 was 76,296 thousand, a decrease of 674 thousand (0.88 percent) from the previous year.
- The population aged 65 and over was 34,778 thousand, an increase of 623 thousand (1.82 percent) from the previous year.

<Japanese population>

- Japanese population was 124,899 thousand, a decrease of 320 thousand (0.26 percent) from the previous year.

<http://www.stat.jp/english/data/jinsui/2.htm>

July 28, 2017

*"Labour Force Survey (Basic Tabulation)" (June 2017)

- The number of employed persons in June 2017 was 65.83 million, an increase of 610 thousand or 0.9% from the previous year.
- The number of unemployed persons in June 2017 was 1.92 million, a decrease of 180 thousand or 8.6% from the previous year.
- The unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted, was 2.8%.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/month/index.htm>

*"Labour Force Survey (Basic Tabulation)" (Quarterly Average Results - Apr.-Jun. 2017-)

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/quarter/ft/index.htm>

*Family Income and Expenditure Survey (Two-or-more-person Households: June 2017)

- Expenditures for Two-or-more-person Households

The average of monthly consumption expenditures per household for June 2017 was 268,802 yen, up 2.8% in nominal terms and up 2.3% in real terms from the previous year.

- Income and Expenditures for Workers' Households

The average of monthly income per household stood at 735,477 yen, up 0.6% in nominal terms and up 0.1% in real terms from the previous year.

The average of consumption expenditures per household was 296,653 yen, up 7.2% in nominal terms and up 6.7% in real terms from the previous year.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kakei/156.htm>

*Family Income and Expenditure Survey (Savings and Liabilities) (The first quarter of 2017)

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/sav/index.htm>

*Consumer Price Index (2015-base) (Japan June 2017, Ku-area of Tokyo July 2017 (preliminary))

- The consumer price index for Japan in June 2017 was 100.2 (2015=100), up 0.4% over the year before seasonal adjustment, and the same level as the previous month on a seasonally adjusted basis.

- The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in July 2017 (preliminary) was 99.7 (2015=100), up 0.1% over the year before seasonal adjustment, and the same level as the previous month on a seasonally adjusted basis.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/cpi/1581.htm>

* "Retail Price Survey" (June 2017, Main Cities (July 2017, Ku-area of Tokyo))

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/kouri/doukou/15i2.htm>

July 31, 2017

*"Monthly Survey on Service Industries" (May 2017 (preliminary))

- Monthly sales: 30.4 trillion yen, up 3.1 % over the year.
- Number of persons working at the Location of Establishment: 30.34 million persons, up 1.1 % over the year.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/mssi/kekka.htm>

* "Monthly Report on Internal Migration in Japan" (June 2017)

- The number of internal migrants (All nationalities) was 353,114, an increase of 2,926 (0.8 %) from the previous year.
- The number of inter-prefectural migrants (All nationalities) was 154,603, an increase of 2,839 (1.9 %) from the previous year.
- The number of intra-prefectural migrants (All nationalities) was 198,511, an increase of 87 (0.0 %) from the previous year.
- The number of internal migrants (Japanese) was 321,153, a decrease of 1,543 (0.5 %) from the previous year.
- The number of inter-prefectural migrants (Japanese) was 138,577, an increase of 383 (0.3%) from the previous year.
- The number of intra-prefectural migrants (Japanese) was 182,576, a decrease of 1,926 (1.0%) from the previous year.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/idou/3.htm>

August 8, 2017

*"Labour Force Survey (Detailed Tabulation)" (Quarterly Average Results - Apr.-Jun. 2017 -)

- The number of the regular employee was 34.22 million, an increase of 440 thousand from the previous year.
- The number of the non-regular employee was 20.18 million, an increase of 210 thousand from the previous year.

<http://www.stat.go.jp/english/data/roudou/results/quarter/dt/index.htm>

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