



# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

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October 2015

[Tuesday, October 6 – Saturday, October 31]

## Statistical Survey Reports

### Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (July)

Wednesday, October 7, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The number of households of welfare recipients in July was 1,628,905 and the number of welfare recipients was 2,165,278.

### General Survey on Working Conditions 2015

Thursday, October 15, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

“The number of days of paid annual leave granted” was 18.4 days, “the number of days of paid annual leave acquired” was 8.8 days and “the acquisition rate” was 47.6%.

### Report on Employment Situations of Elderly Persons (2015)

Wednesday, October 21, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

99.2% of the companies with 31 or more employees implemented employment securing measures for elderly persons.

The ratio of the companies whose employees can work up to they become 65 years old or longer if they hope was 72.5%, an increase of 1.5 point from the previous year.

The ratio of the companies whose employees can work up to they become 70 years old or longer if they hope was 20.1%, an increase of 1.1 point from the previous year.

### Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in August)

Thursday, October 22, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 0.4% and contractual cash earnings increased by 0.3% (full-time employees 0.5%, part-time employees 1.7%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 1.9% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.2% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.6%. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.1% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) unchanged from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers at business establishments with 5 or more employees increased by 0.5% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

### Indexes of Business Conditions August 2015 (Revised Release)

Friday, October 23, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2010=100) in August was 112.2, a decrease of 0.9 point. And 3 months backward moving average increased for 0.07 point, and 7 months backward moving average decreased for 0.37 point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was “Weakening” (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 103.5, a decrease of 1.5 point, and the Lagging Index was 115.1, a decrease of 0.9 point.

### Indices of Industrial Production (September)

Thursday, October 29, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2010=100) increased by 1.0% from the previous

month.

According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in October and decrease in November.

### Labour Force Survey (September)

**Friday, October 30, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 3.4%, unchanged from the previous month. That for men was 3.6%, increased by 0.1 point from the previous month and that for women was 3.1%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 2.28 million, increased by 40 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees was 56.87 million, increased by 510 thousand from the previous month.

Among them, the number of regular employee was 33.48 million, increased by 210 thousand from the previous year and the number of non-regular employee was 19.86 million, increased by 160 thousand from the previous year.

### Employment Referrals for General Workers (September)

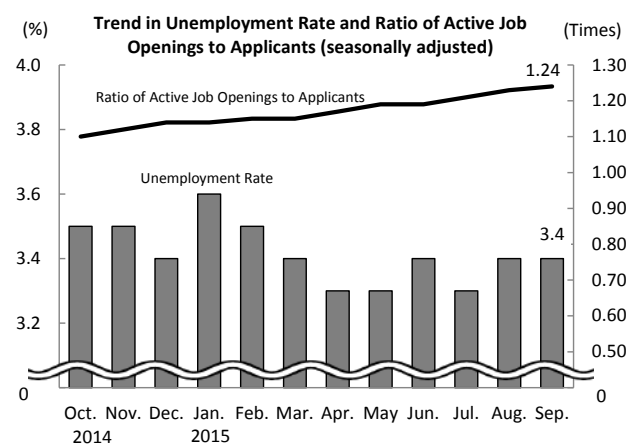
**Friday, October 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.24, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.

The number of monthly active job openings (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was decreased by 0.7% from the previous month and the number of monthly active applications (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was decreased by 1.4% from the previous month.

New job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.86, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio for regular staff (seasonally adjusted) was 0.77, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.



### Family Income and Expenditure Survey (September)

**Friday, October 30, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The average monthly income for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was decreased by 1.6% in real terms from the same month a year before.

The change over the year of wages & salaries was -1.0% in real terms from the previous year (household heads: -2.4% in real terms, spouse of household: 10.1% in real terms).

The average monthly consumption expenditures for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was decreased by 1.7% in real terms from the same month a year before.

### Consumer Price Index (September)

**Friday, October 30, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The consumer price index for Japan in September 2015 was 103.9(2010=100), the same level as the previous year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 103.4, down 0.1% from the previous year.

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in October 2015 (preliminary) was 102.3(2010=100), up 0.1% over the year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 102.0, down 0.2% over the year.

## **Monthly Survey on Service Industries (Preliminary Report in August)**

**Friday, October 30, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The monthly sales amount of service industry by industry of business activity in August 2015 was 28.5 trillion yen, an increase of 2.8 % from the same month the year before. The total number of persons working at the location of establishment in the industry by industry of establishment and enterprise, etc. was 28,730 thousand person, an increase of 0.9% from the same month the year before.

## **Other Reports**

### **Monthly Economic Report (October)**

**Wednesday, October 14, released by the Cabinet Office**

The Japanese economy is on a moderate recovery, while weakness can be seen in some areas. (In the previous month, “The Japanese economy is on a moderate recovery, while slowness can be seen in some areas.”)

- \* Private consumption holds firm as a whole. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Business investment is picking up generally. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Exports are in a weak tone recently. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Industrial production is in a weak tone recently. (In the previous month, “Industrial production is flat recently.”)
- \* Corporate profits are improving. Firms' judgment on current business conditions is almost flat, while cautiousness can be seen in some areas. (The same as the previous month)
- \* The employment situation shows a trend toward improvement. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Consumer prices are rising moderately. (The same as the previous month)

### **Monthly Economic Labour Report (October)**

**Monday, October 19, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The employment situation shows a trend toward improvement. (The same as the previous month)

### **Regional Economic Report (October 2015)**

**Monday, October 19, released by the Bank of Japan**

### **2015 White Paper on Health, Labour and Welfare**

**Tuesday, October 27, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

We have also compiled the "Main Labor Economics Indicators", which summarizes indexes relating to the labour economy. Please go to "<https://www.jil.go.jp/english/estatis/esaikin/esaikin.html>"  
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