



# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

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### Survey on Industrial Accidents (2017)

**May 7, released by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Frequency rate (Frequency of occurrence of industrial accidents) is 1.66 (1.63 in the previous year).

Severity rate (Level of severity of industrial accidents) is 0.09 (0.10 in the previous year).

Average number of working days lost per one casualty is 55.0 days (60.0 days in the previous year).

Note: The frequency rate is the number of casualties in industrial accidents per 1 million total hours actually worked, indicating the frequency of occurrence of accidents. The severity rate is the number of working days lost per 1,000 total actual working hours, indicating the severity of the accidents.

### Family Income and Expenditure Survey (March)

**May 8, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The average monthly income for a worker's households with 2 or more family members was up 0.5% in real terms from the previous year. "Discontinuity-adjusted figures" was down 3.8% in real terms from the previous year.

The change over the year of wages & salaries was 0.0% (-3.5%\*) in real terms from the previous year (household heads: -1.3%(-3.8%\*) in real terms, spouse of household: 0.1(-5.1%\*)% in real terms).

The average of consumption expenditures for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was down 1.9%(-1.9%\*) in real terms from the previous year.

Revised forms of account books have been introduced to half of the sample households on January 2018, therefore results including "Change over the year" and "Contribution" in data tables might have gaps from the figures by the previous survey schedules.

To resolve this discontinuity, "discontinuity-adjusted figures" are calculated by "Inverse-Probability-Weighting" using "propensity score", for valid comparison with results of previous years.

\*: Discontinuity-adjusted figures

### Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (February)

**May 8, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The number of welfare recipients in February was 2,115,368 and the number of households of welfare recipients was 1,638,384.

### Monthly Labour Survey (Provisional Report in March)

**May 9, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 2.1% and contractual cash earnings increased by 1.3% (full-time employees 1.1%, part-time employees 0.3%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 12.8% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.3% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.8% from year earlier. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.8% 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 unchanged from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

## Indexes of Business Conditions March 2018 (Preliminary Release)

May 9, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2010=100) in March was 116.4, an increase of 0.4 point. And 3 months backward moving average decreased by for 0.87point, and 7 months backward moving average decreased for 0.12point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was “Improving” (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 105.0, a decrease of 0.9 point, and the Lagging Index was 118.0, a decrease of 0.4 point.

## Labor Force Survey: Detailed Tabulation (Jan.-Mar. 2018)

May 11, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

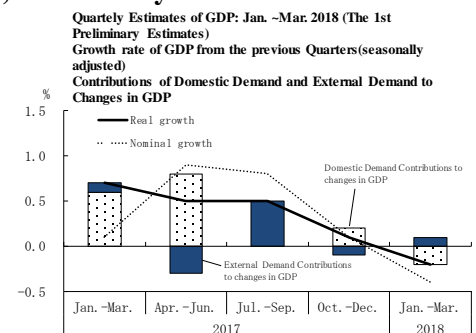
Of the total 55.40 million employee (excl. executive of company or corporation) (average, in the Jan. - Mar. 2018), the number of the regular employees increased by 380 thousand from the previous year to 34.23 million and the number of non-regular employees was 21.17 million, increased by one million from the previous year.

## National Accounts (The 1st Preliminary Estimates Jan.-Mar.2018)

May 16, released by the Cabinet Office

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) at Jan.-Mar.2018 was -0.2% (-0.6% on annual basis). Of real GDP growth rate, -0.2% was contributed by domestic demand and 0.1% by external demand.

Compensation of Employees (real) was 0.7% and compensation of Employees (nominal) was 0.9% (changes from the previous quarter (seasonally adjusted)).



## Consumer Price Index Japan (April)

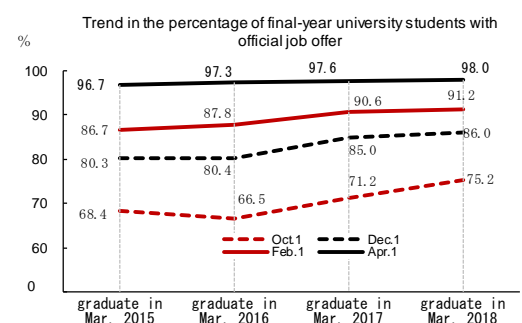
May 18, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The consumer price index for Japan in April 2018 was 100.9(2015=100), up 0.6% over the year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 100.9, up 0.7% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 101.0, up 0.4% from the previous year.

## Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Graduate in Mar.2018 (University, etc.) (April 1, 2018)

May 18, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

The ratio of final-year university students who got an official job offer to applicants was 98.0%, increased by 0.4 point from the same period a year earlier.



## Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Senior High School Graduates (End of March, 2018)

May 18, released by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

The ratio of final-year senior high school students with preliminary job offers at the end of March, 2018, was 98.1%, an increase of 0.1 point from the previous year.

## **Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in March and FY2017)**

**May 23, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 2.0% and contractual cash earnings increased by 1.2% (full-time employees 1.3%, part-time employees 1.4%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 13.7% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.2% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 2.2%. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.7% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 0.1% from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers at business establishments with 5 or more employees increased by 0.7% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

Total amount of cash earnings in FY2017 increased by 0.7% and contractual cash earnings increased by 0.6% (regular employees 0.5%, part-time workers 1.2%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 1.1% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.6% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.7%. Real wage (total cash earnings) decreased by 0.2% and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 0.3% from the previous year.

The number of total hours worked in FY2017 decreased by 0.2% from the previous year.

## **Indexes of Business Conditions March 2017 (Revision of the Preliminary Release)**

**May 24, released by the Cabinet Office**

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2010=100) in March was 116.3, an increase of 0.3 point. And 3 months backward moving average decreased for 0.90 point, and 7 months backward moving average decreased for 0.13 point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was "Improving" (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 104.4, decreased by 1.5 point, and the Lagging Index was 118.5, an increase of 0.1 point.

## **Consumer Price Index Ku-area of Tokyo (May) (preliminary)**

**May 25, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in May 2018 (preliminary) was 100.5 (2015=100), up 0.4% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 100.5, up 0.5% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 100.8, up 0.2% from the previous year.

## **Report on Employment Service for the disabled (FY2017)**

**May 25, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The number of job placements for disabled persons through Public Employment Security Offices was 97,814, an increase of 4.9% from the previous fiscal year.

## **Survey on Supply and Demand of Construction Labor**

**May 25, released by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism**

## **Labour Force Survey (April)**

**May 29, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 2.5%, unchanged from the previous month. That for men was 2.8%, increased by 0.1 point and that for women was 2.1%, decreased by 0.2 point from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 1.72 million, decreased by 10 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees was 59.16 million, increased by 1.59 million from the previous year.

Among them, the number of regular employee was 34.67 million, increased by 670 thousand from the previous year and the number of non-regular employee was 21.04 million, increased by 1 million from the previous year.

## Employment Referrals for General Workers (April)

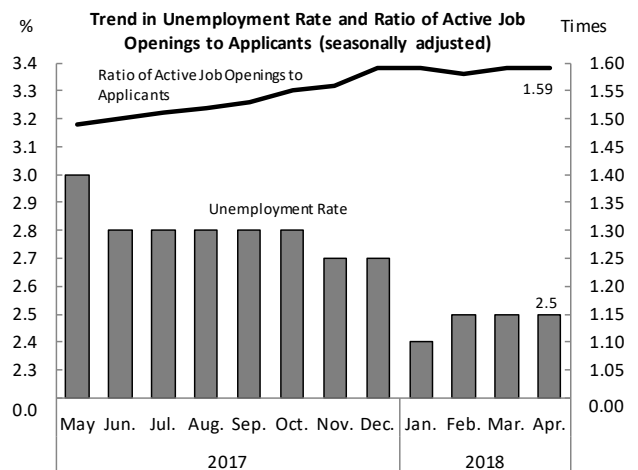
May 29, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.59, unchanged from the previous month.

The number of monthly active job openings (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was increased by 0.7% from the previous month and the number of monthly active applications (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was increased by 0.6% from the previous month.

New job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 2.37, decreased by 0.04point from the previous month.

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio for regular staff (seasonally adjusted) was 1.09, increased by 0.01point from the previous month.



## Status on Industrial accidents of death cases and significant accidents in 2017

May 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

## Basic Survey of Gender Equality in Employment Management in FY2017 (Provisional Report)

May 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The ratio of the child-care leave taken by female was 83.2 (an increase of 1.4point from the survey of FY2016) and that of male was 5.14% (an increase of 1.98point from the survey of FY2016).

## The 7th Longitudinal Survey of Newborns in the 21st Century (2010 Cohort)

May 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The percentage of mothers with work reached 67.2% in the 7th survey (1st grade of primary school), 11.4 points higher as compared to the 6th survey of the 2001 cohort.

## Indices of Industrial Production (April)

May 31, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2010=100) increased by 0.3% from the previous month. According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in May and decrease in June.

## Other Reports

### Monthly Economic Report (May)

May 23, released by the Cabinet Office

The Japanese economy is recovering at a moderate pace. (The same as the previous month)

- \* Private consumption is in picking up. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Business investment is increasing moderately. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Exports are picking up. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Industrial production is increasing moderately. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Corporate profits is improving. Firms' judgment on current business conditions is improving. (The same as the previous month)
- \* The employment situation is improving steadily. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Consumer prices are rising moderately in recent months. (The same as the previous month)

**White Paper on Manufacturing Industries (Monodzukuri) 2017**

**May 29, released by**

**Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry**

**Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

**Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology**

**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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