



Recent Statistical Survey Reports

July 2006

[Tuesday, July 4 –Monday, July 31]

Statistical Survey Reports

Indexes of Business Conditions (Preliminary Report for May)

Thursday, July 6, released by the Cabinet Office

The Leading Index was 75.0%, the Coincident Index was 77.8%, and the Lagging Index was 75.0%.

Survey on Labour Union Activities (2005)

Friday, July 14, released by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The ratio of labor unions that experienced the corporate restructuring or dismembering during the past three years was 42.2%. And the ratio of labor unions that has been involved in the execution of them was 87.6%.

The Average Life Expectancy of Japanese People (2005)

Tuesday, July 25, released by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The average life expectancy of Japanese men was 78.53 years and that of women was 85.49 years, decreased by 0.11 years for men and 0.10 years for women from the previous year.

Consumer Price Index (June)

Friday, July 28, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The consumer price index was 98.7, increased by 1.0% from the previous year. And in the Ward- areas of Tokyo in July, it was 97.2, increased by 0.4% from the previous year.

Family Income and Expenditure Survey (June)

Friday, July 28, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The average monthly income for workers' household decreased by 6.0% in real values from the same month the year before, decreased for 8 months in a row.

Labour Force Survey (June)

Friday, July 28, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

Report on Employment Service (June)

Friday, July 28, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 4.2%, an increase of 0.2 points from the previous month.

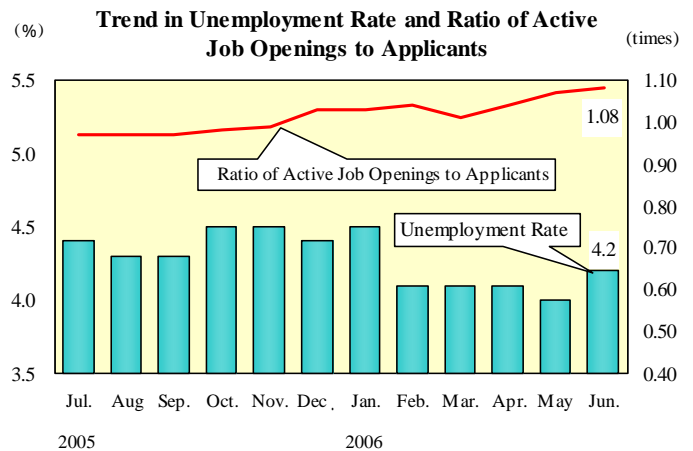
That for men was 4.2%, unchanged from the previous month, that for women was 4.2%, increased by 0.4 points from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons decreased by 20 thousand from a year earlier to 2.78 million.

The number of employees (seasonally adjusted) increased by 30 thousand people to 54.89 million people from the previous month.

The ratio of active job openings to applicants

(seasonally adjusted) was 1.08, increased by 0.01 points from the previous month.



Indices of Industrial Production (Preliminary Report for June)

Monday, July 31, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted) increased by 1.9 % from the previous month. This index is expected to increase in July and August.

Monthly Labour Survey (Preliminary Report in June)

Monday, July 31, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Total amount of cash earnings (for business establishments with 5 or more employees) increased by 0.5% from a year earlier, and scheduled cash earnings was unchanged from a year earlier.

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

Other Reports

Annual Report on the Japanese Economy and Public Finance (2006)

Tuesday, July 18, released by Cabinet Office

Monthly Economic Report (July)

Wednesday, July 19, released by the Cabinet Office

The economy is recovering.

- * Corporate profits are improving and business investment is increasing.
- * Private consumption is increasing moderately.
- * The employment situation is improving on a broader basis, though some severe aspects remain.
- * Exports and industrial production is increasing moderately

Monthly Economic Labour Report (July)

Thursday, July 20, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

In looking at the aspects of labor and economy, the employment situation shows an expansion of improvement though some severe aspects remain. For example, the unemployment rate is declining, though still remains at a high level, and wages are steadily increasing.

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

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