



# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

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**February 2007**

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### The Result of Year-end Bonus negotiations among Major Private Enterprises (2006)

**Friday, February 2, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The amount of agreed year-end bonus was 841,854 yen, increased for the fourth consecutive month by 2.53% from the previous year.

### Indexes of Business Conditions (Preliminary Report for December)

**Tuesday, February 6, released by the Cabinet Office**

The Leading Index was 25.0%, the Coincident Index was 61.1%, and the Lagging Index was 50.0%.

### Basic Survey on Wage Structure by Prefectures (Preliminary Report, 2006)

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

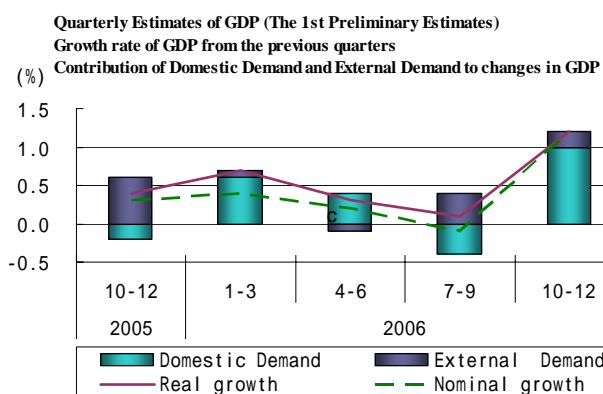
Scheduled cash earnings (general employees) was the highest in Tokyo with 375,000 yen (Average length of service was 12.1 years), and the lowest in Aomori with 221,700 yen (Average length of service was 11.6 years).

### National Accounts (The First Preliminary Estimates of Expenditure in Oct.-Dec.)

**Thursday, February 15, released by the Cabinet Office**

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) increased by 1.2% (4.8% on annual basis) from the previous quarters.

Of real GDP growth rate, 1.0% was contributed by domestic demand and 0.2% by external demand.



### Indices of Industrial Production (Preliminary Report for January)

**Wednesday, February 28, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry**

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted) decreased by 1.5 % from the previous month. This index is expected to decrease in February and to increase in March.

### Consumer Price Index (January)

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The consumer price index was 100.0, unchanged from the previous year. And in the Ward- areas of

Tokyo in February, it was 99.5, unchanged from the previous year.

### **Family Income and Expenditure Survey (January)**

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The average monthly income for workers' household increased by 0.7% in real values from the same month the year before.

### **Labour Force Survey (January)**

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

### **Report on Employment Service (January)**

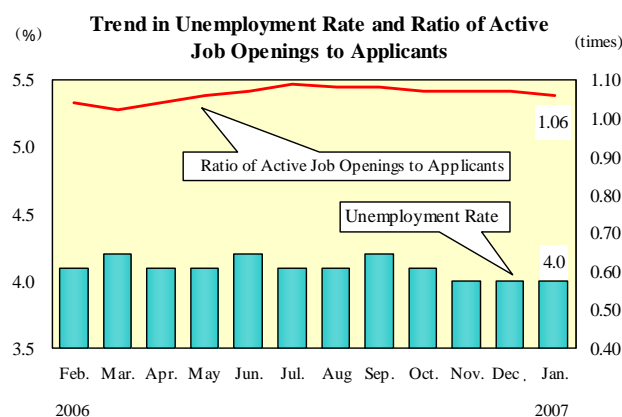
**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 4.0%, unchanged from the previous month. That for men was 4.1%, decreased by 0.1 points from the previous month, that for women was 3.8%, increased by 0.1 points from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons decreased by 280 thousand from a year earlier to 2.64 million.

The number of employees (seasonally adjusted) increased by 230 thousand people to 54.96 million people from the previous month.

The ratio of active job openings to applicants (seasonally adjusted) was 1.06, decreased by 0.01 points from the previous month.



### **Labor Force Survey (2006, Model-based estimated figure)**

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

By prefecture, the unemployment rate (estimated figure) was the highest in Okinawa at 7.7%, followed by Aomori at 6.0%. Fukui was the lowest at 2.3%.

### **Labor Force Survey : Detailed Tabulation (Preliminary Report for Oct.-Dec.)**

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The rate of the non-regular staff to the employee excluding executive was 32.9%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous year.

### **Monthly Labour Survey (Preliminary Report in January)**

**Friday, March 2, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Total amount of cash earnings (for business establishments with 5 or more employees) was decreased by 1.4% from a year earlier, and scheduled cash earnings was decreased by 0.3% from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked in manufacturing (for business establishments with 5 or more employees, seasonally adjusted) decreased by 1.4% from the previous month.

## Other Reports

### Monthly Economic Report (February)

**Monday, February 19, released by the Cabinet Office**

The economy is recovering, despite some weakness in consumption.

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

### Monthly Economic Labour Report (February)

**Monday, February 26, 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 labour economy. Please go to "<https://www.jil.go.jp/english/estatis/eindex.html>"

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