



Recent Statistical Survey Reports

August 2007

[Wednesday, August 1 –Monday, September 3]

Statistical Survey Reports

Indexes of Business Conditions (Preliminary Report for June)

Monday, August 6, released by the Cabinet Office

The Leading Index was 80.0%, the Coincident Index was 77.8%, and the Lagging Index was 50.0%. The Leading-Indicators Index surpassed 50% for the first time in 12 months.

Basic Survey on Employment Management of Women (2006)

Thursday, August 9, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The ratio of business establishments which have some female managers in the section chief class or higher position (including board member) is 66.6% (62.6% as of 2003).

The female ratio of the total number of the section chief class or higher position (including board member) is 6.9% (5.8% as of 2003).

Basic Survey on Schools (Preliminary Report FY2007)

Thursday, August 9, released by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and

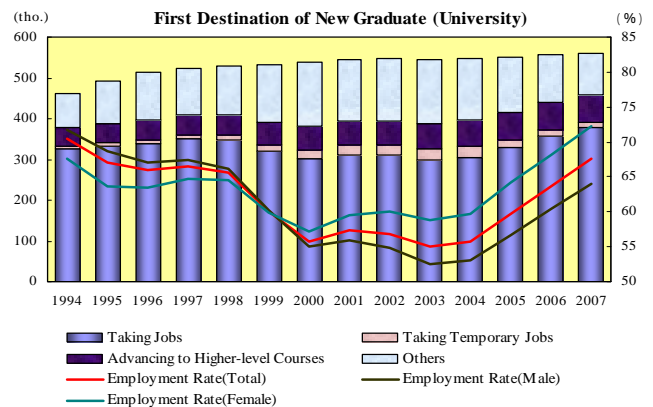
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Among high school graduates, 51.2% advanced to universities and other colleges etc., increased by 1.9 points from a year earlier and the highest since the survey started.

18.5% of them took jobs, increased by 0.5 points from a year earlier. 16 thousand people, 1.4% of them took temporary jobs, decreased by 3 thousand people, 0.2 points from a year earlier.

Among university graduates, 12.0% advanced to postgraduate colleges and others.

67.6% took jobs, increased by 3.9 points from a year earlier. 13 thousand people, 2.4% of them took temporary jobs, decreased by 3 thousand people, 0.6 points from a year earlier.

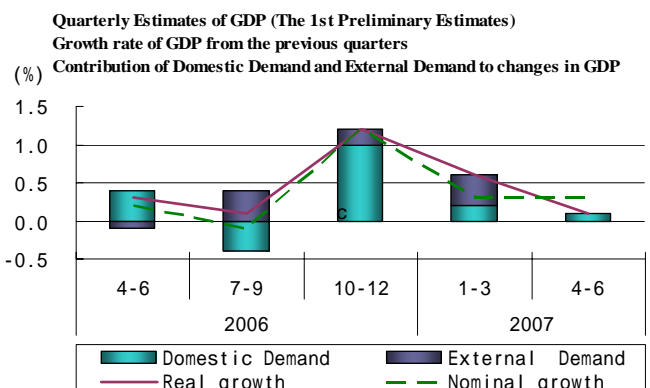


National Accounts (The 1st Preliminary Estimates of Expenditure in Apr.-Jun.)

Monday, August 13, released by the Cabinet Office

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) increased by 0.1% (0.5% on annual basis) from the previous quarters.

Of real GDP growth rate, 0.1% was contributed by domestic demand and 0.0% by external demand.



Conditions Relating to Spring Wage Increase

(Shunto) (principal enterprises) (2007)

Wednesday, August 15, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The average pay raise agreed upon was 5,890 yen, increased by 229 yen from a year earlier. The wage increase percentage was 1.87%, increased by 0.08 points from a year earlier.

Survey on Employment Trends (2006)

Wednesday, August 22, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The number of employees newly hired was 6.99 million (7.48 million in the previous year), and that of employees separated was 7.04 million (7.56 million in the previous year). The total number of turnover workers was 14.04 million (15.04 million in the previous year). The rate of accession was 16.0% (17.4% in the previous year), and the rate of separation was 16.2% (17.5% in the previous year).

Survey on Situation of Unstable Part-Time Workers Who Have No Home

Tuesday, August 28, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Of the steady customers who use Net cafes all night for more than half a week, 5,400 persons across Japan were estimated to have lost their homes and use Net cafes as their home.

Consumer Price Index (July)

Friday, August 31, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The Consumer Price Index was 100.1, unchanged from a year earlier. Omitting Fresh food, it was 100.0, a decrease of 0.1% from a year earlier. And in the Ward –areas of Tokyo in August, it was 100.4, a decrease of 0.2% from a year earlier. Omitting Fresh food, it was 100.1, unchanged from a year earlier.

Indices of Industrial Production (July)

Friday, August 31, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted) decreased by 0.4 % from the previous month. This index is expected to increase in August and decrease in September.

Family Income and Expenditure Survey (July)

Friday, August 31, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The average monthly income for a worker's household with 2 or more family members decreased by 3.3% from the same month the year before.

Labour Force Survey (July)

Friday, August 31, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

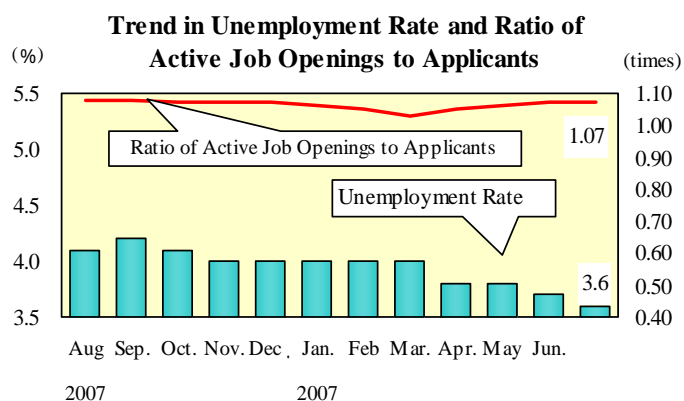
Report on Employment Service (July)

Friday, August 31, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 3.6%, decreased by 0.1 points from the previous month. That for men was 3.7%, decreased by 0.1 points from the previous month, and that for women was 3.3%, decreased by 0.2 points from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons decreased by 340 thousand from a year earlier to 2.34 million.

The number of employees (seasonally adjusted) decreased by 180 thousand people from the previous month to 55.14 million.



The ratio of active job openings to applicants (seasonally adjusted) was 1.07, unchanged from the previous month.

Monthly Labour Survey (Preliminary Report in July)

Monday, September 3, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Total amount of cash earnings (for business establishments with 5 or more employees) decreased by 1.9% from a year earlier, 386,446 yen, and scheduled cash earnings decreased by 0.1% from a year earlier, 269,292yen. Special cash earnings decreased by 5.8% from a year earlier, 117,154 yen.

Non-scheduled hours worked in manufacturing (for business establishments with 5 or more employees, seasonally adjusted) increased by 1.2% from the previous month.

Other Reports

White Paper on the Labour Economy (2007)

Friday, August 3, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Monthly Economic Report (August)

Tuesday, August 7, released by the Cabinet Office

The economy is recovering, despite weakness in industrial production in some sectors.

- * Corporate profits are improving and business investment is increasing.
- * The employment situation is improving steadily, though some severe aspects remain.
- * Private consumption is picking up.
- * Exports is increasing moderately and industrial production is flat.

Monthly Economic Labour Report (August)

Tuesday, August 14, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

In looking at the aspects of labor and economy, the employment situation is improving steadily, though some severe aspects remain. The total unemployment rate is on a downward trend and has reached the upper 3% level.

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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