



# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

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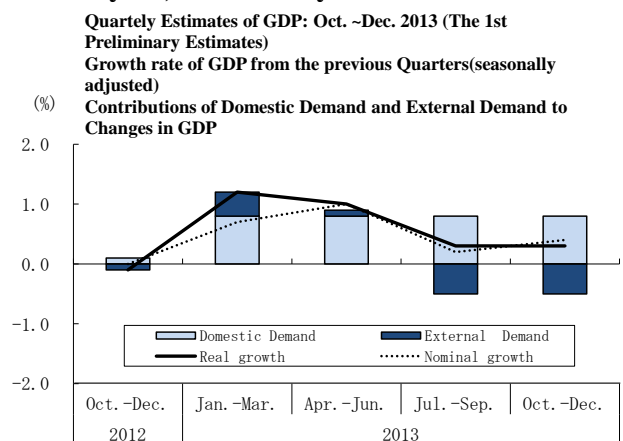
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### National Accounts (The 1st Preliminary Estimates Oct.-Dec. 2013)

**Monday, February 17, released by the Cabinet Office**

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) at Oct.-Dec.2013 was 0.3% (1.0% on annual basis). Of real GDP growth rate, 0.8% was contributed by domestic demand and -0.5% by external demand.



### Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in December and 2013)

**Tuesday, February 18, 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 contractual cash earnings decreased by 0.2% from a year earlier (regular employees 0.3%, part-time workers 0.1%).

Special cash earnings increased by 1.3% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings decreased by 0.6% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 5.0% from a year earlier. Real wage (total) decreased by 1.3% 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).

Total amount of cash earnings in 2013 unchanged and contractual cash earnings decreased by 0.5% (regular employees 0.2%, part-time workers -0.4%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 2.1% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings decreased by 0.6%, non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.8%. Real wage (total) decreased by 0.5% from the previous year.

The number of total hours worked in 2013 decreased by 1.0% from the previous year.

The rate of part-time workers in 2013 was 29.44%, an increase of 0.67 point from the previous year.

### Labor Force Survey: Detailed Tabulation (Oct.-Dec. 2013 and 2013)

**Tuesday, February 18, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

Of the total 52.48 million employed persons (average, in the Oct. - Dec. 2013), the number of the regular staff/employees (excluding board members) decreased by 470 thousand from the previous year to 32.83 million. The number of non-regular staff/employees of the employees was 19.65 million, increased by 1.22 million from the previous year.

Of the total 2.46 million unemployed persons, the number of persons who had been unemployed for 1

year or more was 1.02million, a decrease of 10 thousand from the previous year.

The average number of regular staff/employees in 2013 was 32.94 million decreased by 460 thousand from the previous year. The number of non-regular staff/employees was 19.06 million, an increase of 930 thousand.

The number of unemployed persons in 2013 was 2.65 million. Among them, persons who left the previous job in the past 1 year totaled 1.04 million, decreased by 30 thousand from the previous year.

### **Family Income and Expenditure Survey (2013 Yearly Average)**

**Tuesday, February 18, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The yearly average of monthly income per household for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was up 0.5% in real terms from the previous year.

The yearly average of monthly consumption expenditures per household was up 1.2% in real terms from the previous year.

### **Indexes of Business Conditions December 2013 (Revised Release)**

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

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2010=100) in December was 111.7, an increase of 1.0 points. And 3 months backward moving average increased for 1.03 points, and 7 months backward moving average increased for 0.69 points. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was "Improving" (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 111.7, an increase of 0.4 points, and the Lagging Index was 114.7, an increase of 0.6 points.

### **Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Senior High School Graduates (End of December, 2013)**

**Wednesday, February 19,**

**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 December, 2013, was 85.3%, an increase of 2.5 points from the previous year.

### **The 8th Longitudinal Survey of Middle and Elderly Persons**

**Wednesday, February 19, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

### **Basic Survey on Wage Structure (2013)**

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

The average scheduled cash earning for general employees was 295,700yen (a decrease of 0.7% from the previous year), that for men was 326,000yen (a decrease of 0.9% from the previous year) and that for women was 232,600yen (a decrease of 0.2% from the previous year).

Hourly wages of part-time employees for men was 1,095yen (an increase of 0.1% from the previous year), that for women was 1,007yen (an increase of 0.6% from the previous year).

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

**Thursday, February 27, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications**

The monthly sales amount of service industry by industry of business activity in December 2013 was 30.2 trillion yen, an increase of 1.6 % 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 28,340 thousand person, an increase of 0.4% from the same month the year before.

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

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

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 3.7%, unchanged from the previous month. That for men was 3.9%, unchanged from the previous month and that for women was 3.5%, unchanged from the

previous month.

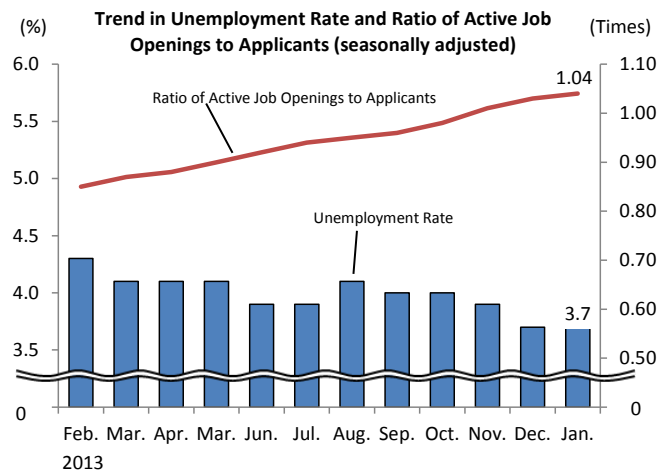
The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 2.42 million, decreased by 20 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees (seasonally adjusted) was 55.65 million, decreased by 180 thousand from the previous month.

### Report on Employment Service (January)

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

The ratio of active job openings to applicants (seasonally adjusted) was 1.04, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.



### Family Income and Expenditure Survey (January)

**Friday, February 28, 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 0.6% in real terms from the same month a year before.

With regard to change over the year of wages & salaries, household heads was 0.4% in real terms from the previous year, spouse of household was -4.3% in real terms from the previous year and other household members was -7.7% in real terms from the previous year.

The average monthly consumption expenditures for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was decreased by 0.2% in real terms from the same month a year before.

### Indices of Industrial Production (January)

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

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2010=100) increased by 4.0% from the previous month.

According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in February and decrease in March. The Synthetic judgment is "Industrial Production continues to show an upward movement." (The same as the previous month)

### Consumer Price Index (January)

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

The consumer price index for Japan in January 2014 was 100.7(2010=100), up 1.4% over the year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 100.4, up 1.3% over the year.

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in February 2014( preliminary) was 99.3(2010=100), up 1.1% over the year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 99.1, up 0.9% over the year.

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

**Tuesday, March 4, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Total amount of cash earnings decreased by 0.2% and contractual cash earnings increased by 0.4% (regular employees 0.4%, part-time workers 1.2%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings decreased by 14.6% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.1% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 4.3%. Real wage (total) decreased by 1.8%, from a

year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers at business establishments with 5 or more employees increased by 2.0% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

## Other Reports

### Monthly Economic Report (February)

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

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

\* Exports are flat. Industrial production is increasing at a moderate pace. (In the previous month, “Exports are in a weak tone recently.”)

\* Corporate profits are improving. Business investment is picking up. (The same as the previous month)

\* Firms' judgment on current business conditions is broadly improving. (The same as the previous month)

\* The employment situation is improving steadily. (In the previous month, “The employment situation is improving.”)

\* Private consumption is increasing, while showing a last-minute rise in demand before a consumption tax increase in some sectors. (The same as the previous month)

\* Prices are rising moderately. (In the previous month, “Prices hold firm.”)

### Monthly Economic Labour Report (February)

**Monday, February 24, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The employment situation is improving steadily. (In the previous month, “The employment situation is improving.”)

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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