



# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

March 2016

[Wednesday, March 2 – Friday, April 1]

## Statistical Survey Reports

### Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (December)

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

The number of households of welfare recipients in December was 1,634,185 and the number of welfare recipients was 2,165,585.

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

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

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 0.4% and contractual cash earnings unchanged (full-time employees 0.1%, part-time employees -0.4%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 7.1% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.1% and non-scheduled cash earnings decreased by 1.3%. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.4% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) unchanged from a year earlier.

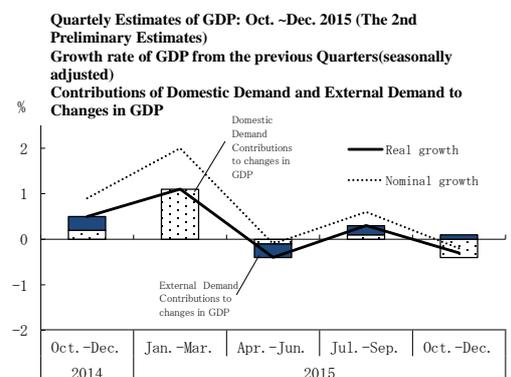
Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers at business establishments with 5 or more employees decreased by 0.4% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

### National Accounts (The 2nd Preliminary Estimates Oct.-Dec. 2015)

**Tuesday, March 8, released by the Cabinet Office**

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) at Oct.-Dec.2015 was -0.3% (-1.1% on annual basis). Of real GDP growth rate, -0.4% was contributed by domestic demand and 0.1% by external demand.

Compensation of Employees (real) was 0.2% and compensation of Employees (nominal) was 0.3% (changes from the previous quarter (seasonally adjusted)).



### Business Outlook Survey (Summary) January-March, 2016

**Friday, March 11, released by the Cabinet Office and Ministry of Finance**

### Survey on Labor Economic Trend (February 2016)

**Tuesday, March 15, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

By the judgment of employment surplus or shortage DI as of February 1, 2016, regarding the trend of the sense of employment surplus or shortage, in the total of industries surveyed, regular staff, etc. accounted for 34 (33 in the previous survey) and the DI shows shortage for 19 consecutive terms. And, that of part-time workers accounted for 31 (29 in the previous survey) and the DI shows shortage for 26 consecutive terms.

**Status on Industrial accidents of death cases and significant accidents in 2015 (Provisional Report)**  
**Tuesday, March 15, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

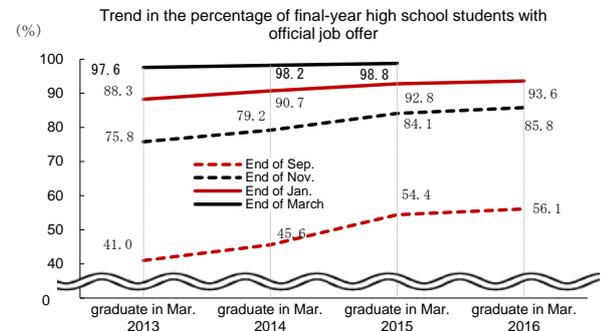
**Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Graduate (Senior and Junior High School)**  
**(End of January, 2016)**

**Friday March 18, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The ratio of final-year senior high school students with preliminary job offers was 93.6%, an increase of 0.8 point from the same period of the previous year.

The ratio of job openings to applicants for final-year senior high school students was 2.0, 0.2 point higher than the same period of the previous year.

The ratio of job openings to applicants for final-year junior high school students was 1.76, 0.21 point higher than the same period of the previous year.



**Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Graduate in Mar.2015 (University, etc.)**  
**(February 1, 2016)**

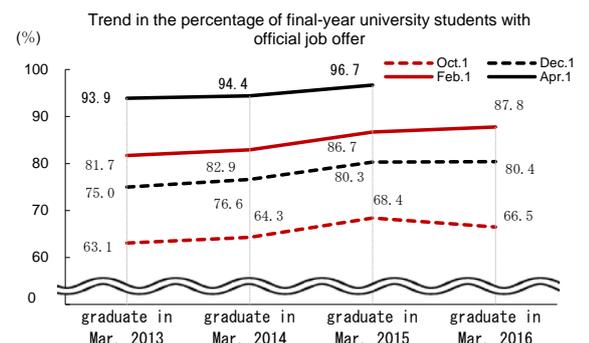
**Friday, March 18, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology**

The ratio of final-year university students who got an official job offer to applicants was 87.8%, increased by 1.1 point from the same period a year earlier.

That of final-year junior college students (female only) was 86.0%, increased by 7.9 point from the same period a year earlier.

That of final-year technology college students (male only) was 98.4%, decreased by 0.3 point from the same period a year earlier.

That of final-year vocational school students was 84.5%, increased by 7.4 point from the same period a year earlier.



**Public Opinion Survey on Public Services in the Future**

**Tuesday, March 22, released by the Cabinet Office**

**Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (FY2014)**

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

The average number of households of welfare recipients in FY2014 was 1,612,340 and the number of welfare recipients was 2,165,895.

**Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in January)**

**Thursday, March 24, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

Total amount of cash earnings unchanged and contractual cash earnings decreased by 0.1% (full-time employees 0.4%, part-time employees -0.2%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 3.0% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings decreased by 0.1% and non-scheduled cash earnings decreased by 1.0%. Real wage (total cash earnings) unchanged 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 0.3% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

## Indexes of Business Conditions January 2016 (Revised Release)

Friday, March 25, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2010=100) in January was 113.5, an increase of 2.5 point. And 3 months backward moving average increased for 0.10 point, and 7 months backward moving average increased for 0.04 point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was “Weakening” (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 101.8, an increase of 0.5 point, and the Lagging Index was 114.8, a decrease of 0.6 point.

## Consumer Price Index (February)

Friday, March 25, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The consumer price index for Japan in February 2016 was 103.2(2010=100), up 0.3% over the year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 102.5, the same level as the previous year.

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in March 2016(preliminary) was 102.0(2010=100), down 0.1% over the year. Omitting Fresh food, the comprehensive index was 101.6, down 0.3% over the year.

## Labour Force Survey (February)

Tuesday, March 29, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 3.3%, increased by 0.1 point from the previous month. That for men was 3.6%, increased by 0.2 point from the previous month and that for women was 2.8%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 2.16million, increased by 40 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees was 56.84 million, increased by 890 thousand from the previous year.

Among them, the number of regular employee was 33.33 million, increased by 560 thousand from the previous year and the number of non-regular employee was 20.08 million, increased by 340 thousand from the previous year.

## Employment Referrals for General Workers (February)

Tuesday, March 29, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.28, unchanged from the previous month.

The number of monthly active job openings (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was increased by 1.3% from the previous month and the number of monthly active applications (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was increased by 1.2% from the previous month.

New job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.92, decreased by 0.15 point from the previous month.

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio for regular staff (seasonally adjusted) was 0.81, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.

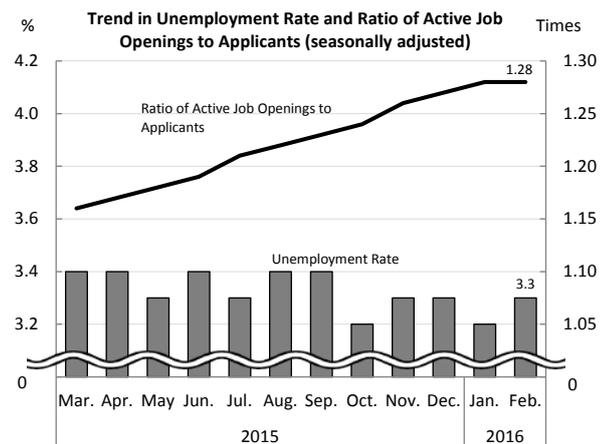
## Family Income and Expenditure Survey (February)

Tuesday, March 29, 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 2.4% in real terms from the same month a year before.

The change over the year of wages & salaries was -1.5% in real terms from the previous year (household heads: -2.7% in real terms, spouse of household: 8.4% in real terms).

The average monthly consumption expenditures for a worker’s household with 2 or more family members was increased by 1.8% in real terms from the same month a year before.



### Indices of Industrial Production (February)

Wednesday, March 30, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2010=100) decreased by 6.2% from the previous month.

According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in March and April.

### Survey on Working Conditions of Social Worker for Persons with Disability (FY2015)

Wednesday, March 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

### Survey on Working Conditions of Long-term Care Workers (FY2015)

Wednesday, March 30, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

### Report on Labour supply projects (FY2014)

Thursday, March 31 released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The number of labour unions supplying with labours was 90 (a decrease of 1 union from the previous fiscal year).

### Basic Survey on Human Resource Development (FY2015)

Thursday, March 31, released by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The ratio of the establishment which answered that there was some problems about human resource development was 71.6%.

The proportion of workers who undertook self-development was 42.7% for regular employees and 16.1% for non-regular employees.

### Report on Worker Dispatching Business (FY2014)

Thursday, March 31 released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The number of dispatched workers was about 2.63 million (an increase of 4.6% from the report in the previous fiscal year).

### Report on Worker Dispatching Business (June 1, 2015)

Thursday, March 31 released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

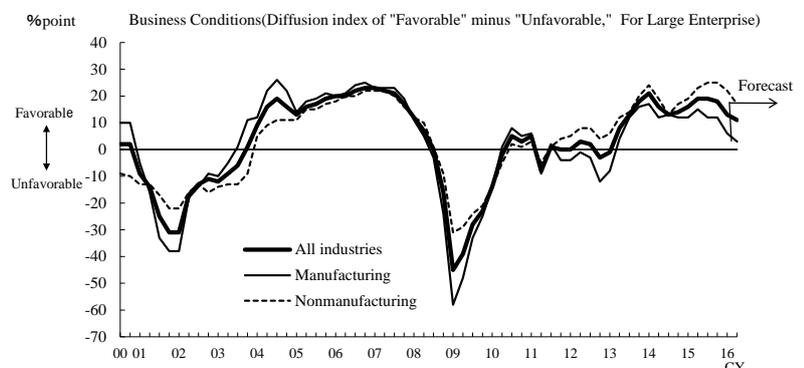
The number of dispatched workers was about 1.34 million (an increase of 6.7% from the report in the previous year).

### TANKAN (Short-Term Economic Survey of Enterprises) (March)

Friday, April 1, released by the Bank of Japan

The Diffusion Index (DI) (“Favorable”- “Unfavorable”) for business conditions in large enterprises of all industries was 13%point (18 in the previous quarter and forecast 11 in the coming quarter), the manufacturing was 6%point and the non-manufacturing was 22%point.

The Diffusion Index (DI) (“Excessive”- “Insufficient”) for employment conditions in large enterprises of all industries was -11 % point (-12 in the previous quarter and forecast -10 in the coming quarter), the manufacturing was -3%point and the non-manufacturing was -20%point.



## Other Reports

### Monthly Economic Report (March)

**Wednesday, March 23, released by the Cabinet Office**

The Japanese economy is on a moderate recovery, while weakness can be seen recently. (In the previous month, “The Japanese economy is on a moderate recovery, while weakness can be seen in some areas.”)

\* Private consumption is almost flat, while consumer confidence appears to be pausing. (In the previous month, “Private consumption holds firm as a whole.”)

\* Business investment is picking up. (In the previous month, “Business investment is almost flat.”)

\* Exports are almost flat. (In the previous month, “Exports are in a weak tone recently.”)

\* Industrial production is flat recently. (The same as the previous month)

\* Corporate profits show a trend toward improvement, mainly among non-manufacturers. Firms' judgment on current business conditions is almost flat, while cautiousness can be seen in some areas further recently. (In the previous month, “Corporate profits are improving. Firms' judgment on current business conditions is almost flat, while cautiousness can be seen in some areas.”)

\* The employment situation is improving. (The same as the previous month)

\* Consumer prices are rising moderately. (The same as the previous month)

### Monthly Economic Labour Report (March)

**Tuesday, March 29, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

The employment situation is improving. (The same as the previous month)

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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