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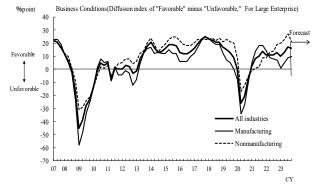
Statistical Survey Reports

TANKAN (Short-Term Economic Survey of Enterprises) (September)

October 2, released by the Bank of Japan

The Diffusion Index (DI) ("Favorable"- "Unfavorable") for business conditions in large enterprises of all industries was 17 %point (13 in the previous quarter and forecast 16 in the coming quarter), the manufacturing was 9%point and the non-manufacturing was 27%point.

The Diffusion Index (DI) ("Excessive"- "Insufficient") for employment conditions in large enterprises of all industries was -24% point (-23 in the previous quarter and forecast -26 in the coming quarter), the manufacturing was -15% point and the non-manufacturing was - 36% point.



Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (July)

October 4, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare The number of welfare recipients in July was 2,020,692 and the number of households of welfare recipients

was 1,650,492.

Indexes of Business Conditions August 2023(Preliminary Release)

October 6, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2020=100) in August was 114.3 increased by 0.1 point from the previous month. And 3 months backward moving average decreased by 0.13 point, and 7 months backward moving average increased by 0.40 point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was "Improving" (The same as previous month)

The Leading Index was 109.5, an increase of 1.3 point, and the Lagging Index was 106.0, an increase of 0.3 point.

October 25 Indexes of Business Conditions August 2023 (Revision of the Preliminary Release)

Monthly Labour Survey (Provisional Report in August)

October 6, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Total amount of cash earnings increased by 1.1% and contractual cash earnings increased by 1.6% (fulltime employees 1.5%, part-time employees 2.8%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings decreased by 5.4% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.6% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.0% from a year earlier. Real wage (total cash earnings) decreased by 2.5% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 2.0% from a year earlier.

Total hours unchanged from the previous month, scheduled hours worked increased by 0.1% and non-scheduled hours worked unchanged from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers decreased by 2.4% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

October 24 Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in August)

Family Income and Expenditure Survey (August)

October 6, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications The average monthly income for a worker's households with 2 or more family members was down 6.9% in real terms from the previous year. The change over the year of wages & salaries was down 7.6% in real terms from the previous year (household heads: -6.3% in real terms, spouse of household: -12.5% in real terms).

The average of consumption expenditures for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was down 6.8% in real terms from the previous year.

Report on Situation of Foreign Employees (End of June 2023)

October 13, released by the Ministry of Justice The number of foreign employees was 3,223,858 (an increase of 4.8% from the previous year) as of end of June 2023.

Indices of Industrial Production (Revised Report for August 2023)

October 16, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2020=100) was 103.1 decreased by 0.7% from the previous month.

Consumer Price Index Japan (September)

October 20, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications The consumer price index for Japan in September 2023 was 106.2(2020=100), up 3.0% over the year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 105.7, up 2.8% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 105.4, up 4.2% from the previous year.

Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in August)

October 24, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Total amount of cash earnings increased by 0.8% and contractual cash earnings increased by 1.2% (fulltime employees 1.5%, part-time employees 2.4%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings decreased by 6.3% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.3% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.2% from a year earlier. Real wage (total cash earnings) decreased by 2.8% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 2.4% from a year earlier.

Total hours decreased by 0.3%, scheduled hours worked decreased by 0.2% and non-scheduled hours worked decreased 1.1% from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers decreased by 2.4% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

Indexes of Business Conditions August 2023(Revision of the Preliminary Release)

October 25, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2020=100) in August was 114.6, an increase of 0.4 point. And 3 months backward moving average decreased by 0.03 point, and 7 months backward moving average increased by 0.45 point. So the Assessment of Coincident Index was "Improving" (The same as the Preliminary Release)

The Leading Index was 109.2, an increase of 1.0 point and the Lagging Index was 105.9, an increase of 0.2 point.

Survey on Supply and Demand of Construction Labor

October 25, released by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

Consumer Price Index Ku-area of Tokyo (October) (preliminary)

October 27, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in October 2023 (preliminary) was 106.8(2020=100), up 3.3% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 106.0, up 2.7% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 105.7, up 3.8% from the previous year.

Labour Force Survey (September)

October 31, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

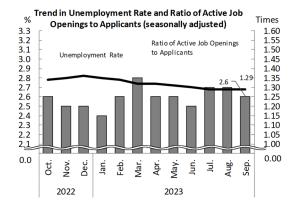
The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 2.6%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous month. That for men was 2.8%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous

month and that for women was 2.3%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous month and that for women was 2.3%, decreased by 0.1 point from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 1.77 million, decreased by 80 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees was 61.24 million, increased by 540 thousand from the previous year.

Among them, the number of regular employee was 36.33 million, increased by 440 thousand from the previous year and the number of non-regular employee was 21.41 million, increased by 80 thousand from the previous year.



Employment Referrals for General Workers (September)

October 31, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.29, unchanged from the previous month.

The number of monthly active job openings (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) decreased by 0.0% from the previous month and the number of monthly active applications (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was decreased by 0.1% from the previous month.

New job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 2.22, decreased by 0.11 point from the previous month.

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio for regular staff (seasonally adjusted) was1.02, unchanged from the previous month.

General Survey on Working Conditions 2023

October 31, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

"The number of days of paid annual leave granted" was 17.6 days, "the number of days of paid annual leave acquired" was 10.9 days and "the acquisition rate" was 62.1%.

Indices of Industrial Production (Preliminary Report for September 2023)

October 31, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2020=100) was 103.3, increased by 0.2 % from the previous month. According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in October, decrease in November.

Other Reports

White Paper on Measures to Prevent Karoshi, etc. of the 2023

October 13, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Monthly Economic Report (October)

October 30 released by the Cabinet Office

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

* Private consumption is picking up. (The same as the previous month)

- * Business investment is picking up. (The same as the previous month)
- * Exports show movements of picking up recently. (The same as the previous month)
- * Industrial production shows signs of picking up. (The same as the previous month)

* Corporate profits are improving as a whole. Firms' judgments on current business conditions are improving moderately as a whole. (In the previous month, "Corporate profits are improving as a whole. Firms' judgments on current business conditions are picking up.")

- * The employment situation shows movements of improvement. (The same as the previous month)
- * Consumer prices are rising. (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" EDITED BY Research and Statistical Information Analysis Department, The Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training