

# Recent Statistical Survey Reports

February 2025

[February 1–March 4]

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Survey on Public Assistance Recipients (November)

February 5, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The number of welfare recipients in November was 2,007,989 and the number of households of welfare recipients was 1,651,995.

#### Monthly Labour Survey (Provisional Report in December and 2024)

February 5, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 4.8% and contractual cash earnings increased by 2.5% (full-time employees 2.6%, part-time employees 3.5%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 6.8% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 2.7% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 1.3% from a year earlier. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.6% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 1.5% from a year earlier.

Total hours decreased by 1.1% from the previous month, scheduled hours worked decreased 0.9% from a year earlier and non-scheduled hours worked decreased by 3.8% from a year earlier.

Non-scheduled hours worked by manufacturing industry workers decreased by 3.2% from the previous month (seasonally adjusted).

Total amount of cash earnings in 2024 increased by 2.9% and contractual cash earnings increased by 2.0% (full-time employees 2.4%, part-time workers 3.1%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 6.9% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 2.1% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.1%. Real wage (total cash earnings) decreased 0.2% and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 1.2% from the previous year.

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February 25 Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in December)

#### Family Income and Expenditure Survey (December and 2024)

#### February 7, 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 up 2.9% in real terms from the previous year. The change over the year of wages & salaries was up 1.9% in real terms from the previous year (household heads: 2.8% in real terms, spouse of household: 0.2% in real terms).

The average of consumption expenditures for a worker's household with 2 or more family members was up 4.3% in real terms from the previous year.

The yearly average of monthly income for a worker's households with 2 or more family members was up 1.4% in real terms and the yearly average of monthly consumption expenditures was down 1.2% from the previous year.

# **Indexes of Business Conditions December 2024 (Preliminary Release)**

#### February 7, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2020=100) in December was 116.8 increased by 1.4 point from the previous month. And 3 months backward moving average increased by 0.93 point, and 7 months backward moving average decreased by 0.06 point. So, the Assessment of Coincident

Index was "Halting to fall" (The same as the previous month)

The Leading Index was 108.9, an increase of 1.1 point, and the Lagging Index was 107.7, a decrease of 0.4 point.

February 26 Indexes of Business Conditions December 2024 (Revision of the Preliminary Release)

## Labor Force Survey: Detailed Tabulation (Oct.-Dec. 2024 and 2024)

# February 14, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

Of the total 58.24 million employee (excl. executive of company or corporation) (average, in the Oct. - Dec. 2024), the number of the regular employees increased by 700 thousand from the previous year to 36.65 million and the number of non-regular employees was 21.58 million, decreased by 20 thousand from the previous year.

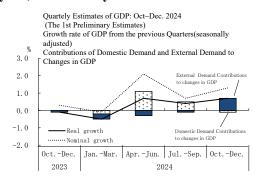
Of the total 57.71 million employee (excl. executive of company or corporation) (average, in 2024), the number of the regular employees increased by 390 thousand from the previous year to 36.45 million and the number of non-regular employees was 21.26 million, increased by 20 thousand from the previous year.

## National Accounts (The 1st Preliminary Estimates Oct.-Dec.2024)

#### February 17, released by the Cabinet Office

Real GDP (Gross Domestic Product) growth rate (Seasonally Adjusted) at Oct.-Dec.2024 was 0.7% (2.8% on annual basis). Of real GDP growth rate, -0.1% was contributed by domestic demand and 0.7% by external demand.

Compensation of Employees (real) was 1.5% and compensation of Employees (nominal) was 1.7% (changes from the previous quarter (seasonally adjusted)).



#### **Indices of Industrial Production (Revised Report for December 2024)**

# February 17, released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2020=100) was 101.6, decreased by 0.2% from the previous month.

#### Consumer Price Index Japan (January)

#### February 21, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The consumer price index for Japan in January 2025 was 111.2 (2020=100), up 4.0% over the year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 109.8, up 3.2% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 108.5, up 2.5% from the previous year.

#### Monthly Labour Survey (Final Report in December and 2024)

#### February 25, released by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Total amount of cash earnings increased by 4.4% and contractual cash earnings increased by 2.4% (full-time employees 2.7%, part-time employees 3.7%) from a year earlier.

Special cash earnings increased by 6.2% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 2.6% and non-scheduled cash earnings increased by 0.8% from a year earlier. Real wage (total cash earnings) increased by 0.3% from a year earlier and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 1.6% from a year earlier.

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Special cash earnings increased by 6.7% from a year earlier. Scheduled cash earnings increased by 2.1% and non-scheduled cash earnings was unchanged. Real wage (total cash earnings) decreased by 0.3% and real wage (contractual cash earnings) decreased by 1.2% from the previous year.

Total hours decreased by 1.0%, schedules hours worked decreased by 0.9% and non-scheduled hours worked decreased by 2.7% from a year earlier.

### Survey on Supply and Demand of Construction Labor

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

#### Indexes of Business Conditions December 2024 (Revision of the Preliminary Release)

# February 26, released by the Cabinet Office

The Coincident Index of Composite Index (CI, revised figures, 2020=100) in December was 116.4, increased by 1.0 point. And 3 months backward moving average increased by 0.80 point, and 7 months backward moving average decreased by 0.11 point. So, the Assessment of Coincident Index was "Halting to fall" (The same as the Preliminary Release)

The Leading Index was 108.3, an increase of 0.5 point and the Lagging Index was 108.0, a decrease of 0.2 point.

#### Consumer Price Index Ku-area of Tokyo (February) (preliminary)

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

The consumer price index for Ku-area of Tokyo in February 2025 (preliminary) was 109.7 (2020=100), up 2.9% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food, the comprehensive index was 108.5 up 2.2% from the previous year. All items, less fresh food and energy, the comprehensive index was 108.0 up 1.9% from the previous year.

# **Indices of Industrial Production (Preliminary Report for January 2025)**

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

The index of industrial production (seasonally adjusted, 2020=100) was 100.5, decreased by 1.1% from the previous month. According to the Survey of Production Forecast in Manufacturing, Production is expected to increase in February, decrease in March.

# Survey on Situation of Preliminary Job Offers for New Senior High School Graduates (End of December 2024)

February 28, 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 2024, was 91.3%.

#### Labour Force Survey (January)

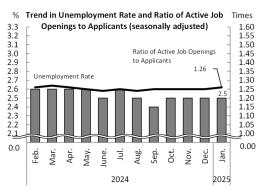
# March 4, released by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

The unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) unchanged from the previous month. That for men was 2.6%, was increased by 0.1 point from the previous month and that for women was 2.3%, was decreased 0.2 point from the previous month.

The number of unemployed persons (seasonally adjusted) was 1.74 million, increased by 20 thousand from the previous month.

The number of employees was 61.63 million, increased by 870 thousand from the previous year.

Among them, the number of regular employee was 36.30 million, increased by 270 thousand from the previous year and the number of non-regular employee was 21.92 million, increased by 46 thousand from the previous year.



#### **Employment Referrals for General Workers January)**

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

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 1.26, increased by 0.01 point from the previous month.

The number of monthly active job openings (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was increased by 0.2% from the previous month and the number of monthly active applications (person(s)) (seasonally adjusted) was decreased by 0.3% from the previous month.

New job openings-to-applicants ratio (seasonally adjusted) was 2.32, increased by 0.05 point from the previous month.

Active job openings-to-applicants ratio for regular staff (seasonally adjusted) was 1.03, unchanged from the previous month.

# **Other Reports**

# Monthly Economic Report (February)

#### February 19 released by the Cabinet Office

The Japanese economy is recovering at a moderate pace, although it remains pausing in part. (The same as the previous month)

- \* Private consumption shows movements of picking up, although it remains pausing in part. (The same as the previous month)
  - \* Business investment shows movements of picking up. (The same as the previous month)
- \* Exports have been showing movements of picking up recently. (In the previous month, "Exports are almost flat.")
  - \* Industrial production is flat. (The same as the previous month)
  - \* Corporate profits are improving as a whole, although the pace has become moderate. Firms' judgments on current business conditions are improving. (The same as the previous month)
  - \* The employment situation shows movements of improvement. (The same as the previous month)
  - \* Consumer prices have been 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"
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