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Economically Active Population Survey in October 2025

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<Economically active population and labor force participation rate>

- The economically active population marked 29.698 million persons in October, which grew 173 thousand persons or 0.6% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 64.8% in October, up 0.1%p year-on-year.

<Employed persons and employment to population ratio>

- The number of employed persons totaled 29.040 million persons in October, which went up 193 thousand persons or 0.7% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 63.4% in October, up 0.1%p year-on-year.

<Unemployed persons and unemployment rate>

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 658 thousand people in October, which decreased 20 thousand persons or 2.9% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 2.2% in October, down 0.1%p year-on-year.

<Economically inactive population>

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.121 million people in October, increasing 38 thousand persons or 0.2% year-on-year.

Economically Active Population Survey (EAPS) in October, 2025

(Not seasonally adjusted)

(thousand persons, %, year-on-year)

	October 2024		September 2025		October 2025		
		Change rate		Change rate		Change	Change rate
● Population 15 years & over	45,607	0.3	45,797	0.5	45,819	212	0.5
■ Economically active population (Participation rate)	29,525 (64.7)	0.5	29,788 (65.0)	1.1	29,698 (64.8)	173 (0.1)	0.6
◆ Male (Labor Force Participation rate)	16,381 (72.9)	-0.6	16,467 (72.9)	0.7	16,407 (72.6)	26 (-0.3)	0.2
◆ Female (Labor Force Participation rate)	13,144 (56.8)	1.7	13,321 (57.4)	1.6	13,291 (57.3)	147 (0.5)	1.1
◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over) (Seasonally adjusted)	63.3 (62.7)		63.7 (63.1)		63.4 (62.8)	0.1	
◆ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years) (Seasonally adjusted)	69.8 (69.6)		70.4 (70.2)		70.1 (69.8)	0.3	
◦ Employed persons	28,847	0.3	29,154	1.1	29,040	193	0.7
◆ Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1,590	-4.0	1,464	-9.1	1,467	-124	-7.8
◆ Mining & manufacturing	4,423	-0.7	4,352	-1.4	4,373	-50	-1.1
· Manufacturing	4,415	-0.7	4,344	-1.4	4,364	-51	-1.2
◆ Construction	2,061	-4.3	1,973	-4.1	1,937	-123	-6.0
◆ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food	5,464	-2.1	5,545	1.0	5,532	68	1.2
◆ Electricity, transport, communication & finance	3,722	3.9	3,781	1.1	3,776	54	1.4
◆ Business, personal, public service & others	11,588	2.3	12,039	4.4	11,956	368	3.2
◆ Regular employees	16,332	0.6	16,671	2.1	16,618	286	1.8
◆ Temporary employees	4,930	2.2	4,993	0.9	5,010	79	1.6
◆ Daily workers	916	-9.9	913	0.3	861	-55	-6.0
◆ Employers	1,439	-0.5	1,465	2.1	1,459	19	1.3
◆ Own account workers	4,331	1.0	4,231	-2.0	4,214	-117	-2.7
◆ Unpaid family workers	900	-5.2	882	-2.2	880	-20	-2.2
◦ Unemployed persons	678	8.2	635	2.0	658	-20	-2.9
Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	2.3 (2.7)		2.1 (2.5)		2.2 (2.6)	-0.1	
◆ Male Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	399 2.4 (2.7)	5.9	400 2.4 (2.8)	14.8	403 2.5 (2.7)	4 0.1	1.0
◆ Female Unemployment rate (Seasonally adjusted)	279 2.1 (2.6)	11.6	235 1.8 (2.2)	-14.3	256 1.9 (2.4)	-24 -0.2	-8.5
◆ Middle school graduates & under (Unemployment rate)	59 (1.7)	6.3	59 (1.7)	1.7	64 (1.9)	4 (0.2)	7.4
◆ High school graduates (Unemployment rate)	257 (2.4)	-2.6	239 (2.3)	5.5	237 (2.3)	-20 (-0.1)	-7.6
◆ College, univ. graduates & over (Unemployment rate)	362 (2.4)	17.7	337 (2.1)	-0.3	357 (2.3)	-4 (-0.1)	-1.2
■ Economically inactive population	16,082	0.1	16,009	-0.7	16,121	38	0.2



