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Local Area Labour Force Survey in the Second Half of 2024 (Major employment indicators of Si, Gun & Gu)

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□ Employed persons and employment-population ratio

- As for cities in 9 provinces, the number of employed persons was 14.062 million persons in the second half of 2024, going up by 56 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The employment-population ratio of cities stood at 62.4%, down 0.1%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 77 cities in 9 provinces, Seogwipo-si, Jeju (71.4%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Dangjin-si, Chungnam (71.3%) and Gimje-si, Jeonbuk (68.8%).
- As for counties in 9 provinces, the number of employed persons was 2.115 million persons in the second half of 2024, rising by 12 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The employment-population ratio of counties stood at 69.4%, up 0.5%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 76 counties in 9 provinces, Ulleung-gun, Gyeongbuk (83.5%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Sinan-gun, Jeonnam (79.1%) and Jangsu-gun, Jeonbuk (77.7%).
- As for 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, the number of employed persons was 11.629 million persons in the second half of 2024, rising by 93 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The employment-population ratio of 'gu' regions stood at 59.0%, up 0.3%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 75 'gu' regions, Gunwi-gun, Daegu (75.3%) recorded the highest employment-population ratio, which was followed by Ongjin-gun, Incheon (74.5%) and Gangseo-gu, Busan (70.3%).

< Employed persons and employment-population ratio >

(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

		Second half of 2023		Second half of 2024		Change	
		Employment-population ratio	Employment-population ratio	Employment-population ratio	Employment-population ratio	Change	Change
77 cities	▶ Employed persons	14,006	62.5	14,062	62.4	56	-0.1
	• Males	8,074	72.1	8,059	71.5	-14	-0.6
	• Females	5,932	52.9	6,003	53.3	71	0.4
76 counties	▶ Employed persons	2,103	68.9	2,115	69.4	12	0.5
	• Males	1,167	76.0	1,177	76.4	11	0.4
	• Females	936	61.8	937	62.2	1	0.4
75 'gu' regions	▶ Employed persons	11,536	58.7	11,629	59.0	93	0.3
	• Males	6,404	67.4	6,397	67.3	-7	-0.1
	• Females	5,132	50.5	5,232	51.3	100	0.8

□ Unemployed persons and unemployment rate

- As for cities in 9 provinces, the number of unemployed persons was 417 thousand persons in the second half of 2024, rising by 25 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The unemployment rate of cities stood at 2.9%, up 0.2%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 77 cities in 9 provinces, Bucheon-si, Gyeonggi (5.2%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Gumi-si, Gyeongbuk (4.8%) and Geoje-si, Gyeongnam (3.4%).
- As for counties in 9 provinces, the number of unemployed persons was 25 thousand persons in the second half of 2024, which fell by 2 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The unemployment rate of counties stood at 1.1%, down 0.1%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 76 counties in 9 provinces, Goseong-gun, Gangwon (2.6%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Hwasun-gun, Jeonnam (2.4%) and Uljin-gun, Gyeongbuk (2.4%).
- As for 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, the number of unemployed persons was 415 thousand persons in the second half of 2024, falling by 15 thousand persons from the second half of 2023. The unemployment rate of 'gu' regions stood at 3.4%, down 0.2%p from the second half of 2023.
 - Among a total of 75 'gu' regions, Yeongdo-gu, Busan (5.2%) recorded the highest unemployment rate, which was followed by Dong-gu, Incheon (5.1%) and Gwanak-gu, Seoul (5.0%).

< Unemployed persons and unemployment rate >

(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

		Second half of 2023		Second half of 2024		Change	
			Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
77 cities	▶ Unemployed persons	392	2.7	417	2.9	25	0.2
	• Males	222	2.7	239	2.9	17	0.2
	• Females	170	2.8	178	2.9	8	0.1
76 counties	▶ Unemployed persons	26	1.2	25	1.1	-2	-0.1
	• Males	16	1.3	15	1.3	0	0.0
	• Females	11	1.1	9	1.0	-1	-0.1
75 'gu' regions	▶ Unemployed persons	430	3.6	415	3.4	-15	-0.2
	• Males	241	3.6	232	3.5	-10	-0.1
	• Females	188	3.5	183	3.4	-5	-0.1

□ Locally active population

- As for cities in 9 provinces, the locally active population was 21.84 million persons in the second half of 2024, which stood at 96.9% compared to the resident population aged 15 or more.

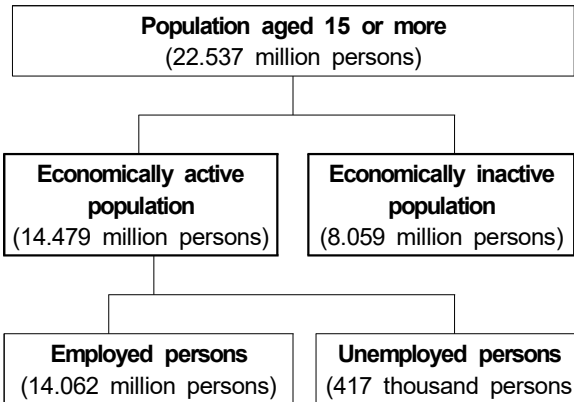
- Among a total of 77 cities in 9 provinces, Pocheon-si, Gyeonggi (125.8%) recorded the highest share of the locally active population compared to the resident population aged 15 or more, which was followed by Yeongcheon-si, Gyeongbuk (111.9%) and Naju-si, Jeonnam (111.8%).
- As for counties in 9 provinces, the locally active population was 3.339 million persons in the second half of 2024, which stood at 109.5% compared to the resident population aged 15 or more.
 - Among a total of 76 counties in 9 provinces, Yeongam-gun, Jeonnam (136.5%) recorded the highest share of the locally active population compared to the resident population aged 15 or more, which was followed by Goryeong-gun, Gyeongbuk (133.5%) and Haman-gun, Gyeongnam (128.0%).
- As for 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, the locally active population was 20.13 million persons in the second half of 2024, which stood at 102.2% compared to the resident population aged 15 or more.
 - Among a total of 75 'gu' regions, Jung-gu, Seoul (333.9%) recorded the highest share of the locally active population compared to the resident population aged 15 or more, which was followed by Jung-gu, Busan (211.3%) and Jung-gu, Daegu (157.5%).

Employed persons commuting within the residential area

- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of cities in 9 provinces, Yeosu-si, Jeonnam recorded the highest figure of 98.8%, which was followed by Seosan-si, Chungnam (96.6%).
 - Whereas, Uiwang-si, Gyeonggi (22.9%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Mokpo-si, Jeonnam (70.2%).
- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of counties in 9 provinces, Jindo-gun, Jeonnam recorded the highest figure of 100.0%, which was followed by Ulleung-gun, Gyeongbuk (100.0%).
 - Whereas, Chilgok-gun, Gyeongbuk (59.4%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Jeungpyeong-gun, Chungbuk (65.9%).
- As for the share of employed persons commuting within their residential area of 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities, Ongjin-gun, Incheon recorded the highest figure of 97.4%, which was followed by Gunwi-gun, Daegu (93.9%).
 - Whereas, Dongjak-gu, Seoul (25.4%) recorded the lowest share of employed persons commuting within their residential area, which was followed by Buk-gu, Busan (33.4%).

【 Composition of the labor force by area 】

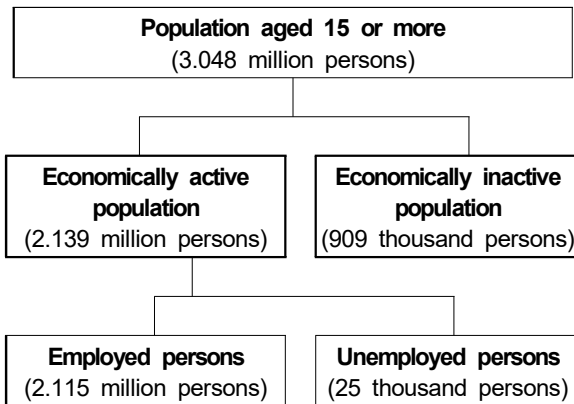
【77 cities in 9 provinces】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	Second half of 2022	Second half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	22,412	22,537	125
Labor force participation rate	64.2	64.2	0.0
Employed persons	14,006	14,062	56
Employment-population ratio	62.5	62.4	-0.1
Unemployed persons	392	417	25
Unemployment rate	2.7	2.9	0.2

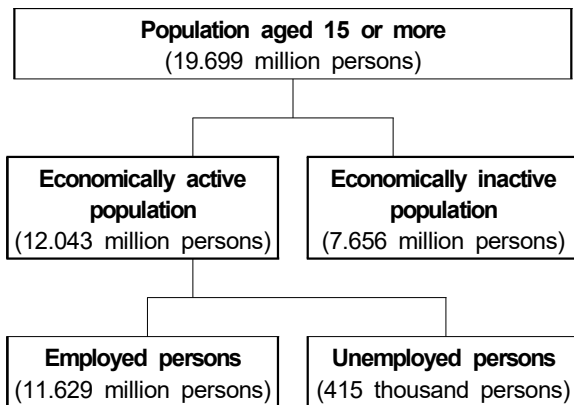
【76 counties in 9 provinces】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	Second half of 2022	Second half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	3,051	3,048	-3
Labor force participation rate	69.8	70.2	0.4
Employed persons	2,103	2,115	12
Employment-population ratio	68.9	69.4	0.5
Unemployed persons	26	25	-2
Unemployment rate	1.2	1.1	-0.1

【75 'gu' regions in 7 metropolitan cities】



(Unit: thousand persons, %, %p)

	Second half of 2022	Second half of 2023	Change
Population aged 15 or more	19,666	19,699	33
Labor force participation rate	60.8	61.1	0.3
Employed persons	11,536	11,629	93
Employment-population ratio	58.7	59.0	0.3
Unemployed persons	430	415	-15
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.4	-0.2