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# Local Area Labour Force Survey in the Second Half of 2024 (Employment of double-earner couple households and one-person households)

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## Employment of double-earner couple households

### Double-earner couple households

- In October 2024, married couple households amounted to 12.673 million households. Among them, double-earner couple households marked 6.086 million households in October 2024, which fell by 29 thousand households from October 2023.
  - Compared to October 2023, the share of double-earner couple households went down by 0.2%p to 48.0% of the married couple households in October 2024.
- As for the share of double-earner couple households by age of household head, household heads aged '30~39' recorded the highest figure of 61.5%, which was followed by those aged '40~49' (59.2%).
  - Compared to October 2023, the share of household heads aged '30~39' and '40~49' went up by 2.6%p and 1.3%p, respectively. Whereas, the share of household heads aged '15~29' and '60 or more' went down by 2.2%p and 0.6%p, respectively.

### Households of double-earner couples living together

- Among the households of double-earner couples living together, the households of double-earner couples engaged in the same industry accounted for 35.3% in October 2024, which remained the same as October 2023.
  - As for the share of households of double-earner couples engaged in the same industry, 'Agriculture, forestry and fisheries' showed the highest figure of 76.5%, which was followed by 'Accommodation and food service activities' (65.3%).
- Among the households of double-earner couples living together, the households of double-earner couples engaged in the same occupation took up 37.7% in October 2024, up 0.3%p from October 2023.
  - As for the share of households of double-earner couples with the same occupation, 'Skilled agricultural, forestry and fishery workers' showed the highest figure of 75.4%, which was followed by 'Professionals and related workers' (52.1%).

### Double-earner couple households with children aged 17 or less

- Married couple households with children aged 17 or less totaled 3.937 million households. Among them, double-earner couple households amounted to 2.304 million households, which fell by 22 thousand households year-on-year.- Among married couple households with children aged 17 or less, the share of double-earner couple households with children aged 17 or less stood at 58.5% in October 2024, up 1.7%p from October 2023.
- Among married couple households with children aged 17 or less, as for the share of double-earner couple households by age of the youngest child, the double-earner couple households with children 'aged 6 or less', 'aged 13~17' and 'aged 7~12' rose by 1.7%p, 1.5%p and 1.2%p, respectively, compared to October 2023.
- The average weekly working hours of double-earner couple households with children aged 17 or less stood at 39.0 hours in October 2024, which fell by 0.1 hour from October 2023.

## Employment of one-person households

### One-person households

- In October 2024, the number of one-person households was 8.003 million households, rising by 616 thousand households year-on-year.
- Employed one-person households totaled 5.10 million households in October 2024, rising by 426 thousand households from October 2023.
  - Employed one-person households occupied 63.7% of the total one-person households, up 0.4%p year-on-year.

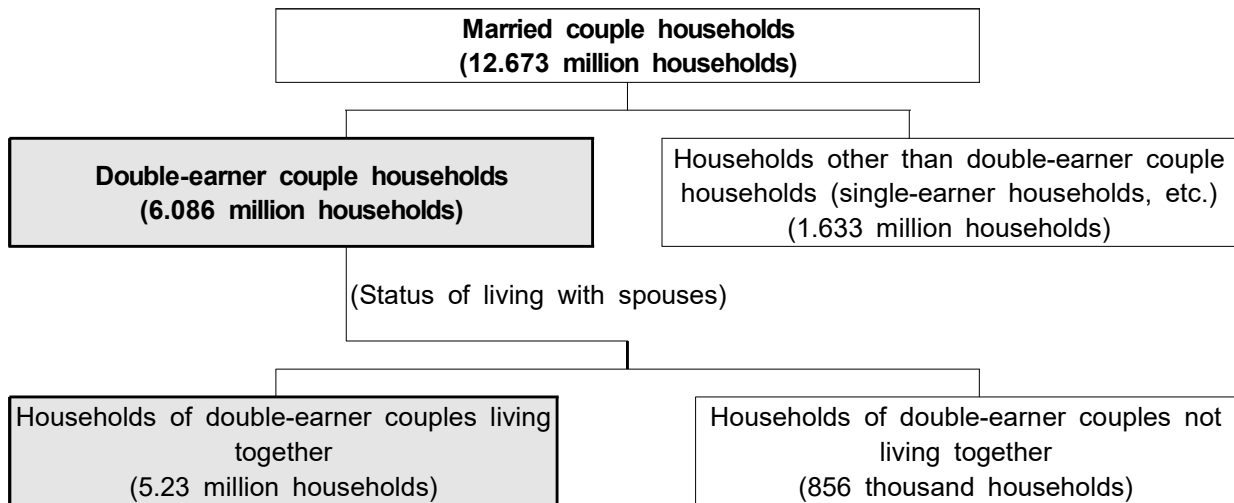
### Status of employed one-person households

- As for the share of employed households among one-person households by gender, males (70.5%) recorded a higher share than females (56.9%).
  - The share of employed one-person female households went up by 1.0%p year-on-year. Whereas, the share of employed one-person male households went down by 0.1%p year-on-year.
- As for the share of employed households among one-person households by age group, people aged 30~39 recorded the highest figure of 87.6%, which was followed by those aged 40~49 (82.6%).
- As for the share of employed one-person households by industry, 'Manufacturing' recorded the highest figure of 14.2%, which was followed by 'Human health and social work activities' (11.2%) and 'Wholesale and retail trade' (10.0%).
- As for the share of employed one-person households by occupation, 'Professionals and related workers' marked the highest figure of 24.8%, which was followed by 'Clerks' (16.8%) and 'Elementary workers' (15.3%).
- The average weekly working hours of employed one-person households stood at 38.2 hours in October 2024, which dropped by 0.3 hour from October 2023.

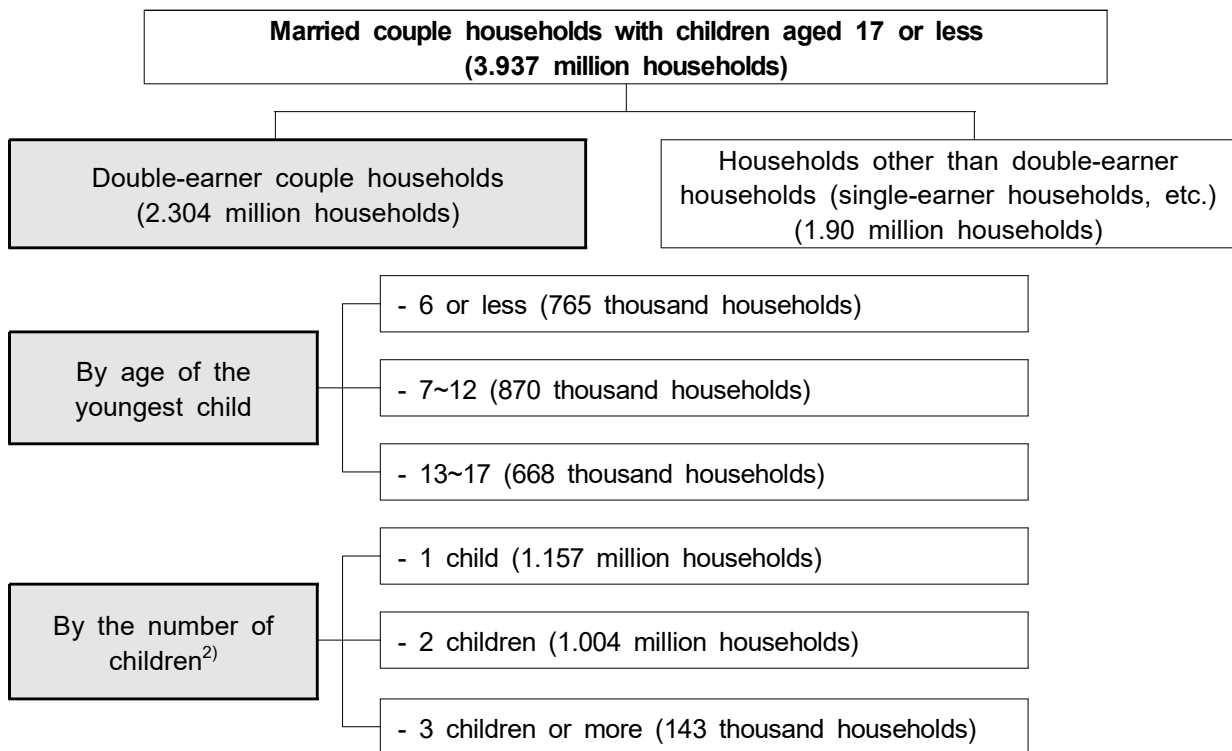
### Distribution of wage workers by wage level among employed one-person households

- Among one-person wage worker households, workers earning '2 million won ~ less than 3 million won' occupied the largest share at 31.9%, which was followed by those earning '3 million won ~ less than 4 million won' (25.3%).
  - Compared to October 2023, the share of wage workers earning '2 million won ~ less than 3 million won' declined by 2.1%p. Whereas, the share of wage workers earning '4 million won or more' rose by 2.1%p.

< Composition of double-earner couple households >



< Composition of double-earner couple households with children aged 17 or less<sup>1)</sup> >



1) The figures are based on the youngest child. Households without a child aged 17 or less are excluded from the figures.

2) The number of children of households with the youngest child aged 17 or less.