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## Economically Active Population Survey in September 2025

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### **<Economically active population and labor force participation rate>**

- The economically active population marked 29.788 million persons in September, which grew 324 thousand persons or 1.1% year-on-year.
- The labor force participation rate stood at 65.0% in September, up 0.4%p year-on-year.

### **<Employed persons and employment to population ratio>**

- The number of employed persons totaled 29.154 million persons in September, which went up 312 thousand persons or 1.1% year-on-year.
- The employment to population ratio recorded 63.7% in September, up 0.4%p year-on-year.

### **<Unemployed persons and unemployment rate>**

- The number of unemployed persons totaled 635 thousand people in September, which increased 12 thousand persons or 2.0% year-on-year.
- The unemployment rate marked 2.1% in September, remaining the same year-on-year.

### **<Economically inactive population>**

- The economically inactive population totaled 16.009 million people in September, decreasing 116 thousand persons or 0.7% year-on-year.

## Economically Active Population Survey (EAPS) in September, 2025

(Not seasonally adjusted)

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

|                                                                          | September 2024       |                | August 2025          |                | September 2025       |               |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                                                          |                      | Change<br>rate |                      | Change<br>rate |                      | Change        | Change<br>rate |
| ● <b>Population 15 years &amp; over</b>                                  | 45,590               | 159            | 45,779               | 203            | 45,797               | 208           | 0.5            |
| ■ Economically active population<br>(Participation rate)                 | 29,464<br>(64.6)     | 105<br>( 0.0)  | 29,559<br>(64.6)     | 194<br>( 0.2)  | 29,788<br>(65.0)     | 324<br>( 0.4) | 1.1            |
| ◆ Male<br>(Labor Force Participation rate)                               | 16,348<br>(72.8)     | -110<br>(-0.8) | 16,365<br>(72.5)     | 44<br>(-0.2)   | 16,467<br>(72.9)     | 119<br>( 0.1) | 0.7            |
| ◆ Female<br>(Labor Force Participation rate)                             | 13,116<br>(56.7)     | 215<br>( 0.7)  | 13,194<br>(56.9)     | 151<br>( 0.5)  | 13,321<br>(57.4)     | 205<br>( 0.7) | 1.6            |
| ◦ Employment-population ratio (15 years & over)<br>(Seasonally adjusted) | 63.3<br>(62.8)       | 0.1            | 63.3<br>(62.8)       | 0.1            | 63.7<br>(63.1)       | 0.4           |                |
| ◆ Employment-population ratio (15~64 years)<br>(Seasonally adjusted)     | 69.9<br>(69.7)       | 0.3            | 69.9<br>(69.7)       | 0.1            | 70.4<br>(70.2)       | 0.5           |                |
| ◦ Employed persons                                                       | 28,842               | 144            | 28,967               | 166            | 29,154               | 312           | 1.1            |
| ◆ Agriculture, forestry & fishing                                        | 1,610                | -42            | 1,466                | -138           | 1,464                | -146          | -9.1           |
| ◆ Mining & manufacturing                                                 | 4,412                | -50            | 4,372                | -59            | 4,352                | -60           | -1.4           |
| · Manufacturing                                                          | 4,405                | -49            | 4,364                | -61            | 4,344                | -60           | -1.4           |
| ◆ Construction                                                           | 2,057                | -100           | 1,910                | -132           | 1,973                | -84           | -4.1           |
| ◆ Wholesale & retail trade, accommodation & food                         | 5,492                | -59            | 5,525                | 0              | 5,545                | 53            | 1.0            |
| ◆ Electricity, transport, communication & finance                        | 3,740                | 206            | 3,766                | 31             | 3,781                | 41            | 1.1            |
| ◆ Business, personal, public service & others                            | 11,531               | 189            | 11,929               | 464            | 12,039               | 508           | 4.4            |
| ◆ Regular employees                                                      | 16,331               | 79             | 16,641               | 348            | 16,671               | 340           | 2.1            |
| ◆ Temporary employees                                                    | 4,949                | 206            | 4,939                | -12            | 4,993                | 44            | 0.9            |
| ◆ Daily workers                                                          | 911                  | -125           | 834                  | -67            | 913                  | 2             | 0.3            |
| ◆ Employers                                                              | 1,435                | 17             | 1,435                | -5             | 1,465                | 30            | 2.1            |
| ◆ Own account workers                                                    | 4,315                | 5              | 4,241                | -65            | 4,231                | -85           | -2.0           |
| ◆ Unpaid family workers                                                  | 901                  | -38            | 879                  | -33            | 882                  | -20           | -2.2           |
| ◦ Unemployed persons                                                     | 622                  | -39            | 592                  | 28             | 635                  | 12            | 2.0            |
| Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                               | 2.1<br>( 2.5)        | -0.2           | 2.0<br>( 2.6)        | 0.1            | 2.1<br>( 2.5)        | 0.0           |                |
| ◆ Male<br>Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                     | 348<br>2.1<br>( 2.5) | -26<br>-0.2    | 342<br>2.1<br>( 2.6) | 23<br>0.1      | 400<br>2.4<br>( 2.8) | 52<br>0.3     | 14.8           |
| ◆ Female<br>Unemployment rate<br>(Seasonally adjusted)                   | 274<br>2.1<br>( 2.6) | -13<br>-0.1    | 250<br>1.9<br>( 2.6) | 4<br>0.0       | 235<br>1.8<br>( 2.2) | -39<br>-0.3   | -14.3          |
| ◆ Middle school graduates & under<br>(Unemployment rate)                 | 58<br>( 1.6)         | -6<br>(-0.1)   | 42<br>( 1.2)         | -18<br>(-0.5)  | 59<br>( 1.7)         | 1<br>( 0.1)   | 1.7            |
| ◆ High school graduates<br>(Unemployment rate)                           | 227<br>( 2.1)        | -33<br>(-0.3)  | 219<br>( 2.1)        | 27<br>( 0.3)   | 239<br>( 2.3)        | 12<br>( 0.2)  | 5.5            |
| ◆ College, univ. graduates & over<br>(Unemployment rate)                 | 338<br>( 2.2)        | 0<br>(-0.1)    | 331<br>( 2.1)        | 19<br>( 0.1)   | 337<br>( 2.1)        | -1<br>(-0.1)  | -0.3           |
| ■ Economically inactive population                                       | 16,125               | 54             | 16,220               | 9              | 16,009               | -116          | -0.7           |



