

Manpower Survey Results in November 2011

- **Total employment increased by 23,000(+0.22%) in November to 10,788,000, and it also increased by 183,000(+1.73%) when compared with that of the previous year.**

--Employment in agriculture, the goods-producing sector and the services- providing sector increased by 3,000 (+0.54%), 7,000(+0.19%) and 13,000 (+0.21%) respectively in November.

--Compared with that of the previous year, employment in the goods-producing sector and the services-providing sector increased by 86,000 (+2.24%) and 105,000 (+1.68%) respectively in November, however, employment in agriculture decreased by 8,000 (-1.36%).

Important Indicators Based on Manpower Survey Results in November 2011

Unit: persons in thousand

| Sex | Civilian Population Aged 15 Years & Over | Labor Force | | Employed | Unemployed | | | Not in the Labor Force |
|--------------|--|-------------|------------------------------------|----------|------------|-----------------------|---|------------------------|
| | | Persons | Labor Force Participation Rate (%) | Persons | Persons | Unemployment Rate (%) | Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment rate (%) | Persons |
| Total | 19326 | 11270 | 58.32 | 10788 | 482 | 4.28 | 4.32 | 8055 |
| Male | 9486 | 6331 | 66.74 | 6041 | 290 | 4.58 | 4.64 | 3155 |
| Female | 9840 | 4939 | 50.20 | 4747 | 192 | 3.89 | 3.91 | 4901 |

- **The unemployment rate was down by 0.02 percentage points in November to 4.28 percent; however, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.02 percentage points to 4.32 percent.**

--Compared with that of the previous year, the unemployment rate and the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased by 0.45 and 0.51 percentage points respectively in November.

--The number of unemployed persons in November was 482,000, a decrease of 2,000 (-0.37%) from the previous month, and it also declined by 45,000 (-8.53%) from that of the previous year.

- **Labor force participation rate in November was 58.32 percent, up by 0.06 and 0.15 percentage points from the previous month and that of the previous year respectively.**

Table 1. Statistical Brief Based on Manpower Survey Results

Unit: Thousand Persons

| Year & month | Civilian population aged 15 years & over | Labor force | | | Not in labor force | Labor force participation rate (%) | Unemployment rate (%) | Unemployed persons, by age | | |
|--|--|-------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | Total | Employed persons | Unemployed persons | | | | 15-24 Years | 25-44 Years | 45-64 Years |
| Ave., 1999 | 16687 | 9668 | 9385 | 283 | 7020 | 57.93 | 2.92 | 95 | 147 | 40 |
| Ave., 2000 | 16963 | 9784 | 9491 | 293 | 7178 | 57.68 | 2.99 | 94 | 154 | 44 |
| Ave., 2001 | 17179 | 9832 | 9383 | 450 | 7347 | 57.23 | 4.57 | 130 | 243 | 76 |
| Ave., 2002 | 17387 | 9969 | 9454 | 515 | 7417 | 57.34 | 5.17 | 145 | 279 | 91 |
| Ave., 2003 | 17572 | 10076 | 9573 | 503 | 7495 | 57.34 | 4.99 | 131 | 265 | 106 |
| Ave., 2004 | 17760 | 10240 | 9786 | 454 | 7520 | 57.66 | 4.44 | 120 | 239 | 95 |
| Ave., 2005 | 17949 | 10371 | 9942 | 428 | 7578 | 57.78 | 4.13 | 112 | 230 | 86 |
| Ave., 2006 | 18166 | 10522 | 10111 | 411 | 7644 | 57.92 | 3.91 | 104 | 233 | 74 |
| Ave., 2007 | 18392 | 10713 | 10294 | 419 | 7679 | 58.25 | 3.91 | 104 | 240 | 75 |
| Ave., 2008 | 18623 | 10853 | 10403 | 450 | 7770 | 58.28 | 4.14 | 110 | 251 | 88 |
| Ave., 2009 | 18855 | 10917 | 10279 | 639 | 7937 | 57.90 | 5.85 | 127 | 372 | 139 |
| Ave., 2010 | 19062 | 11070 | 10493 | 577 | 7992 | 58.07 | 5.21 | 114 | 337 | 125 |
| Nov. | 19136 | 11132 | 10605 | 527 | 8004 | 58.17 | 4.73 | 112 | 300 | 114 |
| Dec. | 19153 | 11133 | 10613 | 520 | 8020 | 58.13 | 4.67 | 106 | 300 | 114 |
| Ave., 2011 | 19245 | 11193 | 10700 | 493 | 8052 | 58.16 | 4.4 | 109 | 282 | 102 |
| Jan. | 19169 | 11140 | 10623 | 517 | 8030 | 58.11 | 4.64 | 107 | 303 | 107 |
| Feb. | 19183 | 11123 | 10601 | 522 | 8060 | 57.98 | 4.69 | 110 | 304 | 108 |
| Mar. | 19198 | 11128 | 10629 | 499 | 8070 | 57.97 | 4.48 | 106 | 291 | 102 |
| Apr. | 19213 | 11126 | 10648 | 477 | 8088 | 57.91 | 4.29 | 103 | 276 | 98 |
| May | 19228 | 11146 | 10670 | 476 | 8082 | 57.97 | 4.27 | 99 | 278 | 99 |
| June | 19244 | 11183 | 10696 | 486 | 8061 | 58.11 | 4.35 | 107 | 277 | 102 |
| July | 19260 | 11248 | 10752 | 496 | 8012 | 58.4 | 4.41 | 116 | 276 | 104 |
| Aug. | 19276 | 11284 | 10782 | 502 | 7992 | 58.54 | 4.45 | 122 | 277 | 103 |
| Sept. | 19291 | 11231 | 10750 | 481 | 8060 | 58.22 | 4.28 | 113 | 270 | 98 |
| Oct. | 19309 | 11249 | 10765 | 484 | 8060 | 58.26 | 4.3 | 111 | 275 | 98 |
| Nov. | 19326 | 11270 | 10788 | 482 | 8055 | 58.32 | 4.28 | 108 | 274 | 100 |
| Change in percent (percentage points) from the previous month | 0.09 | 0.19 | 0.22 | -0.37 | -0.06 | (0.06) | (-0.02) | -2.80 | -0.11 | 1.83 |
| Change in percent (percentage points) from the same month of previous year | 0.99 | 1.24 | 1.73 | -8.53 | 0.64 | (0.15) | (-0.45) | -4.01 | -8.57 | -12.78 |
| Change in percent (percentage points) from the cumulative average year-on-year | 1.00 | 1.17 | 2.08 | -15.31 | 0.78 | (0.09) | (-0.86) | -5.01 | -17.15 | -19.70 |

Table 2. Important Indicator Based on Manpower Survey Results, by Year

| Year & month | Labor force | | Employed persons | | Labor force participation rate | | Unemployed persons (Thousand Persons) | Unemployment rate | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | Number of persons (Thousand Persons) | Annual increase rate (%) | Number of persons (Thousand Persons) | Annual increase rate (%) | (%) | Seasonally adjusted | | (%) | Seasonally adjusted |
| Nov., 1982 | 7170 | 4.51 | 6975 | 3.28 | 59.25 | 59.22 | 194 | 2.71 | 2.71 |
| Nov., 1983 | 7525 | 4.96 | 7349 | 5.36 | 60.79 | 60.73 | 176 | 2.34 | 2.35 |
| Nov., 1984 | 7557 | 0.43 | 7387 | 0.51 | 59.69 | 59.61 | 170 | 2.25 | 2.28 |
| Nov., 1985 | 7688 | 1.74 | 7436 | 0.67 | 59.23 | 59.16 | 252 | 3.28 | 3.31 |
| Nov., 1986 | 8056 | 4.78 | 7868 | 5.80 | 60.70 | 60.56 | 188 | 2.33 | 2.35 |
| Nov., 1987 | 8249 | 2.41 | 8096 | 2.90 | 61.00 | 60.80 | 153 | 1.86 | 1.89 |
| Nov., 1988 | 8461 | 2.57 | 8336 | 2.96 | 61.27 | 61.01 | 125 | 1.48 | 1.51 |
| Nov., 1989 | 8411 | -0.59 | 8289 | -0.56 | 59.99 | 59.68 | 122 | 1.45 | 1.49 |
| Nov., 1990 | 8551 | 1.66 | 8398 | 1.31 | 59.66 | 59.36 | 154 | 1.80 | 1.85 |
| Nov., 1991 | 8640 | 1.05 | 8512 | 1.36 | 59.20 | 58.94 | 129 | 1.49 | 1.55 |
| Nov., 1992 | 8863 | 2.57 | 8742 | 2.70 | 59.51 | 59.32 | 121 | 1.36 | 1.43 |
| Nov., 1993 | 8904 | 0.46 | 8780 | 0.44 | 58.57 | 58.41 | 124 | 1.39 | 1.45 |
| Nov., 1994 | 9199 | 3.31 | 9062 | 3.21 | 59.28 | 59.14 | 136 | 1.48 | 1.54 |
| Nov., 1995 | 9254 | 0.60 | 9074 | 0.13 | 58.58 | 58.41 | 180 | 1.95 | 1.99 |
| Nov., 1996 | 9402 | 1.60 | 9133 | 0.65 | 58.70 | 58.50 | 269 | 2.86 | 2.88 |
| Nov., 1997 | 9522 | 1.28 | 9275 | 1.55 | 58.49 | 58.25 | 247 | 2.60 | 2.60 |
| Nov., 1998 | 9620 | 1.03 | 9338 | 0.68 | 58.22 | 57.96 | 282 | 2.93 | 2.91 |
| Nov., 1999 | 9765 | 1.51 | 9478 | 1.50 | 58.10 | 57.86 | 287 | 2.94 | 2.92 |
| Nov., 2000 | 9864 | 1.01 | 9545 | 0.70 | 57.87 | 57.66 | 319 | 3.23 | 3.20 |
| Nov., 2001 | 9919 | 0.56 | 9395 | -1.56 | 57.46 | 57.31 | 524 | 5.28 | 5.28 |
| Nov., 2002 | 10002 | 0.83 | 9480 | 0.90 | 57.29 | 57.19 | 522 | 5.22 | 5.24 |
| Nov., 2003 | 10131 | 1.29 | 9654 | 1.84 | 57.40 | 57.33 | 477 | 4.71 | 4.74 |
| Nov., 2004 | 10296 | 1.63 | 9870 | 2.24 | 57.75 | 57.70 | 426 | 4.14 | 4.19 |
| Nov., 2005 | 10435 | 1.35 | 10024 | 1.56 | 57.88 | 57.82 | 411 | 3.94 | 4.01 |
| Nov., 2006 | 10616 | 1.74 | 10207 | 1.82 | 58.15 | 58.09 | 410 | 3.86 | 3.95 |
| Nov., 2007 | 10766 | 1.41 | 10349 | 1.39 | 58.25 | 58.17 | 417 | 3.87 | 3.96 |
| Nov., 2008 | 10917 | 1.40 | 10410 | 0.59 | 58.35 | 58.23 | 507 | 4.64 | 4.72 |
| Nov., 2009 | 11014 | 0.89 | 10369 | -0.40 | 58.15 | 58.02 | 645 | 5.86 | 5.95 |
| Nov., 2010 | 11132 | 1.07 | 10605 | 2.28 | 58.17 | 58.04 | 527 | 4.73 | 4.83 |
| Nov., 2011 | 11270 | 1.24 | 10788 | 1.73 | 58.32 | 58.18 | 482 | 4.28 | 4.32 |

Table 3. Comparison of Unemployment Rates in Major Countries, by Year

| Year & month | R. O. C | | Hong* Kong | Japan * | Korea,* R. O. | Singapore * | | United* States | Canada * | Germany | United Kingdom* | Australia* |
|--------------|----------------------|------|---------------|---------|------------------|-------------|-----|-------------------|----------|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Seasonal adjusted | | | | | Resident | | | | | | |
| Ave., 2009 | 5.85 | 5.85 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 9.3 | 8.3 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 5.6 |
| Ave., 2010 | 5.21 | 5.21 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 9.6 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 5.2 |
| Nov. | 4.73 | 4.83 | 4.1 | 5.1 | 3.2 | ... | ... | 9.8 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 7.9 | 5.2 |
| Dec. | 4.67 | 4.72 | 4.0 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 9.4 | 7.6 | 7.1 | 7.9 | 5.0 |
| Ave., 2011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan. | 4.64 | 4.71 | 3.8 | 4.9 | 3.6 | ... | ... | 9.0 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 4.64 |
| Feb. | 4.69 | 4.59 | 3.6 | 4.6 | 4.0 | ... | ... | 8.9 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 4.69 |
| Mar. | 4.48 | 4.42 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 8.8 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 4.48 |
| Apr. | 4.29 | 4.35 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 3.6 | ... | ... | 9.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 4.29 |
| May | 4.27 | 4.41 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 3.3 | ... | ... | 9.1 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 7.7 | 4.27 |
| June | 4.35 | 4.40 | 3.5 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 9.2 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.9 | 4.35 |
| July | 4.41 | 4.37 | 3.4 | 4.7 | 3.3 | ... | ... | 9.1 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 7.9 | 4.41 |
| Aug. | 4.45 | 4.36 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 3.1 | ... | ... | 9.1 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 8.1 | 4.45 |
| Sept. | 4.28 | 4.27 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 9.1 | 7.1 | 6.6 | 8.3 | 4.28 |
| Oct. | 4.30 | 4.30 | 3.3 | 4.5 | 3.1 | ... | ... | 9.0 | 7.3 | 6.5 | 8.3 | 4.30 |
| Nov. | 4.28 | 4.32 | 3.4 | ... | 3.1 | ... | ... | 8.6 | 7.4 | 6.4 | ... | 4.28 |

Note:1. The unemployment rates (UR) of Hong Kong and United Kingdom are the moving averages of 3 consecutive months.

2.'*' implies seasonally adjusted figure.

3. German UR are based on Employment Registry data.

4.Devastated quake-hit prefectures are not included in the figures from March to Aug. 2011 in Japan.