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## 1. Characteristics of the employed persons by industry

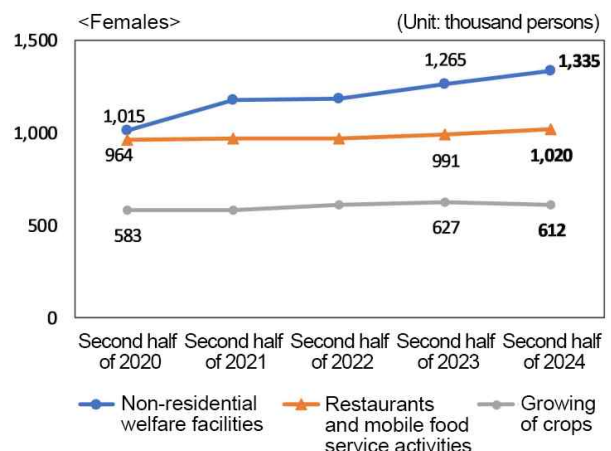
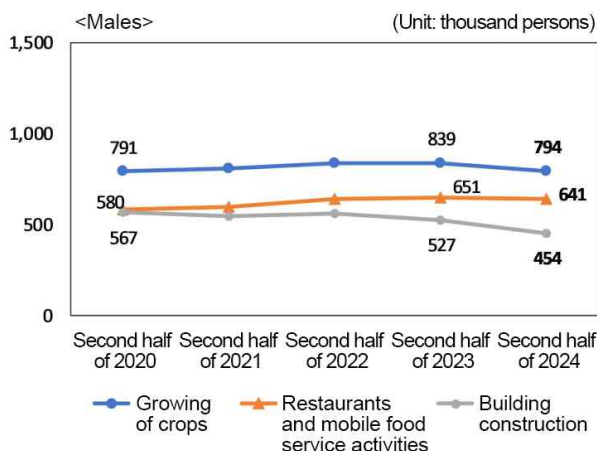
### □ Employed persons by industry group

○ In the second half of 2024, as for employed persons by industry group, 'Restaurants and mobile food service activities' showed the highest figure of 1.662 million persons (5.8% of the total employed persons), which was followed by 'Non-residential welfare facilities' (1.594 million persons, 5.5%) and 'Growing of crops' (1.407 million persons, 4.9%).

- Compared to the second half of 2023, 'Non-residential welfare facilities' recorded the highest year-on-year increase of 88 thousand persons, which was followed by 'Activities of head offices, management consultancy activities' (33 thousand persons). On the other hand, 'Building construction' recorded the highest year-on-year decrease of 86 thousand persons, which was followed by 'Growing of crops' (60 thousand persons).

- As for employed males by industry group, 'Growing of crops' marked the highest figure, which was followed by 'Restaurants and mobile food service activities'. As for employed females by industry group, 'Non-residential welfare facilities' marked the highest figure, which was followed by 'Restaurants and mobile food service activities'.

< Top 3 industry groups of employed persons by gender >



## **Employed persons by industry division**

- As for employed persons by industry division, 'Food and beverage service activities' marked the highest figure of 2.163 million persons (7.5% of the total employed persons), which was followed by 'Education' (1.954 million persons, 6.8%) and 'Retail trade, except motor vehicles and motorcycles' (1.897 million persons, 6.6%).
- Compared to the second half of 2023, 'Social work activities' and 'Education' rose by 107 thousand persons and 84 thousand persons, respectively. On the other hand, 'Retail trade, except motor vehicles and motorcycles' and 'General construction' fell by 106 thousand persons and 80 thousand persons, respectively.

## **Employed persons by industry section**

- As for employed persons by status of worker and industry section, wage workers showed the highest share in 'Manufacturing' (18.0%). Non-wage workers showed the highest share in 'Agriculture, forestry and fishing' (22.4%).
- Regular workers showed the highest share in 'Manufacturing' (22.4%). Temporary and daily workers showed the highest share in 'Human health and social work activities' (17.3%).

## **2. Characteristics of the employed persons by occupation**

- As for employed persons by occupation group, 'Store sales workers' recorded the highest figure of 1.507 million persons (5.2% of the total employed persons), which was followed by 'Crop growers' (1.343 million persons, 4.7%) and 'Cleaning-related workers' (1.249 million persons, 4.3%).
- Compared to the second half of 2023, 'Cleaning-related workers' and 'Electrical and electronics engineers and technicians' rose by 46 thousand persons and 43 thousand persons, respectively. Whereas, 'Store sales workers' and 'Construction and mining-related elementary occupations' fell by 100 thousand persons and 61 thousand persons, respectively.
- As for employed males by occupation group, 'Automobile drivers' marked the highest figure, which was followed by 'Crop growers'. As for employed females by occupation group, 'Store sales workers' marked the highest figure, which was followed by 'Cleaning-related workers'.

### < Top 3 occupation groups of employed persons by gender >



#### □ Employed persons by occupation division

- As for employed persons by occupation division, 'Cooking and food service occupations' recorded the highest figure of 1.759 million persons (6.1% of the total employed persons). This figure was followed by 'Cleaning and building-related elementary occupations' (1.537 million persons, 5.3%).
- Compared to the second half of 2023, 'Engineering professionals and technical occupations' and 'Business and finance professionals and related occupations' grew by 76 thousand persons and 53 thousand persons, respectively. Whereas, 'Store sales and rental sales occupations' and 'Construction and mining-related elementary occupations' declined by 101 thousand persons and 61 thousand persons, respectively.

#### □ Characteristics of wage workers by wage level

- As for wage workers by wage level, the wage workers earning '2 million won ~ less than 3 million won' occupied the largest share at 31.6%, which was followed by those earning '4 million won or more' (26.5%), those earning '3 million won ~ less than 4 million won' (22.0%), those earning '1 million won ~ less than 2 million won' (10.4%) and those earning 'less than 1 million won' (9.6%).
- Compared to the second half of 2023, the share of wage workers earning '4 million won or more', '3 million won ~ less than 4 million won' and 'less than 1 million won' went up by 1.8%p, 0.5%p and 0.4%p, respectively. Whereas, the share of wage workers earning '2 million won ~ less than 3 million won' and '1 million won ~ less than 2 million won' went down by 1.6%p and 1.1%p, respectively.