Table 1 - Trends in number of labour unions, labour union membership and estimated unionization rate (Unitary labour unions)

| Year | Number of labour unions |  |  | Labour union membership |  |  | Number of employees | Estimated unionizatio n rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Change on previous year | Percentage change on previous year |  | Change on previous year | Percentage change on previous year |  |  |
|  | Unions | Unions | \% | housand persons | Thousand persons | \% | Ten thousand persons | \% |
| 2009 | 26,696 | -269 | -1.0 | $\begin{array}{r} 10,078 \\ (2,933) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13 \\ (75) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 0.1 \\ (2.6) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,455 \\ (2,317) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18.5 \\ (12.7) \end{array}$ |
| 2010 | 26,367 | -329 | -1.2 | $\begin{gathered} 10,054 \\ (2,964) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -24 \\ (31) \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} -0.2 \\ (1.0) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,447 \\ (2,311) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18.5 \\ (12.8) \end{array}$ |
| 2011 | 26,052 | -315 | -1.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 9,961 \\ (2,958) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -93 \\ (-6) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -0.9 \\ (-0.2) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,488 \\ (2,339) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18.1 \\ (12.6) \end{array}$ |
| 2012 | 25,775 | -277 | -1.1 | $\begin{array}{r} 9,892 \\ (2,990) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -68 \\ (31) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -0.7 \\ (1.1) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,528 \\ (2,370) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17.9 \\ (12.6) \end{array}$ |
| 2013 | 25,532 | -243 | -0.9 | $\begin{array}{r} 9,875 \\ (3,034) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -17 \\ (44) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -0.2 \\ (1.5) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,571 \\ (2,404) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17.7 \\ (12.6) \end{array}$ |
| 2014 | 25,279 | -253 | -1.0 | $\begin{array}{r} 9,849 \\ (3,054) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -26 \\ (20) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -0.3 \\ (0.7) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,617 \\ (2,444) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17.5 \\ (12.6) \end{array}$ |

Note: 1) Round brackets indicate figures for female.
2) The raw (unadjusted) figures in the Labour Force Survey (by Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications) published every June are used for the "numbers of employees."
3) The result derived by dividing the number of union members identified by this survey by the number of employees based on the "Labour Force Survey" which is implemented by the Statistics Bureau of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.
4) Figure for the number of employees and estimated unionization rate for 2011 are used the numbers from "Supplementary-estimated figures for Labour Force Survey in 2011 due to the Great East Japan Earthquake"in June was posted by Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in April 2012.It requires attention to analyze chronologically.

