

**Chart 1. EMPLOYMENT REFERRALS FOR GENERAL WORKERS(excluding new school graduates and including part-timers)**

March 2017

Item		Month and Year			Change from the same month of the preceding year (% , point)	Seasonally adjusted, Change from the preceding month (% , point)
		Mar 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2016		
Total number	1 Monthly active applications(person(s))	1,879,857	1,779,833	1,964,396	▲ 4.3	▲ 0.1
	2 New applications (case(s))	491,188	465,468	508,891	▲ 3.5	0.4
	3 Monthly active job openings (person (s))	2,806,583	2,724,603	2,645,853	6.1	0.9
	4 New job openings(person(s))	980,579	1,014,039	921,043	6.5	0.9
	5 Persons who found employment (case(s))	196,790	149,816	200,847	▲ 2.0	1.1
	6 Active job openings-to-applicants ratio(3/1) (time(s))	1.49	1.53	1.35	0.14	—
	<Seasonally adjusted>	1.45	1.43	1.31	—	0.02
	7 New job openings-to-applicants ratio(4/2) (time(s))	2.00	2.18	1.81	0.19	—
	<Seasonally adjusted>	2.13	2.12	1.94	—	0.01
	8 Ratio of persons who found employment (5/2x100) (%)	40.1	32.2	39.5	0.6	—
	<Seasonally adjusted>	35.9	35.7	35.3	—	0.2
	9 Sufficiency ratio(5/4x100) (%)	20.1	14.8	21.8	▲ 1.7	—
<Seasonally adjusted>	16.9	16.8	18.2	—	0.1	
Regular workers	10 Monthly active applications(person(s))	1,851,082	1,746,312	1,933,644	▲ 4.3	
	11 New applications (case(s))	476,799	456,524	494,524	▲ 3.6	
	12 Monthly active job openings (person (s))	2,471,427	2,389,787	2,332,455	6.0	
	13 New job openings(person(s))	863,844	889,965	818,458	5.5	
	14 Persons who found employment (case(s))	179,898	135,110	183,012	▲ 1.7	
	15 Active job openings-to-applicants ratio(12/10) (time(s))	1.34	1.37	1.21	0.13	
	16 New job openings-to-applicants ratio(13/11) (time(s))	1.81	1.95	1.66	0.15	
	17 Ratio of persons who found employment (14/11x100) (%)	37.7	29.6	37.0	0.7	
	18 Sufficiency ratio (14/13x100) (%)	20.8	15.2	22.4	▲ 1.6	

(Notes)

1. Seasonally adjusted figures are calculated by removing seasonal components from the original series,using the US Census method(X-12-ARIMA). The values prior to December 2016 have been adjusted by using the new seasonal indexes at the time of issuance of the January 2017 data.
2. ▲ means decrease.
3. "Regular workers" refer to either a work without fixed employment term or a work with fixed term of more than 4 months (excluding seasonal work).
4. "Part-timers" refer to those employees whose scheduled working hour is less than that of the regular employees in the same workplace.