Table 1: Employment (other than those in the civil service) by selected major industry

| | | | Year-on-year change in | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Selected major industry | December 2022 | December 2023 | <u>No.</u> | Percentage (%) |
| Manufacturing | 74 500 | 74 000 | -500 | -0.6 |
| Construction sites (manual workers only) | 107 300 | 120 200 | +12 900 | +12.0 |
| Import and export trade | 380 000 | 362 600 | -17 400 | -4.6 |
| Wholesale | 52 700 | 49 500 | -3 200 | -6.2 |
| Retail | 246 400 | 245 700 | -700 | -0.3 |
| Food and beverage services | 223 000 | 224 500 | +1 500 | +0.7 |
| Accommodation services | 35 300 | 35 700 | +400 | +1.2 |
| Transportation, storage, postal and courier services | 162 700 | 163 600 | +900 | +0.5 |
| Information and communications | 106 400 | 108 400 | +2 000 | +1.8 |
| Financing and insurance | 233 400 | 231 700 | -1 700 | -0.7 |
| Real estate | 139 600 | 138 900 | -700 | -0.5 |
| Professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) | 303 300 | 310 400 | +7 100 | +2.3 |
| Cleaning and similar services | 81 100 | 80 700 | -400 | -0.6 |
| Education | 209 400 | 216 900 | +7 500 | +3.5 |
| Human health services | 150 200 | 154 200 | +4 000 | +2.6 |
| Residential care and social work services | 67 600 | 71 000 | +3 400 | +5.0 |
| Arts, entertainment, recreation and other services | 117 000 | 122 900 | +5 900 | +5.1 |
| Others ^ | 11 900 | 12 000 | +100 | +1.1 |
| All above industries | 2 702 000 | 2 722 800 | +20 800 | +0.8 |

Notes:

Figures relate only to those industries covered in the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies and the Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.

Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred and may not add up to the total due to rounding. Percentage changes are derived from unrounded figures.

[^] "Others" include the industries of mining and quarrying; and electricity and gas supply, and waste management.

Table 2: Vacancies (other than those in the civil service) by selected major industry

| | | | Year-on-year change in | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Selected major industry | December 2022 | December 2023 | <u>No.</u> | Percentage (%) |
| Manufacturing | 1 880 | 2 520 | +640 | +34 |
| Construction sites (manual workers only) # | 540 | 2 400 | +1 860 | +347 |
| Import and export trade | 3 560 | 2 670 | -890 | -25 |
| Wholesale | 760 | 470 | -290 | -38 |
| Retail | 6 030 | 5 440 | -590 | -10 |
| Food and beverage services | 5 420 | 6 100 | +680 | +13 |
| Accommodation services | 2 290 | 2 300 | +10 | $+\beta$ |
| Transportation, storage, postal and courier services | 7 390 | 5 370 | -2 020 | -27 |
| Information and communications | 2 830 | 2 690 | -140 | -5 |
| Financing and insurance | 6 180 | 5 420 | -760 | -12 |
| Real estate | 3 990 | 4 430 | +440 | +11 |
| Professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) | 6 180 | 6 150 | -30 | -β |
| Cleaning and similar services | 1 870 | 1 680 | -190 | -10 |
| Education | 7 750 | 7 920 | +170 | +2 |
| Human health services | 6 510 | 6 410 | -100 | -2 |
| Residential care and social work services | 5 080 | 5 500 | +420 | +8 |
| Arts, entertainment, recreation and other services | 4 600 | 5 380 | +780 | +17 |
| Others ^ | 310 | 230 | -80 | -27 |
| All above industries | 73 150 | 73 070 | -80 | -β |

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- # Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part III of the Explanatory Notes (Complete Version) of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, December 2023.
- [^] "Others" include the industries of mining and quarrying; and electricity and gas supply, and waste management.

 β Less than 0.5%.

Table 3: Vacancies (other than those in the civil service) by major occupation category

| Major occupation category | December 2022 | December 2023 | Year-on-year percentage change (%) |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Managers | 3 600 | 3 470 | -4 |
| Professionals | 13 970 | 12 760 | -9 |
| Associate professionals | 11 680 | 10 440 | -11 |
| Clerical support workers | 7 520 | 7 300 | -3 |
| Service and sales workers | 26 030 | 26 200 | +1 |
| Craft and related workers | 2 300 | 4 100 | +78 |
| Plant and machine operators and assemblers | 1 410 | 1 720 | +22 |
| Skilled agricultural and fishery workers | 220 | 120 | -45 |
| Elementary occupations | 6 430 | 6 960 | +8 |
| | | | |
| Total | 73 150 | 73 070 | -β |

Notes:

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Figures are rounded to the nearest ten and may not add up to the total due to rounding.

 β Less than 0.5%.

Table 4: Changes of employment and vacancies over 3-month period (other than those in the civil service)

| | Percentage change in employment over 3-month period (%) | | Percentage change in vacancies over 3-month period (%) | |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| <u>Month/Year</u> | Not seasonally <u>adjusted</u> | Seasonally <u>adjusted</u> | Not seasonally <u>adjusted</u> | Seasonally adjusted |
| December 2022 | +0.6 | +0.6 | -2.3 | +4.4 |
| March 2023 | +0.7 | +1.0 | +6.3 | +7.6 |
| June 2023 | +0.7 | +0.5 | +4.8 | +2.3 |
| September 2023 | +0.2 | -0.1 | -1.0 | -6.5 |
| December 2023 | -0.7 | -0.7 | -9.4 | -2.7 |

Notes:

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The seasonally adjusted data series is subject to routine revision when more up-to-date figures become available.