Results of 2005 Spring Wage Raise Negotiations

(as of 8 June, 2005)

Major companies, weighted arithmetic average

	2005			2004		
Industry	Number of Companies	Amount of wage increase(yen)	Rate of increase (%)	Number of Companies	Amount of wage increase(yen)	Rate of increase (%)
Non-ferrous metals	6	4,996	1.67	6	5,371	1.75
Foods	17	5,931	1.85	18	5,708	1.72
Textiles	9	5,523	1.76	17	5,278	1.76
Paper and pulp	11	4,602	1.47	11	4,482	1.44
Printing	3	4,286	1.72	3	4,019	1.65
Chemicals(including ammonium sulfate)	23	5,392	1.59	22	5,636	1.72
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Ammonium sulfate	[5]	[4,748]	[1.52]	[3]	[5,323]	[1.83]
Rubber	2	5,068	1.63	4	4,387	1.50
Petroleum	3	_	_	3	_	_
Cement	4	6,225	2.01	5	5,676	1.88
Iron and steel	13	3,722	1.09	13	3,705	1.10
Machinery	3	5,810	1.91	3	5,604	1.86
Automobiles	19	6,262	1.90	18	6,127	1.87
Railway equipment	2	5,700	1.85	2	5,411	1.76
Shipbuilding	12	5,930	1.85	12	5,885	1.84
Commerce and distribution	2	5,677	1.48	4	4,449	1.19
Railways	5	_	_	6	_	_
Transportation	1	_	_	1	_	
Hotels	2	_	_	2	_	_
Information and communications	4	_	_	4	_	_
Gross Average	141	5,504 (5,109)	1.67 (1.63)	154	5,378 (4,871)	1.64 (1.57)
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Gross Average of Manufacturing industries	127	5,649 (5,182)	1.73 (1.66)	137	5,526 (4,940)	1.71 (1.61)
Gross Average of Non-manufacturing industries	14	5,007 (4,443)	1.47 (1.34)	17	4,917 (4,316)	1.44 (1.29)

Note: (1) The survey covered 288 major companies in 22 industries, but 111 companies without average figures were excluded from the aggregate calculation.

⁽²⁾ The wage raise figures include both base salary increases and annual increments.

⁽³⁾ Figures in parenthesis are simple average.