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# Regional Economic Report (Summary) January 2025








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This report summarizes the reports from all regional research divisions, mainly at the Bank's branches in Japan, and is based on data and other information gathered for the meeting of general managers of the Bank's branches held today. The English translation is based on the Japanese original.

## I. Regional Economic Assessments (Overview)

All nine regions reported that their respective economies had been recovering moderately, picking up, or picking up moderately, although some weakness had been seen in part.

### Comparison of Previous and Current Assessments by Region

Region	Assessment in October 2024	Changes from the previous assessment <sup>1</sup>	Assessment in January 2025
Hokkaido	The economy has been picking up, although some weakness has been seen in part		The economy has been picking up, although some weakness has been seen in part
Tohoku	The economy has been picking up moderately		The economy has been picking up
Hokuriku	The economy has begun to recover moderately, although the effects of the 2024 Noto Peninsula Earthquake have been observed in part; attention is warranted regarding to what extent heavy rain in northern Noto Peninsula, which has caused significant damage to affected areas, will push down the economy, including in terms of consumer and business sentiment		The economy has been recovering moderately, although the effects of the 2024 Noto Peninsula Earthquake have been observed in part
Kanto-Koshinetsu	The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part		The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part
Tokai	The economy has been recovering moderately		The economy has been recovering moderately
Kinki	The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part		The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part
Chugoku	The economy has been on a moderate recovery trend		The economy has been on a moderate recovery trend

<sup>1</sup> With regard to the changes from the previous assessment, arrows pointing to the upper right or lower right indicate changes in the pace of improvement or deterioration, respectively, compared with the previous assessment. For example, an acceleration in the pace of improvement or deceleration in the pace of deterioration is indicated with an arrow pointing to the upper right. A horizontal arrow pointing to the right indicates that the pace of improvement or deterioration in economic conditions is unchanged compared with the previous assessment.

Shikoku	The economy has been picking up moderately	⇒	The economy has been picking up moderately
Kyushu-Okinawa	The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part	⇒	The economy has been recovering moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part

## II. Assessments of Components by Region

Region	Public investment	Business fixed investment	Private consumption
Hokkaido	Has been at a high level	Increasing moderately	Has been firm, despite being affected by price rises
Tohoku	Has been more or less flat	Increasing	Recovering moderately
Hokuriku	Increasing steadily and expected to increase further, reflecting factors such as a rise in construction orders related to restoration following the earthquake	Increasing	Picking up, although the effects of the earthquake have been observed in part, in addition to the impact of price rises
Kanto-Koshinetsu	Increasing moderately	Increasing	Increasing moderately, partly supported by inbound tourism demand, despite the impact of price rises and other factors
Tokai	Has been at a high level	Increasing	Has been on a moderate increasing trend, although the effects of factors such as price rises have been observed
Kinki	Has been at a high level	Increasing	Increasing moderately, although some weakness has been seen in part

Chugoku	Has been at a high level	Increasing	Has been on a moderate recovery trend
Shikoku	Picking up	Increasing	Has been resilient, despite being affected by price rises
Kyushu-Okinawa	Increasing	Has been at a high level	Has been firm, despite being affected by factors such as price rises

Region	Housing investment	Production	Employment and income
Hokkaido	Declining	Has been more or less flat, but some weakness has been seen in part	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately
Tohoku	Has been weak	Picking up moderately	The employment and income situation has been improving
Hokuriku	Bottoming out recently as restoration demand has been observed	Has been more or less flat recently	The employment and income situation has been picking up, although the effects of the earthquake have been observed in part
Kanto-Koshinetsu	Has been relatively weak	Has been more or less flat	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately
Tokai	Has been weak	Has been on an increasing trend	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately

Kinki	Has been more or less flat	Has been more or less flat	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately
Chugoku	Has been relatively weak	Has been more or less flat	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately
Shikoku	Has been relatively weak	Has been relatively weak	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately
Kyushu-Okinawa	Weakening	Has been more or less flat	The employment and income situation has been improving moderately

## Appendix: Prefectures Included in Each Region

Region	Prefectures
Hokkaido	Hokkaido
Tohoku	Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Akita, Yamagata, and Fukushima
Hokuriku	Toyama, Ishikawa, and Fukui
Kanto-Koshinetsu	Ibaraki, Tochigi, Gunma, Saitama, Chiba, Tokyo, Kanagawa, Niigata, Yamanashi, and Nagano
Tokai	Gifu, Shizuoka, Aichi, and Mie
Kinki	Shiga, Kyoto, Osaka, Hyogo, Nara, and Wakayama
Chugoku	Tottori, Shimane, Okayama, Hiroshima, and Yamaguchi
Shikoku	Tokushima, Kagawa, Ehime, and Kochi
Kyushu-Okinawa	Fukuoka, Saga, Nagasaki, Kumamoto, Oita, Miyazaki, Kagoshima, and Okinawa

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