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Reference Data: Conditions for CP Issuance (Based on CP-Issuing Enterprises)

All industries (Large Enterprises)

All indust	Number of						
			percentage share of the number of respondents choosing each alternative, %			sample enterprises	
			1. Easy	2. Not so severe	3. Severe	1	
2008	Mar.	17	20	77	3	207	
	Jun.	18	21	76	3	208	
	Sept.	13	19	75	6	207	
	Dec.	-55	3	39	58	201	
2009	Mar.	-22	9	60	31	200	
	Jun.	15	27	61	12	203	
	Sept.	23	30	63	7	201	
	Dec.	<24> 24	<28> 28	<68> 68	<4> 4	<206> 203	
2010	Mar.	32	35	62	3	200	
	Jun.	29	32	65	3	194	
	Sept.	30	32	66	2	192	
	Dec.	31	32	67	1	182	

Notes (1) The *Tankan* survey (Short-Term Economic Survey of Enterprises in Japan) asks all reporting enterprises to answer the "Conditions for CP Issuance" regardless of whether they have actually issued CP. The detail of questionnaire sheet is written as the "judgement of the overall conditions of commercial paper issuance." Since some data users have shown keen interest in the restricted answer on "Conditions for CP Issuance," based on only the enterprises that have actually issued CP in the past, the Bank decided to add the new reference data, which is "Conditions for CP Issuance (Based on CP-Issuing Enterprises)" to the regular *Tankan* survey. Specifically, the Bank will calculate the judgement DI of the "Conditions for CP issuance" only using enterprises with such a reported record in the Bank's *Tankan* that showed the fact that they issued "Commercial Paper" at least once in the past two years.

- (2) The choices for this judgement item are: 1. Easy; 2. Not so severe; 3. Severe.
- (3) The figure in the parentheses for the December 2009 survey is the result of the revision conducted using sample enterprises that have been revised for the March 2010 survey.

Details

1. Manufacturing (Large Enterprises)

	Diffusion Index					
		percentage share choosing each al	Number of sample enterprises			
		1. Easy	2. Not so severe	3. Severe	onterprises	
2008 Mar.	17	19	79	2	99	
Jun.	19	21	77	2	100	
Sept.	18	21	76	3	101	
Dec.	-58	3	36	61	98	
2009 Mar.	-23	11	55	34	98	
Jun.	15	28	59	13	101	
Sept.	21	28	65	7	101	
Dec.	<25> 25	<29> 29	<67> 67	<4> 4	<104> 104	
2010 Mar.	36	38	60	2	100	
Jun.	33	35	63	2	97	
Sept.	34	35	64	1	99	
Dec.	38	38	62	0	93	

2. Nonmanufactuirng (Large Enterprises)

	Diffusion Inde					
		percentage share choosing each al	Number of sample enterprises			
		1. Easy	2. Not so severe	3. Severe	oncorprises	
2008 Mar.	16	20	76	4	108	
Jun.	15	20	75	5	108	
Sept.	9	17	75	8	106	
Dec.	-52	3	42	55	103	
2009 Mar.	-21	7	65	28	102	
Jun.	13	25	63	12	102	
Sept.	26	33	60	7	100	
Dec.	<21> 21	<26> 26	<69> 69	<5> 5	<102> 99	
2010 Mar.	27	31	65	4	100	
Jun.	25	29	67	4	97	
Sept.	27	29	69	2	93	
Dec.	26	27	72	1	89	