## Japan jobless rate stays at 4.2 pct in September

TOKYO, Oct. 30 (Xinhua) -- Japan's unemployment rate stayed at 4.2 percent in September from the previous month, according to a preliminary report released by the government on Tuesday.

The result came in line with forecasts by private-sector economists.

The number of the employed grew a seasonally adjusted 0.1 percent, or 60,000, to 62.69 million, while that of the unemployed expanded 0.4 percent, or 10,000, to 2.73 million, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications said in the report.