

Japan business investment rises 2.2 pct in July-Sept.

TOKYO, Dec. 3 (Xinhua) -- Capital spending by Japanese firms was up 2.2 percent in the three months through September from a year earlier, according to government data released on Monday.

Business investment by all nonfinancial sectors for purposes such as building plants and introducing new equipment totaled 8.81 trillion yen (about 106.89 billion U.S. dollars the Finance Ministry said.

The data will affect revisions to Japan's economic growth figures, the revised third-quarter gross domestic product, which the Cabinet Office is set to release on Dec. 10.