

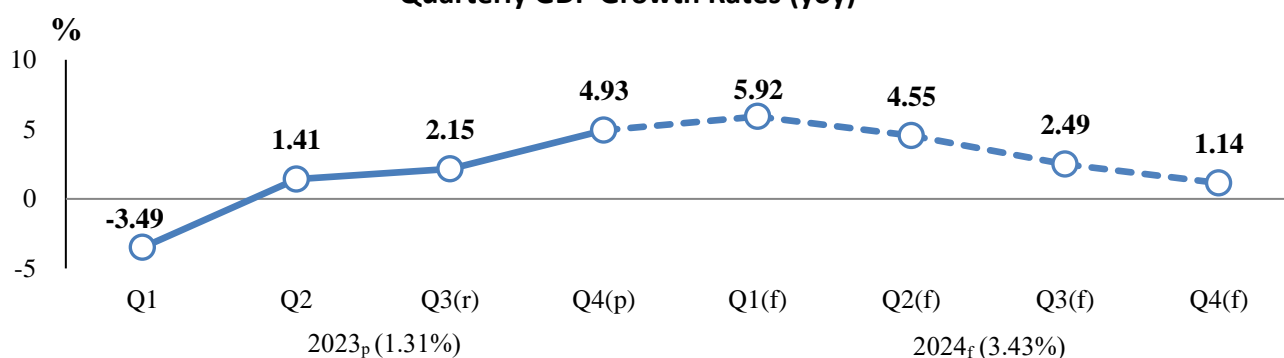


Taiwan Economy in a Snapshot

Taiwan's Economic Situation and Outlook

- Global economy is expected to grow at a moderate pace, overcoming the impact of reduced demand due to high policy rates and inventory adjustments. Additionally, the increasing demand for new technological applications, such as AI applications, high performance computing and automotive electronics will support Taiwan's export.
- According to DGBAS latest forecast, the real GDP is projected to grow by 3.43% in 2024, a upgrade from a previous forecast of 3.35% made in November 2023, owing to the global economy will grow mildly and the world trade volume is projected to grow in 2024.

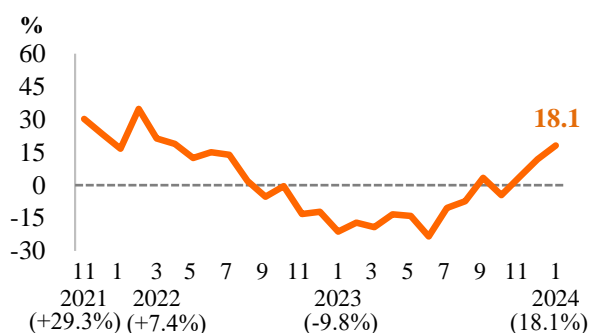
Quarterly GDP Growth Rates (yoy)



Note: (r) represents revised version, (p) indicates preliminary version, (f) indicates forecasts.
Source: DGBAS.

Main economic indicators

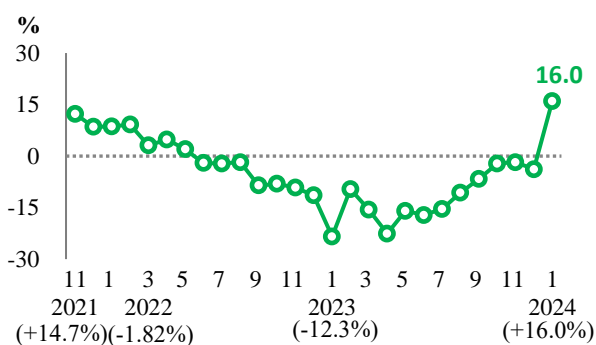
Exports



Exports Continue to Increase

- In January 2024, Taiwan's total exports increased by 18.1% year-on-year, 3rd consecutive month of growth, due to higher exports of ICT products and low base.
- Exports of the parts of electronic product and information, communication and audio-video products grew 7.5% and 100.6%, respectively.

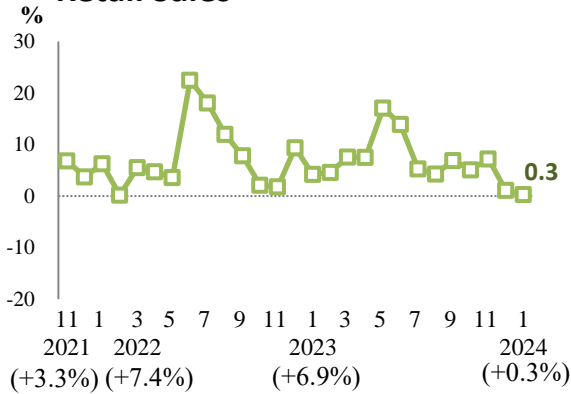
Industrial Production



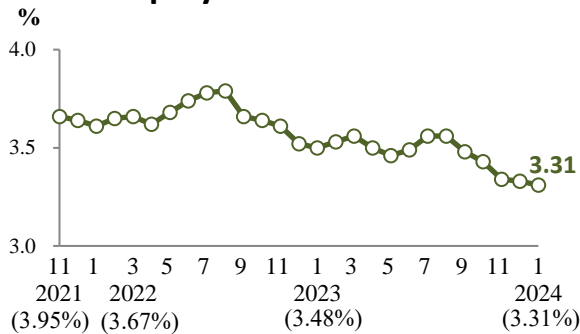
Industrial Production Turn to Growth

- The industrial production index increased by 16.0% year-on-year in January 2024. Due to the demand of AI, high performance computing and cloud service increase and the low base.
- By sector, the index for the electronic parts & components and the computers, electronic & optical products increased by 10.7% and 35.3%, respectively.

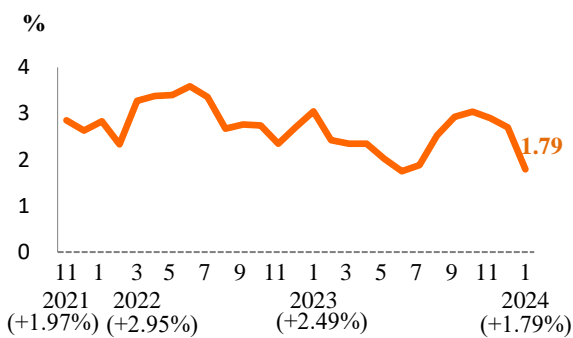
• **Retail Sales**



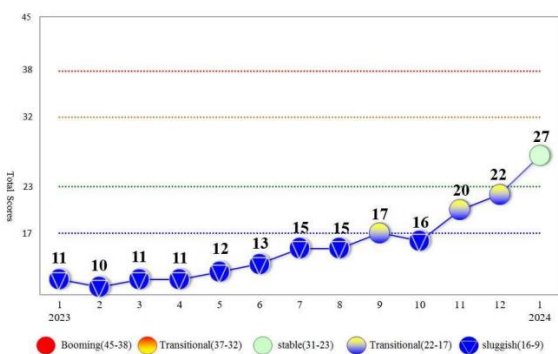
• **Unemployment Rate**



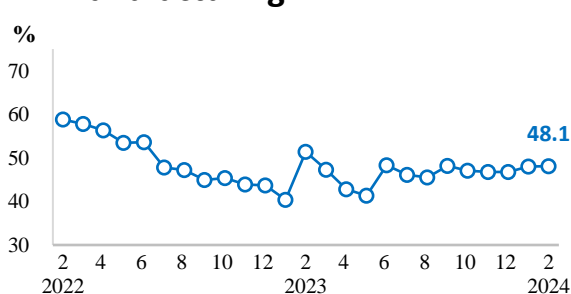
• **Inflation**



• **Business Indicators**



• **Manufacturing PMI**



Retail Sales Continue to Increase

- Retail sales rose by 0.3% year-on-year in January 2024 to post the 29th consecutive month of growth, due to the demand of car, purchasing and gifts increase before the Lunar New Year.
- The sector of motor vehicles & motorcycles and electronic shopping & mail-order houses increased 36.5% and grew 12.8%, respectively.

Labor Market Remains Stable

- The unemployment rate fell 0.02 percentage points from a month earlier to 3.31% in January 2024, as fewer people lost work to business downsizing and closures.
- The overall labor market remains stable recently.

CPI Rises Moderately

- The CPI rose by 1.79% year-on-year in January 2024, mainly because the indices for fruits and meats rose 20.86% and 5.63%, respectively. However, vegetables and services for nursery & nursing care fell 16.67% and 14.54%, respectively, offsetting part of the increase.
- The core CPI expanded 1.64%.

The Monitoring Indicator Flashes Green Signal

- In January 2024, the overall monitoring indicator changed to the “green” signal from the “yellow-blue” signal last month, the total score increased five points to 27. The trend-adjusted leading index increased for four consecutive months while the coincident index increased for ten consecutive months.

Manufacturing PMI Remains in Contraction Zone

- The Taiwan manufacturing sector still remained in contraction for the twelfth consecutive month while the seasonally adjusted Taiwan Manufacturing PMI increased 0.1 percentage points to 48.1 percent in February.