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## PREFACE

The 1975 Population Census of Japan which was conducted as of October 1, 1975 completed successfully its enumeration stage, and the results are now being tabulated at the Bureau of Statistics, Office of the Prime Minister.

The first Population Census was conducted in 1920, more than a half century ago. Since then population censuses have been carried out in Japan every five years. The 1975 Population Census of Japan is the twelfth one in this country. The 1975 Population Census may also be remembered as the census taken for the first time after the reversion of Okinawa to Japan in 1972.

Population censuses have been conducted to find out the size of the population and its distribution in Japan as well as in prefectures, municipalities and other statistical areas and to obtain the important basic data for various social and economic policy-makings such as employment, dwelling, social welfare, sanitary and traffic problems. In recent years, the population in this country have been changing remarkably in its areal distribution and demographic structures and many various problems have arised in social and economic fields, so their countermeasures are urgently needed. Therefore, the population censuses are expected to provide indispensable data timely for analysing the present situations and for making and implemeting effectively for various administrative policies. And the census results are also used widely in many fields such as industrial and scientific researches.

About 640 thousand census enumerators were temporarily employed by the Government for the field work, and a new modern tabulation method was largely adoped to speed up the tabulation process.

This report, Volume 1 Total Population, presents the total population and the land area for the whole country, prefectures, municipalities as well as for the densely inhabited districts delimited in municipalities.

Other statistics showing the characteristics of population are being processed and will successively be published in Vol. 2 - Vol. 6 of the 1975 Population Census Report, though Vol. 2 Whole Japan and Vol. 3 Prefectures and Municipalities has already been published.

On this opportunity, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all persons who rendered heartfelt cooperations to us through the whole process of the census operation starting from its planning stage through field works and compilation of the results.

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