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### Preface

The System of Social and Demographic Statistics of Japan is the systematic compilation of statistical data collected and processed by districts demonstrating the real living conditions of the country's population.

This report presents major indicators from the "Social Indicators by Prefecture 2024", which is a report that summarizes the system of social and demographic statistics of Japan, and recompiles such information to allow that indicators be observed by prefectures in a glance. Each indicator is ranked by prefecture in order to make it easily understandable.

I hope that this report will be widely used in various fields for administrative policy, academic research, regional analysis etc.

Furthermore, we have also published the "Statistical Observations of Municipalities". All contents of these reports are accessible from the web site of the Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications or the Portal Site of Official Statistics of Japan (e-Stat).

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01 HOKKAIDO	13 TOKYO-to	25 SHIGA-ken	37 KAGAWA-ken
02 AOMORI-ken	14 KANAGAWA-ken	26 KYOTO-fu	38 EHIME-ken
03 IWATE-ken	15 NIIGATA-ken	27 OSAKA-fu	39 KOCHI-ken
04 MIYAGI-ken	16 TOYAMA-ken	28 HYOGO-ken	40 FUKUOKA-ken
05 AKITA-ken	17 ISHIKAWA-ken	29 NARA-ken	41 SAGA-ken
06 YAMAGATA-ken	18 FUKUI-ken	30 WAKAYAMA-ken	42 NAGASAKI-ken
07 FUKUSHIMA-ken	19 YAMANASHI-ken	31 TOTTORI-ken	43 KUMAMOTO-ken
08 IBARAKI-ken	20 NAGANO-ken	32 SHIMANE-ken	44 OITA-ken
09 TOCHIGI-ken	21 GIFU-ken	33 OKAYAMA-ken	45 MIYAZAKI-ken
10 GUMMA-ken	22 SHIZUOKA-ken	34 HIROSHIMA-ken	46 KAGOSHIMA-ken
11 SAITAMA-ken	23 AICHI-ken	35 YAMAGUCHI-ken	47 OKINAWA-ken
12 CHIBA-ken	24 MIE-ken	36 TOKUSHIMA-ken	

## Notes

#### 1. Time span

The time span is based on the Japanese fiscal year, i.e. from 1 April to 31 March. Therefore, data on the book refer to the period or date of the fiscal year indicated. Data for which the period extends over two fiscal years are assumed to belong to the fiscal year that occupies a longer period than the other.

#### 2. Data

- (1) Data figures may not add up to the totals due to rounding or in case of including data not available.
- (2) The Social Indicators by Prefecture are calculated according to "Formulae of Indicators". (Excludes those directly posting indices, rates, etc. of original sources, refer to "Name and Formulae of Indicators".) However, a part of the indicator is not necessarily equal to the ratios, the rates, etc. of the published original source, because of differences in using basic data for calculation, absence of the original figures, etc.
- (3) Please refer to the explanation of terms with that of the source books in using data.

#### 3. Symbols

- Data refer to the cities with prefectural governments. However, for the nine items in pages 13 to 14 (Climate; #B02101-#B02103, #B02201, #B02401, #B02402, #B02303), Kumagaya-shi observations are used for Saitama-ken, Chiyoda-ku for Tokyo-to and Hikone-shi for Shiga-ken.
- ··· : Not available
- : Not applicable (Denominator of formulae of indicators in "Name and Formulae of Indicators" is 0)
- 4. For further information

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#### 5. Others

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# Appendix Outline of the System of Social and Demographic Statistics of Japan

#### 1. The System of Social and Demographic Statistics of Japan

The System of Social and Demographic Statistics of Japan is a system in which statistical data in a wide range of fields are collected, normalised and organised. The system describes the lives of Japanese people in various fields. The purpose of the system is to provide basic data useful for various kinds of administrative programmes, policy-making and analysis of regional differences. It was started by the Statistics Bureau in fiscal 1976.

What is characteristic of the system is that the data are organised for each of the prefectures (*To*, *Do*, *Fu* and *Ken*) and municipalities (*Shi*, *Ku*, *Machi* and *Mura*), thus enabling regional comparison and analysis.

#### 2. Basic Data collected in the System

In the system, basic data are collected in 13 fields from "A. Population and Households" to "M. Daily Time". The number of basic data items is about 2,750 for prefectures, about 650 for *Shi* and *Ku*, and about 640 for *Machi* and *Mura* respectively (as of fiscal year 2023).

3. Compilation of the System

The system is compiled by the following process:

- (1) Determination of basic data to be collected
- (2) Collection of basic data
  - · Statistical Data quoted from report books and computer-readable media
- (3) Input and evaluation of basic data
- (4) Systematisation of basic data and indicator calculation
- (5) Provision of the results by report books, computer readable media, and online
- 4. Dissemination of the Data of the System

Data organised in the system are provided in computer readable media and publications, for free online.

- (1) Computer readable media
  - Basic Data by prefecture (time series from 1975)
  - Basic Data by municipality (time series from 1980)
  - Data in "Social Indicators by Prefecture"
  - Data in "Statistical Observations of Prefectures"
  - Data in "Statistical Observations of Municipalities"
- (2) Publications
  - Social Indicators by Prefecture (2024 edition) (bilingual, published annually; 561 social indicators and 541basic data)
  - Statistical Observations of Prefectures (2024 edition) (bilingual, published annually; 414social indicators)
  - *Statistical Observations of Municipalities* (2023 edition) (in Japanese only, published annually; 93 basic data for municipalities)
- (3) Online

Portal Site of Official Statistics of Japan (e-Stat); https://www.e-stat.go.jp/en/regional-statistics/ssdsview

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