

**United Nations Statistics Division: Demographic Yearbook**  
**Questionnaire on Metadata for Population and Housing Census**

Reporting country: **Japan**

Population census date: **1 October 2005**

Housing census date:

**A. General population census information**

**1. Census information**

Type of census	
(a) Traditional census	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) Register based census	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Combination	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) Other, please specify <b></b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2. Type of population count and coverage**

Type of population count	
(a) De facto / population present	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) De jure / usual resident population	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Please specify whether the following population groups were enumerated in the census**

Population group	Included	Excluded	Not applicable
(a) Nomads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) Persons living in areas to which access is difficult	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) Civilian residents temporarily absent from the country	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(e) Civilian residents who cross a frontier daily to work in another country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) Civilian foreigners who do not cross a frontier daily and are in the country temporarily, including undocumented persons, or transients on ships in harbour at the time of the census	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(h) Civilian foreigners who cross a frontier daily to work in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i) Refugees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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█	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 3. Estimated census completeness

Estimated completeness:	Both sexes	Male	Female
(a) Gross under-enumeration (specify unit: % )	0.93	0.92	0.94
(b) Gross over-enumeration (specify unit: % )	0.16	0.18	0.14
(c) Net error (specify unit: % )	0.77	0.74	0.80

Base denominator for this estimate is:	
(a) Enumerated population	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) Estimated "complete" population	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/>

Method(s) used in estimating completeness:	
(a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date conducted: █	2005.12.15
Size of sample (specify unit: households ):	55,169
For total area: █	

For urban areas: [REDACTED]	
For rural areas: [REDACTED]	
Population groups excluded: [REDACTED]	
(b) Demographic analysis, please specify: [REDACTED]	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Other methods, please specify: [REDACTED]	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### 4. Definition of urban/rural

The definition of urban areas for this census is:

Total of all cities in this report

The definition of rural areas for this census is:

Except urban area in this report

#### 5. Definition of cities

The definition of a city proper for this census is:

Shi : In general, municipality which satisfy the following conditions

1. 50,000 or more inhabitants
2. 60 percent or more of the houses located in the main built-up areas
3. 60 percent or more of the population (including their dependants) engaged in manufacturing, trade or other urban type of business

The definition of urban agglomeration for this census is:

Not defined

#### 6. Definition of locality

The definition of a locality for this census is:

Municipality

#### 7. Definition of literacy

The definition of “literate” and “illiterate” for this census is:

Not enumerated

#### 8. Educational attainment

Do you follow the International Standard Classification for Education (ISCED) for tabulating the population by educational attainment?

Not enumerated in 2005 Population Census

If so, what revision?

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISCED (specify revision number)?

If no, please point out the major deviations from ISCED (specify revision number).

## B. Economic characteristics

### 1. Activity status

What is the lower age limit for the collection of information on activity status in this census?

15 years old.

Is there a maximum age limit for collection of information on activity status for this census?

No, there isn't.

What reference period do you use to determine the economic activity of a person?

During the week before the census date.

### 2. Definition of economically active population used in this census

Definition of economically active population	
(a) Usually active population	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) Currently active population	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are the following groups considered economically active in the national tabulations?  
If not, please indicate how they are classified:

Economic group	Yes	No
(a) contributing (unpaid) family workers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) unemployed persons including those never previously employed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) armed forces;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) part-time workers even though they may spend most time at non-gainful activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) domestic servants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 3. Status in Employment

Do you follow the International Standard Classification of Status in Employment (ICSE-93), for the classification of the Status in Employment in your country?

Yes. But does not correspond exactly.

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ICSE-93?

If no, please point out the major deviations from ICSE-93.

#### 4. Occupation

Do you follow the International Standard Classification for Occupations (ISCO) for tabulating the employed population by occupation?

Yes.

Classification for occupation in the census follows the Japan Standard Occupational Classification.

The Japan Standard Occupational Classification follows the ISCO, but does not correspond exactly.

If yes, what revision? ISCO-68

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISCO (specify revision number)?

If no, point out the major deviations from ISCO (specify revision number).

#### 5. Industry

Do you follow the International Standard Classification for International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC) for tabulating the employed population by industry?

Yes.

Classification for industry in the census follows the Japan Standard Industrial Classification.

The Japan Standard industrial Classification follows the ISIC, but does not correspond exactly.

If so, what revision? ISIC-Rev.3

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISIC (specify revision number).

If no, please point out the major deviations from ISIC (specify revision number)..

## C. Household characteristics

### 1. Definitions

General definition of a household for this census is:

A group of people who live and eke out a living together.

General definition of a family nucleus for this census is:

- A married couple only.
- A married couple with their child(ren).
- Father with their child(ren).
- Mother with their child(ren).

### 2. Head of household / reference member

Definition	
(a) Head of household, defined as follows: Select a household member as "Household head or representative" .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) Reference member of household, defined as follows: Other members are related with the head by kinship, marriage or adoption. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spouse of household</li><li>• Son or daughter</li><li>• Spouse of son or daughter</li><li>• Father or mother of household head</li><li>• Father or mother of spouse</li><li>• Grandson or granddaughter</li><li>• Grandfather of grandmother</li><li>• Brother or sister</li><li>• Other relatives</li><li>• Living-in employee</li><li>• Persons other than relatives living in the household excluding living – in employee.</li></ul>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) Other (for example: Joint head of household):	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **D. Housing census characteristics**

### **1. Housing information**

What definition did you apply in this census for housing unit?

What definition did you apply in this census for conventional dwelling?

Are vacant units included in the enumerated conventional dwellings?

What definition did you apply in this census for room?

### **2. Definition of cities**

**(as referred to in the Housing Census Questionnaire: City Data)**

General definition of a city in the reporting country for this census

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City 1 (Capital City) – Territory refers to:

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City 2 – Territory refers to:

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City 3 – Territory refers to:

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City 4 – Territory refers to:

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## E. Bibliography of Population and Housing Statistics

Please list publications that contain results of your latest population census and your latest housing census:

### Population census reports

- Volume 1 Total population
- Volume 2 Sex, age and marital status of population, structure and housing conditions of households
- Volume 3 Labour force status of population, industry (major groups) of employed persons
- Volume 4 Occupation (major groups) of employed persons, types of households
- Volume 5 Industry (minor groups) and occupation (minor groups) of employed persons (sample tabulation results)
- Volume 6-1 Population by place of work or schooling – Sex and age of population, industry (major groups) of employed persons
- Volume 6-2 Population by place of work or schooling – Occupation (major groups) of employed persons
- Volume 6-3 Population by place of work or schooling – Industry (medium groups) and occupation (medium groups) of employed persons (sample tabulation results)
- Volume 7 Results of special tabulation on foreigners

### Prompt tabulation series

- No.1 Preliminary counts of the population on the basis of summary sheets
- No.2 Results of prompt sample tabulation

### Overview Series

- No.1 Population of Japan at a glance
- No.2 Overview of population of Japan
- No.3 Population of prefecture
- No.4 Densely inhabited districts
- No.5 Population by sex and age, structure and housing conditions of households
- No.6 Population by labour force status, industry and occupation
- No.7 Aged population and households with aged persons
- No.8 Commuting population
- No.9 Population of major metropolitan areas

### Population of Japan