

# General Information

## I Census of Manufacture

### 1. Purpose of the Census

The Census of Manufacture (hereafter referred to as the Census) is to clarify the condition of current Japanese manufacturing.

### 2. Legal Framework

The Census represents a fundamental statistics under the Statistics Act (Law No. 53 of 2007) and is implemented according to the Regulations for the Census of Manufacture (Ministerial Ordinance No. 81 of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry of 1951).

### 3. Reference Period

The reference period of the 2014 Census is calendar year 2014 (as of December 31, 2014).

### 4. Scope of the Census

The Census covers all establishments located in Japan (excluding those located in the enumeration districts which includes the “restricted areas etc.”, those belonging to the government and establishments with three or less employees) and falling under [Division E - Manufacturing Industry] listed in the Japan Standard Industrial Classification (No.405 of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications issued in 2013).

“restricted areas etc.” : the restricted areas under the provisions of Article 63, paragraph 1, of the Basic Act on Disaster Control Measures (Act No.223 of 1961) as applied mutatis mutandis by replacing the terms pursuant to Article 28, Paragraph 2, of the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness (Act No.156 of 1999) regarding the Great East Japan Earthquake (disaster caused by the Tohoku-Pacific Ocean Earthquake, which struck on March 11, 2011, and the subsequent nuclear power plant accident) and planned evacuation areas designated by the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters.

### 5. Forms

Questionnaires are distributed to establishments by enumerators, except establishments designated by the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, that are located in the areas in which the execution of the Census was are affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake, and whose headquarters have two or more establishments . Designated establishments receive the questionnaires directly from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. Form A covers establishments with 30 or more employees, while Form B is for those with 29 or fewer employees in both cases excluding head offices that have no involvement in the manufacturing processing or repair of industrial products. The Census is based on entries in these forms filled by managers or administrators of applicable establishments, or representatives of the enterprises as in the case of questionnaires being sent to the headquarters.

### 6. Publication

The results of the Census of manufacture 2014 are compiled by "industry," "commodity," "city, town and village," "industrial district," "**industrial site and water**," and "enterprise."

The Report by Industrial Site and Water covers establishments with 30 or more employees, showing the status of

the utilization of industrial sites and industrial water.

The Report by Industry focuses establishments with 4 or more employees to provide a portrait of the manufacturing activities by industry. These establishments are classified pursuant to the Japan Standard Industrial Classification according to their principal activities so that their activities are to be tallied up by industry.

The Report by Commodity covers detailed figures on manufactured/processed goods by establishments with 4 or more employees on a commodity basis.

The Report by City, Town and Village covers establishments with 4 or more employees, showing major survey items by city, town and village.

The Report of Industrial district covers establishments with 4 or more employees, showing major survey items by prefectural industrial district.

The Report of Enterprise provides findings with regard to establishments with 4 or more employees after compiling the data by the enterprise to which these establishments belong.

## II Details of the Report by Industrial Site and Water of the 2014 Census

### 1. Data

The Report by Industrial Site and Water provides findings in the Census of Manufacture Form A of the 2013 Census of establishments with 30 or more employees.

Data items on industrial sites and water were first incorporated in the Census in 1958 as an approved form of supplemental statistics, pursuant to the Statistical Report Coordination Law (Law No. 148 of 1952). Since 1963, given the importance of the impact of the results on policy measures of both central and prefectural governments, and their close relationship with the results of the Census itself, they have become designated data items.

### 2. Industrial Classification for the Census

The Industrial Classification for the Census was revised in 2014.

- (1) The Industrial Classification for the Census conforms in principle to the Standard Industrial Classification for Japan. The exception is as follows.

Industrial classification for the Census of Manufacture	Standard industrial classification for Japan
1421 Paper and Machine-made Japanese style paper, integrating Paper (1421) and Machine-made Japanese style paper (1423)	1421 Paper 1423 Machine-made Japanese style paper

- (2) The following is a list of products as mentioned elsewhere in Division 18 " plastic product manufacturing industry (except for mentioned elsewhere) ".

Product	Industry	Product	Industry
Furniture and fixtures	13	Pens, lead pencils, painting materials and stationery	326
Plastic plate making for printing	1521	Lacquer ware	3271
Photosensitive materials	1695	“Tatami” mats (straw-mats)	3282
Gloves and mittens	2051	Fans and lanterns (Japanese style)	3283
Refractories	215	Brooms and brushes	3284
Abrasive products	2179	Smoking accessories and supplies, except precious metals and jewelry	3285
Artificial pearls	2199	Umbrellas, parasols and parts	3289
Gears	2531	Thermos bottles	3289
Setsquares with scale	2739	Signboards and signs	3292
Injection cylinders	2741	Pallets for transportation	3293
Artificial tooth	2744	Models and patterns	3294
Costume jewelry, costume accessories, buttons and related products, except precious metals and jewelry	322	Patterns manufactured for industrial use	3295
Wigs and tresses	3229	Records	3296
Watchcases	3231	Ophthalmic goods	3297
Musical instruments	324		
Toys and sporting goods	325		

### 3. Criteria for Classification of Establishments

Establishments are classified by industry with the following criteria.

(1) Common method

- i With respect to establishments manufacturing a single type of products, the industry in which the establishments are classified is determined based on the upper four digits (class code) of the six-digit commodity number of the products.
- ii Concerning establishments engaged in manufacturing of several types of products, the “top-down method” is applied. Firstly, the appropriate classification division (two digits) is determined based on the largest total shipment values of products. Then, the three-digits group and the four-digit class classifications are determined in the same way.

(2) Special method

In some cases, the industrial classification of an establishment is determined based on its raw materials, work process, and mechanical installations involved.

Specifically, the special method is applied to the following 11 industries classified in Division 22 "Manufacture of iron and steel " including "Iron industries, with blast furnaces," "Steel manufactured, including converters and electric furnaces and with rolling facilities", "Hot rolling," "Cold rolling, "Cold rolled steel shapes", "Steel pipes and tubes", "Re-rolled steel products", "Cold finished steel bars", "Pipes and tubes drawing", "Wire drawing", "Miscellaneous steel materials, except made by smelting furnaces and steel works with rolling facilities , except coated steel".

### 4. Definition of Variables

(1) Number of establishments

The 2014 Census provides the number of establishments as of December 31, 2014.

These establishments is defined as a factory, works or plant, etc. mainly engaged in the manufacture or processing of industrial products at a single location.

(2) Number of employees

The 2014 Census provides the number of employees as a total number of "sole proprietors and unpaid family workers," and "regular workers" as of December 31, 2014. It excludes temporary workers.

- i "Sole proprietors and unpaid family workers" are defined as working proprietors and their families working full time for them without remuneration. Accordingly, inactive proprietors and families providing no more than casual help are not included in this definition.
- ii "Regular workers" are classified into "full-time workers," "part-time workers" and "workers supplied by other companies," and are those who fall either one of the following categories:
  - a. those who are employed for an indefinite-period or for longer than a month,
  - b. those who are employed for 18 days or longer during the previous and current months out of casual hires on a daily or less-than-monthly basis,
  - c. those who are supplied by employment agencies, and are leased workers from a parent company, to whom the same rules mentioned above a. and b. are applicable,
  - d. those who work full time and receive monthly remuneration as directors, executives, etc., and
  - e. those who are full-time family workers and receive monthly salaries or wages for work performed.
    - a) "Full-time workers" are employed workers who are generally called "regular employees" or "regular officials" excluding those who are dispatched to other companies.
    - b) "Part-time workers" are those who are generally called "part-time workers" or the like.
    - c) "Workers supplied by other companies" are those who are leased or supplied by other companies, or employment agencies.

iii "Temporary workers" refer to persons other than regular workers, and who are employed on agreements shorter than a month or on daily agreements.

(3) Value of manufactured goods shipments

The value of manufactured goods shipments is defined as the total value of annual income in 2014 from manufactured goods shipments, receipts for production done to others, shipments for scraps and salable refuse, and other revenue, including internal tax on consumption and general consumption tax. Thus, the value of manufactured goods shipments in this report may not be consistent with the ones in the report that measure the value of commodities.

- i "Manufactured goods shipment" refers to the case where products manufactured by an establishment using its own raw materials (including products transformed by the establishments of other enterprise on material-supplied subcontract) are shipped by the establishment in 2014, including the following.
  - a. Products transferred to other establishments of the same enterprise,
  - b. Consumption of own production (consumed as final products by the establishment itself), and
  - c. Shipped on consigned sales (including those shipped but unsold, but excluding those returned in 2014).
- ii "Receipts for production done to others" represents payments received and / or receivable against production activities such as processing, transforming, assembling or fabricating of principal-owned materials as ordered during 2014.
- iii "Other revenue" refers to receipts other than i., ii. and shipments for scraps and salable refuse, including the value of sale of goods purchased /received for resale in the same condition as received, receipt for maintenance service, receipt for cold storage, and sale of privately-generated surplus power.

(4) Industrial Site

- ① Site area of establishments refers to the entire area used by establishments, including those rented as of December 31, 2014. However, areas used for mining, housing, dormitories, playgrounds, warehouses, and other welfare facilities, etc. are excluded, providing the areas where manufacturing facilities are located can be clearly separated either by borders such as roads (public roads), walls, fences, etc., or in any other way. In addition, areas adjacent to an establishment, which are expected to be used for future expansion and are exclusively occupied by an establishment, are included.
- ② Building area of establishments refers to the entire area in which all the buildings in the site of an establishment are located. Areas where buildings are under construction as of December 31, 2014, are also included, if they have already been recorded in the construction process accounts.
- ③ Total floor area of establishments refers to the entire floor area of all buildings located in an establishment.

(5) Industrial Water

- ① Fresh water
  - a. Amount of water used by source
    - 1) Public water refers to water drawn from industrial water-supply systems or waterworks that are operated by a prefecture or municipality.
      - a) Industrial water refers to water drawn from water-supply systems (industrial water-supply systems), which supply industrial water inadequate for drinking.
      - b) Waterworks refers to the general water supply obtained from the water supply (waterworks), which supply drinking water.
    - 2) Well water refers to water drawn from a shallow well, deep well or water spring.
    - 3) Other fresh water refers to other than 1) Public water, 2) Well water, and 4) Water recovered, etc. It includes water drawn from rivers, lakes or storage reservoirs (surface water), water drawn from infiltration galleries within river terraces and old river areas (underflow water), and water from agricultural water supplies, water from other establishments, etc.

- 4) Water recovered refers to water circulated after the use in an establishment, whether or not it has gone through recovery systems, such as a cooling tower, a backwater pond, a settling pond, and / or a circulation system.

b. Amount of water used by use

- 1) Boiler water is water used to generate steam within a boiler.
- 2) Raw material water is water used as raw materials in the process of manufacturing, or water used additionally as part of raw materials for manufacturing.
- 3) Product processing and cleaning water refers to water used to be applied to physical processes, such as immersion or dissolution of raw materials, semi-manufactured goods, finished goods, etc., or water used to clean facilities, or raw materials and finished products, at a factory.
- 4) Cooling and heating water: Cooling water refers to water used to cool facilities, or raw materials and finished goods, at a factory.  
Water for heating or cooling refers to water used to adjust temperature or moisture within a factory.
- 5) Other water refers to drinking water or water for miscellaneous use, other than above items from 1) through 4).

- ② Salt water refers to seawater, and including water taken from the tidewater of rivers.

(6) Industrial district

- ① The 233 districts shown in the statistical tables of this Report by Industrial Site and Water are consistent with those in the Report by Industrial District, so that both Reports are comparable, including the following:  
Industrial districts in which 200 or more establishments are located, covered by the Survey for Suitable Sites for Factories, conducted by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry in 2002, Tokyo 23 wards and Osaka city.
- ② The present industrial districts have been applied since the Census 2001.  
Also changes such as consolidations, additions, deletions, etc. of municipalities in industrial districts are also reviewed and corrected at the end of December, every year. Refer to the names and ranges of the industrial districts.

## 5. Symbols and Notes

- (1) Symbols used in this report are as follows:

[ - ]: no relevant value

[ 0 ]: fractions of a unit rounded off

[ ▲ ]: negative figures

The symbol [  $\chi$  ] means confidential. When the number of respondent establishment (s) is either one or two, the data are suppressed. Some other data may be suppressed even the number of respondents is three or more, when there is a risk of the disclosure of individual information. However, the number of employees was no longer suppressed after August 2005.

- (2) The unit of value is millions of yen, and fractions less than a unit are rounded off.

### **III Special instructions**

- 1. Any person who intends to release these figures in other publications should state the source of information as follows:**

**The Census of Manufacture (2014 edition) compiled by the Research and Statistics Department, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.**

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