

II Explanations of Terms

(Items Related to Information Technology)

Total households

The sum of two-or-more-person households plus one-person households.

Ownership and utilization of equipments and services related to information technology

Exclude ownership and use of such items for business purposes by households engaged in a business.

Ownership of equipments connected to the Internet

“Equipments connected to the Internet” refers to a device that can be connected to the Internet through use of functions built into itself or through use of connecting equipment. In terms of “ownership” of such a device, it does not matter if functions are actually used to access the Internet or not.

Equipments connected to the Internet Mobile telephone (Cell phone/PHS)

Cell or PHS telephones that can be directly connected to the Internet.

TV

TV that can use the Internet with connecting equipment.

Others

Items not covered by the above descriptions, such as video game machine that can connect directly to the Internet.

Means of communication for using the Internet

Internet used directly by telephone

Internet service used directly through telephones such as i(L)-mode, EZweb and Yahoo!-Keitai.

xDSL (ADSL, etc.)

Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL, SDSL, HDSL and VDSL).

Fiber-optics

Fiber optic line such as FLET’S Hikari and Hikari One.

CATV

Line using cable television cables.

ISDN

Integrated Services Digital Network line.

Analog

Standard telephone line.

Others

Other means and services not covered by the above descriptions, such as wireless Internet or satellite Internet service.

Utilization of the Internet for this month (survey month)

Includes use of any equipment that can be connected to the Internet, even equipments that are outside the home, such as in a library or a Internet cafe.

Utilization of Electronic money etc.

In this survey, the definition of electronic money is currency value stored in media, like the following example.

e.g.) Edy, Suica, ICOCA, PASMO, “Osaifu Keitai”, WebMoney, BitCash, QuoCard

Credit cards, Debit cards, and Post-pays are excluded from the electronic money. Moreover, prepaid card such as “common bus card” that can purchase only specific goods and services are not included in electronic money in this survey.

(Items Related to Expenditure)

Total households

The sum of two-or-more person households plus one-person households.

[Communications, broadcasting]

Mobile telephone (cell phone, PHS) charges

Basic fees and connection fees for cell phones, Personal Handy Phone Systems, etc. Include charges for optional services, and prepaid cards for cell phones and PHSs.

Telephone charges

Basic fees and connection fees for fixed phone lines, telegram fees, use fees for cable TV phone, Internet connection fees (measured rate), ISDN connection fees (excluding FLET'S ISDN (flat rate)), etc.

Exclude telephone installation charges, shared facilities costs, telephone transfer fees, telephone card charges and public telephone charges.

Internet connection fees (provider fees and line usage charges)

Subscription covering both provider fees and fixed line use charges – fixed charges for ADSL, FLET'S ISDN, optical fiber, etc.

Exclude Internet connection using cable TV line.

Internet connection fees (provider fees)

Subscription not covering both provider fees and fixed line use charges. Include only provider fees for the Internet connection.

CATV license fees (viewing and internet connection)

CATV service with the Internet connection.

CATV license fees (viewing only)

CATV service without the Internet connection. Include cases in which CATV reception fees and digital broadcast fees are indistinguishable. Exclude NHK broadcast viewing fee.

Digital satellite broadcast viewing fees

Viewing fees for BS digital and CS digital broadcasts, such as digital WOWOW, Sky PerfectTV! and Star Channel BS.

Exclude NHK satellite broadcast viewing fee.

[Furniture, etc.]

Chests of drawers

Any kind of chest of drawers, whether Japanese or Western style, large or small, including closets for baby wear and wardrobes.

Beds

Single bed, double bed, bunk beds, water bed and pipe bed, etc.

Exclude beds for medical purposes and bedding.

Quilts

Anything used as bedding, whether placed over or under the sleeping man, or a combination of both.

Exclude blankets, mattresses, bedding for babies and coverlet for a *kotatsu*.

Desks and chairs (for work or study)

Include desks and chairs for office or study use, those designed for *tatami* mats.

Exclude tables for dining or use on *tatami* mats, and piano chairs.

Sideboards

Sideboard, etc. (including those in dining room, living room, etc.).

Drawing room suites

Items mainly used for receiving guests, including single items (such as sofa only or table only).

Musical instruments (including parts of instrument)

Piano, electronic musical instruments, violins, trumpets, harmonicas, drums, koto, shamisen, etc.

Exclude piano chairs, piano tuning charges, metronomes, music desks, etc.

[Clothing]

Men's suits

Suit and formal wear for men from seventh grade of school and upward.

Exclude single items (jacket only or trousers only), overcoats, uniforms, etc.

Women's one-piece dresses and suits

Suit, one-piece dresses and formal dresses for women from seventh grade of school and upward.

Exclude single items (jacket only or skirt only), blouses, overcoats, maternity wear, etc.

Japanese clothing (for men and women)

Japanese clothing of all kinds for seventh graders of school and upward, including *haori* half-coat, *obi*, *yukata* (summer *kimono*), *tanzen* coat, Japanese overcoat, *jimbei* (summer wear) and underwear for *kimono*, and also including festival wear.

Exclude nightwear, *tabi* socks and sewing charges, etc.

[Motor cars - related costs]

Automobiles (new)

Base price covering standard equipment at the time of purchase plus automobile acquisition tax (less trade-in price if any).

Exclude automobile tax, automobile weight tax, registration fees, charges for options and other extra specifications, etc.

Automobiles (second-hand)

Base price plus automobile acquisition tax (less trade-in price if any). Also include deregistered new cars (*shinkosha*).

Exclude automobile tax, automobile weight tax and registration fees.

Automotive insurance premium (compulsion)

Premium for compulsory automobile liability insurance charged at the time of purchase or periodic official car inspection.

Exclude premiums for voluntary insurance and non-automobile transport equipment (motorbikes, etc.).

Automotive insurance premium (option)

Premiums for voluntary insurance.

Exclude premiums for compulsory automobile liability insurance.

Motorized vehicles other than automobiles

Base price covering standard equipment at the time of purchase plus vehicle acquisition tax. Also applicable to second hand purchases. Include motorbikes, scooters, electric tricycles or quadricycles and motorboats, etc.

Automotive maintenance and repairs

Costs of necessary services for maintenance and repair of automobile, including repair charges and technical fees for official car inspection.

Exclude fitting or repair fees for automobile - related parts such as car stereos.

[Housing]

House-related equipping/construction/repair costs (interior)

Costs of equipment and appliances for house interiors, and of installation and repair of same, including fitting fees for integrated kitchen system, aluminum window sashes, *tatami* mats and bathtub, installation fees for air conditioners, flooring, electric power and gas facilities and telephone equipment.

Exclude costs of expansion, remodeling or new construction of house.

House-related equipping/construction/repair costs (exterior)

Costs of equipment and appliances for house exteriors and accessories to house, including gates, external walls and fences, and installation and repair of same. Include veranda, detached storeroom, garden stones and trees, work on garage, exterior painting, and roof repair.

Exclude costs of expansion, remodeling or new construction of house.

Water supply and drainage construction costs

Costs of construction, repair, maintenance and inspection of water supply and drainage facilities for kitchen, bathroom and toilet.

Gardens, trees and plants tending costs

Costs of services for maintenance and management of plants and garden, including fees for tree trimming, sprinkling of sterilizer, purchases from gardener, gardener's service and gardening.

Exclude plant items such as flower seeds and bulbs, and gardening supplies such as fertilizers, earth, plant pots, props, insecticides and sterilizers.

Rents for dwelling

Rent for privately owned, Urban Renaissance Agency, public corporation or issued house, including rent for room and directly paid house or room rent for non-member of the household.

Exclude joint expenses, management fees, rent for parking lot, contract renewal fees and remitted rent for non-member of the household (remittances to family members living out).

Rents for land

Rent for housing lot under lease, including rent for housing site premises, rent for private path and other land.

Exclude rent for parking lot.

[Home electric appliances, etc.]

Refrigerators

Include other low-temperature storage containers such as freezer, rice store and wine cellar.

Washing machines

Include dryer and spin-drier.

Air conditioners

Include air conditioner for both cooling and heating or one for cooling only.

Exclude installation fees.

Sewing machines

Include electric sewing machine and lock sewing

machine, etc.

Exclude manual sewing machine, sewing table and accessories.

Stereo phonograph sets

Include modular stereo and mini-modular stereo.

Exclude car stereo, radio-cassette recorder with CD (MD) function and separate components (for CD, MD or analog disc).

Personal computers

Desktop PC and laptop PC, including display unit only and keyboard only.

Exclude peripheral items.

Personal computer peripherals and software

Include printer, scanner, mouse, various drives and software for PC.

Mobile telephone (cell phone, PHS unit prices and entry fees)

Include fees for change to another model.

Exclude rental fees.

Fax

Exclude fixed telephone with the Internet connection function and associated items.

TV (with built-in digital broadcast tuner)

TV with built-in ground-wave, BS or CS digital broadcast tuner.

TV (without digital broadcast tuner)

TV without function for reception of digital broadcasts.

Digital broadcast tuner and antenna

Tuner and antenna for reception of ground-wave, BS or CS digital broadcast.

Video recorders (DVD recorder, player, etc. are included)

DVD recorder and Blu-ray disc recorders etc.

Video games with Internet connection function

Include PlayStation 3, Xbox360 and Nintendo DS, Wii, etc.

Cameras (excluding disposable camera)

Exclude film pack with lens (disposable camera), peripheral items and repair costs.

Video cameras

Exclude peripheral items and repair costs.

Car navigation systems

Include HDD, DVD and CD-ROM navigation

systems, etc.

Exclude fitting charges.

[Medical care]

Dental treatment

Fees for cure of disease, initial-visit fees, orthodontics, prescriptions, false teeth provided by dentist, etc.

Medical treatment (excluding dental)

Fees for cure of disease, surgery, injection, house call and examination based on doctor's diagnosis (excludes routine health check). Include fees for massage and acupuncture received in hospital, and rehabilitation guidance received in hospital, etc.

Delivery fees

All costs of hospitalization in connection with child delivery.

Exclude reservation charges and midwife fees.

Hospital charges (excluding delivery)

All costs of hospitalization not related to delivery. Also applies to direct payment of hospital charges for non-member of the household hospitalized for long period (3 months or longer).

Exclude hospitalization for routine health check, such as complete medical checkup.

[Others]

Tuition (kindergarten-university) (public)

Tuition (kindergarten-university) (private)

Tuition and other fees payable for education at school governed by the School Education Act (Act No.26, 1947). Such schools as kindergartens, elementary schools, junior high schools, high schools and universities (including junior colleges, technical colleges and graduate schools) and special schools (including vocational schools and technical schools). Fees for examinations, entrance, homeroom activities, school trips, PTA dues and tuition paid directly for non-member of the household.

Exclude nursing fees of day nursery, tuition for preparatory school, textbook fees, school lunch fees and tuition remitted to non-member of the household.

Tutorial fees

Fees for cram school, preparatory school, correspondence study and home tutor to supplemental study of main scholastic curricula, etc. instituted under the School Education Act.

Exclude tuition and textbook costs for non-standard education and/or practical lessons such as piano class, English conversation or the like.

Highway fares (using ETC)

Charges of using ETC (electronic toll collection system).

Highway fares (excluding ETC)

Highway fares excluding use of ETC.

Lesson fees, driving school

Fees for entrance, lessons, skill examination and motorcycle driving lessons at driving school, etc.

Exclude fees for driver's license examination and issuance of driver's license.

Air fares

Various fares for use of aircraft on domestic or international routes.

Exclude fares paid for business trips.

Accommodation costs

Various charges for accommodation overnight.

Exclude charges paid for business trips.

Package tour costs (domestic)

Package fees covering transportation and hotel charges of domestic travels.

Exclude charges paid for business trips.

Package tour costs (overseas)

Package fees covering transportation and hotel charges of overseas travels.

Exclude charges paid for business trips.

Rental fees for sports facilities

Admission fees of swimming pool and ice skate rink etc., bowling play fees, and tennis membership fees.

Rental fees of tennis court, baseball stadium and gymnasium.

Golf practice fees, golf play fees, and service charges of golf course.

Participation and registration fees of sports events, initial membership fees and membership fees of gym, and charges for fitness club and equestrian club, etc.

Exclude rental fees of ski boots and skates, and rental fees of lockers (coin lockers).

Wedding ceremony and reception costs

Wedding costs, including those for ceremony, reception, etc., payable by bridegroom or bride. Include direct payment to party organizers on behalf of bridegroom or bride who is not a member of the household.

Exclude costs of accommodation, transportation, gift money, monetary honorarium paid to matchmaker, bride's trousseaus, and clothes rented, etc. for anyone other than bridegroom and bride.

Funeral service costs

All costs borne by host of funeral or memorial service.

Exclude costs of accommodation, transportation, condolence gift, and costs of funeral or memorial service borne by anyone other than host.

Religion-related costs

All costs pertaining to religious services, including contribution to temple or shrine, household altar or gravestone.

Orders over the Internet

Orders or reservations for goods and services over the Internet.

Exclude orders or reservations at store counter.

Total expenditure

Total monthly expenditure includes food costs and utilities charges in addition to the total sum paid for purchases of specific goods and services.

The following items are not included in total expenditure.

Direct taxes ((national) income tax, residents' tax, fixed asset tax, etc.).

Social insurance premiums (premiums for public pension, medical insurance, etc.).

Bank deposits and postal saving.

Premiums for insurance (with property of savings).

Repayments of loans (including housing loans, etc.).

Purchases of property (real estate including land and house, etc.).

Remittance

Money remitted to non-member of the household to pay for livelihood, house rent, tuition, etc.

Excludes house rent, utilities charges, tuition, etc. for non-member of the household paid directly.

Money gifts

Cash paid as congratulatory, consolation or ceremonial gift according to common practice, including congratulatory, farewell, consolation, condolence and gratitude gifts, etc. Also include gifts given in the form of shopping vouchers, gift vouchers, etc. bought for such purpose.

Districts**Hokkaido**

Hokkaido

Tohoku

Aomori-ken, Iwate-ken, Miyagi-ken, Akita-ken, Yamagata-ken, Fukushima-ken

Kanto

Ibaraki-ken, Tochigi-ken, Gumma-ken,
Saitama-ken, Chiba-ken, Tokyo-to, Kanagawa-ken,
Yamanashi-ken, Nagano-ken

Hokuriku

Niigata-ken, Toyama-ken, Ishikawa-ken, Fukui-ken

Tokai

Gifu-ken, Shizuoka-ken, Aichi-ken, Mie-ken

Kinki

Shiga-ken, Kyoto-fu, Osaka-fu, Hyogo-ken,
Nara-ken, Wakayama-ken

Chugoku

Tottori-ken, Shimane-ken, Okayama-ken,
Hiroshima-ken, Yamaguchi-ken

Shikoku

Tokushima-ken, Kagawa-ken, Ehime-ken,
Kochi-ken

Kyushu & Okinawa

Fukuoka-ken, Saga-ken, Nagasaki-ken,
Kumamoto-ken, Oita-ken, Miyazaki-ken,
Kagoshima-ken, Okinawa-ken

City Groups

Cities and Ku-area of Tokyo are classified into the following four groups by the size of population based on the result of 2005 Population Census

Major cities

Designated cities under article 252-19 of the Local Autonomy Act (Act No.67, 1947) and Ku-area of Tokyo (excluding Okayama-shi)

Middle cities

Cities with population of 150,000 or more (excluding Major cities)

Small cities A

Cities with population of 50,000 or more, but less than 150,000

Small cities B・Towns and villages

Cities with population of less than 50,000, towns and villages