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### A Centralized Statistical Information System in the Decentralized Statistics System

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### 1-1 Background

#### Environment in statistical work in Japan

- · Situation:
  - Each ministry conducts its statistical work within the decentralized system of Japanese official statistics.
- ·Issues:
  - Duplication of the developments and operations of information systems and the related work among the ministries.
- ·Solution:
  - Reviewing and integrating the systems and the work of the respective ministries.
- ·Lead to:
  - Reduced costs, simplified and rationalized work, and improved public services.

### 1-2 Background

<u>"Program for Building e-Government" was decided by</u> the CIO\* Council in 2003

•The program aims at:

- providing the public with user-oriented government services;
- realizing a simplified and cost-effective government.

•The program indicates:

- All business processes and systems of the government should be systematically sorted out and grouped by similarity of functions across ministries.

\*CIO (Chief Information Officer) Council is an assembly of Director-Generals of the Secretariat of all the ministries.

### 2-1 Optimization Plan

# "Optimization Plan of Business Processes and Systems"

·In response to the "Program for Building e-Government",

this plan was adopted by the CIO Council in 2006:

- to centralize systems managed by the respective ministries;
- to restructure official work thoroughly.

### 2-2 Optimization Plan on Official Statistics

#### "Optimization Plan of Business Processes and Systems of Official Statistics"

•This plan is:

- a part of the "Optimization Plan of Business Processes and Systems";
- playing a leading role for all the action plans.

·This plan was:

- drafted by the Statistics Bureau with collaboration of the ministries;
- decided by the CIO Council in 2006.

•This plan aims at:

- saving public statistical expenditure and work (expecting yearly reductions of 1.7 billion yen, 300 thousand man-days, in total);
- improving public statistical services;
- centralizing the statistical information systems which were maintained by the respective ministries.

### 2-3 Optimization Plan on Official Statistics

#### "Optimization Plan of Business Processes and Systems of Official Statistics", Cont.

·Main points of the plan are:

- integration of statistical information systems of the ministries;
- development of the common statistical frame for business surveys;
- promotion of on-line surveys;
- provision of a one-stop service for use of statistics;
- efficiency and simplification of statistical work.

Development of the Inter-Ministry Information System for Official Statistics (IMISOS)

### 3-1 Inter-Ministry Information System for Official Statistics (IMISOS)

#### What is the IMISOS ?

·A vehicle to implement the optimization plan on statistics

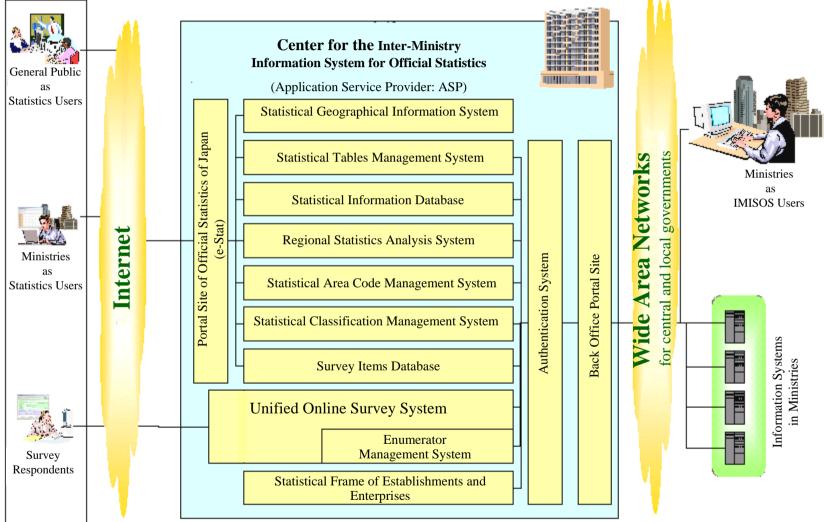
- ·A unified statistical information system of all ministries
- ·Designed and developed by the Statistics Bureau (2006 2007)
- ·Launched in April 2008, and managed by the National Statistics Center in consultation with the ministries

#### Major services by the IMISOS:

- A one-stop service for disseminating statistical information of all ministries
- ·Unified on-line survey system
- Management and sampling of population information for the surveys on establishments and enterprises

### 3-2 IMISOS

#### Inter-Ministry Information System for Official Statistics



### 4-1 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

#### What is the Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)?

- The e-Stat is a portal site which systematically connects the IMISOS and the statistics-related websites of the ministries to realize a one-stop service for statistical information.
  - It collects information from statistical departments of all the ministries.
  - It enables the public to access government statistical information in real-time on one website.
  - It has various useful functions for users.

Users can obtain their desired statistical information whenever they need, without regard to which ministry is responsible for the statistics.

### 4-2 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

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### 4-3 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

#### Services by the e-Stat

- ·Search for statistics
  - Viewing and downloading data
- ·Easy access to main statistics (looking through figures and graphs)
  - Japan in figures and graphs
  - Regional Statistics
  - Thematic map (fusion of geographical information and statistical information)
- ·Learn metadata
  - Providing information such as statistical classifications, statistical items, and names and codes of municipalities
- ·Others
  - Explaining statistical system of Japan, latest survey results, etc.

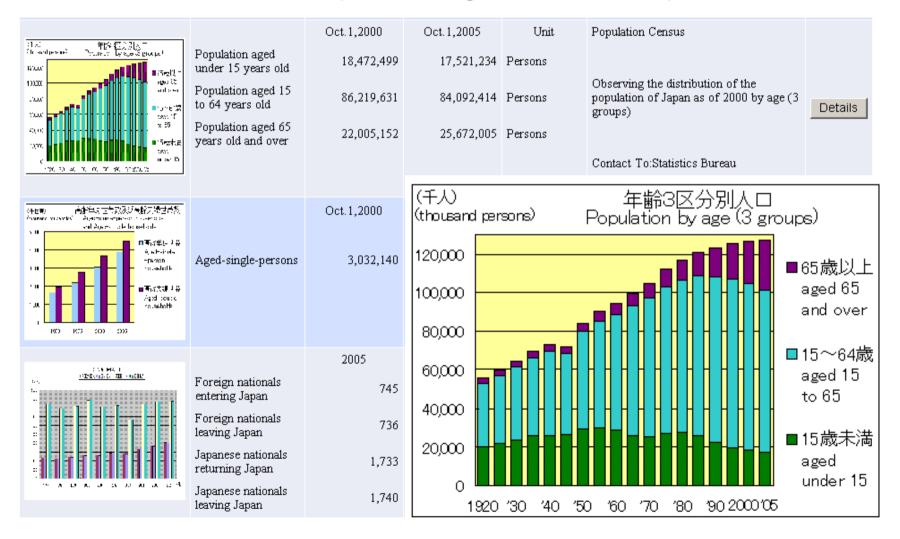
## 4-4 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

#### Case1: Search for Statistics

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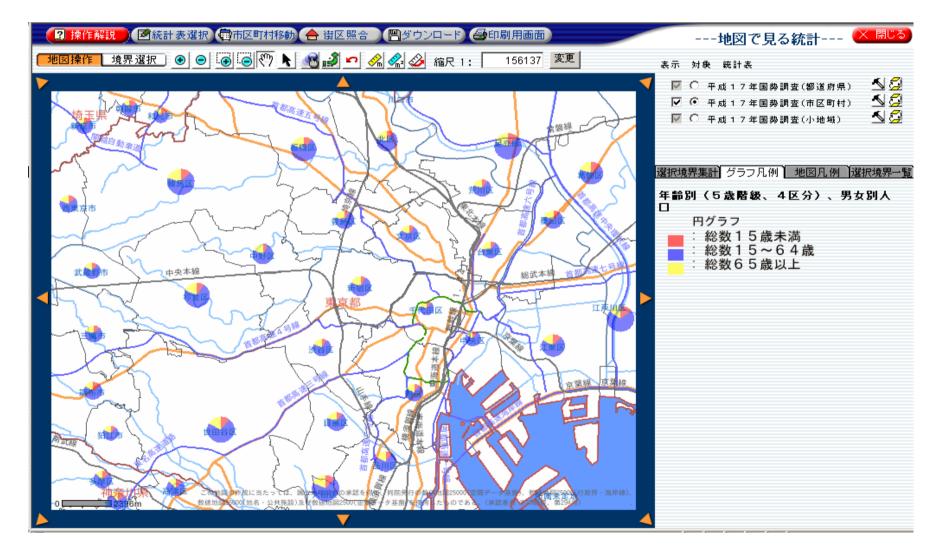
### 4-5 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

#### Case2: Japan in Figures and Graphs



### 4-6 Portal Site of Official Statistics (e-Stat)

#### Case3: Thematic Map (Statistics GIS)



### 5 Challenges

### For further progress of the current IMISOS

· Promoting the utilization of the current IMISOS

- Enhanced publicities for potential users
- Increasing the contents of the IMISOS

#### As the next step

·Considering the direction of the next-generation IMISOS

- New services to be provided
- Evolution to more user-friendly system

### 6 Concluding Remarks

- The Statistics Bureau is successfully driving the optimization plan on statistics with good cooperation of all other ministries.
- The IMISOS is a unified system of official statistics of all the ministries.
- The e-Stat in the IMISOS provides the public with statistical information without regard to which ministry is responsible for the information.
- •Keys to success:
  - Setting goals and visions of the plan as concrete as possible to obtain consensus among the ministries
  - Leadership of the Statistics Bureau and cooperation of all other ministries to implement the plan
  - Efficient system management by the National Statistics Center with know-how of statistical information systems



http://e-stat.go.jp